



American Legion Auxiliary

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Dear Unit President:

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Now that 2017 is history, let's march right on into 2018 and make it the best year ever. I want each of you to dedicate yourselves to our Veterans and also to help your membership chairmen get everyone paid for 2018.

At this time I would like to thank all of you who have purchased our 100th Anniversary Cookbooks, what a success we had. We have a few books left and are looking to order more. Please call the Department Office or fill out an order form and send it to the office. Also, the Auxiliary Emblem Magnet fundraiser has been a success as well. I just received another supply so there are plenty here. Please get your orders in right away and we will mail them out to you. Many Units are purchasing the emblems for each of their members. What a great way to get our name out in the public!

All of the 2018 Junior Conference materials are included in this mailing. Please get your Juniors signed up for this. I took my granddaughter last year for the first time. She had the best time ever and made many new friends. It will be in North St. Paul this year with the 4th District hosting and our Junior Activities Chairman Tammy Opland is planning many fun, new things for the Juniors to do.

A couple other programs that we need to support are the Americanism Essay Contest and also the American Legion Oratorical Contest. I have been a judge in the 3rd District for a few years now and can't believe how talented our students are. The problem is that there aren't many that participate – get in to your schools and promote these programs.

American Legion Auxiliary Minnesota Girls State is coming up fast. The registration form and information is enclosed. You can send as many girls as you want. Remember, you can use gambling funds to sponsor girls, other organizations can sponsor, parents or businesses can sponsor. Use your imagination – I would love to surpass the 400 mark this year. Our committee works so hard to make this a success, let's reward them by breaking attendance figures this year.

From our house to yours, the Deutsch's want to wish you all a very Happy and Safe New Year. May you be blessed with only good things.

Sandie Deutsch
Department Secretary

