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American Legion Auxiliary
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TO: American Legion Auxiliary
National Headquarters

On January 8, 2024 at a regularly scheduled Auxiliary meeting of John Gella Memorial Unit 219, Inc. of Fruitland Park, Florida, Dara Oliver (DaraAnne B. Oliver, membership #131348774) was endorsed for the Office of National Historian 2024 - 2025.

Dara is eligible for membership in the American Legion Auxiliary through the service of her father David E. Bulterman Sr., a Vietnam-Era Navy Veteran. Dara also honors the service of her son Kavanagh WC Oliver who is currently serving the U.S. Air Force Reserves and her Paternal Grandfather W. George Bulterman, a WWII Veteran.

Dara is a 39-year Auxiliary member and an American Legion Rider.

In the Department of Florida, on the Unit level, she was a charter member of Unit 344 in Merritt Island where she served as Unit President and Vice President. She is now a dedicated member of Unit 219 in Fruitland Park. She is currently serving the Department of Florida as Historian, and has served on several committees for District and Department. She has served the Department of Florida for 5 years as the Chairman of the Junior Activities Committee. She and her team won several National Awards – most recently, the Best Department Junior Activities in the Southern Division.

She has also served the ALA Florida Girls State committee as a Senior Counselor. Dara is currently serving the National Organization as Vice Chairman for the Legislative committee and prior years as Southern Division Chairman for Membership, Public Relations, National Security (for 2 years), and ALA Girls Nation.

Prior to her membership in the Department of Florida, she hailed from the Department of New York where she served in Department, District and County Offices and committees including District Vice President, County President, Social Media Director, and District and Unit Historian for 3 terms. During her time with the Department of New York, on the National level, she served as the Eastern Division Junior Activities Chairman.

Overall, her favorite award was National Excellence in Membership honoring Female Veterans. Additionally, through the years, she has been honored to receive several certificates in a variety of committees and activities.

Dara is the epitome of a volunteer and loves the Auxiliary.

She has attended several National Conventions both as a delegate and a guest, and has also served on the National Elections and Tally Committee for 2 years. She continues to expand her Auxiliary knowledge by attending and participating in Department Bootcamps, Workshops, Fall Conferences, Conventions, District Meetings, ABC Schools, and Schools of Instruction as well as National Mission Trainings.

If elected, the members of John Gella Memorial Unit 219 have confidence that Dara Oliver will serve with loyalty, commitment, dignity and honor. Her dedication to the American Legion Auxiliary and its' programs has prepared her to serve the National Organization as National Historian.

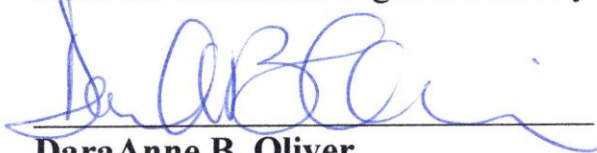


Toni Stainbrook
Unit President



Diane C. Rousseau
Unit Secretary

If elected, I promise to perform all duties of the Office of National Historian and will serve the American Legion Auxiliary to the best of my ability.



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