



### **News from Big Dipper!**

**Convention is fast approaching and we have lots to share with you! Last month we announced that we are now accepting Educational Assistance applications. Applications were sent to all chapter presidents, if your president has not received the application, they can be downloaded from the Big Dipper page on the BSMA website. You can also request an application from Big Dipper President, Linda Bayer at [bdpres@gmail.com](mailto:bdpres@gmail.com). Those eligible are: A child(ren), and grandchild(ren) of a veteran or BSMA member; a veteran; an active duty personnel; or a BSMA member. All applications are due 30 days prior to convention and must be received by the National Big Dipper President, no less than 30 days prior to convention. Forms can be submitted to: Linda Bayer, President Big Dipper Auxiliary, 2250 Monroe St. #255, Santa Clara, CA 95050. Convention this year is being held July 29 thru August 2, 2014 and Education Assistance applications are due no later than June 29, 2014.**

**FUND Night this year will be on Wednesday, July 30th at the Marines' Memorial Club in the Crystal Ballroom. You can now order your tickets and pick them up at convention at the registration table. You don't want to miss any of the FUN we have planned for you! We have a fun "Keepsake" Pendant for you to commemorate this year's convention. We hope you will enjoy it and want to purchase one even if you can't make it to convention and show your support!**

**We are still selling coffee via The Giving Coffee Bean and we have had many of our mom's say that this makes for great gifts while supporting our mission! Thank you for your continued support of the Big Dipper Auxiliary. Let's continue to work together to make a difference in the educational future of many deserving recipients.**

**See you there!**

**Linda Bayer  
President Big Dipper Auxiliary  
Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.**