

January 2023

Happy New Year Brothers and Sisters and welcome to 2023. It is hard to believe that we are three short months away from our program year end. I must say that I was very hopeful that Santa Claus would bring me a ton of Vet and Family reports for Christmas. Sadly...I did not receive any.

The following Auxiliaries need to send me a report ASAP: Linn 584 Let'er Buck 922 Pelican 1383 Fred Clendenning 1440 Mike Ward Ponderosa Pine 1643 Del Rogue 2302 Patrick W. Kelley 2468 Willard Anderson 2471 Hutchinson Rempelos 3182 Sweet Home 3437 Frank C. High Medal of Honor 3440 Major Axel Rasmussen 3452 Karl M. Keibelbeck 3473 Molalla 3973 Creswell 4039 Layne Clifton 4070 Willamina 4211 Eagle Cap 4307 Ontario 5452 Canby-Aurora 6057 Smith and Bern 6102 Coburg 7384 Fern Ridge Jack Kelly 9448 South Umpqua Thacker Wallace 9744 Madras 12141

The Veteran and Family Support program is an Auxiliary program that is 100% reportable. It is what we are here for. What that means is that EVERY Auxiliary in our Department needs to turn in at least one report per program year. I know that you all have been busy helping our veterans and their families. It is time for you to tell me all about it. Brag on all of the great things that you have been doing. It helps the Auxiliary maintain their tax exempt status. Every year at Christmas time, our Auxiliary provides a full Christmas dinner and extra non-perishable food items to veteran families in need. Since the pandemic, we have even included a toy for the children. This year we provided 20 families with a full Christmas dinner and 26 children with a toy for Christmas. What did your Auxiliary do?

As we are barreling towards our program year end, I am giving you a heads up now. I must have your year end reports by April 5th. I am absolutely positive that I will have all of your monthly reports and year end report no later than April 5th. Yes, I will mention that date one more time since it is so important. April 5th is when you need to have all reports and year end report turned in to me by. To help make it easier for you to turn in that year-end report, I will be sending a copy of the report form to all Auxiliary Presidents later this month. Presidents, please be sure to pass the report form to your Vet and Family chairperson. Even though it is snowy and there are winter driving conditions across our state, it is still possible for me to come knock on your door to request a vet and family report. I have a jeep Wrangler so please, save me from using a bunch of gas and send your reports to me.

You can send them via email (tlsteller@gmail.com), you can send them via snail mail (Terri Steller 9408 SW Meadow Rd Terrebonne, OR 97760), you can even text

message them to me (541-279-7135), and of course you can always give them to me over the phone at that same phone number. (If you call me, please leave me a message and I will call you back. I still work most days.)

I look forward to seeing you all at our Mid-Winter banquet. Oh hey, you could bring your Vet and Family Support report with you and give to me at Mid-Winter. Brilliant idea!! Either way, lets finish this year strong, report, REPORT, REPORT! Loyally and respectfully, Terri Steller Dept. OR Conductress Veteran and Family Support Chairperson