

Members of Bothell Unit #127 submit the name of Midge Tallman, as our candidate for Western Division Vice President, National American Legion Auxiliary organization.

Midge joined our parent organization as an infant, and was an active Junior member of Jack Grennan Unit #62, Sequim, WA. She participated in many American Legion family functions. She was honored as their "1959 Poppy Girl" and was seated inside a large crepe paper Poppy on a float in the Sequim Irrigation Festival parade, towed by a late model Chevy station wagon driven by Norma Topness, ALA Unit #62 member.

Midge distributed Poppies with her mother during Poppy Days to people in the Sequim area, until the family moved to Bothell, WA in June 1962. The family transferred their membership to Bothell Post & Unit #127 and she participated in parades, talent shows, and many American Legion family functions at the American Legion (old Log Cabin) located on Pontius Road and 240 Street S.W., which are memories of her early years as a young girl.

Midge serves our parent organization at the Unit, District and Department levels, and was Department President 2005 - 2006, sporting her theme "Volunteers are Shining Stars - Lets Light Up the Sky! Promote Our Programs and Show Others Why!" and she stated "No Gifts" We are a Volunteer Organization and such monies may be directed to Fisher House - Seattle Project. This unselfish act captured a minimum of \$16,000 during her term, and today September 10, 2008 many American Legion family members joined her as Greeters at VA Puget Sound Health Care System's Grand Opening and Dedication Ceremony of the Seattle Fisher House. She served as National Executive Committeewoman 2006 - 2007.

National Appointments she accepted, and fulfilled her obligation:

2006-2007 National Security Committee - Western Division Chairman

2007-2008 Junior Activities Committee - Western Division Chairman

Midge is currently serving as Department of WA Seattle Fisher House - American Legion Auxiliary Representative and Department of WA Finance Chairman.

Midge is a partner of King Co. Salon #718, and has supported the Salon as La Secretaire, La Demi Chapeau Deuxieme, La Demi Chapeau Premiere and La Petit Chapeau. She served Departemental de Washington as La Concierge 2006-2007, L'Archiviste 2007-2008, and currently is Le Demi Chapeau Premiere 2008-2009.

Members at the September 10, 2008 meeting of Bothell Unit #127, endorse Midge Tallman for American Legion Auxiliary Western Division Vice President. This endorsement is to be put on file at Department of Washington Headquarters, until the appropriate time for this nomination to be acted on.



Bonnie Schmidt, President
Bothell Unit #127



Gina Johnson, Secretary
Bothell Unit #127

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Members of Wenatchee Unit #10 met at a regular meeting on February 12, 2009 and voted unanimously to submit the name of Barbara Rutherford as a candidate for National American Legion Auxiliary, Western Division Vice President.

Barbara became a junior member of Wenatchee Unit #10 at age of 8. Was very active as a junior member, involved in Unit #10 junior group by doing poppies, visiting veterans in local rest homes, making items for veterans, also helping with dinners at Post Home, attended many of the American Legion and Auxiliary function with her parents, Duane and Jean Wilson, in 9th District and Department.

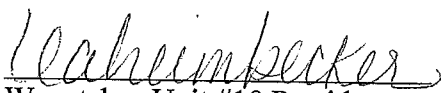
After becoming a Senior member, Barbara has been very active in her Unit, District and Department level, serving as Department President in 2002-2003, as Department President her theme was "The Legion Family Leaping Forward in Unity for American" promoting The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of American Legion working together, Her Department Project was two fold, first was American Legion Child Welfare Foundation and Ronald McDonald House, the reason for the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation was to raise the money to help Dee Caughlin with her walk from Stanwood to Florida. Currently, as of this writing, is serving as Unit #10 Secretary, 9th District President, ABC Co-Chairman, Girl State Committee member. Barb has been very involved with the Junior program, with her grandchildren in promoting Junior to have there own conference on Department Level.


Barb had the opportunity to attend Washington Department Veterans Affairs Service Officer training for Auxiliary members, and is presently a American Legion Service Officer at the Wenatchee Veterans Clinic in Wenatchee.

Barb served as National Executive Committeewoman in 2003-2004, also has served on National Community Service Committee Member and Western Division Junior Activities Chairman.

Barbara is a partner in Chelan County Salon #246, has held all the office in the Salon and is currently La Petit Chapeau, for the third time. Barbara served as Departemental Chapeau in 1993-1994 and Departemental De Washington Le Demi Chapeau Duexieme in 2008-2009, and will continue up the ladder to be Departemental Chapeau again in 2010-2011.

The members of Wenatchee Unit #10 believe Barbara is a very capable and responsible person and fully endorse her as a candidate for American Legion Auxiliary National Western Division Vice President. That this endorsement be put on file at Department of Washington Headquarters until the appropriate year for Department of Washington nomination to be acted upon.


Wenatchee Unit #10 President


Wenatchee Unit #10 Treasurer

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