

Hello All

Hope things for this New Year is going well for you. First I apologize for not being up to everything I thought I would be able to but things are getting better. I am proud to announce that I am done with my chemotherapy and will have surgery in August so I will be ready to come and visit unit in September. So if you would like me to come and visit your unit please send me the dates of your meetings so I can schedule a visit.

I would like to send our sincere condolence to the family of Karen Purinton in her passing on July 5, 2017. Please keep Karen Hansen in your continued prayers.

I was able to make it to 2 days of state convention in July. I am proud to announce the following units received awards:

Chetek – American Legion Auxiliary Department of Wisconsin 2017 Department Presidents Award of Excellence

Chetek - Lou Ann Novak a certificate of Merit for initiating a Cavalcade of Memories project

Eau Claire – in recognition and sincere appreciation of your outstanding Service to Veterans narrative report and assistance which contributed to the advancement of the American Legion Auxiliary programs and activities dedicated to God and Country

Eau Claire – the highest donation by a Unit to the American Legion Auxiliary Emergency Fund in response to the Chairman’s Challenge

Eau Claire – Kris Klages a certificate in Appreciation of and Recognition for Writing the 2016-2017 Unit History Book

Haugen – Community Service Certificate of Appreciation for fundraisers that included Junior and Seniors in Community Service

Haugen – Education Award for most unique education program event “Our Veterans Wore Many Hats” Elementary School Window Display

Past 10th District President Karen Hansen for the largest financial contribution to the Past President Parley Scholarship fund

2017 History Certificate of Merit to Yvonne M Hill is awarded a Certificate of Appreciation of and recognition for the 1st Place writing of the 2016-2017 District History

There were more awards handed out during the Caucus but I was unable to attend. If your or your Unit received an award that was not mentioned here please let me know and I will make sure we let the district know the GREAT things your Unit has done.

Fall DEC meeting will be in Woodville, WI, September 23, 2017. I will send out an agenda within in the next few weeks

I will admit I don’t know a lot of your and have had a hard time trying to think of people to ask if you would like to hold a position and/or chairman ship. I still have a few of them to fill. If you would like to hold one of the following positions please let me know:

Secretary/Treasure

Sentinel

Constitution and Bylaws

PDP Mentoring

AEF

Junior Activities

Standing Rules

Community Service

Poppy

Public Relations

I will publish shortly a full list of everyone once I have all the positions filled.

I have attached copies of the flyer for the All Veteran Stand Down to be held in Eau Claire, Thursday, September 21, 2017, from 9am to 3pm. Please share this with the veterans in your areas as we are trying to get the word out for those veterans in need and not just the ones in the Eau Claire Area. If you would like a poster please let me know and I will get one to you.

Thank you for this opportunity to be your District President. If you have suggestions or would like to see things changed please let me know. You can reach me on my cell at 715-797-1289 or email me at rporter308@aol.com.

Chrys Porter
10th District President

Membership

Ready...Set...Go...the membership race is on, now that State Convention is over!

STOP!!! Think about your members!! Make sure you value them and show them that you appreciate them. Also, help bring out their Unit purpose by encouraging them to try new things, be on different committees, help with recruiting new members!!

Membership is not just about numbers, but about special people wanting to serve our veterans and others. Make membership an adventure!!

Membership Chairman's: The 2018 membership information has been sent out. Please read it completely because there are changes this year. If you have not received the new information, please let me know.

Recruitment Idea: Does your Community/Post have an annual event??

Set up a membership table for recruiting new members...have forms about eligibility, what the Legion Auxiliary does, and applications forms.

If you need any help please call, or e-mail me!!

Mary Townsend - 10th District Membership Chairman ☺☺

Chaplains Corner

Let me start by introducing myself, my name is Laurie Nichols and I am the chaplain for District 10 for the next two years.

I am also the President of the Mondovi Unit 154. I have been an American Legion Auxiliary member for 18 years. I am eligible to be a member through my brother. He served in the Marine Corps. Our military is an important part of who we all are and who we want to be. Sometimes they feel left out, but it is our job to remind everyone who will listen about the great family our American Legion and Auxiliary is. We are here for those who feel lost. As my role as Chaplain, I will be providing prayers for the monthly newsletters along with prayers at our meetings held for District 10. I ask that if a death would occur in a unit that I be notified for our records. I can be contacted by mail at:

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Almighty God, who made the light to shine in the darkness, shine now in our hearts, cleanse us, we pray for all our sins, and restore us to the light of your glory as we have seen it in the face of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen