

Hospital Program General Bulletin # 1 July 2024

Margie Lindberg margiesvfwaux@yahoo.com 206-669-2344
12012 75th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98178
UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

Hello, my name is Margie Lindberg, and I am your Department of Washington Hospital Chair. I belong to Skyway VFW Post 9430 Auxiliary and have been in the auxiliary for 14 years. I have posted my letter of introduction to my National Ambassador if you wish to learn more about me.

FIRST!! I have an important request from Marjorie Stetson who is the Veteran's Administration Volunteer Services (VAVS) representative for the Vancouver VA Medical Center. They are in desperate need diabetic socks - crew length in all sizes, colors black and white, *not compression stockings*. You can find many on Amazon and have them directly delivered to Marjorie or to me. Please contact me directly for delivery information. To make it even easier it would be wonderful if you take them to the School of Instruction, either East or West side.

August 11, 2024, 9AM to 5PM Port Orchard Eagles

August 17, 2024, 9AM to 5PM Post 1435 Spokane Valley

Our National Hospital Ambassador Paulette McCord wants to get back to basics when dealing with our most vulnerable veterans. So, this year that's exactly what we're going to do! We need to bridge the gap between times in which Veterans' family members and personal friends may not be available to someone in a facility or home. She and I both realize that it's impossible for all of us to get out and visit veterans but what we can do is participate by writing cards making, tray favors, and remembering them on a holiday. We can do things like this after a meeting, a special get together, or by recruiting nonmembers to help with cards or small items that can be delivered via a Veteran's Administration Volunteer Services (VAVS) Representative. Please contact me for their information.

There is a link to all hospitals and Veterans' homes we support directly, but we are not limited to these alone. (See Below)

We have VAVS, Veterans Affairs Volunteer Services, who work directly with these facilities.

Please contact me for their information.

A FEW THINGS TO REMEMBER:

We serve ALL VETERANS, SERVICE MEMBERS, and THEIR FAMILIES.
ANY VETERAN or SERVICE MEMBER at ANY facility, hospital, nursing home, or private home facility.

ALWAYS coordinate with the person/s at the facility before visiting, donating, or bringing items. Mailings and hands free drop off at the door can be arranged.

REPORT ALL ACTIVITY!!! Keep track of hours, materials/items, monies donated on your report for Hospital. You will need this for your year-end report.

Do not forget to keep track of April, May, and June in your report.

FOR THIS PROGRAM TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT WE MUST ACT AS A TEAM:

I need each Auxiliary to send me the name of your Hospital Chair.

I will be keeping in touch by posting here on the official Department of Washington web page and directly with VAVS Reps, District and Auxiliary Presidents, and Auxiliary Hospital Chairs.

Please use the Hospital Program Links provided on the main page.

I do expect emails and pictures about ANY hospital/retirement homes interactions, (i.e.: pictures of what you mailed or dropped off) to margiesvfwaux@yahoo.com. (Of course, complying with photo privacy issues.)

I am open to suggestions and ideas for Hospital Fundraising as well as looking for help with those activities.

UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR UNCOMMON HEROES