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Happy New Year!! I hope everyone had a very joyous Holiday season. I can't believe we are in the last few months of our program year. I know everyone has worked hard to make this a successful year for the Department of Missouri!

Extension

I am pleased to announce that we will be instituting a new Auxiliary! Welcome to the Department of Missouri Auxiliary #5327. They are located in Wentzville, Missouri. Jackie and I have met with them and they are so excited. They will be attending the next District 9 meeting, and I hope the Winter Conference at the Lake in February. Please make sure to introduce yourselves and make them feel welcome.

I'm also pleased to let everyone know that we might have two more Auxiliaries forming. President Patti is working with the Post in West Plains, Mo. and Amy Jo Lett visited VFW Post #2646 in Marshall, Mo. and presented the importance of having an Auxiliary and information about our Programs. They were very receptive, and my understanding is, they also fed her **VERY** well!! LOL!

District Presidents there is still time to contact the unaffiliated Posts in your Districts and see if they are interested in having an Auxiliary and let you attend their meeting and do a presentation. Keep up the great work!!

Revitalization

Keep up the fantastic work walking the **Yellow Brick Road** to see our Great and Powerful Wizard, President Patti! I have been working with a few Auxiliaries, keeping them on track to remain healthy Auxiliaries. I am pleased to announce we have no yellow or red Auxiliaries at this time!

Mentoring

I have been doing some traveling the past month and I have seen wonderful examples of mentoring! I am one proud Mama!!! Please keep up the great work. I would love to hear from the Auxiliaries how they are implementing the Mentoring Program in their Districts or Auxiliaries.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Winter Conference in February! Stay safe and warm!!

A little inspiration to start 2026!!!

Starfish Story

An old man was walking the beach one morning after a big storm. In the distance he could see someone moving like a dancer. As he came closer, he could see that it was a young girl picking up starfish and gently throwing them into the ocean.

"Young lady, why are you throwing starfish into the ocean?"

"The sun is up, and the tide is going out, and if I do not throw them in they will die." she said.

"But young lady, do you not realize that there are many miles of beach, and tens of thousands of starfish? You cannot possibly make a Difference."

The young girl listened politely, then bent down, picked up another starfish, and threw it into the sea.

"It made a difference for that one."



Be the lighthouse in someone's storm!!