

PREAMBLE

(To its Constitution)

For God and Country, we associate ourselves for the following purposes:

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America: to maintain law and order: to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism: to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations during all wars: to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation: to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses: to make right the master of might: to promote peace and goodwill on earth: to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of Justice, Freedom and Democracy: to participate in and contribute to the accomplishments of the aims and purposes of The American Legion: to

consecrate and sanctify our association by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

Mission Statement

In the spirit of 'Service, Not Self', the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace, and security.

Vision Statement

The vision of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion while becoming the premier service organization and foundation of every community providing support for our veterans, our military, and their families by shaping a positive future in an atmosphere of fellowship, patriotism, peace, and security.

THANK YOU!

Thank you, everyone for attending the 104th Department Convention. Thank you to everyone who has supported me along the way as I prepare to lead the Department of North Dakota as your Department President in 2025-26.

I want to extend a special thank you to my parents, Viola and Harland Berg, my sisters, my children, my extended family, my friends, the York American Legion Post 268 and Auxiliary of York, ND District 3, and my ND Department American Legion Auxiliary family.

You can follow the ND American Legion Auxiliary and this year's happenings here:

ND American Legion Auxiliary website: www.ndala.org

Facebook page: North Dakota American Legion Auxiliary

The Message - Our Department publication is distributed quarterly

Constant Contact - Emails will be sent out regularly

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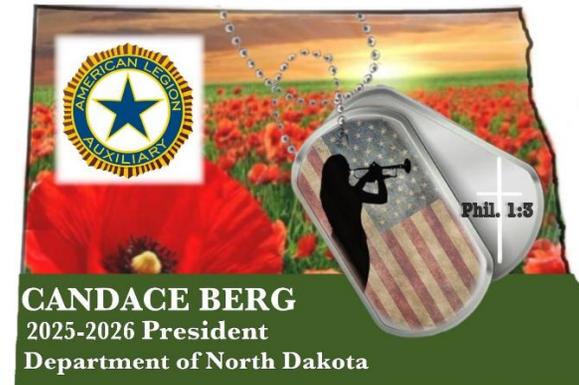
DEPARTMENT OF NORTH DAKOTA
PRESIDENT INSTALLATION



CANDACE RENEE BERG

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

2025-2026



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SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS,
WE HONOR YOU ALL.”

Candace Renee Berg is a resident of Devils Lake, ND and has been a proud member of the York American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) Unit 0268 since 1976. Her eligibility is through her father, Harland Berg, a Vietnam Veteran. Candace has been endorsed and supported by the York American Legion Auxiliary and Legion Post and the American Legion Commander for District 3, which includes York Unit 0268.

Candace is proud to be part of the American Legion Family and has been involved with supporting veterans since her youth. She has fond memories of being the trumpet player for Memorial Day services in Benson County alongside her father. She and her family also spent a lot of time at the Legion in York for meetings, holidays, and events. The York Auxiliary provided scholarships for Candace to attend International Music Camp and many other opportunities for her and her siblings through the years. From an early age, Candace knew her parents were active and loyal members of the York post and unit. Her mother, Viola has served as York Unit President and still has membership with the York unit; while her father served in many roles with the York Legion, he was a life-long member, and he was proudly serving in a few board roles until he passed away during Covid-19 in January 2020. Candace has siblings and a daughter, Haylee who also have active memberships with the York Auxiliary.

Candace began her role with the ND Department as Vice President when Sandra Petermann, the ND Department President at the time, visited with Candace and encouraged her to consider a state/department position. That same year, Candace began serving as the Department Vice President, and since then has served as the Membership Chairman and Co-Chairman, and President-Elect for the ND Department American Legion Auxiliary.

Candace is now ready to follow Gods' plan for her, honor her parents, honor the veterans, and leave a positive impact in doing her part to serve our veterans and their families and continue to impart a sense of pride for this organization and what it represents.

Candace was raised on a farm in the York-Knox area in Benson County. She attended and graduated from Leeds Public School. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology from Minot State University. Candace has been living and working in Devils Lake since 1997, and she is currently a 21-year employee for Lake Region District Health Unit, where she serves as the Environmental Health Director for seven counties in northeast North Dakota.

Candace is a proud parent of three children: Tylor (28), Haylee (24 in July), and Landyn (18). Tylor lives in Grafton and works for MDU; Haylee is a teacher at Sweetwater Elementary School in Devils Lake, and Landyn graduated from high school last month and is working in the agricultural field.

Candace enjoys photography (as IceBerg Images by Candace), drawing, exploring in nature, genealogy, volunteering for good causes, and spending time with loved ones. Candace was raised in a strong Christian family, has a strong faith, and strives to keep those values in her everyday life.

Candace is an active member of other organizations, including being a board member with the Ramsey County 4-H Council and a board member and chairman for the VFW Auxiliary to Post 756 (Devils Lake).

Candace is very proud of her ALA membership, and in 2026, will be celebrating her 50th anniversary with the ND American Legion Auxiliary.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT INSTALLATION

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2025-2026 DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

Sunday, June 29, 2025 - 10 AM

Ramada by Wyndham Hotel - Fargo, ND

Sargeant at Arms Presentation - Sandra Petermann
Installation of Officers - Past Department President Judy Twete
Department President Pin and Ribbon Exchange
Department Presidents Message - Candace Berg
Closing Prayer
Retirement of Colors

My President pin

The 2025-26 ND President pin was designed by Amanda Havelange. It represents what a ND American Legion family encompasses and more. The pin is in the shape of North Dakota, and it contains the following: the American Legion Auxiliary LOGO; it has a beautiful CROSS on it that reminds me of the crosses in the veterans cemeteries, and it represents my strong faith and faith as a basis of this organization; the cross has on it the Bible verse, PHILLIPIANS 1:3 which reads, "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you." (KJV); it has DOG TAGS; RED/WHITE/BLUE colors on the dog tag; a POPPY field; and a TRUMPET PLAYER. The trumpet player represents the role I played, and many others play for Memorial Day services. Finally, on the back side of my pin is my motto/poem, which is: "TO SERVE AND PROTECT, YOU ANSWERED THE CALL; SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS, WE HONOR YOU ALL."

My President Projects

The Honor Flight Network for Eastern/Western North Dakota
The NDSU Bison Strides Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies Program for veterans and their families

