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“VETERANS & OUR COMMUNITIES”
Department President –Lynn Richards

“UNITED BY LOVE FOR OUR VETERANS
AND COUNTRY”

WOW! Another month has past. Time is flying by so fast. National Convention was wonderful!! They knew Texas was there. Congratulations to Past President Cleo and her Chairmen for a wonderful showing. We won 4 First Plates; Cancer, Community Service, Legislative/Pac, and Youth. Then we turned around and won 4 2nd place awards. They were; Americanism, Extension, Historian, and Veterans and Family Support. These ladies did an outstanding job in representing Texas this last year. So to Jayne, Joyce, Dorthy Callie, Eppie, Bennie, and Judy, you are # 1 in our books. Right, Sisters? A whole lot of Atta Girls Awards to all of you for a wonderful year!!

Since the last time I wrote to you I have been to District 1. I had a wonderful time out there. I even got to go fishing, and I mean real fishing. Nellie Flood held a great meeting and I got to speak to both the VFW and Ladies. I think the most wonderful part of the whole trip was visiting the North Texas Medical Facility in Bonham and the Veterans State Home. I was completely blown away. What a beautiful place this was. If you have not been to a State Veterans Home you must go to one. Trust me our Veterans are being well taken care of in this facility. I talked to several of the men and they were so excited that we had brought so many beautiful women to see them. They are lonely and they need our company. Thank you District 1 for the wonderful time I had there. My traveling Companion was June Wotenia from District 16 and she spent time taking pictures.

This last weekend I was in District 18. I had a wonderful time too. We had a flag rising on Sunday before the meeting that I thought was great. Rio Grande City has a very large Post. They can have 4 dances going on at the same time. Image that! They are very gracious hosts and hostesses. Inez held a wonderful meeting and covered everything. Chris helped by selling my shirts.

Sisters, I want all Presidents to make all District Meetings. If you cannot go make sure someone goes in your place. This is very important to your Auxiliary. This is where you will find out what is going on in the State and what is expected of your Auxiliary. Most of our districts are too spread out so try to carpool, or whatever you have to do to get there.

Now the last time I told you I have a plan I try to follow every day of my life. I will share it with you now. It is called The Paradoxical Commandments. They were written by Kent M. Keith. It has been said that even Mother Theresa had them hanging on her wall so here it is.

Keep up the good work Sisters; I am so proud of you. Membership is really coming in. Remember we are not wishing, but fishing!!!

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CONGRATULATIONS

The National Convention was a great success. Attended to business, won awards, visited with old and made new friends and then headed back home to the Great State of Texas.

Congratulations to Past State President Cleo Hornsby for a job well done and to her Chairman, hurrah! We came back home with eight (8) winners; First Place Plates went to (drum roll please) Cancer Aid & Research Jayne McCormick, Community Service Joyce Dalton, Legislative & PAC and Youth Activities Callie Lumpkin. Our Second Place winners; Americanism Eppie Lackey, Extension Bennie Knapp, Veterans & Family Support Kathy Wewe and Historian Judy Suggs.

In the year 2011 the National Convention will be in San Antonio. Congratulation to Betty Royston for being appointed Chairman for the Ladies Auxiliary National Convention and it is my honor to be her co-chairman by National President Cortina Barnes. Other appointments will come at a later date.

Texas is another big winner this year. For the first time in several years we will receive 25% of total contributions to first place Department in each membership group.

We will receive \$34,500.00 to present to the cancer research facility in Texas and this will be Past President Cleo’s Choice as to what facility will receive this research gift.

The 2009-2010 year was good year for the Auxiliary but 2010-2011 will be better and that is how it should be. Have a great year, Sisters.

Barbara Hoffman
Department Secretary

Extension

Celia Koci-Chairman

I have begun receiving your Inspection reports and note a small problem with some of them. Question #9 on the Inspection report pertains to initiation fee, not the amount of the Auxiliary dues. Please see Section 101 in the Bylaws-Admission fees & Dues. Each Auxiliary should charge \$5.00 for an initiation fee. This provides the new member with an Auxiliary pin and a copy of the Bylaws.

Congratulation to you who are working to institute new Auxiliaries, or reinstate those who closed within the past year. Welcome them and get them involved with our Auxiliary programs.

