AMERICANISM

"Unity"

1
Family

1 Voice

1 Team



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

HAPPY NEW YEAR

January 27th - Paris Peace Accords

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Many people say every year "Where has the time gone?" At my age it seems to move so much quicker than when I was 30. I also wonder where my glasses are, oh no my keys, or I can't find my left shoe.

We should never misplace or lose the Love for our Country!!!! Our Americanism. Our Patriotism. Our care of Veterans. Our Americanism program must remain strong, and it will because of you, our members, love your county and the Veterans who keep it safe.

I can't believe the year is almost over, we need to check to make sure all our goals are being met. First, please report all the things you and your auxiliary do for Americanism like projects held on patriotic holidays or prisoner of War/Missing in Action flags, this is what I need you to report to me.

Auxiliaries are to send the form to me, Americanism Chairperson, by March 31, 2025.



Approved by: Department President Virginia Brehmer Have you been in the community – Schools teaching respect and proper care for the U.S. Flag.

U.S. flag is essential in fostering patriotism. The flag serves as a powerful symbol of national unity, representing the values and ideals upon which the United States was founded. By instilling an understanding of its significance, education on the American Flag can cultivate a sense of pride and ownership, encouraging to honor the sacrifices made by those who fought to protect the freedoms associated with this emblem.

Proper care for the U.S. flag involves adhering to established guidelines outlined in the Flag Code, which emphasizes respectful display, maintenance, and disposal methods. lessons on these practices into their curricula, ensuring that all comprehend not only how to handle the flag but also why such protocols exist. This knowledge promotes a culture of respect and reverence for national symbols while discouraging neglect or misuse.

Flag Education: http://vfwauxiliary.org/wpcontent/uploads/VFW-Auxiliary-Flag-Education-for-Kids-For-Web.pdf

How to Retire A Flag

• The flag should be folded in its customary manner.

- It is important that the fire be fairly large and of sufficient intensity to ensure complete burning of the flag.
- Place the flag on the fire.
- The individual(s) can come to attention, salute the flag, recite the Pledge of Allegiance and have a brief period of silent reflection.
- After flag is completely consumed, the fire should then be safely extinguished and the ashes buried.
- Please make sure you are conforming to local/state fire codes or ordinances.



Continue to educate our members, communities and youth on the importance of Patriotism.

January:

1 – New Year's Day 16 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 24 -26 – Mid-Winter Conference 27 - Vietnam Peace Accord



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