

BULLETIN #3

SECRETARY/TREASURER UPDATES

Brothers and Sisters:

It's that time of the year and I am sending you all a warm hug and smiles that God will bless you and your families with a lovely holiday season. More importantly, I ask the same for our active duty military as they serve to keep us free!



A few things we need to pay attention to are listed below.

- 1) Thank you for responding to the Audits this quarter in a timely manner. I am tracking them and Karen Flynn has been calling those who are behind – I appreciate everyone's help on this! As a reminder, please send them to the PO Box for the Dept. Treas.
- 2) Far too many new applications for membership are coming in and I am not able to decipher the penmanship!! Treasurers, please ensure you can read them yourself prior to sending to me to input! And, always be sure you have the birthdate and phone number on them. It still appears we have old applications (very old) out there – this creates a problem as the amount of the Life Membership could possibly be submitted with the wrong amount and then it becomes an accounting problem trying to refund, etc. And, if it is a credit card payment, National will NOT accept the application whatsoever if it is old.
- 3) Lately we have been experiencing a number of declines and invalid credit card numbers. Again, I hate to sound like a broken record, but we must follow the guidelines concerning cards. If it declines, we rightfully do not have to process again – the new member should write a check for the membership. These can decline or a number of reasons – I am trying to be a bit more lenient if the number is written down incorrectly, the expiration date is not correct, the name written in does not match the card, etc. However, I am tracking the trends and we do need to pay special attention to this ongoing concern.
- 4) Many are sending in their donations and I appreciate you doing so. Please ensure you are very clear which hospitals/nursing homes you are donating to, what Fisher House, National Home Cottage and/or Children's Activities, etc. If you run out of room on the front of the Check Summary, please list on the back and let me know they are on the back!
- 5) **IMPORTANT** (we'll see how many of you actually read these orders!???) – at Mid-Winter Conference we plan to hold a short MALTA Training Class. I would prefer to do this on Friday following the Department Audit at 2:30 PM. We have many new Presidents, Treasurers and Secretaries and this is also a requirement for the Circle of Excellence, so please plan to attend. Unless you hear otherwise, let's plan to meet in the Auxiliary meeting room for this session.



- 6) Because the minutes are a permanent record of the Auxiliary, please be detailed when recording motions made – i.e. who made and seconded the motion and always use the first AND last name,

and if the motion passed or failed. And, ensure the minutes are incorporated into the Treasures book as well.

Please make note of some officer changes, meeting location changes, etc.

- Correct address and phone for **Department President Kathi Naff** is: 360/941-3621 and 8718 Linden Ave. N., Seattle, WA 98103.
- **Elaine Taylor's** area code is 360 – she is Dept. Buddy Poppy/National Home Chairman.
- Treasurer for **Walla Walla #992** is now Susan Fleming (glad to have her back!) – address is 444 Easy Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362. Phone 509/386-8624 and email sparkywsp@gmail.com.
- Secretary for **Walla Walla #992** is Cynthia Caughron – 444 Easy Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362 and phone is 509/525-0063. Email is the same as Susan Fleming's.
- Senior Vice for **Walla Walla #992** is Anne Heaton. She can be reached at 1815 Delmont St., Walla Walla, WA 99326 and phone is 509/522-8652.
- Rebecca Pellechi is now the Secretary for **District 6**. Address is 4110 NW 77th, Camas, WA 98607-7753 – her email is rmpellechi7@yahoo.com.
- Amy O'Hara is Trustee #2 for **District 6** – address is 3205 NE Edelweiss Ae., Vancouver, WA 98682-8198.
- **Rainier Post** has a new phone number 206/723-1948.
- **District 2** meeting scheduled for 11/16 is NOT joint.
- Email for Shirley Lance, **Aux. President #3617**, should be clanc13@netzero.com.
- Email for Bicky LaRoque, **Aux. Secretary #3617**, should be roqueone@msn.com.
- Change of location for **District 9** meetings 2/8/2020 and 5/2/2020 – now at Post #1435 – Spokane Valley.
- New JVP for **Aux. #1474** is Steve Corker, 8620 N. Cedar Rd., Spokane, WA 99208-8462, phone is 509/230-3901.
- **District 7** meetings are 9/21/19, 11/16/19, 2/15/2020 and 4/18/20 – lunch at Noon and meetings 1:00 PM.
- **Department Convention dates are June 11-14, 2020.**

When you are submitting these changes, it is requested you submit in writing. If you are making Officer changes, please ensure you send the position, name, member number, address, phone number and email address. I am receiving little notes here and there and it is extremely hard to track on these changes. I must submit all Officer changes to National.

Many are sending delegates fees, but you do not have the form yet where you identify those delegates. If you are voting on them now, please ensure you keep that record so the form may be properly completed early this spring for our Department Convention.

Again, best wishes for a super, fun-filled holiday season.

Cindy Burkey,
Secretary/Treasurer

Merry Christmas

