## **BULLETIN – JULY 2023**



## HISTORIAN AND MEDIA RELATIONS

## MARY SPINDLER, CHAIRMAN

As Department Historian, I am looking forward to working with all our members and receiving your promotions for the program. President Lynn is counting on **all of you** to capture those special moments and share them. At the end of the year, Lynn will receive a memory book—and I am hoping that EVERY Auxiliary makes a concentrated effort to share photos and events.



The two most important duties of the Historian are reporting in the program at all levels of the Auxiliary (ideally by December 31<sup>st</sup>) and being diligent in capturing and preserving memories.

Every Auxiliary and District should appoint one person to be responsible for sharing photos and promoting the program. This includes posting photos on social media, newspapers, newsletters, or any other creative way to share. DON'T FORGET THE 5 W's – Who? What? When? Where? Why?



Although any member can participate in the program, it is ideal to assign one person who will report the hours, dollars, etc. associated with your projects. **This is a must!** 



Auxiliaries should review the awards at the **beginning of the year!** Some changes have been made to the Historian Program.



National Historian **Diana Morris** has a new project for Auxiliary Historians, which is to complete a 3-5 minute **video interview** with a legacy member—someone who has been around for a long time and has served in multiple capacities. The details are outlined on the entry form, which can be found on **MALTA**, or the **Department website** under the Historian Program. Here are some sample questions:

- Ask why they joined.
- Ask about their favorite memorable moments.
- Place emphasis on bringing the past to life.
- ♣ Note: If your Auxiliary has no legacy members, you can also interview a District or Department member. You might also want to ask them how being a volunteer has affected their lives. All interviews should be sent to me.
- ✓ Remember: There are three Department awards in addition to the National award. You can't win if you don't enter!!

