



In January of 1985 Laurie joined under the eligibility of her Grandfather, Sam Jacobson, a World War II Veteran and Past Department Commander



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Department of Minnesota
Unanimously Endorsed
Candidate
for
VFW Auxiliary
National Guard
2023 - 2024





Laurie has been active in the community her whole life, and her ties to the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary go back to her childhood. She was a VFW kid that grew up riding the Buddy Poppy float in parades and attending VFW events with her family members before she was old enough to join the Auxiliary. Laurie served on the Kenyon Commercial Club, serving a term as President. Laurie is a member of Holden Lutheran Church where she has taught Bible School, sang in the choir. cooked their Annual Church Dinner and served on the Congregational Life and Stewardship Committees, each time serving as a part of the Church Council. It was a privilege for Laurie to be a part of the annual trip with the K-W 8th Grade students to Washington, DC for over a decade. Actively teaching young people about patriotism, our nation's history and the political process. Laurie is employed full time by the Department of Minnesota VFW Auxiliary in St. Paul, MN. Laurie, and her family live in Kenyon and they have pledged their full support as she begins this next journey.

Chairmanships on local, District and Department levels

President of Auxiliary #141 Kenyon -Five terms

District 1 President 2008 - 2009

Department President 2013-2014
* Outstanding Runner Up

National Certified Recruiter Trainer 2014 - 2018

National Veterans & Family Support Ambassador 2015-2016

Department Chief of Staff 2015-2016 2017-2018 and 2022-2023

> Department Treasurer January 2016 - Present

Department Finance Committee Chair 2016 - Present

National District Council Member #21 2017 - 2019

Department Secretary 2019 - Present

We have enjoyed over 100 years of service to the veterans of this great nation, their families and our communities and we need to continue that service and support. In order for that to happen, we need to make changes. We need to change the spirit of our organization, to simplify and streamline our processes and programs and most importantly we need to emphasize courtesy and respect. Departments, Districts, Auxiliaries and members need to be engaged and encouraged to accept the challenges, changes and opportunities that will present themselves.

Remember.....
Change is just addition to tradition.