



Chief of Staff Extension- Revitalization November-December

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Our roots run deep, and our foundation is strong, now we need to continue to grow and branch out!

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Have you contacted unaffiliated posts and explained the importance of having an Auxiliary? If you have an unaffiliated Post that has expressed an interest in establishing an Auxiliary, please let Department know ASAP. It's important to establish new Auxiliaries to help carry out our mission of helping veterans and their families.

Revitalization

At the Council of Administration meeting, I asked those in attendance, how many had used the **Healthy Auxiliary Tool Kit**, and to my surprise, almost everyone raised their hands. Keep up the good work! There are wonderful resources to use in MALTA. Check them out! Another great tool to use is the **Member Engagement Form**. It's a good form to have new members fill out and should be in the New Member packet. At an Auxiliary meeting, take a few minutes and have the members in attendance fill out an updated form. Our interests change over time and we want to make sure we have the most current information on our members when we are looking for volunteers for our projects.

With the holidays right around the corner, I encourage the Auxiliaries to contact members that aren't attending meetings to see if there is anything they need. Have they been ill? Do they no longer drive at night but would like to attend meetings if they had a ride? Or do they feel not needed? It's so easy to do a wellness check with just a phone call and with this small gesture, you are letting them know they are still in our thoughts and important to us. Everyone wants to feel needed!

REMEMBER, GREEN is the color you want to be!!

Mentoring

I now have all our District Mentoring Teams in place except for two and those will be set up by the end of the month!! Thank you, District Presidents, for doing this!!

These teams not only help the Department financially, but more importantly, they could help an Auxiliary having problems. It is **extremely** important that we get help to an Auxiliary that may be struggling early before the problems become major! That's why the District Presidents official visits are so important! These visits will let both the District and Department know know if an Auxiliary might be showing subtle "yellow caution lights". This would be the time to send in a member of the Mentoring Team to help before the problem becomes major and the Auxiliary possibly face suspension.

Are you mentoring in your Auxiliary? If so, please let me know how your Auxiliary is using Mentoring so I can share with everyone how you're using it. **Sharing Is Caring!**

REMEMBER:

C - Catch the member when they first join.

A - Ask them to participate.

R - Remember what it felt like to be new.

E - Engage them in a Program that fits them.

Please don't hesitate to call or email with any questions or concerns!

Respect and Love,

Janet



Helping Veterans by Bridging the Gap with Teamwork!