If you haven’t done so before, take time to read the Membership program carefully, both State & National. I know our Membership Chairman is working hard, but it is to your advantage to work together. Keep in touch and know which of your Auxiliaries might be having problems. Part of your job is to work with Auxiliaries that are losing membership. This is a good way to start early to be sure members are not lost.

District Presidents, Reminder you cannot inspect your own Auxiliary. Be sure whoever does the inspection sends the report to me when the inspection to completed. I know you are all working hard and are doing a great job. Be sure and observe the Mentors in you Auxiliaries, as I will be giving a Certificate to the Outstanding Mentor of the Year in each District. If we continue mentoring our members and know our Bylaws, we will profit the success of helping others.

Remember, a smile is the only thing that NEVER goes up in price or down in value, as we are “UNITED BY LOVE FOR OUR VETERANS AND COUNTRY”, as we serve **VETERANS & Communities”**

Americanism

Donna James -Chairman

We have many troops coming home. We need to show them how proud we are of them. We need to have programs to honor them. Take our Veterans and Troops into the classrooms. Children need to hear from our Troops and Veterans. It not only helps the children understand but it helps our Troops and Veterans see how they are honored. This will keep Americanism strong between the different generations.


We have celebrated Patriot Day, VFW Day, POW/MIA Day, and Victory over Japan Day in September. We have a lot of flags that need to be retired. Set up a flag disposal at your post with the VFW. The flag should be folded in its customary manner. It is important that the fire be fairly large and of sufficient intensity to ensure complete burning of the flag. Place the flag on the fire. The individual(s) should come to attention, salute the flag, recite the Pledge of Allegiance and have a brief period of silent reflection. After the flag is completely consumed, the fire should then be safely extinguished and the ashes buried. Please make sure you are conforming to local/state fire codes or ordinances. "United by Love for our Veterans and Country."

Patriotic Instructor

Donna James -Chairman

It is your responsibility to make sure all patriotic holidays are observed at your auxiliary. The program can be small or just something read about the holiday. Patriotic holidays always need to be acknowledged. Always speak during the Suggestions for the Good of the Organization. Report what is read in the Suggestion for the Good of the Organization about Patriotic holidays, this is promoting Americanism.

Make sure all auxiliary members know how to parade rest and salute. It is your responsibility to teach new members the rituals so they feel comfortable at the meetings. If new members don’t feel welcome and comfortable at the meetings, they will not return. We as auxiliaries cannot lose members because of this reason. "United by Love for our Veterans and Country."

2011 VFW Mid Winter Round UP					
	Wednesday 1/26/2011	Thursday 1/27/2011	Friday 1/28/2011	Saturday 1/29/2011	Sunday 1/30/2011
Number of people in room					
1 King or					
2 Double Beds					
Group Rate \$99					
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If enclosing an advance deposit, please place in an envelope and mail directly to the hotel. ** Reservations without an accompanying deposit or valid credit card cannot be processed. PLEASE NOTE: ROOM TYPES CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND ARE A REQUEST ONLY To guarantee room availability and special rates, these reservation cards must be received by hotel by January 5, 2011.					

Voice of Democracy/Patriot's Pen
Joyce Dalton – Chairman

The deadlines for Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Essay are only four weeks away. November 1, 2010 is the deadline for both programs to your Post; November 15, 2010 to you District Chairman. Please make sure all required paperwork is sent with your entries, check the time on Voice of Democracy tape or CD (3-5 minutes); check the word count on Patriot's Pen essay (300-400 words) before sending your winners to District Chairman for judging. These students are our future leaders and have worked hard on their essays; we don't want any student to be disqualified for not following the rules and guidelines. The judges can be civic leaders, Teachers, business owners and VFW/Auxiliary members. Judges should be aware of the rules and guidelines are strictly enforced and followed to the letter.

Your goal should be to have at least one entry for Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen from your Post and /or Auxiliary advance to District level and one in each of the 25 Districts in Texas advance to State level.

