

## *District 10 ALA Newsletter*

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I hope this finds all of you well and that you will be able to join us for Fall Rally at Clay Center Post (109 North Alexander) (enclosed invite-golden rod). We have some business to finish up-at the District DEC meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup> we passed a resolution to try and keep the business of the district going no matter what gets thrown at us (over). This will cause the District Standing Rules to change. We will have 1 copy for each Unit at Fall Rally and can print more as needed. My hope is to still make our rally a fun and educational time. You have already been asked to submit your End of Year Impact Reports, please get a copy to us at the district. If you don't have a unit representative attending in person you can send this report and a current copy of Unit Data Form (officer & chairmanship form) for your unit to the district e-mail (listed above) or send it snail mail (see my enclosed bio). If you have County officers (not all do) I'm sure that they would appreciate a copy. This form should be submitted to department every year even if the positions don't change. I know most units were unable to hold elections as most units haven't had meetings with COVID-19, but you still need to submit the completed form. I think the thing I heard the most when I attended Unit & County meetings throughout the district during my term as Vice-President was "Why do we have to send this info again? I swear we just submitted it." I agree it seems like there was some duplication, but making sure the info gets to **ALL** that need it is important. My hope is to stream line this process for the coming years and by doing this, at District Convention in 2021 we will only be asking for your "brag" items. If it worked well for you it might be the perfect kick start for another unit that is struggling.

Each Unit, Post and Squadron had also been asked to submit their members that have passed since our Convention in Nelson in March 2019 to Cathy Webber. We want to know where each member is from. If they are members of the Post we would like their branch of service (if known) and if they are dual, tri or quad (SAL-Son's, ALR-Riders & ALA-Auxiliary) members. It is also very important when a member passes to make sure and update department so they can update your roster.

I'm trying to make sure that we have good contact info for all of our members by sending out over 1100 newsletters. If you want to continue to get it via snail mail send me a letter back to let me know or give me a call. I will be able to get more info out in a timely manner if I can e-mail. To those that I have an e-mail address for I will be sending this with several attachments (that I'm not printing to mail just to save on postage). The ABC book along with many forms can be found on-line at <https://nebraskalegionaux.net/>, but if you want a copy of any of the forms let me know. We got the laptop and printer for that reason among others.

Department is holding a gift card fundraiser to help close the budget deficit for the 2020-21 year. Gift cards & other items have been donated by DEC (Dept Executive Committee) members as prizes for the fundraiser. 500 tickets will be sold at \$10 each from July 1st to August 25th, or until gone. The drawing will take place after the 25th & all items will be mailed out on the Tuesday after Labor Day. Send your \$10 and your contact information to Department Headquarters (Nebraska American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 5227, Lincoln, NE 68505) to be entered. A postcard with your number will be sent back to you. Contact Lisa Moore at 402-466-1808 for more information.

Dates for your calendar: Veterans Dollar Days Tuesday November 10<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. GI Med Center, 2:30 p.m. CNVH-Kearney, Gifts For Yanks Who Gave Tuesday December 8<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. GI Med Center, 2:30 p.m. CNVH-Kearney, Veterans Medical Center Gift Shop GI Tuesday December 15<sup>th</sup>. We hope to be able to be back to volunteering in person by these dates, but I will keep you posted as I know more.

**Thank you for all you do for our organization and our veterans!**

*Tina R Nelson*