

## HISTORIAN 2017-2018



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I am truly honored and thrilled to serve as President Mary Spindler's Department Historian this year. With your assistance I will be working diligently to record her year while she and all auxiliary members strive to provide the support so richly due our veterans and their families.

President Mary's theme is "Leaving Our Legacy" and we will be working together to ensure the legacy of Mary's presidency is retained for all to remember. By recording the activities of this year, we are not only validating the hard work and love we have provided to our deserving military, we are also providing a roadmap for future generations; *our legacy* for the future.

Roadmaps are a helpful way to get us started on a journey but it's important to remember that some of our best times can happen when we take an unexpected path. I hope we will be recording many expected journeys and will also have the opportunity to try new paths and that lead us all to new ways of serving our veterans.



**As with any journey, we need pictures and documentation to capture the moments.** As your "tour director" for this year, I want to gather as much information as possible so that at the end of Mary's exciting journey she will be able to look back and review her year with pride and love. She will be reminded of the support provided by her VFW Auxiliary brothers and sisters and know that the legacy she is leaving is one of undying commitment for our brave men and women who provide us the freedoms we all enjoy.



Please send me your photos (using your cameras or smart phones) and write-ups as soon as you can once an event has occurred. Try to send high quality pictures that can be reproduced for Mary's scrapbook(s) and be sure to record *what* is happening in the picture and *who* is in the picture. Use local media outlets and social media to keep everyone up to date on your auxiliary's activities.



I'm looking forward to hearing from many of you throughout the year and don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have along the way.