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## NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT.....

The State Conference in Deadwood was a great success! The Auxiliary efficiently conducted business and had plenty of time for the many fun activities that had been planned. Officers for the Auxiliary for the 2014-15 year include President Gayle Funk, Vice-President Marlene Kotab, Secretary Jill Siedschlaw, Membership Chairman/Treasurer Diane Kafka, Officer-at-Large Mary Williams, Legislative Chairman Marlys List, Historian Jennifer Kranz, Chaplain/Public Relations Sherry Blackwell, Parliamentarian Edna Steinberg, Sergeant-at-Arms Gene Deyo, Communications Officer Joann McElroy, and Past-President Margaret Greenfield.

It's time again for our annual membership drive for 2015. I want to encourage you to renew your membership today. If your spouse is not already an associate member, sign them up. If you know of other SDNGEA spouses who aren't members do your part to encourage them to become members. As you know, membership provides many potential scholarship opportunities and the cost of being a member is minimal. Membership to the Auxiliary can mean many things. It can mean, I pay my dues and show support for my spouse, it can mean that I attend meetings, meet new friends and assist with the activities of the Auxiliary, or it can mean that I participate in the leadership of the organization. Let others know that members choose how active they

wish to be. We welcome new members on any of these levels. Your membership lets decision makers know that there is a strong voting constituency that they need to consider when acting on legislations that concerns us. When it comes to the benefits, programs, and services that are available and need to be enhanced or preserved for National Guard members and their families, we need to show how much we care about these issues. The membership form is available on SDNGEA.com. I encourage you to sign up today!

Have a wonderful summer!

SDNGEA Auxiliary President

## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS.....

Congratulations to our 2014 Scholarship winners, Elizabeth Anderson and Keisha Voges. Each winner received a \$400 scholarship. Elizabeth Anderson, daughter of Bruce and Cathy Anderson, is a junior at the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry working toward a Dental Hygiene degree. Keisha Voges, daughter of Brian and Shannon Voges, graduated from Roosevelt High School and plans to attend SDSU and obtain a Pharmaceutical degree.

Nine baskets were donated for the Auxiliary Silent Auction and raised \$383 for the Scholarship Program. Please note that the members voted to offer one larger scholarship of \$1,000 in 2015 instead of two \$400 scholarships as given in the past.

## Upcoming Events

### AREA V CAUCUS

May 30-31, 2014 -  
Rochester, MN

### NATIONAL CONFERENCE

August 10-14, 2014 - Phoenix, AZ

### BLACK HILLS VETERANS HONOR MARCH

September 20, 2014 -  
Deadwood, SD

### LEGISLATIVE DINING OUT

February 2015 - Date TBD  
Pierre, SD

### STATE CONFERENCE

April 17-18, 2015  
Watertown, SD

## DEADLINE for NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS JUNE 1...

There will be three EANGUS National Auxiliary Scholarships, one in the amount of \$1,250 and two in the amount of \$1,000 each. There is also one USAA scholarship of \$1,000 available to high school seniors or college students. Full-time students as well as part-time students enrolled for at least 8 accredited hours may apply. Previous Auxiliary scholarship winners are not eligible. The following individuals are eligible to apply:

- Unmarried children/step children, grandchildren/step grandchildren, up to age 26, of Annual and Life EANGUS Auxiliary members;
- Spouses of EANGUS Auxiliary members;
- EANGUS Auxiliary members.

Scholarship application deadline is June 1, 2014. Applications are available from Marlys List and completed applications should be submitted to: Marlys List, Auxiliary Scholarship, 705 James Place, Yankton, SD57078 For additional information Marlys can be reached at 605-665-5924 or [dmlist@vyn.midco.net](mailto:dmlist@vyn.midco.net).

The scholarship application is available at [www.SDNGEA.com](http://www.SDNGEA.com) under the Auxiliary tab and then the scholarships tab.

This past year Clara Schild from Yankton, SD was selected as winner for the \$1,250 scholarship.

## OPENINGS FOR DELEGATES FOR THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE .....

Currently, we have four members identified to serve as National Conference Delegates. There are still two delegate slots available. If you are planning to attend the conference and would like to serve as a delegate, please contact Gayle Funk, President by June 30. Those members serving as delegates and submitting a written report will be eligible for a \$150 reimbursement on their registration. You still have time to sign up for the National Conference which will be held on August 10-13, 2014 in Phoenix, Arizona.

Please contact me, Joann McElroy, with any news regarding Auxiliary members and their families.



## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE.....

The South Dakota National Guard Enlisted Association Auxiliary is offering a \$1,000 scholarship for the 2015 academic year. Unmarried High school seniors and college undergraduate students or vocational students are eligible. The student's Father, Mother, or Grandparents must be a member of the South Dakota National Guard Enlisted Association and his/her spouse a member of the Auxiliary and/or retired career National Guard Person who is a member of the Enlisted Association and Auxiliary. Membership dues for 2015 must be paid by December 31, 2014, to be eligible for the scholarships. Applications are currently available and must be postmarked by March 15, 2015. For more information or to request a scholarship packet contact: Marlene Kotab  
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## Member Updates



We were saddened to learn of the death of Jim Wranek on May 14, 2014. Jim was a life member of the SDNGEA and was married to Mary Wranek, a life member of the SDNGEA Auxiliary. Mary served as president of the Auxiliary from 1987-1988. We extend our sympathy to Mary and family.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE....



Since I am now the Communications Officer for the “Dakota Messenger”, I wanted to share this photo of my brother and sister-in-law’s grandsons who visited my home earlier this year. We were surprised to see them outside with Isaac (6) teaching Emmett (3) the Pledge of Allegiance. Little Isaac wasn’t sure which was his right hand! I’m thrilled to know that the Pledge is recited right down to the kindergarten level and to see what an impression it has made on little minds. May it continue to be recited thru all grades in the school system.

## FLAG PROTOCOL.....

During the summer months, we observe many parades and events when our American flag is displayed.

Just as a reminder, during a ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag or when the

flag is passing in a parade or in review, all persons present in uniform should render the military salute. Members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may render the military salute. All other persons present should face the flag and stand at attention with their right hand over the heart, or if applicable, remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. All such conduct toward the flag in a moving column should be rendered at the moment the flag passes.

The flag, when carried in a procession with another flag or flags, should be either on the march right; that is, the flag’s own right, or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

The flag should not be displayed on a float in a parade except from a staff.

The flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle or of a railroad train or a boat. When the flag is displayed on a motorcar, the staff shall be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right fender.

No other flag or pennant should be placed above or, if on the same level, to the right of the flag of the United States of America.

United States Code 4 can be researched for more information on flag protocol.

## REMEMBER TO VOTE IN THE UPCOMING PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS.....

Be sure to exercise your patriotic privilege of voting in the primary elections on June 3, and in the general election on November 4. Try to determine which of the candidates will be able to work for the betterment of our Enlisted Association matters.



**The National Guard Needs Your Support.**  
To view all The Calls use this link:

<http://capwiz.com/eangus>



**Your VOICE Counts!**

To see pictures from the State Conference see our Facebook page.



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