

BULLETIN – JULY 2023



DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

LYNN SMITH

Welcome to the “**BE A WARRIOR**” year. It is my honor to be able to represent the Department of Illinois Auxiliary this year. I can only promise to do my best, and with your help, I know we will have a great year.

Remember we are a team – Together Every Auxiliary Member. We have a lot of work ahead of us, but we can do this.

What is a Warrior? A state of mind that allows you to face challenges and adversity with courage, strength, and determination.

Let’s start our year by being kind and courteous. Remember, bullying doesn’t get you anywhere but to fail. Remember, we are here for our Veterans and their families. The way to do this is to start working on the programs and, just because you get an X on the X-sheet, don’t stop working on the programs. Make sure you are meeting all the deadlines.

I’m going to touch on membership. We must always be working on membership to strengthen our voice in Congress. The stronger we are the more we can do for our Veterans and their families.

This year National will have a Member of the Year from each state. This is new to us and an eblast will be sent out with the criteria and a nomination form. I would like to see lots and lots of the forms come in. I want to make our judges work hard.

So, let’s start the year on the right foot and put the past behind us. On to a great year!