## **Buddy Poppy and National Home - Bulletin #5**

The end of year reports are done, we are winding down looking forward to the Convention in June and restarting next year's programs. It is not a time to stop, but maybe slow down a bit. We have Memorial Day coming up, a perfect time to set up a Poppy Drive. Make sure you have plenty of Poppies on hand.

If you are coming to the Convention, start getting your Poppy display ready for the competition. Here is the link in Malta for the Convention Buddy Poppy Display Rules: <a href="https://malta.vfwauxiliary.org/MemberResources">https://malta.vfwauxiliary.org/MemberResources</a>

I hope to see you and your beautiful display!

The National Home is working toward the final celebration for their 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. I was pleased to see that so many of your Auxiliaries had sent them birthday cards.

VFW National Home 100th Anniversary Community Celebration:

Saturday, June 28, 2025, 11:00am-11:00pm. A one-day community event to celebrate 100 years of service to veteran families in partnership with the local community.

Location: 3573 S. Waverly Rd., Eaton Rapids, MI (on the VFW National Home Campus).

## Attractions and activities:

Alumni Welcome Tent & Alumni Tours – 11am-4pm

Campus ride-only tours - 11am-4pm

Carnival rides 11am-4pm

Car cruise-in - 11am-5pm

Selfies with Superhero & Movie characters 12am-4pm

Vintage baseball game – between Capital BBC of Lansing and Eclipse BBC of Northville, MI. – 1-3pm

Food trucks 11am-9pm

Home Stage Program: Guitars for Vets, Alumni stories, and more

Beer Tent 4pm-10pm

Live Music – 3 bands: After Midnight, Phins Up & Bronk Brothers – 4pm-10:30pm

Lazer Light show 10:30-11pm.

For more information regarding the ongoing 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration visit the National Home website. <a href="https://vfwnationalhome.org/">https://vfwnationalhome.org/</a>

Thank you for all you do to support the VFW Auxiliary Programs, especially Buddy Poppy and National Home!

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