

## Poppy News

At Department Mid-Winter Conference 2018 a Poppy Hat Contest & Parade was held. Thank you to the pianist, Jackie Burk and ladies for making it fun as they paraded in (or should I say trotted in).

The fabulous Poppy Hat judges were Annie Blanchard, Kaye Bonesteel, and Barb Lastovka. With so many lovely hats, their jobs were certainly challenging.

1st Place: Jodi BettsGladbrook3<sup>rd</sup> District

2<sup>nd</sup> Place:Lu RolfesLemar9<sup>th</sup> District

3<sup>rd</sup> Place:Judy RingsGlenwood7<sup>th</sup> District

Vickie's Choice (Lilac Award):Lu Rolfes

**Poppy Poster Contest:** If you did not get a current copy of the Poppy Poster Contest Rules & Requirements at the Programs Fair this past weekend, they may be obtained on the ALA National website [alaforveterans.org](http://alaforveterans.org) or contact me and I will get you a copy.

**POPPY POSTER JUDGING PROCEDURE:** Posters shall be judged on the Unit Level with winners proceeding to District Conference and winners from that competition being judged prior to Department Junior Convention, at which time the final winners from each class will be recognized. First place winners from each class at Junior District Conferences must be postmarked to me by April 30, 2018 to Department Poppy Chairmen, Jan Carlton. No exceptions. The final winning entries will be submitted to National.

**Please note:** It is recommended that each poppy poster be scanned or photographed prior to sending on all levels. Posters may not be returned. I will capture an image of each poster submitted to me.

Don't forget about Little Miss Poppy Contest, Junior Contest, and the Unit Most Outstanding Unit Report also due on April 30, 2018.

**District Presidents:** I would like to know if you held a Poppy Contest at either your Fall 2017 or Spring 2018 District Conferences. If you captured an image, or just share a small note on the event I would love to include this in the Year-End Report. **Please email/forward to me by April 25, 2018.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I will be more than happy to help to assist any questions.

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