



## VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

### July 2023 General Orders Chair Report

Hello brothers and sisters! This message comes to you with wishes for a safe and fun summer, making memories to last a lifetime. I want to give you a little info in case you do not know me. I'm very proud to be your 2023-2024 Department of WI Americanism Chair/Patriotic Instructor and looking forward to my first national program. This has always been my favorite of the VFWA programs, and I truly enjoyed presenting the POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony as the District 8 Americanism Chair long ago.

In 1987 my mother Theresa, sisters Karen, Linda and I became charter members of Heart of the Valley Auxiliary 10544 under daddy's eligibility. Harry H. Lamers was a very proud WWII Army Air Corps veteran and charter member of Post 10544. Between parades, fireworks, and attending the VFW and American Legion picnics we did it all and he instilled a passion for patriotism in us right from the start. What a way to grow up! Daddy taught us that being a part of something great is fulfilling and his pride trickled down to us so we "bleed red, white and blue". We are proud to carry on his legacy.

### FIND INFORMATION

- **In monthly emails** you will receive from me & in reports sent with general orders
- **24/7 Online at three places:**  
<https://vfwauxiliary.org/what-we-do/americanism/>  
<https://malta.vfwauxiliary.org/MemberResources>  
<https://vfwauxwi.org> (click on Programs then Americanism)

Each month I will give information to make filling out End of Year Reports easier and so your Auxiliary can be successful. Let's get President Sherrie in the National Circle of Excellence by working hard for our Veterans.

It is an exciting time to BEE a part of the change in our organization. With kindness and respect, we can carry on the traditions while coming up with new ways to get the job done. Please send me pictures (email, text or snail mail) of all you do in the way of Americanism. You will make my reports better and I'll be happy to share your work with the Department.

***Thank you and God Bless America as we "Band Together for our Veterans" & "Bee the Change"***

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