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Dear Members

As the 2020-2021 year comes to an end I can tell you that my time serving as your Department Education Chair has been both challenging, at times stressful, but very rewarding, given the many curves that COVID has presented for that last year and a half. Still, our Education chairmen across the state have found creative and innovative ways to work the Auxiliary mission and further champion educational opportunities for the children of veterans. You will learn about some of these phenomenal accomplishments during my year-end report at our virtual Convention next month – so stay tuned!

Scholarships

We are anxiously awaiting news from National on the 2021 Scholarship winners. The information should arrive mid-May, and the winners will be posted on the Department website. Department scholarship winners will be notified of their awards to coincide with the announcement from National. All students who applied, and sponsoring Units will receive acknowledgements from this Chairman in the near future.

Year-end Reporting

A big thank you to all of the District Chairmen who submitted end-of-year Education reports, and special kudos to those Chairmen who took the time to write supplemental reports. Your input provided some wonderful information that I am able to incorporate into my own report for National!

Give 10 To Education Certificates

There is still time to request certificates for individuals, Units, and Districts to request Give 10 certificates for their donations to this component of the Education program. The certificates, signed by National ALA President Nicole Clapp, are a wonderful way to acknowledge those who have so generously donated school supplies to schools in their area. The form is attached to this Bulletin, and the deadline to return completed forms to me is June 1, 2021.

Awards

Certificates for **100% Reporting** will be sent directly to those District chairmen who received reports from each of their Units, and their mention will be acknowledged in my Convention report.

The awards for **Best Unit and District Supplemental Reporting** will also be announced in the report, and certificates will be mailed to the winners at the close of Convention! The National awards for Most Outstanding Unit and Most Outstanding District Reports will not be dispersed until the 2021 National Convention.

In closing, it has been an honor to promote the Education program for the last two years.

Yours in Service,

Susan Baker, Chair

