

September 2024 HOSPITAL

Fall Council is coming up fast. I hope all auxiliaries are making plans to attend the meetings and all of the valuable school of instructions that will be taking place. I look forward to sharing insights on the five South Dakota facilities we support and showing you some of the projects your auxiliary can do for those facilities or even your local facilities.

Last month I shared that we are still in need of approximately 100 catheter bag covers for the Rapid City Community Based Outreach Center (CBOC). That need is still there and I have also been informed that Fort Meade needs catheter bag covers.

Remember, the sewer does not have to be an auxiliary member – we accept and give help wherever we can. This could be a project for young sewers too so maybe your local 4H club or Girl Scouts could be volunteers. Don't forget those high schoolers who are required to do a community service project for graduation.

Patterns can be found on our South Dakota website. I also have material available so if anyone is willing to sew catheter bag covers, please let me know and I can bring material to Fall Council for your auxiliary to take home. Just give me a call at 605-877-2665 and let me know who will take the material and how much material you can utilize for making the catheter bags.

I was able to deliver a bookcase and a few books to the Community Living Center (CLC) at Hot Springs last week; however, we still need some sports related and autobiographic books to fill those shelves. If you have any of these types of books, you can send them directly to the CLC at:

Veterans Administration Hospital  
Attn: 1 East  
500 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Hot Springs, SD 57747-1480

or bring them along to the Fall Council Meeting.

Thank you for everything you are doing for your local veterans. I hope to see many of you in Oacoma.