## **BULLETIN – SEPTEMBER 2023**



## YOUTH ACTIVITIES Barb Sweger

I want to start this bulletin off by congratulating Ashlynn Campbell of Murphysboro IL who was sponsored by Auxiliary #7190 on winning 3<sup>rd</sup> Place at the National Convention in the Get Excited for the Red White & Blue singing contest in the K-8 age group!

Did your auxiliary host an event on or about National Youth Day? If so, please send me your pictures and the information on the event!

Developing young people to become leaders, and to acknowledge and identify needs in their communities is what this part of the program covers. The youth in our Veterans' families make sacrifices for this county with some outcomes a parent gives all for our freedom.

Hold an event/benefit to help the young in your community with the help of other young people. A couple of ideas would be to promote a collection drive around the holidays to help those who would not otherwise receive presents. Do a Back-to-School drive to help with all those little items that are needed for school: backpacks, pencils, crayons, etc. Your local schools can help with supply lists for each grade. Food drives are another way to help out families in need. All you would need to do is gather a group of young people that want to give back and promote the heck out of it.

Did you know that many youth groups are service-oriented? High schoolers are looking for community service activities in your area to participate in for school credits. Involving the youth in Veterans services can boost your Auxiliary's membership, too. Sponsoring a youth group helps your community as well as helping your Auxiliary.

The attached Word Scramble is comprised of youth group names that are recognized Nationally. Each member of the auxiliary who gets this newsletter is eligible to enter the contest but are only allowed 1 entry per bulletin. It can be emailed to me or mailed. If your auxiliary would like to send all the members entries in one envelope or 1 email, please do! I have had a great response to this part of the program, so thank you! Also please send in the puzzle before the next one is available. Next bulletin will be in November.

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## YOUTH GROUPS

OBY OCSTU ROTOP	H-4 CBUL
ACMP EIFR BLUC	FTRUUE ERSRMFA FO IMAEARC
THYOU TALFLOOB ATME	CSROCE AEMT
ABBEALSL EATM	TYOUH CIORH
NOURIJ CETINAHEEVM	OAALTNIN OONRH SYOCTEI
ETRUFU UIEBSNSS ERDAESL FO IMERAAC	IGRL UCOTS ROPTO
ONLANTAI LPCOIE ADCET RSPCO OLATI	
ERSEREV SOEIFFCR ITGRINAN OPCRS	
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Auxiliary #: District #:	

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