

Greetings Auxiliary Members,

First of all, I would like to thank the host Districts for the great hospitality that I experienced when I attended your meetings!

Membership year runs from January 1 through December 31. Our dues renewals for the next year start being pushed out in July to the members that have email addresses. The paper renewals are in the mail in September. Your dues for the next year need to be paid by December 31 in order to remain a current member. Your dues are not considered paid until they reach the National office database. If your dues are not paid, your membership is not current, and you will be a guest at your next meeting or event. And that means you do not have member privileges such as voting or making motions at your meeting. If you happen to have insurance through the Auxiliary, it could lapse because your dues are not current. Your dues are important to your unit as is your membership.

Dues are important to the Department as well. Dues are what makes the Department function, so it is important that they are collected in a timely manner. Please DO NOT HOLD dues, process them right away.

ALAMIS (American Legion Auxiliary Management Information System) is a great resource for your unit to function easily. One or two members are eligible to have access to ALAMIS. A request needs to be sent to the Department office with your name, email address, and unit number. There are numerous reports that are helpful for membership. You have access to update a member profile, paid, and unpaid memberships to mention a few. There is a fee involved depending on which access you would like. For further information you may contact the Department office or me.

Just a reminder that all unit mailings and The Message are archived on our website: www.ndala.org.

A big shout out to all the units that achieved 100% or better this year!! You are 'ROCKING' membership.

Thank you to all the members that take the time to engage with our veterans, youth, and community. You all portray our mission so very well!!

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