By working with your VFW as a team you can show our students we are **“UNITED BY LOVE FOR VETERAN AND COUNTRY”** for **“VETERANS AND OUR COMMUNITIES.”**

Cancer Aid & Research
Melanie McConaghy-Department Chairman
Meredith Howard-Department Co-Chairman

Fall is here and the UV rays of the sun are just as harmful as they were in summer. We need to inform the public it is not the heat of the sun that causes skin cancer, but the UV rays from the sun. Even the nonmelanoma cancers, which are rarely fatal, can cause extensive damage to the tissues surrounding them. It is important to make people aware of the dangers of tanning beds. They still use the UV rays and are not safe. The Skin Cancer Foundation website (www.skincancer.org) has excellent information on skin cancer and is always being updated. Did you know exposure to a tanning bed for the first time increases a youth's risk of getting melanoma 75%? The statewide project is public awareness of skin cancer. It is important to educate the public, especially our youth on the dangers of tanning. Now is a good time to hold your Cancer-a-Thon fundraiser.

I hope some of the auxiliaries took some of the Two Year Postdoctoral Cancer Research Fellowship forms to research hospitals in their districts. The deadline for the form to be completed is March 1, 2011. It would be great if Texas would send in two or three applications from around the state.

Auxiliary Presidents and Treasurers remember to send me a copy of the checks you send to Department for Cancer Aid & Research. Jo Ella will not make copies for you. She has too many other things to do. Continue to sell your cancer pins. If you need more pins contact Meredith. Remember to send in your Cancer Sales Report Form to Meredith or myself. We need to raise all the money we can for Cancer Aid & Research. I know we can do this, sisters. As we sell our cancer pins for our **“VETERANS & COMMUNITIES”** we are **“UNITED IN LOVE FOR OUR VETERANS AND COUNTRY”**.

Membership
Dorthy L. Bennett Chairman
Felice Davis Co-Chairman

United by Love for Our Veterans and Country that has a very nice ring to it. We as Ladies auxiliary members should work hard to be United and seek out all Ladies that are eligible to become members of this organization. For those who have that special drive to bring in new and reinstated members there are awards available to them. National Aide-de-Camp works this way, by securing 20 new or Reinstated members from July 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011 and received no later than Mary 31, 2011 at National headquarters will be named National Adie-de-Camp. She will receive a special gift from the National President at National Convention. The auxiliary member will be entered into a drawing for 15 \$100 awards. Guess what, Post members can also be Aide-de-camp securing 20 new or reinstated members during the same period. They will be entered into a drawing for 10 \$50 awards. One award of \$500 will be given to the auxiliary member who secures 40 or more new or reinstated members to attend National Convention in San Antonio, in case of a tie there will be a drawing. If the member is not able attend she will receive \$250. On department level each auxiliary aide-de-camp will be entered into a drawing for \$75 dollars and will be held at Department Convention. Any VFW member who recruits five new or reinstated members for the auxiliary will receive the **“angler's”** award. The VFW member who recruits the Most new or reinstated members for the Ladies Auxiliary will receive \$50 cash award, in case of a tie a drawing will be held. Each District commander who recruits 1 or more new or reinstated auxiliary member will receive a special gift from the President.

At the time of this writing we have 6 District Presidents who qualify for the 75% Drawing in their membership divisions. The districts are District 30 in division 1, Districts 6 and 10 in division 2, District 25 in division 4, and Districts 1 and 16 in division 5. There are several others with just one or two points between them and a drawing. Please get out those fishing poles and go fishing today. Send any membership that you have as soon as the paperwork is done. Holding membership can effect awards for members, auxiliaries and districts and ultimately Department and National. Continue to work membership everyday so that we can be there for **Veterans and our Communities.**

Legislative/VFW-PAC
Beverly Snow – Chairman

As members of the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW, we must stand beside our veterans to help them in their Continuous battle to maintain their rights and privileges, benefits and dignity.

Elections are coming up in our City, County, State and Nation. We have a lot of important decisions to make. We need to know where each candidate stands on issues that affect our veterans and their families. There is no better way to do this than invite them to your Post. Just remember as Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW, we do NOT endorse a candidate. We provide the opportunity for each person to form their own opinion. Remember that you have to register to vote 30 days prior to elections. Take this opportunity to get people registered. Have a voter registration sign up when you have

your candidates forums or town halls. Write – Call – Visit your legislators. By doing this not only are you letting your officials know how you feel on certain issues, but you are giving them an opportunity to let you know how they feel. Don't forget to hold a fund raiser for VFW/PAC and send the money to Department so that your Auxiliary gets credit on your reports.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES **Renee Clark Chairman**

Upon your receipt of this newsletter most schools should be well into their first six weeks of school. During September I hope you made contact with the schools in your area regarding the scholarships – celebrated Patriot Day, Constitution Day, POW/MIA Day – and started planning your Veterans Day activities.

