

Dear VFW Auxiliary Brothers and Sisters,

July 2023

Greetings to a new year of service and gratitude for our Veterans, their Families and each other! I am honored to be serving a second year as your Department Hospital Chairman. Thank you for your patience, support, and forgiveness of any clerical errors last year. Computers are helpful, yet the details of copy/paste can be easily passed over. No excuses- humbly agreed.

Three, okay may four, subjects for July aside from the birth month of the best country on the planet. First: reports from April to July. Please send these to me. Get the lump on its way to the mother mound. If you are struggling, contact me or an auxiliary member who you are comfortable reaching out to.

Second: Training Academy. Please attend or seek more than one representative from your Auxiliary to do so. This year is going to be constructive as how to complete those reports correctly, and briefly on what is new and coming for each program. A secret bonus message lies in this paragraph for those who read it. Members that were given/acquired last year's hospital program guide (made lovingly with sweat, ink record of the year, and paper cuts), bring it to the Academy to show me (ask me then and I'll tell you why). I will personally donate two dollars per a booklet with name of its owner to the Department Hospital Fund on behalf of your Auxiliary. This will not count toward your obligation but will count for a Hospital Project as a donation. I may be required to work on a Friday, but it's well worth it.

Finally: This year's Hospital Program theme is related to last year's creativity challenge but with an emphasis on recognizing non-traditional holidays. Specifically, acknowledgment to Hospital/Facility Providers and Supportive Medical Staff that take care of our Veterans and Patients. However please keep in mind that for food holidays some individuals may not have the health to enjoy it. I will produce a list with some tasteful, and other of the 5 senses, suggestions at the Academies. See you in August!

Yours in God and Country,

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