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National Theme: Hands that Serve Heart that Care

Department Theme: Be the Anchor for Our Veterans, Hold Them Steady & Safe

I hope everyone had a Safe & Enjoyable July 4th!!! I hope you all involved your communities in spreading patriotism and Flag etiquette!

By now your Auxiliary & District may have held a planning meeting for 2022/2023. Have you noted patriotic holidays on your calendar and planned events for your Auxiliary and community?

With most schools starting in late August have you arranged for Back-to-School Supply drives or Flag Etiquette programs??

September 11 is Patriots Day, also known as the National Day of Service and Remembrance. It occurs each year in memory of those killed during the terrorist attacks of 2001.

POW-MIA National Recognition Day (The third Friday in September) 2022 is Friday, September 16. Take time to Honor & Remember those who were Prisoners of War (POW) and those who are Missing in Action (MIA), and their families. You could organize veteran rallies, flag ceremonies, prayer services, arrange a display of National POW/MIA Recognition Day posters at colleges or public buildings, or promote ceremonies at war memorials or museums.

Gold Star Mothers/Families day is the last Sunday in September. A day to honor mothers and families who have lost a service member in combat or on active duty. Please report the creative ways you have chosen to honor those who have made such a sacrifice for our freedoms!

The summer is a busy time with summer vacations, and I hope everyone takes a moment to enjoy it.

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