VFW Department of Maryland Auxiliary November 2024



Veterans Day Monday, November 11th

Memorial Day is to honor military members who have died, while **VETERANS DAY** recognizes the service of all America's Veterans

Please make plans to honor our HEROES Send me a report and pictures of your events.

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Americanism – Patriotic Instructor

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Hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful colors of Fall. As we sail into the new season ... now is the time to go into schools and educate our youth the importance of patriotism. It is important that we teach everyone how to properly salute the flag, when to display the flag, how to conduct a Flag-raising ceremony and how to fold and store the flag. Contact your local schools and volunteer to give a presentation to the students.

Recognize the community for displaying the flag by presenting them with a certificate of appreciation from your auxiliary.

Educate the community on the ways to retire the flags. Hold an event at your Post and invite the community to teach the proper way to retire the flags.

Please take the time to instruct your members on Auxiliary Traditions. These can be found on the website under Americanism "Understanding Auxiliary Traditions" Be sure to ask members if they have questions. Print out instructions and reinforce them. Help new members learn the traditions. We use these traditions at the Post, District, Department and National meetings. Teach/Instruct about the "Missing Man" Table.

PDF and videos can be found on the Americanism Program at <u>www.vfwauxiliary.org</u> and <u>www.vfwauxmd.org</u>

Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions. I look forward to your reports and pictures of your events. REPORT – REPORT – REPORT!!

Wishing you a joyous and blessed Thanksgiving. Please keep our troops in your prayers.

Thank you for all you do!

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November & December

Did you Know?

November 5th – Election Day

November 10th – US Marine Corps – Established 1775

November 11th – Veterans Day – Signing of WWI Armistice (1918)

November 21st – Grenada Campaign Ended (1983)

November 28th – Thanksgiving

December 1st- Civil Air Patrol Birthday (USAF Auxiliary) (1941)

December 5th – Somalia Campaign Began (1992)

December 7th – National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

December 8th - War Declared on Japan (1941)

December 11th – Germany & Italy Declared War on US (1941)

December 13th – US National Guard Birthday

December 15th – Iraq War Ended (2011) & Bill of Rights Day

December 16th – National Wreaths Across America (2008)

December 20th – Panama Campaign Began (1989)

US Space Force Established 2019

December 25th – Christmas Day & Hanukkah Begins

December 26th – Kwanzaa

December 28th – Pledge of Allegiance Day

December 31st – Official End of WWII (1946)

Kosovo Campaign Ended (2013)



Holidays and "Lesser Known Holidays"

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