

March 2025

Unit Presidents, Auxiliary Members All, Department Officers, Department Chairs,

Please share these documents with your unit members and at the upcoming District Meetings. All documents in this packet will be posted on the Department's website: *WWW.ndala.org*.

- Department President, LoAnn Dick Letter to all Auxiliary members.
- National Security Chairman, Gloria Covert Gloria has asked that this information be shared at your District Meetings. Does your unit have a Service Member who would qualify for the Salute to Service Members Award? The national organization is hoping for a selection from each Department.
- Department Historian, Andrea Neshem Deadline: June 1, 2025 Andrea encourages all units to complete a "UNIT HISTORY" annually. It is important to keep your unit history up to date.
- Legislative Grassroots Newsletter It is important to know the issues The American Legion is working on behalf of our veterans and their families on the National level. But keep in mind The American Legion Department of North Dakota sent a communications regarding an important issue that is coming before the North Dakota State legislature. Make your voice heard on state issues as well!
- **Membership Unit Goals (March 5-12, 2025)** North Dakota Membership Chairmen are continuing to do a great job gathering membership dues and recruiting new and former members. Congratulations on your efforts. North Dakota is at 82.38% as of this week.
- **Public Relations, Marcy Schmidt** Thank you to all units who have already shared your activities with articles and pictures. I have shared them with Cleo Waters, NW Division Chairman. Cleo and I encourage units to continue to share your activities on FaceBook, Tik-Tok, as well as sending those articles and pictures to be published in local newspapers and the Department's newspaper '*The Message*."
- The Poppy Story shared with you be Dept. Poppy Chairmen, Carol Wolf and Ginny Stendahl – Share this story with your unit members and with your community. Remember National Poppy Day is – May23, 2025.



## **Reminders from the February Unit Mailer**

- Unit Member of the Year Nomination Heidi Wakefield, Department
  Leadership Chairman Heidi encourages all units to nominate someone from your unit for this award. The application was enclosed in the January 2025 unit mailer.
- **2024-2025 Year End Reports –** Unit Presidents, ask your members to submit their volunteer hours and donations. then compile and submit the information to your District President. Reporting is so important.
  - The information is used to inform Congress about who we are and what we do for veterans and their families. It is also distributed in a report at the National Convention each year.
  - Every hour and every dollar counts. LoAnn, our Department President is looking for 100% reporting this year. So let us make her proud.