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When I thought we were going to have a mild winter, POWWW. These freezing temps are pretty cold for this California native. On icy roads, getting up to 23 degrees on the East Side and bringing those temperatures back home on the West Side has been quite a challenge. In spite of this, I would not want to live anywhere other than the Evergreen State that I have called home for the last 20 years. My sincere thanks go out to all of you who waved the American Flags and wore the pins I shared with you at Mid-Winter. The sea of flags representing our American flags is one of the most beautiful sights in the world. And thanks for humoring me with the quiz I passed out to you. I had fun putting it together and hope you had fun challenging your Americanism knowledge.

The time is right to once again review the presentation and materials I distributed at School Instruction, particularly "Flag Education for Kids". Among the useful information in this guide is how to display our flag, how to display it at Half-Staff, how to raise our flag, how to fold our flag, and how to dispose of or "retire" a United States Flag. In order to get these children to accept our flag, we should teach them how to salute and pledge their allegiance to it. The information you can glean from this piece of paper will be of great value in our schools and for our students' future.

Children can receive free bookmarks under the "National Anthem & Pledge" bookmarks from our Department and Malta Pages. Let them memorize our pledge and recite it for you. Give them all a small reward as well as a certificate. Please use the "Respect for Flag letter" also found on our Department/Malta pages to contact your local schools. We have listed so many useful tools on our Department Page under Americanism that you can find at your fingertips.

Over the next three months we have many lesser-known holidays, that I will share again on my monthly calendar, but here's as head start; Presidents Day, Star Spangled Day, K-9 Veterans Day, Rosie the Riveter Day Medal of Honor Day, National Vietnam War Veterans Day, Month of the Military Childs day and Gold Star Spouses Day. Celebrate them, show me what you have done to promote these special lesser-known holidays.

In closing, March 31st is fast approaching to get your Americanism Program report to me. A form was passed out to all District Presidents, enough for all Auxiliaries to submit your outstanding activity or event educating your community about lesser-known holidays. Let's show them how it's done Washington! Remember the West is the Best!!!

Loyally,
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