

"Unity"

1 Family

1 Voice

1 Team



"From Our Roots to Our Branches – Extending Service to Our Veterans"

DPSP – "Freedom Ride" <https://www.freedomride.com/veteransequineassisted/>

Americanism: Patriotic Ways to Support Veterans

It's a great day to be free. Have you thanked a veteran today for fighting for your freedom?

Don't forget to report your hard work in promoting Americanism and Patriotic Holidays!!

UPCOMING PATRIOTIC HOLIDAYS

September is National Suicide Prevention Month

Patriot Day – September 11 This day is to perpetuate the memory of those who perished in the attack on America that occurred on this date in 2001.

POW/MIA Recognition Day

More than just letters - Third Friday in September. This day honors the commitments and the sacrifices made by our nation's prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action. Host a community BBQ, let those attend to understand what those letters mean. Hold a POW ceremony. National this is one of the 6 days specified by law on which the black POW/MIA flag shall be flown over federal facilities and cemeteries, post offices and military installations.

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In September 2012, President Barack Obama rededicated the last Sunday in September as....

"GOLD STAR MOTHER'S & FAMILY DAY"



SCHOOL'S STARTING:

How's that Flag looking? Now's the time to reach out to your local school, parochial school and even homeschoolers and houses of worship to see if there is a need for their Flag to be replaced!

This could be your "in" to bring up the subject of how we might be able to help them with Flag education or provide them with patriotic materials for instructional use. You know that once those first vital lines of communication are open, the door may stay open for us to get our scholarships and youth contests into the hands of our local youth.

The VFW Store has some awesome age-appropriate material for Americanism instruction!

<https://www.vfwstore.org/>

The Americanism Program:

<https://vfwauxiliary.org/what-we-do/americanism/>

Remember – REPORT – REPORT – REPORT!!!!!!!

Department Awards

Award for most outstanding event recognizing a lesser celebrated Patriotic Holiday to one Auxiliary in each Membership group.

National Award

Most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about lesser-known Patriotic holidays.

September :

National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
9-14 – VFW Auxiliary Birthday
9-17 – Constitution Day
9-18 – US Air Force Birthday
9-29 – VFW Birthday
10-13 – US Navy Birthday



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