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*Serving our Veterans, Military and Each Other from the Depths of our Hearts
President Becky Mueller*

Happy Spring – Hapy Easter

March is over and spring is right around the corner. It is time to finish up the reports for the 2024-25 year and send them in. I know that some people wonder why we have to report so early, but with the number of levels that these reports need to go through before the conventions there is a very good reason. I have 5 Impact Reports now and hope to have 30 more by the 15th of April. It is very important that every unit reports, because every number that you put on the report is collected, added to more numbers at the District, Department, Central Division and National levels and sent to Congress. If you have any questions on the reports, please call me before April 8th. I will be unavailable from April 9th to the 23rd. However, our very capable Vice Presidents, LuAnn James and Lisa Wolfinger will be filling in for me and taking your questions.

I am also asking that you send me a copy of your 2024/2025 Unit Narrative Report Summary with your Impact Report. This report will give me an idea of what your unit is involved in. You see, even I have to write reports. If you have a program that you are particularly proud of, please share it with me so I can share it with others.

Membership

This year there were membership incentives at both the Department and District level. The Pulsation Pass winner was 9th District's Washington Island Unit 402. For being at 100% of their goal, and by the luck of the draw, they will receive 2 paid registrations and a hotel room for the convention. I have talked to them and they are excited and planning to attend the convention for the first time ever. I hope that all of the units in the 9th district will come to the Convention in Green Bay to learn new ways to run our programs and to meet new friends.

The district incentives were won by Carlton Unit #538, White Lake Unit #524, Kewaunee Unit #29 and Forestville Unit #372. They each received a check for \$45.00 and a donation to a charity in their area is their honor for \$45.00.



Forestville Unit #372 with their 2 checks. Front row left to right is Marian Schley, Theresa Barta, Gladys Schommer. Back row left to right is Jean Riederer, Lynn Baker, Ann Kleist, JoAnn Neinas.

Help Needed

Amy Luft, Department 1st Vice also helps set up Honor Flights for Veterans. She is in need of a Chaplain and a Poppy Princes for the Flight that is sponsored by the Green Bay Packers on June 14th. The Chaplain would need to be there early in the morning to pray with and for the veterans before their flight. The Poppy Princes would be at the Gate to welcome the veterans when they return home. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are able to help out in either capacity.

Department Mailing

I am attaching the April/May Department Mailing for your convenience. The 2025/2026 Unit Officer form is in this mailing. Please fill it out as soon as you know who your officers will be for 2025/26 even if there is no change. There is information about the Department Convention that will be held July 17th through July 20th.

Spring Conference

While I would love to see all of you at the spring conference, I know that that is not possible. We all have lives that pull us in different directions. I am asking that if you or a member of your unit are unable to be at the conference you send me a short unit report and a picture before the April 26 so that it can be read into the minutes of the conference.

Check List for Spring Conference:

Register for the conference by April 21st. **You** are what makes our organization a great one.

Bring a raffle basket

Bring a Poster board about your Unit

Bring a short (3 min) report that highlights your unit over the past year.

Bring a smile and a willingness to share your experiences with other members.

Hope to see you May 3rd,

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Deadlines

There are still a few deadlines to be met.

By April 15th – Unit Year End Impact Reports are due to me.

By April 15th – Narrative Reports are due to Department HQ. All reports **must** have a Narrative Summary Sheet. Please also send a copy of the Summary Sheet to me.

By May 30th – 2026 Unit Member Collection Person form need to be into Department HQ no later this date. Form in attached Unit Mailing.

ASAP – Unit Officer form for 2025-2026

