

Hospital Bulletin #3
Lori Nettles, Chairman

I hope everyone has been enjoying the fall weather. Winter will be upon us soon. I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your families and are enjoying the holiday season.

I would like to encourage each one of you to work in your local communities with the youth and make cards or gifts for our Veterans in Nursing Homes or VA Facilities. Christmas can be a very lonely time for them, and we should show them how much we care for them. Contact your local facilities to see what they need or what you can do to help them during the holiday season.

Remember for Mid-Winter I am asking even numbered Districts to bring a basket for the raffle. We will also be doing a 50/50 raffle.

Has your Auxiliary paid their hospital commitment of \$3.00 per member? If so, Thank You! I will be getting a list from Cindy soon and contacting those of you that have not. Remember this money will ensure that we can continue to support our veterans in all our facilities. Please send your money to Department Treasurer Cindy as soon as possible.

Thank you to all our VAVS Representatives for all you do for all our Veterans in the facilities. I, for one, am so thankful for your commitment to our Veterans in all the facilities.

Communication with your Auxiliary members is so important. Share with them what your Auxiliary is doing for Hospital and all your programs. Invite them to help with your projects. If you don't ask for help and share how they can participate they will not know what they can do. Sometimes all we need to do is ask. Remember to share what you are doing on your Social Media Pages. Also, remember to say "Thank You." Showing appreciation goes a long way in letting members and volunteers know they are appreciated.

Have you been looking at the Department Website and the Hospital Facebook Page? Please send me information on what you Auxiliaries are doing in your local communities. I am hoping that we can share ideas and provide information on the needs of each of the facilities.

I hope that you have been having fun planning on how your Auxiliary will celebrate with our Veterans on a Non-Traditional Holiday. Make it fun and I can't wait to hear what you have done. Please let me know what you have done, so that we can share ideas with each other. We will be doing something fun during Mid-Winter. So ... be ready!

If you or your Auxiliary would like to donate Gift cards so we will have prizes to award at convention for a special fundraiser for hospital, you can mail the gift cards to me, bring them, or send them with someone who is coming to Mid-Winter. Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you again for all that each of you continue to do for our Veterans in our VA's and Nursing Homes. Remember that we can Do it for those who can't and that Banding together for Our Veterans can make a world of difference to them.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

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