

Presidents' Message

Mary Bartlett

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. It is hard to believe this year is half over.

We are getting ready for Mid-Winter Conference and looking forward to seeing everyone in Raleigh on February 17th and 18th. The Chairmen will be giving updates on their programs. It is always a learning experience to hear what Units are doing within the different programs. Come to Mid-Winter and see what new ideas you leave with.

District meetings are set up and I am excited to come to each of the Units that are hosting them. It is always a pleasure to meet members and start new friendships.

If you have never been to a district meeting, then this is the place to meet and know those within your district. The people you can call on for help because they are close by and available to you. Working a fundraiser or membership drive is all about teamwork.

January 16th is Martin Luther King's birthday and a wonderful day to make a difference in someone's life.

Collect non-perishables and donate to the food banks locally. Collect items for women veterans and fill handbags to pass out to our homeless female veterans. If you thank a veteran for his or her service, you might just be the one to give them hope for one more day. Don't forget to remind every veteran you speak to that the Crisis Hotline has a new number 988.

Please remember to bring your storyboards for your programs. The program chairmen will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

The president's project is our General Fund (operating cost). Donations of items to sell are deeply appreciated. Monetary donations are welcomed also.

Looking forward to seeing every one of you in Raleigh.

Thank you for the past 6 months and looking toward the next 6.

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