

# HISTORIAN

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*To All department Officers, Auxiliary & District Historians*

*“Above and Beyond the Power of Faith” That’s Becky’s wish for all of us to go beyond and have the faith to do what we are Suppose to do for our Organization. Above and beyond sending just one report & one picture, Above all else do your best to report. Keep the faith that what we are doing is vital to our Organization and to our Department’s History.*

*“In the Spirit of America – We are the Champions of America’s Cherished Heroes” In the Spirit of America I am sure most of us did something special for Veterans Day, If you did ! I hope you are sending me pictures of what took place. Americas Cherished Heroes are those to whom we are sending Cards, Box’s and letters to. I hope you are taking pictures of this.*

*Everything we do is a part of who we are and that is the History of our Department. BRIGHT-CLEAR PICUTRES ARE PROOF OF WHAT WE ARE ACCOMPLISHING so if you haven’t sent us any pictures it’s about time to do so.*

*There will be a drawing at January Council Meeting for those REPORTED and I am sure you all want to be a part of this.*

**SEND ME YOUR PICTURES TODAY!**

*To all who have been so faithful about your reports THANK YOU! To all who haven’t reported I AM WAITING!!!*

**YOUR LABOR OF LOVE IN DOING THESE THINGS FOR YOUR AUXILIARY WILL ENSURE THE CONTINUED HISTORY OF OUR ORGANIZATION.**

**AUXILIARIES THAT ARE REPORTED AS OF NOVEMBER 8, 2006 ARE AS FOLLOWES. (is your Auxiliary number listed?)**

***REPORTED***

**District One- 176 – 824 – 3219 - 7167**

**District Two- 392 – 993 – 3160 – 4411 – 4809 (need one more)**

**District Three- 9808**

**District Four- 7819 – 7897 – 8228 – 8902**

**District Five- 1115**

**District Six- 1033 – 1264 – 1841**

**District Seven- 621 – 1860 – 2447 – 9660**

**District Eight- 3103 – 7589**

**District Nine- 1184 – 7136 – 7969**

**District Ten- 609 – 7327**

**District Eleven- 632 – 2216**

**District Twelve- 8979**

**District Thirteen- 10574**

**THIS IS 33 AUXILIARIES OUT OF 115 WE CAN DO BETTER THEN  
THIS LADIES!! TAKE PICTURES, DEVELOP THEM AND MAIL THEM.  
YOUR DOING THE WORK LET US SEE IT!!!!**

**ALL MY FAMILY WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL A VERY  
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND WONDERFUL NEW YEAR  
BLESS YOU ALL**

**Sincerely, Gloria and Family**

To: Department President, Past Department Presidents, District Presidents, Auxiliary Presidents, Secretaries, Hospital & VAVS Chairmen, and Members.

CC: National Hospital & VAVS Director, Rosetta Quartarone  
Southern Conference Hospital & VAVS Chairman, Cyleria Gerrets

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## **HOSPITAL & VAVS PROGRAM December 2006**

You all are definitely making a difference in the lives of our Cherished Heroes – the Hospitalized Veterans. The reports of your activities show that you are active and caring volunteers. Many Auxiliaries will participate in Christmas activities at the VA Hospitals through special gifts, special events and personal visits. If your Auxiliary is too far away from a VA Hospital or community-based clinic, please make a cash donation to the Hospital Fund to assist our VAVS representatives in making this Christmas special for the veterans. Your monetary donations provide gifts of personal care items, personal services, transportation into the community and, especially, the knowledge that the members of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary care about them and honor their service to our country.

Chairmen, have a group of students visit a hospital or nursing home. Veterans (and other patients) love to have children come and spend time with them. Organize a caroling party and have the students sing for the patients and bring each a small gift and a smile. This is also an opportunity to recruit youth volunteers. The young volunteers have much to offer and our hospitalized veterans can benefit from their zest and enthusiasm. If your Auxiliary is already sponsoring youth volunteers or has a Jr. Girls Unit, please have your local VA Medical Center nominate one of your youth volunteers for the James H. Parke Scholarship. Information on the scholarship is available at the VA facility.

Each Auxiliary Hospital & VAVS Chairman should have her VAVS & Hospital Volunteer Guide. This booklet is a valuable tool in making your volunteer program a success and answer questions so that you can better serve our veterans. If you have not received your copy, please contact National Headquarters at (816) 561-8655.

Auxiliaries who haven't donated to the Hospital & VAVS Fund - don't forget to send in your \$25.00 as soon as possible.

February 1, 2007 is the deadline for nominations for the VAVS National Advisory Committee (NAC) Veteran Volunteer of the Year Award. If your Auxiliary is nominating one of your members for this award, contact me as soon as possible. The form and information is available through the Hospital & VAVS Director, Rosetta Quatarone or National Headquarters.

I thank each of you for your support of our hospitalized veterans and wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a successful year in 2007.

**87 Auxiliaries Reported in Hospital & VAVS as of November 12**

District 1	176, 3219, 4856, 6002, 7167	63%
District 2	All Reported	100%
District 3	2239, 3125, 4639, 8046, 8356, 9224, 9501 9808, 10387, 10654, 10657	92%
District 4	622, 2584, 7059, 7166, 7819, 7897, 8046, 8163, 8228, 8617, 8759, 9855, 9954	81%
District 5	647, 1115, 7568, 7726, 7800, 8243	75%
District 6	1033, 1264, 1444, 1841, 2157, 4522, 5311	88%
District 7	All Reported	100%
District 8	2524, 3103, 7589	75%
District 9	1184, 6000, 7136, 7328, 7969, 9640, 9696	88%
District 10	609, 1503, 3150, 7327, 7916, 9478	67%
District 11	632, 1499, 2216, 2424, 3136, 4204, 8279, 8644, 9339, 9480	83%
District 12	1994, 3782, 8979	33%
District 13	2217, 10574	29%
Junior Girls	4809	50%

**Remember our Cherished Hospitalized Heroes  
during Christmas & Every Day!**

*Kathy Birch*

Department Chairman  
Hospital & VAVS Program

**MCGUIRE V.A. MEDICAL CENTER**  
**NEWS**

Things have been busy at McGuire, new buildings, lots of moves and new patients. Lois Vaughan & Ruth Craig, the deputies, have been getting things ready for the stockings we give out on Christmas Eve. The tree we put up in the Drug Ward is up & ready for Santa.

There are some changes in what we can accept for the patients: No more hard back books, they seem to be multiplying faster than coat hangers. Paperback books should be new or in good condition and magazines should be no older than 6 months. We can't take anymore aerosol products to the Drug Ward.

Some things we really need are: denture cleanser tables, denture brushes, nail clippers, white tee shirts (large, X-large & XX-large), white socks, men's boxer shorts (large, X-large & XX-large), postage stamps, writing paper/envelopes, greeting cards, phone cards, canteen books, blank & recorded audio & video cassettes, disposable cameras, photo albums & frames, hats/caps/gloves (in new or very good condition), and new sweat pants & shirts. The patients really enjoy smiling faces new or used, so if you can share some time, you can't find a better place to spend it than with us.

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR THE VETERANS AT MCGUIRE AND EVERYWHERE!!!!

*Merry Christmas, Happy Holiday & Happy New Year!*

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December 2006

TO: DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT, PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS, DISTRICT PRESIDENTS, AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS, AUXILIARY CHAIRMEN, AND MEMBERS

## Junior Girls

Well, we are approaching the mid-year portion of our auxiliary year and I hope that all the young girls have enjoyed their Thanksgiving Holiday and are looking forward to the holidays in December. I hope that at least one of our young girls has written an article for the National Magazine. It is due December 31, 2006 on "How and Why I Support Our Troops."

Since we are at this time of year, here are some suggestions that the young Junior Girls can do for the holidays and the New Year:

- Visit a local nursing home and sing carols or bring snacks for the residents.
- Visit or write letters to the local VA Hospital and show them that they are not forgotten during this time of family and friends.
- Write a letter or draw a picture for our service men and women overseas. The American Family Association (AFA) is sponsoring a "Dear American Soldier" letter writing campaign. We want our military men and women to know that we support them and pray for them. Our Junior Girls can participate in this effort by sending a brief letter, picture, poem or prayer to:

Dear American Soldier  
American Family Association  
Tupelo, MS 38803

For more information on this program, visit [www.afa.net](http://www.afa.net).

