Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!
Where has the year gone!!!



Here is a little History from Almeta Kelly, the Department Historian 1988.

In 1988 the National Foreign Relations Committee Member was Marguerite Rice, Central Division Americanism Chairman was Carolyn Bailey and Dora Seynour was the Chairman of the Advisory Committee and a member of The Long-Range Planning Committee. National Awards: Beulah Taylor received the Certificate of recognition for exceeding the contribution of last year for the Auxiliary Emergency Fund, The Department received an award for Children & Youth for the designated goal in contributions to Child Welfare, Leon McMinimy Unit 181 award for best describing their activities for Community Service, for Education a Certificate of appreciation to Elaine Smith Central Division Chairman; award to June Slater from the Americanism Commission of the American Legion for outstanding service as Department Education Chairman, Membership awards to the Department President & Membership Chairman for reaching 90% of their 1987 goal by December 1986, also a reward for reaching 95% of 1987 goal by May 22, 1987, and Poppy poster award was won by Otis E. Langley in Class V Developmental Disability.

At the 67th Annual Department Convention in Topeka, 318 members and guests attended the convention, in May of 1987. The members elected & installed President Mrs. Opal Naumann, Vice President Mrs. Betty Jones, Chaplain Mrs. Elinor Morgan, Historian Mrs. Almeta Kelly, National Executive Committeewomen Mrs. Carolyn Bailey and 8 District President and Vice-Presidents.

On July 25, 1987 the Clifton Post and Unit honored President Opal with a lovely reception and Champagne Luncheon. The 1987 National Convention was held in San Antonio which was well attended by a large delegation from Kansas. The Fall Conference was held in McPherson, Kansas. Attended were 108 dedicated Auxiliary member at the Conference. Kansas attended the Region VI Conference in Fargo, North Dakota in September. The Coffee tours started the last week of September and the first week of October, were the District Officers met with the Post and Auxiliary, along with handing out the Coffee Cup Plague to the Unit or Post with the greatest percentage of membership over the previous year.

The President and Secretary both attended the Presidents and Secretaries Conference in Indianapolis, where the National Chairman presented their plans for the year, along with the Membership challenges were also made. In December the Gift Shop were starting, then the New Year started out with Mid-Winter Forum, District Convention and last but not least the Department Convention which was held in Wichita.





Hope everyone that is traveling over the Holidays travel safely and have fun with family and friends!!!
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