



**Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary
Youth August and September 2019-2020
(with Camp Trotter Included)**
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*National Theme: Serving Our Veterans with Aloha
Department Theme: Serving with a Patriot's Heart*

Youth

The school year is starting, and Constitution Day is September 17th. This is a great time to get into the schools and promote Patriotism to the students. All public schools are required to have some programming that helps teach the history of the Constitution for that day, and it is easy to tie in Patriotism to that. I do it in my classroom every year. Contact local teachers, we love to have guests come in and present to our students.

Don't forget National has two new programs this year:

ILLUSTRATING AMERICA

A Patriotic Art-style contest for students in grades K-2, 3-5, & 6-8.

Deadline for entries to be received at the Local Auxiliary is March 31st but you need to start promoting it early.

PATRIOTISM THROUGH LITERACY

Helping youth learn about America through books, both historical fiction and creative nonfiction. The Why and How!

"Reading can take you places you never been before." – Dr. Seuss

Refer back to the June/July Bulletin for more information on these two programs or you can also find more information by visiting our website www.vfwauxmi.org under the Youth/Camp Trotter tab.

Camp Trotter

The Annual Golf Outing to raise money for Camp Trotter was held on June 21st, 2019. We had 16 teams that participated. It was a beautiful day and the teams gathered for a meal at the camp following a great day of golf. Thank you to all the volunteers, golfers, and those who donated for making it a successful day.

Camping Season is in full swing. As of the writing of this report we had over 250 campers registered for the summer. Thank you to all the posts and auxiliaries that have donated to the camp or sponsored campers.

Camp Trotter Day is August 17, 2019 – Everyone is invited to come out to the camp for a luncheon and the raffle drawing. Please bring your kids and grandkids so they can see the camp and spark their interest in taking part as a camper in the future.

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