AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

South Dakota District 3

October 2026



NATIONAL PRESIDENT
2026-2027

Dr. Coral May Grout
Department of Massachusetts:
Eugene M. Connor Unit 193

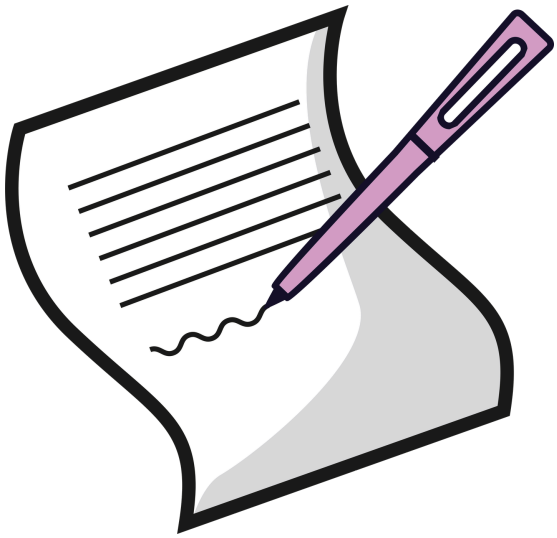


Patrice Sorensen, Piedmont Unit# 311
2026-2027 South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary President.

Theme: FOCUS (Family, Organization for, Community, Unity and, Service)
Flowers: Blue Hydrangeas and Red Poppy
Colors: Blue & Green
Spoken Word: Ragged Old Flag by Johnny Cash
Songs: Black Sheep by Ben Fuller
Amazing Grace by Ani Defranco

This year's theme set by our National Department President Dr. Coral May Grout is, "A Beacon for Veterans" featuring a lighthouse. You will see this reflected in our membership drive.

Headquarters Address is:
South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary
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Mitchell, SD 57301



News from your District 3 President

As you all are aware, we cancelled the Fall District 3 meeting out of respect for Unit 8 losing one of their long time members and her funeral being held at the same time of our fall meeting. While we didn't have a meeting there is still time for you to hear from our department officers on what they have planned for the 2026-2027 year. Everyone is welcome to attend one of the last year district meetings still taking place. If you are unable to attend in person, they are being live-streamed.

UPCOMING DISTRICT MEETINGS

October 10 – District 7 Tea - Social at 1 pm meeting at 2 pm
October 11 – District 8 – Parkston - Social at 1 pm meeting at 2 pm
October 24 – District 4 – Leola - Social at 11:30 am; meeting at 12 pm; meeting at 2 pm

REMINDERS:

DISTRICT DUES: Remain the same –$20 per unit. Due to the district having no banking account – you need to make out your checks directly to: Mary Jo Stier, PO Box 224, Onida, SD 57564. Please make sure to write in the memo line that the check is for your unit dues. Please remember that this dues money is spent toward poem / essay prizes, reimbursing for District 23 expenses; such as gifts,. rent (if needed) for meeting places, etc.

MEMBERSHIP: It is that time of year again to start your unit's membership drive. The September Status Report is attached. Please look this over and if your unit has accumulated a membership credit with the state it will be on the progress report. Please use this credit amount toward new or renewing memberships in your unit.

UNIT OFFICERS and CHAIRMAN FORMS: (2026-2027) - please remember to submit your unit officers and chairmen form to me and to department headquarters if you have already done so.