

# DEBI'S DISTINCTIVE DELIVERY



I know all our units have been working hard on membership and it shows. Our department is currently at 94%. Way to go Utah !

Last year letters were sent out to several units that were about to lose their charters. I would like to congratulate Roosevelt Unit 64. They were able to save their charter and bring their membership from 0 to 24 members. Way to go Roosevelt. I understand that Georgia Engelbrecht was instrumental in this endeavor. Thank you for all your time and work.

We cannot continue without our membership. This should be important to each and everyone of us. We need you to make our programs work.

Please talk to your units about our Poppy program. I need your input on whether to keep the poppy distribution as a requirement for Girls State. Without this program the 40% that would be sent into department would end. This money goes into our restricted account. Some of the funds are used to pay the veterans who make the Poppies and for the scholarships. Please send a note or e-mail to the office or to me to let me know how our members feel on this matter.

I have had a few calls about different matters on office policies. I ask you to please write them down and send them to me by snail mail or e-mail. If you want to call, that is fine as well. I will address them as I receive them.

We are all volunteers in this wonderful and important organization. From our youngest members to our eldest members, we all contribute. With that I would like to say again a BIG Thank You to our office staff, Lu and Ellen. Without your dedication and commitment where would we be!

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Remember why we all volunteer

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## THE POWER OF ONE

As we traveled around to the fall conferences I issued a challenge to those we met with. I hope that you accepted the challenge and used the Power of One to make a difference in your unit or district. The challenge was to renew or make a new friend in your unit or district.

Just as it takes just one spark to light a candle or start a forest fire, it takes just one of you to revitalize a unit or reignite the passion in yourself or someone else. The time to make that happen is now. Is there someone who could use a phone call or a helping hand. One thought, one word, one smile, one action, one idea can launch a transformation. I challenge each one of you to use your power as one individual to make a difference in someone's life.

As a Department we are struggling. We need your ideas, thoughts and actions to keep us alive. It is time for each one of us to renew our commitment to our Auxiliary. As a new year approaches I would like to ask each one of you to think about doing something different. Consider filling an office in your unit or district. We are always looking for members to fill offices and chairmanships at the Department level. Don't let lack of experience deter you. None of us has all the experience we need. There are so many members ready and willing to help you if you will just give us the chance.

I want to congratulate those who have taken the challenge and tried to make a difference. I appreciate all the hard work you do to retain and gain new members. There have been some remarkable efforts in this area. Just one of these is in Roosevelt. With the help and hard work of Georgia Engelbrecht this unit has exceeded their goal and is currently at 240 %

You or I can be that one person who can make a difference in the lives of our members and our veterans.

Sharon Gansauge  
Membership Chairman

