



8th District Newsletter



President's Message

Hello Everyone!

Congratulations to Mosinee, Wild Rose, Vesper, Rosholt, Tigerton and Plover for being a 100% Unit for 2025! Caroline and Wisconsin Rapids only needs 2 renewals for 100%. Keep up the good work everyone! Officers make sure you get your memberships in. Any unit who is 100% by June will be recognized at Convention.

The nomination is working on gathering the next slate of officers. If you know any that would be interested in being a district officer, please contact the following individuals: Fran Bender (715-359-8469), Bonnie Schult (715-212-2034) or myself.

REMINDER Spring Conference will be held on April 26th in Wautoma and is being sponsored by the Waushara County Units – Wautoma, Wild Rose and Hancock-Coloma. Registrations due by April 12th. Names of members that have passed since the last Spring Conference should be sent to the District Chaplain – Ruth Henkelman (rrrhenk35@gmail.com). Unit History Books will be judged at the conference. Please bring your completed books along to the district conference.

REMINDER Year-end reporting is coming up. Members need to submit their year end reports to their Unit president by April 1st. The Unit Impact Report should be sent to me by April 15th. You can either email me a copy of the report or mail it to me directly – 807 S 9th Ave, Wausau WI 54401. All program narrative reports should be sent to Department Headquarters by April 15th.

A reminder to all Units, if any Unit has any upcoming events that they would like included in this newsletter, please let me know!

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Mark your Calendars!!

**District Spring Conference
April 26th**

**World War II Building
Wautoma**

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me either by phone or email. Thank you for all you do! Linda Tryczak

4 Ways to Keep your Members

1. Hold a retention contest, just like a recruitment contest. If your members respond well to incentives and competitions consider having a retention contest among your leaders. Divide the membership roster among the unit officers, executive committee and the membership team and assign a certain number of current of current members to each leader. Give prizes to the leaders who renew the most members. Help them out by giving them suggestions on how they can get reluctant member to renew.
2. Offer incentives to the first 10% who renew (free dinner, etc.) Why not have a contest among your members to see who can sent in their renewal dues the fastest? Give some type of incentive to those who renew before an certain date or are among the first to renew.
3. List first-time renewals in a special section of your newsletter. In addition to giving special recognition to new members, list those who are renewing for the first time in a special section of your newsletter. This remind these members that the decision they made a year ago to join your unit was a good decision. It will also remind them that the unit is glad to have them back again for a second year.
4. Be sure to acknowledge renewal checks, just like new member applications. Your unit probably makes a big deal when new members join by sending them welcome letters and new member kits and by putting their names in the newsletter. Yet, few units do anything to acknowledge renewals other than sending them their new Auxiliary card. Find some way to thank them for their renewal. Put a letter or card in the return envelope with their membership card. After all, these renewing members are making the same financial commitment ad first-time members and they deserve some recognition.

Unit Updates – Fremont Unit 391

Reminder – Fremont Unit 391 invites you to Chicken BBQ & Cookie Sale Saturday April 12th. Serving starts at 11:00. Post 391 322 Waupaca St Fremont. Half chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetable, pickle & roll. Assorted cookies for sale by the Auxiliary.

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

Legislative: Kay Grosskopf

Juniors: OPEN

VA&R: OPEN

Americanism: Betty Blume

Membership: Fran Bender

Children & Youth: OPEN

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