

November 6, 2008

Well all of the fall conferences are history. Congratulations to Bobbie Davis from the 5th district and Lena Allison from the 8th district on having successful conferences. The hospitality was wonderful.

We are in our 6th month of membership and ladies we are doing fantastic. However, we need that push to get the 0% units to send in their membership. This is the time that membership seems to slow down, so we need to give that extra push. Right now we are at approximately 13% higher then we were last year at this time. Our state total is 67.87 as of November 6. On the national level we jumped from 21st to 6th place this week. Cheryl still has to turn in the membership we received yesterday (November 5th) at our membership party.

I think our membership party was a huge success. We had approximately 60 members in attendants. I would like to thank Renee Bossenmeyer, Cheryl's husband for coming to the office on Monday, November 3rd, to help me set up the tables for the party. A great big thank you goes out to all of the members that brought food, we had quite a spread; an assortment of chips and dips, sandwiches, cocktail sausages, deviled eggs, pasta salad, coleslaw, fried chicken, chicken tenders, drummettes, green beans, pastalaya, drinks and desserts, too many to mention. Also another big thank you goes out to Aldreamer Smith from Unit 505 and Nancy Lowery from Unit 63 for staying and help clean up – what a big help they were. The following units turning in membership at the party were:

- 3rd District - Unit 83 – Lockport
Unit 349 – Raceland
Unit 513 – Thibodaux
- 4th District - Unit 6 – Cedar Grove
- 6th District - Unit 38 – Baton Rouge
Unit 47 – Ponchatoula
Unit 248 – New Roads
Unit 505 – Baton Rouge
- 7th District - Unit 1 – Lake Charles
Unit 179 – Sulphur
- 8th District - Unit 387 – New Llano

Membership turned in was 101.

Congratulations to Unit 349 Raceland for winning the \$25.00 drawing for bring in membership.

I would like to congratulate the following units for being quota and quota plus units

- 2nd District - Unit 350 – Thomas J. Hanly – 100%
- 3rd District - Unit 26 – Jeanerette – 100%
Unit 241 – Lafayette – 103.03%
Unit 242 – Patterson – 103.75%
Unit 289 – Parks – 103.52%
Unit 309 – Grand Isle – 100%
Unit 328 – Pierre Part – 100%
- 3rd District - Unit 504 – Lafayette – 100%
Unit 585 – Bertrandville – 100%
- 6th District - Unit 156 – Hammond – 100%

Unit 167 – Plaquemine – 105.56%
Unit 248 – New Roads – 100.96%
Unit 255 – Chappelpeela – 100%
Unit 502 – Baton Rouge – 100%
Unit 580 – Maringouin – 109.09%
7th District - Unit 1 – Lake Charles – 102.00%
Unit 19 – Jennings – 115.15%
Unit 370 – Westlake – 100%
Unit 403 – Lake Arthur – 100%
Unit 514 – Curry Golden – 122.58%

Great Job!!!!

Mid Winter Conference will be held on January 16 – 18, 2009, at Best Western in Alexandria. Our membership party will be held on Saturday, January 17 at 6:00 am in the ladies meeting room. Be prepared to dance and have a good time. Our Southern National Vice President will be at this conference, so we need a good turn out for the membership party. We will be holding our dancing contest, we will be giving out membership awards and we will be serving cookies and punch and all of this is free of charge, so there is no reason for not attending. Lets have a good showing of members for our National Guest and also to support your district. You are promised to have a good time. **District Presidents you need to send in your papers of the names of who will be dancing and the song you will be dancing too.**

Friday, November 7th, Department President Henry will be leaving for Japan for 3 weeks to visit her daughter, grandchildren and son-in-law. She will be there to greet her son-in-law when he also arrives in Japan from the Navy Carrier he is serving on. We wish her to have a safe and wonderful trip. I spoke to her Thursday night to let her know we had jumped up at the National level from 21st place to 6th place. She was so excited, and stated I can go on my vacation and leave with a happy heart because we are doing so well in membership. So ladies lets welcome her home with some better numbers in membership, maybe with one or more districts at 100%.

Again, I would like to thank each and every one of you all for all the hard work you do for membership. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the following:

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