- Invite the veterans (and their families) from their Post and local Community to a special luncheon at the post home and talk with them about their experience in the military.

Don't forget about the Scholarship program. Over the winter break, the girls can begin getting their paperwork in order. The deadline for this award is March 11, 2007.

I hope all have a safe and happy holiday time.

**Lorraine (Laine) Beckwith**, Chairman

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# DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA LEGISLATIVE – DECEMBER 2006

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We are the champions of America's "Cherished Heroes"...our veterans! Today is Veteran's Day. Across these United States we have honored those who fell in combat, those who survived to return home, and those who have served or are now serving proudly to defend this great country and our freedom.

We can show our appreciation of our veteran's sacrifices by electing legislative officials who support veteran causes. We influence our legislators at the polls, as we did on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Now that the elections are over, we must be vigilant and stay informed on legislation affecting veterans and their benefits. We must encourage our elected officials to honor the promises made to our veterans. Letters, e-mails, telefaxes, and telephone calls expressing your concerns and support of veteran issues will let them know that their voting records are being watched. We must hold them accountable when they vote on legislation.

## THE CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH:

Congratulations to Auxiliaries # 7568 (District 5) and #1499 (District 11) for meeting November's challenge.

The Challenge of the Month for December involves:

- Have a fantastic Christmas and remember our service members who are sacrificing their family holiday to protect us from harm!
- Know which voting district you reside in.
- Mail a copy of the attached letter to each of the legislators listed below. They have failed to support veteran issues when they came before the House Of Representatives:

The Honorable Eric Cantor, 7<sup>th</sup>  
2187 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Robert C. "Bobby" Scott, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
1201 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Jo Ann Davis, 1<sup>st</sup>  
1123 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Bob Goodlatte, 6<sup>th</sup>  
2240 Rayburn House Office Bldg  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Randy Forbes, 4<sup>th</sup>  
307 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Davis, 11<sup>th</sup>  
2348 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-4611

**2006-2007 VFW LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY GOALS:** As 2006 comes to a close and we begin a new year, make a point of writing, e-mailing, telefaxing, telephoning, or visiting your Congressman or House Representative to discuss:

- A VA Budget which consistently provides sufficient funding needed by the Veterans Health Care Administration in order to care for our nation's sick and disabled veterans.
- A VA Budget which has a proper funding mechanism that matches funding with demands so that the Department of Veterans Affairs can adequately care for our nation's veterans in a timely manner.
- Preservation of the VA disability compensation program in its current form to protect the needs of current and future veterans.
- Full funding for a GI Bill for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century that supports recruitment and retention and recognizes the valuable contributions of those serving in uniform; Legislation to provide for the total cost of education including tuition, books, fees, and living expenses for attendance at any educational institution.
- Legislation that authorizes and fully funds military retirement pay and full disability compensation without offset for all disabled military retirees.

**CHECK YOUR WEB SITES DAILY:**

- Go to [www.vfwvaaux.org](http://www.vfwvaaux.org) and check the Legislation Alerts posted there.
- Also [www.capwiz.com/vfw/issues/bills](http://www.capwiz.com/vfw/issues/bills) for the latest and greatest information on current VFW-supported issues.
- Another source of valuable information is [www.moaa.org](http://www.moaa.org)

