

## EXTENSION/REVITALIZATION

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It is hard to believe that April is already here and that many auxiliaries are in the process of electing new officers for the coming year. These officers will assume their duties following the installation of the new Department President at the Department Convention in Wenatchee.

As we move forward, it is important that we continue supporting auxiliaries that may be experiencing challenges. Attending a meeting of an auxiliary in need can provide encouragement and renewed motivation. Many auxiliaries struggle to fill officer positions, and District Presidents play a key role in offering guidance and suggestions to help members step into leadership roles. Effective leadership does not mean doing all the work alone—it means engaging and empowering members to contribute.

District Presidents are reminded to ensure that all auxiliaries within their district have completed and submitted their audits. Please also confirm that district audits are completed and mailed to Cindy, Department Secretary. [cmburkey52@gmail.com](mailto:cmburkey52@gmail.com)

Although this bulletin may arrive after the deadline for year-end reports, any outstanding reports should still be completed and submitted to the appropriate Department Chairman as soon as possible.

Mentorship remains essential to our success. Take time to educate members about our programs and the purpose behind them. Consider incorporating a brief review of the By-Laws and Ritual at each meeting to strengthen understanding and engagement.

Presidents are encouraged to prepare an agenda prior to each meeting. A well-organized agenda helps keep meetings efficient and within a reasonable timeframe—ideally no longer than one hour. Productive and respectful meetings encourage continued member participation. It is also important to maintain a positive environment by ensuring discussions remain respectful and focused.

Thank you for your dedication and all that you have done this year in service to our veterans and their families. Together, we continue to **Honor Those Who Keep us Free, From Sea to Shining Sea and Keep the Home Fires Burning.**

**Loyally,**

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WA Extension/Revitalization Chairman