

Message from the 2010-2011 National Vice President

Dear Auxiliary Members,

You have an important role to play in helping the American Legion Auxiliary carry out our mission.

As an individual member, you can help us streamline what we do to assure that all of our programs and activities are mission-based: Serving our military, veterans, their children, and promoting community events that assist our military and veterans. During peace time, our organization took on a lot of worthy community-based activities, but now our servicemembers need us more than ever. We must put them first.



The national leadership team, under President Carlene's direction, has worked thoughtfully and diligently to assure that all of their objectives are mission-based. We are a country at war, and our members need to be an example to our communities showing that the American Legion Auxiliary's purpose is to assist soldiers, veterans and their children with any needs they have.

The leadership team believes that as we work our programs, embrace our mission and invite community members to join us, new members will be drawn to the Auxiliary to share in our mission delivery. If they find meaning in the volunteer hours they invest, they will feel a sense of pride, camaraderie and enjoy knowing their work has made a difference for our nation's heroes.

Our dedication to soldiers, veterans and their children will be accomplished by individual members working together. The Power of One is felt when we all contribute our part to the big picture, working side by side on the objectives outlined in our Plan of Action.

I pledge my dedication and service to the American Legion Auxiliary, National President Carlene and all of you as we "make a difference in the lives of others through our service."

"You are not here merely to make a living. You are here to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, and with a finer spirit of hope and achievement. You are here to enrich the world. You impoverish yourself if you forget this errand." – Woodrow Wilson

I look forward to serving with each of you, enriching the world by honoring those who sacrifice to protect freedom.

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kris Nelson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kris Nelson
American Legion Auxiliary National Vice President, 2010-2011