

**SD VFW AUXILIARY  
UNITED IN SERVICE FOR VETERANS – 2024-2025  
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RETENTION AND REVITALIZATION**

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Happy Fall Everyone.

We are fast approaching our midyear. I am happy to report that we had successful District meetings and visitations. District Presidents have completely or almost completed all their visits, and the reports have been very favorable.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your District President or any of the line officers. Questions and concerns will then be passed onto President Colleen who will make assignments accordingly.

Be sure to use your tools of the Bylaws and Ritual, Building on the VFW Auxiliary Foundation Auxiliary, District and Department Standing Rules, Malta, 2024-2025 Program Book, and the Department webpage (VFWAUXSD.org). Yes, there are many resources which have been developed to help your Auxiliary have a successful year.

Refer often to the Five (5) Essentials of an Auxiliary to help keep your Auxiliary on track.

In addition to all the work we do for our veterans and their families, do not forget to recognize the Good Job of your Auxiliary members.

Again, always feel free to reach out to the Department for help or if you would like a visit to one of your meetings or events in your area.

Please give a special remembrance to our veterans on Veterans Day, November 11. I am sure that most communities will have some type of ceremony.

Then Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here, and we want all to be included during the holiday season.

Hope to see many of you during the Legislative Conference in Pierre in January.

The more you take advantage of any of the meetings and training, the easier it will be for your Auxiliary to have a successful Retention and Revitalization year.

Karen Sharp  
Jr. Vice President  
Chief of Staff

