

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We are starting our New Year with 96.6 % in membership. Way to go. We are so close to meeting States requirements for New Memberships we just need 9 more new members and I know that we can do it. We ran 4 new members across the floor last month. Nothing makes me more proud than to belong to a great organization.

I want say thank you to Nancy and Gary Randall for the wonderful cheer boxes that you made up to give to families that were unable to have a Christmas Dinner. I know it was an inconvenience to store the food at your house due to the Post being used for Christmas parties. Also our Auxiliary knocked it out of the park for hosting a Christmas Party for the children and giving every child a Christmas package. I just the loved the look on the children faces when Santa Claus came in to visit.

I would like to remind everyone that Mid-Winter conference is the 2&3 of February 2018 in Little Rock Arkansas. State will be awarding Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the year. If you need any more information you can contact me or come by the Post. Update on the gas line. The have ran the gas line from across the street and everything is in place for us to get the gas line ran to the furnaces and get everything converted to natural gas. Hopefully this will get done within the next 30 days. We are just waiting on the contractor to get with us to get the work done.

February we will have the Post Valentine dinner and dance on the 10th of February due to Valentine's Day falling on a Wednesday this year. Cost will be \$20.00 dollars a couple. We will be discussing the meal at the next monthly post meeting.

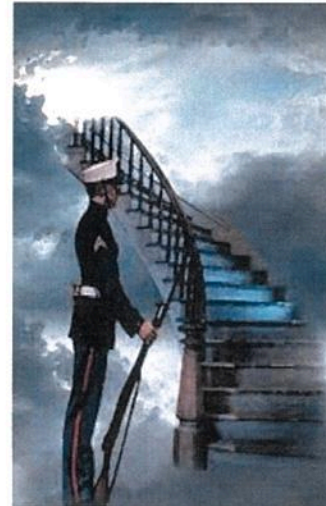
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December meeting we covered the kid's Christmas party and I want to thank all who helped make it a success. Norm for his performance as Santa Claus, His Elf, Jerry Tobey for his music, and all of my elves. Special thanks to Nancy and Gary Randall for the Cheer Boxes. Great job. Also Kathy's cookies for our homebound Aux members and the VA home were a success. Thank you and good job.

We will start Taco Night back up Jan 10 with a change on Jan 24. It will be Sloppy Joes. 1 Joe and chips for \$3 and 2 Joes and chips for \$5. Come out and support the Auxiliary. On the 1<sup>st</sup> we will be serving black eyed peas from 11 am till they run out.

Wishing all of you a Happy New Year

Connie Fields  
President



Even God needs a Gate Guard