

# 10<sup>th</sup> District Newsletter-April 2016

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Happy Spring Conference Time, Auxiliary Ladies,

Again, Conference registration forms are included with this newsletter, along with our Bylaw and Constitution Changes. Please review and be prepared to vote. Our Conference is slated for Sat. April 23, beginning at 9 a.m. in Chetek. There will be a few changes in our Conference format this year. There will be no 60/40 raffle or Country Store, both of these will be replaced by a Silent Auction. If you have anything that you would like to donate for this auction, please bring it along. Another new item is we will have a guest singer for your entertainment. Abby Nyseth, Judy Walter's granddaughter, has consented to attend our conference and perform for us. All in all, it should be a new and exciting conference! Be sure to attend the conference and the banquet.

Please remember to bring pennies and a Holiday item for the various fundraisers that were described in my previous newsletters.

### **HISTORY BOOK REQUESTS.....Yvonne Hill**

Again, Will each District 10 Unit please send me a short history of what you have been doing since Spring Conference 2014? This information will be included in the District 10 History book that I will be completing in time for Spring Conference April 23. Please mail to Yvonne Hill 2943 US Hwy 53 Rice Lake, 54868-9370 or email [yhill45@yahoo.com](mailto:yhill45@yahoo.com).

Please remember to bring your Unit History Books to Spring Conference for judging- A citation will be given to the winner and the winner will be taken to Department Convention for their competition.

### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS.....SANDRA WERNER**

Hi everyone,

"Spring is here!" What a great time of the year! As of March 15 2016 the only unit to reach 100% is Barron unit 212. We have 9 units over 90%, so we have a great chance of 9 more units reaching 100%.

Just a reminder of our Spring Conference coming up the end of April in Chetek. I need your unit's membership chairman to let me know by April 14 2016 how your unit is doing. We will be giving out awards for largest increase in membership, first unit over the top, 100% membership, and District award for Super Sandy membership award. You have to beat her record of +60 new members. Email me at [tlwslw66@gmail.com](mailto:tlwslw66@gmail.com)

Our Family First Friends Forever contest will be picked by June 15 2016. The unit with the most new members will win \$150.00

**CHAPLAIN'S CORNER.....MARY TOWNSEND**

Dear God;

Great is the name of our God. Who has given us abundant life and every good gift.

You looks down on us with love and compassion and fill our days with joy. Enlarge our path that we may see those in need. Help us to serve You and others with kindness in our hearts.

Guide and protect the Legion Family and give us direction at the up-coming Spring Conference.

Bless us we pray...Amen

Inspirational Thought: A diamond with a flaw is worth more than a pebble without imperfections.  
Chinese Proverb

Be sure to send me a list of your deceased members before Spring Conference- my contact information is on the top of this letter. Also, if anyone submits a Unit Prayer book, a citation will be awarded at Spring conference.

For God and Country  
Karen K Hansen  
10<sup>th</sup> District President

Upcoming events:

Spring Conference, Chetek- April 23, 2016  
Junior Department Spring Conference- Brookfield –April 24

10TH DISTRICT

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

Vacancies of Officers

CURRENT READING:

Sec.1 – A vacancy existing in any office, with the exception of District President and Vice-President, from any cause other than expiration of term shall be filled by appointment by the District President and shall be ratified by the District Executive Board.

## PROPOSED CHANGE:

Sec.1 – A vacancy existing in any elected office/position, with the exception of District President and Vice-President, from any cause other than expiration of term shall be filled by appointment by the District President and shall be ratified by the District Executive Board.

## ARTICLE III

### Dues

## CURRENT READING:

Sec. 1 – That Units pay annual dues into the District Treasury to defray the District expenses, at the rate of \$4.00 (four) dollars for the Unit with a membership of 40 (forty) or less and an additional 15 cents per capita on every member over the first 40 members. Memberships to be based on number of paid up members at the end of the Auxiliary year as listed in the Red Book. Such dues must be in the hands of the District Treasurer at least 30 (thirty) days before the Spring Conference. Members from Units not having dues paid will be denied the privilege of voting on District business

## PROPOSED CHANGE:

Sec. 1 – That Units pay annual dues into the District Treasury to defray the District expenses, at the rate of \$15 (fifteen) per Unit. Such dues must be in the hands of the District Treasurer at least 30 (thirty) days before the Spring Conference. Members from Units not having dues paid will be denied the privilege of voting on District business.

Rational: The expenses of the District has increased over the years plus the additional expenses that may be encountered with the new Standing Committee and replacement of Executives Board members- at – large.

## 10TH DISTRICT

## CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE IV

### Committees:

### Current Reading

Sec. 3 – The President shall appoint a nominating committee, comprised of the immediate (Junior) Past President and not less than two other members, each from a different county, 60 days prior to Spring Conference, annually.

Sec. 4 – The District Secretary-Treasurer shall give her books to an audit committee of two members, previously appointed by the President, at the Spring Conference for auditing.

Changes:

Change Sec. 3 to read Sec. 4

Change Sec. 4 to Sec. 5

Add:

Sec. 3: 10 members shall constitute a quorum of the District Executive Board.