***You have one month before the essays are due!

***You have one month before the Veterans Day Program! Make sure everything has been PUBLICIZED!

***Make A Difference Day / Week – Promote this at the school levels...come up with some ideas on how these students can make a difference in someone else's life (the possibilities are endless).

***Contact your local Girl Scout Councils – ask them to get involved in youth activities as well. Every year these girls work towards earning recognitions within their own organization – Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards. Get the lists of the girls that have earned it this past year. Find out when the awards ceremonies are – be there as a representative of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary – make sure you order your certificates from National (they are free of charge!) Ladies, I still have a lot of certificates at my house that I can print out for you. I have already printed out and mailed over a dozen certificates. Just get with me to discuss.

There have been several questions raised regarding the promotion of an Outstanding Youth Volunteer. National is not promoting that award at this time, nor is Department. However, I would like to encourage each of your auxiliaries to still recognize, at your post/district levels, the youth that are volunteering. I feel that we should recognize the contributions that our youth are providing society. Even if we don't do it at a state/national level...at least the local levels should acknowledge them.

I look forward to serving you and working with you during this year. Ladies – being that I am a full-time teacher, I have really long hours throughout the school year. If you contact me by phone, it may not be until the weekend that I am able to call you back. The easiest way to reach me, for a quicker response, is via email – ReneeSClark@msn.com. However, you may call me on my cell phone #512-269-8643 or home phone #512-291-3663 and leave a detailed message; I will call you back as soon as possible.

Junior Girls

Thanks to the eight WONDERFUL Jr. Girls Units in this great state of ours! And special thanks to the Advisors / Mentors who are giving their time to teach our young what Americanism, Freedom and Patriotism really means. And, what it means to be PROUD of our Veterans who fought to defend our rights as Americans. All of you keep up with what you are doing...you are doing a GREAT job.

Only one month left before the essays are due and Veterans Day will be here!

Don't forget to include Jr. Girls in October's Make A Difference Day / Week – promote this at their schools – come up with some ideas on how these girls can make a difference in someone's life – the possibilities are endless. And don't forget to start adding up those hospital volunteer hours !!

Community Service **Jeanette Clark -Chairman**

By now Organizationals are done and chairmen have their materials. I urge you to study the information in your packets...especially the National Program and the Program Participation portion of this program. When you report to the VFW, please be sure to list JUST auxiliary members/hours/cost at the end of your description. This will not interfere with the VFW part as they go by the totals, but it will give me a heads up on what you are doing. If you do this, do not send me a separate copy as state forwards them on to me. I can't stress enough the importance of keeping accurate record of what your Auxiliary part in program is. These are the figures you use for Mid Year and Year End Reports. We remain **“United by love for our Veterans and Country”** and together we can achieve great works.

Our National Director, Rita Byers, sent a letter stating work you do for another organization (such as your church, Red Cross Volunteer, thrift shops/ect.) do not count as community service UNLESS the program benefits the community as a whole. Examples that **DOES NOT** count: if your church has a fundraiser and the proceeds are for a church member or the church. However, if your church has a fundraiser and the proceeds are donated to an outside group (such as Meals on Wheels) you can count your time and cost. If you feed the public at Thanksgiving or Christmas, then it counts. Just serving on civic boards is not VFW Auxiliary Community Service..you must be serving our **“Veterans and Community”** as an Auxiliary representative. Keep up the good work, keep records of what you are doing and be sure to report!

Patricia Kemp **Veterans and Family Support**

I can't wait for the cool air and that burst of energy that comes with it? We have four months to run full force, so that the last half of the year will be a breeze.

“Our Veterans & Our Communities” need to know about one of our greatest assets, the VFW National Home for Children. They have a NEW LOOK and logo...go to www.HelpHopeHonor.us to view. Are you a life member of the National Home? Then you should have received a ballot in the mail, to vote for Dist. 10 Trustee. There are two candidates, Al Cantu (TX) & Karen McKeever (Ark), your ballot must be received by Sept. 22.

