

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT VFW AUXILIARY  
HOSPITAL BULLETIN  
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UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

*National Theme: Banding Together for Our Veterans*

*Department Theme: Our Veterans the Angels Among Us*

Thank you for all the gift card donations and buying a star at the Hospital Booth during Mid-Winter Conference. I am pleased to announce the booth made \$1520. I was concerned on Friday evening we had only made about a thousand dollars. Within an hour and half on Saturday, we raised an additional \$520. Thank you, Thank you.

**NON-TRADITIONAL HOLIDAYS**

- March 4 is National Hug a G.I. Day
- March 14 is PJ Day and National Popcorn Lover's Day
- March 23 National Chip and Dip Day.
- March 25 is National Medal of Honor Day

I have really enjoyed learning more about these Non-Traditional Holidays. Non-Traditional Holidays can be found at [www.calendarr.com/unites-states/observance-2024/](http://www.calendarr.com/unites-states/observance-2024/). These days are creative ways to celebrate with our Veterans in Hospitals or Homes.

Read over your guide sheets. Complete any goals you need to. All Hospital entry forms are on the Department or National website.

The following Hospital Award forms are due to me by March 31,2024.

- Auxiliary award-most outstanding activity or event that recognizes Veterans on non-traditional holidays. Please be detailed. Attach any additional information (flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, newspaper clippings, photos, link to videos, etc)
- Member award-Most Outstanding Hospital Volunteer

The following Hospital Award form is due to me by April 5, 2024

- Member award-Hospital Volunteer Recruiter

I am looking forward to receiving a lot of these forms. Please make my job hard in choosing winners. Keep up the great work.

## **Hospital April 2024**

This my final bulletin as Department Hospital Chairman. It was a pleasure to serve the Department. The Hospital Booth will have the Star Raffle at Department Convention. Don't forget to donate those gift cards and stop by the booth and buy a star. Let's break a record for the most money raised at the hospital booth.

### **Non-Traditional Holidays**

- April 3 is National Walking Day. Get out and take a walk
- April 12 is National Licorice Day
- April 22 is National Jelly Bean Day
- April 26 is National Pretzel Day

Don't forget the hospital volunteers. They take time out of their busy schedules to volunteer at the hospital and/or homes. Recognize those volunteers. You could give out citations at your auxiliary meeting. If you wanted to go bigger, throw a party or have a dinner in their honor. Hospital volunteers bring joy and smiles to Veterans.

Don't forget the last day to report for the 2023-2024 year is April 20,2024. I would love to have every Auxiliary reported this year. If you donated money or items to a hospital, report the project. If you don't have access to a computer, write out the report and I will enter it for you. Make sure you mail early so I receive it by April 20,2024.

Thank you for all you do for Veterans.

Together in Service,

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