



AUXILIARY TO THE VFW DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO
2016-2017 CHIEF OF STAFF/EXTENSION JANIS WIMMER
PROMOTION 6
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Can you believe that it is December already! I hope everyone has a happy and healthy holiday season.

Dues should be paid by Dec. 31. Remember to do another membership drive and mailing to collect dues on any unpaid members.

I have sent out several item this year to help your Auxiliary become a smoother working Auxiliary. If your Auxiliary is using: **“5 Essentials of an Auxiliary,” “Auxiliary VFW Meeting Agenda Form,” “Using Technology to Conduct and Auxiliary Meeting,” “Understanding Auxiliary Traditions,” “The Checklist: What the Auxiliary President needs for a meeting,” “R U Healthy? Auxiliary To-Dos and Deadlines,” “Health Checkup for Your Auxiliary Member Questionnaire,” “VFW Auxiliary Meeting Challenges & Solutions,”** and **“Healthy Communication Phone/Text Tree,”** your auxiliary is operating much smoother now. More members are attending and participating in your meetings and events because you have been communicating with them.

I will be giving out a “Health Certificate” to each of the Auxiliaries at the Mid-Winter conference that I receive their Mid-Winter Report from that tells me how they have been using “The Healthy Auxiliary Tool Kit” that I have provided to you in my first 5 promotions. This is a Thank You to each auxiliary for their efforts to maintain a Healthy Auxiliary for the benefit of their Post, their community, and most importantly for veterans.

I cannot wait to hear from each auxiliary as to how the tool kit was used and has helped their auxiliary. This will enable me to share the information with other auxiliaries so that all the New Mexico auxiliaries can be in good working order.

I am continuing with the mentor program and **“CARE.”** Let’s look a little closer at “A.” “A” was Ask them to participate. Most people will not volunteer to do things. They need to feel that they are needed and they want to be asked to help. Nonprofit organizations research has shown that if a member is not actively participating within three months of joining, he or she will most likely drop the membership after the first year. You need to ask those new members to participate in the upcoming event. Make them feel wanted and needed.

It is time for your Member and Auxiliary Nominations to be sent to me by January 31st. The forms are attached. Remember I need your help because I cannot be at all the auxiliaries to see what is happening.

Attached to this mailing is the Mid-Winter Report. The paperwork is not done until the Report is filled out and sent in.

“Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes” “Service in Action”

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