I want to challenge Texas, as we were challenged at National, to have each State turn in 100 new Life Members. That should be easy, we should have no less than 150 from the Auxiliaries and 150 from the Posts, in Texas. The cost is only \$35 each or \$40 also gets you the pin. One new member, from each Auxiliary, would be 266. Lets get that 100 before Christmas.

Buddy Poppy – When you honor the teachers this year, carry the goodies in containers decorated with Buddy Poppies. Do you change out the Buddy Poppy decorations at your Post each month? The Poppy arrangements and displays at National were fantastic...wish all of you could have seen them. We display our Buddy Poppy for all to see, that we are “*United by Love For Our Veterans and Country*” as we Honor the dead, by Helping the living.

Military Services - My heart swelled with tears and pride, as I read story after story from Veterans and their families telling how the VFW & Ladies Aux. helped them. The funds we give to the VFW National Foundation, the National Military Services and the Texas VFW Foundations are where the grants come from that aids active duty personnel and their families. I picked up a packet of donations cards, from the Military Services booth. It has 10 bronze, 6 silver and 4 gold...if you sell them for \$1, \$5 & \$10 you would make \$80...for Military Services. You can get the packet free, with the understanding you will return at least \$80. If you think you could sell the bronze for \$5, silver \$10 and gold \$20 you would make \$160 and could give \$80 back to Military Service and have \$80 to donate somewhere else, if you want.

Remember – Our success this year depends on each one of us, doing our share. It will take working together, communicating, sharing ideas and always keeping the Veterans fist on our mind. Together we can achieve and surpass all of our goals.

HOSPITAL/VAVS

Roberta (Bert) Carnley: Chairman

I have been receiving some great reports about your projects that you have been doing. I have to compliment Theresa Hume and Auxiliary 8904 and their Post for the great program they did on the 4th of July. Outstanding job everyone. I also want to thank all of the other Auxiliary Chairman who has been sending their reports to me and for the work that you are doing. Keep up the great job and we will be successful during this year.

During October we are going to be very busy. The VA Carnivals will be happening during this month and I hope all of you will be taking part. If you have never been to one or taken part please contact the Volunteer Chief of your VA Medical Center or Outpatient Clinic and tell them you are interested. They will put you to work I know.

Our beautiful National Director Sandra Flynn is reminding us of the following statement. “Veterans, Volunteers and VAVS—what an amazing trio and that since 1946 the VAVS was organized, that over 712 million hours of volunteer service have been accounted for” I wonder how many hours that would really be if all of us really sent in the true number of hours that we do each day for our Veterans and their families and then reported it. It is important to report the true number of hours that we spend each day helping out Veterans and their families.

Our National Director is also requesting if you sent in the name of a NEC Volunteer of the Year to renominate her again this year. The deadline to the National Director is February 1, 2011. Last year there were only a few entries for the National Executive Committee (NEC) of the National Veterans Administration Voluntary Service (VAVS) and there

was no NEC Volunteer of the year named. I have the form available and will be glad to forward a copy to anyone who wishes to nominate someone for this outstanding award. Make sure you pay close attention to the Nomination Procedure on the front page.

VAVS REPRESENTATIVES AND DEPUTIES

I visited the Bonham VA Medical Center with our lovely Department President Lynn Richards and saw firsthand the wonderful work you are doing for our Veterans. I can't thank District 1 enough for the great participation and making Madam President and myself welcome during our visit. The Veterans Home is outstanding at this location. I want to thank Kathy Stanley for stepping up and volunteering for the VAVS Deputy position at the Bonham VA Medical Center. We welcome you aboard and thank you for your dedication to our Veterans. Way to go Judy.

Not all of you have been sending your monthly statements to me. Please remember this is a requirement during this year. You send one to Jo Ella Menn Department Treasurer and one to me at the end of each month showing all your expenses and receipts and balance on hand. We have to have them for the audit.

VAVS Representatives and Deputies you should be making sure that you make your appointment for your Annual Joint Review (AJR). The Ladies Auxiliary is assigned the month of November for their reviews. You must have a copy of your evaluation mailed to the National Director before January 15, 2011.

