DECEMBER 2023

We are getting closer and closer to the end of the year and halfway through this year for Cookie Little. We are really behind on our donations to our programs. We don't have enough money for the Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen contest. We don't have the amount of money that we have paid them in years past. If you have some extra money, please think about sending some of that money for the students. This program is the future of the nation, and it would be great to give what we have in the past to the students.

We have a few auxiliaries that haven't paid their \$2.00/member for their hospital obligation. We need that money so that we can run our hospital program next year. Even though some of our hospitals and homes are only open for limited times right now, we still need to supply them with the personal items and clothing that they need. So please get your obligations in to me as soon as possible.

Our Department President and Commander have some Special Projects that are there to help our veterans and their family. One of them is the Run2Remember that we will have in the summer and that is the project that is for both the Post and Auxiliaries. We have only received \$150.00 for that project for this year. We need to help with these projects so that they will be a success. The other program is the National Guard Ball for families. This program is happening soon, and we have received \$600.00 for it. Please talk about sending some money to these programs so that they can be successful.

Please if you have any applications waiting to be processed, please get them in to me as soon as possible. December 31, 2023, is coming very soon and we would like to be 100% by that date. Make sure that the application is totally filled out, especially the

date of birth, medals and if they are going life and they are using a card, have them make sure the card number, expiration date and CVV is correct because that information will slow down the processing if it is incorrect. Hope to see many of you at Mid-Winter in February and I hope that you have a wonderful holiday season.