



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF WI
GENERAL ORDERS-MARCH 2017

I would like to thank everyone who came to our Council of Administration meeting on Feb 2 - 4 in Green Bay. It was very nice to have our National Conductress Sandy Onstwedder from Michigan there as our National Representative. What a delightful lady she is. Thursday afternoon we took a tour of the Packer Hall of Fame. Thank you to the VFW and Mike Eggleston for sponsoring this event. We had a very nice time looking at the Packer memorabilia. John Schultz Sr. Vice Commander and Deputy Service Officer gave our auxiliary members some very good information on Benefits for Veterans and their spouses. Thank you, John, for providing all the great information. Thank you chairman for all the excellent information you presented to us. It was a very interesting and productive council meeting.

Elections: Elections should be held at your April meeting. If you are having trouble trying to elect officers, a nomination committee is recommended on the auxiliary level to seek out individual who might be willing to take some offices that need to be filled. **Remember, even if you keep all the same officers, they still need to be elected & installed and an installation Report needs to be filled out and mailed to Dept. Secretary Jackie Gregory immediately following your installation in May.** If we do not have your installation report by the end of May, your Auxiliary is in jeopardy of closing because your Auxiliary is considered not in good working order. All Delegate & Alternate forms for District Meetings and Dept. Convention were in last month's mailing. Please read information and fill it out correctly and send immediately.

Membership: Our Department is 95.00% as of today. We need 530 members to get 100% Plus. BigTen conference is 100%. We can do this! I know we have 530 men and women in Wisconsin that are eligible to become members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. Have you asked someone to be a member? I think we made our 3rd membership goal for Wisconsin. Please read Membership Chairman Mary Brown's bulletin for more information.

Year End Reports: You should have received your packet with your year-end reports. Presidents- have your chairman fill out their reports....and remember there should be no blank reports. Every Auxiliary should have done something to qualify. Send your reports to your District President by the April 1, 2017 deadline. Remember all donations you want credit for this year must be sent to Treasurer Lenore Otto no later than April 25th. 3rd district auxiliaries please send year-end reports to Dorothy Genthe, 160 Jewett St., Platteville, WI 53818.

Hospital: At our Council meeting we received 3 tables filled with baby items from auxiliaries in WI. They will be given to Zablocki, Minneapolis and Oscar Johnson Medical Centers. I would like to thank all Auxiliaries who donated these items. Inez Semingson our Hospital Chairman was not there but I know she is proud of what we can do if we just ask.

Congratulations to those celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary. Get Well wishes for those under the Weather. Condolences to those who lost a loved one.

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