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National Theme: Banding Together for Our Veterans

Department Theme: Our Veterans the Angels Among Us

Happy 4th of July to you all. Be safe and enjoy the day. On this day in 1776, we formed a new nation by adopting the Declaration of Independence with picnics and parades. You can donate 3x5 flags and POW/MIA flags to show your patriotism. Keep track of how many and report it. Plan your upcoming year for the patriotic holidays. You can look on MALTA member resources and use any of the material on Americanism and report it.

Keep track of any patriotic day or branch of service birthdays. If you promote it or participate in any event or recognize businesses or individuals, report it.



Now is the perfect time to start recognizing citizens and/or businesses for displaying their American Flag, POW MIA Flag and/or other displays of American pride. Present them Patriotic Appreciation Citations and make sure to report it.

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Remember POW/MIA Recognition Day is September 15, 2023. Start planning your ceremony now. Our National Ambassador Linda Roloff is encouraging us this year and going forward to use #MoreThanLetters especially when referring to our POWs, MIAs and KIAs. They are more than letters. Encourage the use of the words: Prisoner(s) or War, Missing in Action, Killed in Action. Acknowledge them daily, learn and say their names. Meet their families and help share their stories in your local paper or Post/Auxiliary newsletter.



Gold Star Mother's & Family Day is always the last Sunday in September – On this day, Americans are encouraged to display the Flag and hold appropriate ceremonies as a public expression of our nation's gratitude and respect for our Gold Star Mothers and Families. Educate your Auxiliary and the Community and hold a ceremony.

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