**REPORT MONTHLY, GIVE SPECIFIC DETAILS ON ACTIVITIES, AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!**

**AUXILIARIES NOT REPORTED AS OF 11/12/06:**

District 1: 176, 824, 5500, 6002, 8252

District 2: 4809

District 3: 1426, 2239, 3125, 4639, 8046, 8356, 9224, 9501, 10387, 10657

District 4: 622, 637, 2584, 5313, 7059, 7819, 7897, 8048, 8228, 8617, 8759, 8902

District 5: 647, 4637, 7800, 8243, 8467

District 6: 1033, 1264, 1444, 1841, 4522, 5311, 7854

District 7: 621, 2123, 8613

District 8: 1177, 2524

District 9: 4667, 6000, 7328, 9640, 9696

District 10: 7327, 8241, 8815, 9478

District 11: 2424, 3136, 4204, 8644, 9339, 10826

District 12: 1994, 3782, 6975, 8652, 9600, 9830, 10298, 10310

District 13: 1827, 2217, 7638, 8436, 8947, 10546, 10574

If your Auxiliary is listed above and you HAVE reported, contact me immediately at (540) 463-6798 or [profitspeace@ntelos.net](mailto:profitspeace@ntelos.net) so the error can be corrected.

**ONCE AGAIN, HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Insert Name and Address from list

Dear Mr. (or Mrs.) \_\_\_\_\_:

As a registered voter in your voting district, I am writing to inform you that I am a staunch supporter of veterans and all legislation which affects them and their dependents. Veterans' benefits are a solemn promise made by the United States Government to service members. We must exercise vigilance to insure these promises are not broken!

Recently the Veterans of Foreign Wars-Political Action Committee (VFW-PAC) sent you a detailed questionnaire which focused on 2006-2007 VFW Legislative Priority Goals, VA Budget, VA Benefits and Compensation, Veteran Education, Military Retirees, and National Security and Defense. Your response to this questionnaire (or lack of response), along with your written voting record,

I ask that you re-evaluate the importance of these critical veteran and national security/defense issues. I ask that you vote favorably for veteran's benefits and other legislation which affect veterans. Since you are an elected representative of this district and the Commonwealth of Virginia, I charge you with the responsibility to insure that veterans' benefits and national security/defense are not jeopardized due of lack of interest of our legislators.

Sincerely,

# MEMBERSHIP

December 2006

Have you seen the Banner Report? The last Banner Report I reviewed was dated November 14, 2006. Compared to the standings of 65+%, on October 22, it shows our **Department Membership standing is at 68.99%**.

*My sisters, we are on a roll!* You're showing *every one*,  
"You Believe in the Ladies Auxiliary VFW!"

However, ... there are still quite a few Auxiliaries who are in the range of 50%, or less. With the approval of our Department President Becky, the Department Treasurer Debbie, Department Secretary Susie, and your Department Membership Chairman (me) are working together to mail renewal notices to members of randomly selected Auxiliaries across the Districts. [Think: lottery-style.]

We believe it will help, because "*We believe in the Ladies Auxiliary VFW*".

**All Members, every one of you**, please remember: The more we do now, the less burdensome the task will be, as we approach the Christmas Holiday Season.

Let's also have a heart for our Auxiliary and Department Treasurers! The earlier we pay, the earlier they can get their job done...the earlier our hardworking Treasurers, at all levels, can be free to prepare for and to enjoy Christmas with their families, too.

**Auxiliary Presidents:** The Banner Report provided by the Department makes it easy for you to "stay on top" of your membership statistics and on top of your Auxiliary's participation in many programs. You may want to look at these "stats" as one measure of your success as a leader!

- Check out how your leadership is affecting your Auxiliary, regularly.
- Kindly remind your Auxiliary Treasurer to turn-around dues *as early as possible*. If she needs help (even if she doesn't ask for it), please find a willing member to assist her. A little exposure to the Treasurer's duties could pay off later, too!

When we all work together, efficiently and considerately,  
*every one* benefits!

**Attention, District Presidents!** You are eligible to participate in a Membership Award drawing for an "All Aboard Trip" with the National President, if each Auxiliary in your district attains 90% membership by December 29, 2006. Each *qualifying* District President will receive a very special memento.

**Recruiters**, both Ladies Auxiliary, and VFW, be mindful there are both National and Department prizes for recruiting 30 new or reinstated members during the period of July 1, 2006 through June 15, 2007. You will find more details about the criteria for **Award #3** and **Award #4** in any one of the following: the National Program Book, the President's Handbook issued by Department, or my

promotion mailed with the October General Orders. Please (!), try to remember to carry a membership application with you at all times.

