Letter to all Auxiliary Members of our Post...VFW 5337

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Dear Auxiliary Members,

I am writing this letter to our entire Auxiliary old and new. When I took office 2 and 1/2 years back, the auxiliary had no money for programs, etc. The Senior Vice and I started the Friday night dinners to help bring in funds to our VFW canteen and to build up our treasury for our programs. That same year we held a tea which also helped us meet our program needs and to help out the VFW if they needed our help to pay for something. The second year we held another tea to supplement our funds for the same purpose and continued with the Friday night dinners.

The dinners are as you know cooked by auxiliary volunteers. Before Christmas we had all kinds of volunteers signing up to help with the cooking which was great. It really helped us get some new ideas and allowed us a bit of a break.

Unfortunately, it has fallen by the wayside again. We need your help with our cause and when you do volunteer, please remember to clean up and put away all that is used in kitchen. Empty trash, sweep and mop if necessary. It is our post too and we need to pitch in to keep it nice. Please sign the volunteer sheet in the canteen to cook Friday nights. As you know, we try to keep costs down when buying food and you should be taking out your expenses. Remember, I also need receipts.

In my opinion because of our Auxiliary holding these dinners the canteen business has improved and they are better now than they were when we come aboard. And thanks to all who have came forward and donated their time and talent to help our post.

We are having a Quarter Auction on Saturday, March 4th. Here again we need volunteers. As a volunteer you won't have time to participate in the Auction but you can bring a friend to do your bidding and it will also help sell tickets. We are only selling 70 tickets and half are sold already. I have a signup sheet outside the entrance door to the post on right hand side. As it gets closer I will be assigning members to certain jobs.

The money raised by the Auxiliary allows us to donate to our post, items like a Commercial Microwave and Toaster, we helped pay for a refrigerator; we donated money for the new sign outside. We have donated a gift card for small repairs around the post. We recently were able to pay for paint so that some kind volunteers could- paint the room where we hold meetings. So we have accomplished this and so much more.

In closing, Thank you to all that help in any way they can. The VFW depends on us to help them and in turn we can repay them in some small way for the service they gave to our country and continue to keep giving. So please come do your part.

Sincerely, Jane Valdivia Auxiliary President