

**American Legion Auxiliary
March/April
VP/Membership Chairman**

Membership has been a wonderful experience this year.

We are coming out of the worst pandemic to hit the world since the 1918 flu. We survived that and we have survived Covid. We have had to say goodbye to people that we have depended on for advice and support. They will be forever missed.

Right now, we are in the best place for us to become a GOAL Department. Less than 500 memberships between us and the front row at National Convention. There are departments with fewer members than North Carolina and that is why we cannot let up. Check your rosters and call on those that are members from 2021. Renew and recruit that is what we must do to stay at the top.

Let me tell you about a member of Pollocksville Unit 64. May Bell Vaughn, at 104 years of age and still very active in her unit. Born in 1918 during the great flu pandemic and now going through the Covid pandemic. She was a teacher and an inspiration to her students what a testament to human perseverance. Thank you, Miss Vaughn, for your service to our great organization.

Shelby 82 has a member that is 101 years old, Martha Kate Shore, brand new to the Auxiliary, we welcome Martha Kate Shore. Martha Kate lived the farm life, raising her family and helping to run the farm. Thank you for joining our organization.

Two women for this Women's month I thought you might like to know about.

Please fill out the unit leadership forms that are in the mailing. Even if your officers stay the same. Our information needs to be updated at least yearly, more often if changes occur within your unit. At the top of the form please put the date and year you filled it out. We can then be sure we have the most recent form in your unit's folder.

Remember that renewals and recruiting are how our Auxiliary can accomplish all that we do. Looking forward to seeing all the numbers go higher, we can SOAR into the future with your help. Let's make North Carolina Strong and in the process, we will help more veterans and our active-duty military.

We are Seeking Opportunities Achieving Results.

Mary Bartlett
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