

## Fourth VP Year End Report

I became the 4<sup>th</sup> VP Pro-Tem September 2011. I was ratified as 4<sup>th</sup> VP in December 2011. I have issued the following charters: (10)

Department of Arizona

AZ6 – Yavapai County

CA31 – Coastal Chapter

CA36 – Alameda, Piedmont, Oakland

IN12 – BSM of Clinton County, IN

MN18 – Soaring Eagles

NY10 – Hudson Valley, NY

OK21 – Cherokee Capitol

OR2 – BSM of Willmette County

OH15 – True Blue

VA6 – Blue Star Mothers of Stafford

The following are new pending chapters in the process of obtaining their documents to become chartered:

MO3, NY11, OK22, WA5 (4)

I have been working with moms from many other areas who are still looking for their five required members so that they can submit a request to charter. They are from: (30)

Central AL; Helendale CA; Oroville CA; Space Coast Chapter FL; Ft. Benning GA; Newnan GA; Chicago IL; Far North Lake County IL; Rockford IL; Indianapolis IN; North Manchester IN; Porter County IN; Topeka KS; Lexington KY; Cumberland MD; Eureka MO; Boulder MT; Roswell NM; Harrison OH; Erie PA; Moscow PA; Western PA; Cape Cod; El Paso TX; Gun Barrel City TX; Lufkin TX; Easter WA; Electic WA; Baraboo WI; Charleston WV

I also assisted with the yearly compliance, sending the reminder letters and then following up with chapters, updating the compliance listing. With this brought to the forefront the fact that it had been three years since the IRS instituted the need to file a 990 in some form no matter what our income is. Many chapters had not filed and had their EIN and non-profit status revoked by the federal government. I researched each and every chapter and contacted the IRS Advocate to determine what was necessary to reinstate these chapters. I have helped those chapters interested in reinstatement with the filing of Form 1023. It was necessary to encourage the chapters to take care of this ASAP since the fee to file is \$100 but will be \$800 in December 2012.

(20 – suspended) (5 filed 1023)

Several chartering problems that I found were that there is no clear answer as to where and how many chapters can be in a geographical area. The geographic area also stipulates who the state registrations go through and also banking procedures.

Now that we have been able to finalize and update chapters for their EIN compliance we need to begin working on the State Registrations to assure that our chapters have registered with their states.