



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN  
DECEMBER/JANUARY  
MEMBERSHIP AND RECRUITMENT  
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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. As I am writing this, we just had about 3 inches of snow overnight so it really looks like Christmas. Which means the deadlines for Mid-Winter awards are fast approaching. It also means that if you do not have your dues paid and into National by December 31, you will no longer be a member in good standing and unpaid officers will lose their office. To those Auxiliaries who are 100%.....CONGRATULATIONS!!

Invite Others to Join. Share your passion for the work our organization does for our nation's heroes and ask someone to join:

- While having coffee.
- While eating lunch with a co-worker.
- At a church or school function.
- By inviting them to an upcoming Post and/or Auxiliary event.
- When sharing scholarship opportunities for our youth.
- Share positive experiences that you have had as a member-toot your own horn.
- Let your community know what you are doing-host a recognition event and invite the public.

Once you get those new members, be sure to include them. You may be surprised by the new ideas they may have. It's important to engage new members, but it's equally important to include current members on committees and ask them to help with Auxiliary events and Programs. Another set of hands is always needed to:

- Fold letters, send cards, make care packages.
- Help in the kitchen.
- Make hospital tray favors.
- Work a "Buddy" Poppy Drive.
- Carry a Flag in a parade.
- Write letters to a senator or representative.
- Make students aware of the scholarship programs available.
- Rally youth to help pack care packages for our troops.

Explain the traditions of the Auxiliary. Give them a copy of the By-Laws. These are just a few suggestions. You may have many ideas of your own. Get your "ASK" in gear.

Do you have any S.W.A.P. stories? **Share Wonderful Auxiliary Projects/Programs** ..... Recruiting events, new member orientation, members working together. Sharing our success stories may help or trigger more ideas for other Auxiliaries to try. That's Teamwork!

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