Department of Texas, District 14 VFW Auxiliary President's May 2023 Comments

HAPPY MAY TO ALL!

On this Loyalty Day, let us remember our loyalty to this organization that pays tribute to those who fought for our freedom! This is the month for OBLIGATIONS as well. With the elections held in April and May, may your Auxiliaries define each position, elected, and appointed, to enable constant participation, and obligation, in each of our programs. Having had the District 14 Auxiliary election of officers on April 15, we were fortunate to have our Department President, Jeanenne Lumpkin present and to serve as Installing Officer. What more could we ask for? Thank you, Madam Department President!

Our newly elected District President Jessica Rozas will do a fine job of leading District 14 Auxiliary. She has been raised in a VFW environment, is a long time member, and a repeating President of Auxiliary 4008. She will have the support of her mother, JoJo Kilgore, a Past District 14 President, serving as District 14 Senior Vice and Chief of Staff. Congratulations to all our local Auxiliaries and your new officers, as I wish the best for the new year! I was privileged to install Auxiliary 9191 officers on April 30, 2023. What a beautiful group of dedicated members!

Reminders for a busy month:

- *DELEGATE MONTH! Send in your delegates and the registration fees! Pages 34 and 35 in our By Laws
- *May 6: National Nurses Day- Are you celebrating the nurses in your community or the VA?
- *May 14: Mother's Day
- *Make your reservations for the STATE Convention scheduled for June 8-10.
- *Make your reservations for STATE TRAINING at the Holiday Inn Midtown scheduled for July 6-8. The registration form has been sent out and can also be found in the May OUR TWO CENTS Newsletter.
- *Complete all Installations prior to State Convention. Many ways to do this but BE SURE TO send in the INSTALLATION REPORT FORM as soon as possible, sending it to the State Secretary at the VFW Auxiliary Department office! Make sure your Installing officer signs the form after the Installation!!!

And finally, this will be my last letter of reminders and comments as District 14 President. This has been a very rewarding time and position to have served. Thank all of you for your participation in the monetary gift at the District 14 Convention on April 15. It will certainly be used at the State Convention!! Thank all of you for your support and compliance with the many struggles and obligations we have entertained the past year and a half, beginning with the passing of Delores Miller, may she rest in peace.

We were 100% in Year End Reports, and as of this date, we are 86.53% in PAID MEMBERSHIP. Next year, we WILL do better to beat the math of having lost two landmark Auxiliaries. One thing that will not come to an end is my LOYALTY to our membership. I will still be available to assist on call. Keep it strong, keep it going!

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