Be sure you are making plans for the program for the National Salute to Veteran's Patients? Usually this is held around Valentine's Day and may be done in the community or at the hospital. We are showing awareness and appreciation to America's Veterans, and increasing the awareness of the local VA Medical Center in the community. Don't forget I am asking you to have proclamations from your local cities and towns to be read at this event this year. Again I thank you for being part of the “Veterans & Our Communities” Team as we are “United By Love For Our Veterans and County”. See ya next month.

Department Digest

District 5 President Stacey Foley new email sm_foley@hotmail.com

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We want to welcome Auxiliary 6111 and 7634.

<p>REMEMBER THAT THE MILAGE RATE IS 14 CENTS PER MILE FOR ALL PROGRAMS.</p>
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General Orders No. II October 2010

Must be read at the first meeting following receipt before filed for reference.

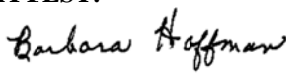
1. The Department of Texas Ladies Auxiliary will have its Council of Administration Meeting on Thursday, January 27, 2011 at 3:30 PM at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. District Presidents are reminded that they are members of the Council of Administration and should make every effort to be present at this meeting. In the absence of the District President, the Senior Vice or Junior Vice President should attend in her place.
2. All resignations of Officers shall be in writing and sent to the Secretary of the body from which she is resigning. If the Secretary is resigning, she shall send her resignation to the President of the body from which she is resigning. Resignations are effective when issued. **Section 809-Resignations Page 65** in the National Bylaws.
3. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the President, the Senior Vice-President shall at once succeed to the title and duties of such office and the Junior Vice President shall succeed to the title and duties of the Senior Vice President. Likewise in the event of a vacancy in the office of Senior Vice President, the Junior Vice President shall at once succeed to the title and duties of said office. An election shall be held at the next regular meeting for the office of Junior Vice President and any other office vacated. Due notice of contemplated election shall be deemed given if the President announces that the election will be at the next regular meeting. The vacant office shall be filled at the stated regular meeting.See first paragraph, **Section 809A-All Levels (Presidents & Vice President) Page 65.**
4. Trustees – **Section 814—Trustees, Duties of Page 83** --All audits are to be completed by the elected Trustees, with a minimum of two (2) in attendance. The President, Secretary, and Treasurer should attend the audit. **All pages attached to the record books shall be signed by the Trustees at time of the audit.** A signed copy of the audit shall be forwarded to the Department Treasurer.
A pro tem can be appointed to audit the books under extenuating circumstances.
Section 814A Page 83—Trustees, Duties of (Auxiliary) ‘It shall be the duty of the Trustees, no later than the end of the month following the expiration of each quarterly period, to properly audit the books and records of the Auxiliary Treasurer and Secretary.
5. Any member in good standing may transfer to any other Auxiliary upon presentation of a completed and executed application card and her current membership card and acceptance by the Auxiliary, which she desires to join. She shall not be liable for admission fees. **Section 113-Annual Transfers**, first paragraph page 16.
Refer to Sec. 108 Page 13—Rejection; “If an applicant is rejected, the Auxiliary Treasurer shall prepare a duplicate copy of the original application card, writing across the top of both cards the word **REJECTED**: and the date of rejection. The original shall be retained in the Auxiliary’s application card file and the duplicate sent to the Department Treasurer.
6. Mid-Winter Convention to be held in Austin at the Crowne Plaza Hotel being headquarters for the Ladies Auxiliary. All members are encouraged and welcome to attend.
7. **Page 12 No. 7** In the Booklet of Instructions. Do not send communications directly to National Headquarters unless a specific order is issued in General Orders requesting you to do so, or unless the National President or National Secretary asks for a direct reply.

All communications from individual Auxiliary members intended for either the Department or National Organization must be sent through the Auxiliary Secretary’s office to the respective office of Department or National. Such communications shall be read by the Secretary at the first meeting after they are received by her, but the Auxiliary shall not take any action thereon. Auxiliary Secretaries cannot refuse to send such communications to the office to which they are addressed, through proper channels.

BY ORDER OF:


LYNN RICHARDS
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


BARBARA HOFFMAN
DEPARTMENT SECRETARY



Approved by National Headquarters 8/31/10