**An Auxiliary Membership Application form follows. It can be copied, *endlessly* (!?) as needed.**

I hope you don't mind if I repeat that a Life Membership may be one of the best Christmas gifts you can give to your mother, sister, or ... have you considered yourself as a possibility (?). Don't be shy about suggesting the idea to your VFW comrades who might be stuck for a meaningful Christmas gift that will be treasured by their loved ones, especially as a gift to every *certified and qualified* **Believer** in the Ladies Auxiliary VFW !!

*I am here to support your efforts and, hopefully, facilitate your success,  
for, like you,  
I Believe in the Ladies Auxiliary VFW !*

*Above and Beyond  
The Power of Faith  
In the Spirit of America,  
We Are the Champions of  
America's Cherished Heroes.*

*Ladies, It's time to celebrate the season, the relationship of  
sisterhood we share, the future and all its rich possibilities.  
Sisters, may God bless you and yours.*

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*Ines*

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**PUBLICITY PROGRAM  
DECEMBER 2006**

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**TO: Department President, Past Department Presidents, District Presidents,**

Auxiliary Presidents and Chairmen

**“In the Spirit of America—We Are the Champions of America’s Cherished Heroes”  
“Above and Beyond The Power of Faith”**

How quickly the year has past. The holidays have arrived with all the hustle and bustle. We never seem to have enough time to get everything done. Stop – Take a moment to truly enjoy the sounds of the children, the wreath on your door or the embrace of family members and old friends.

As we “count our many blessings,” remember those in our communities who are not as fortunate. We do not need to look far to find a family (military or otherwise), child or organization that need our help. Christmas “goodie” baskets, books for children, or Toys for Tots are all worthy projects. Invite your community to participate. This may encourage new members. Remember to take membership applications when you are having a bake sale or other events. Articles about your projects need to be written and publicized. Be proud of your work. Place notices on your bulletin boards, in your newsletters or local newspapers. All serve as forms of publicity. I know that all of the Auxiliaries have done something. Send me a copy with your report. I would like to read about the wonderful things your Auxiliary has been doing. In January, we will be holding Winter Council. Don’t let your Auxiliary be listed as Not Reported.

Thank you to the Auxiliaries who have already reported. Keep up the good work.

**REPORTED:**

District 1: 824, 7167	District 6: 1033, 1841, 2157	District 11: 632, 1499, 2216, 8279, 8644, 9339
District 2: 392, 993, 3160, 4411, 9382	District 7: 621,1860, 2447, 9660, 9760, 9872	District 12: 8976
District 3: 4639, 9808, 10657	District 8: 7589	District 13: None
District 4: 622, 7166, 7819, 8048, 8759,	District 9: 6000, 7136, 7969, 9696	
District 5: 1115	District 10: 3150	

Have a wonderful Holiday!

VETERANS & FAMILY SUPPORT  
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December, 2006

Auxiliary Presidents, Chairman and Sisters:

Another “*piece*” of the **ROADMAP** for the **JOURNEY** we will be taking this year. “**OPERATION UPLINK**”

“**OPERATION UPLINK**” is a unique program that keeps military personnel and hospitalized veterans in touch with their families and loved ones, by providing them with free phone cards. Using contributions from supporters like you, **OPERATION UPLINK** purchases phone cards and distributes them to servicemen and women who are separated from those they care about. One phone call means so much to those who are left behind, to hear that their loved one is safe and well.

You may visit the Operation Uplink website at [www.operationuplink.org](http://www.operationuplink.org), or write to Operation Uplink  
VFW National Headquarters  
406 W. 34<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Mo 64111

There will be a citation to each Auxiliary, District, and Department donating \$50.00 or more to **OPERATION UPLINK**. Please earmark your donations **OPERATION UPLINK**. Mail to Ladies Auxiliary VFW HEADQUARTERS 406 w. 34<sup>TH</sup> Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Kansas City MO.64111

**Above and Beyond the Power of Faith. In the Spirit of America we are the Champions of Americas Cherished Heroes. Please send in those donations, they mean more than you will ever know.**

**Auxiliaries who are reported as of November 14, 2006:**

1	176, 4856,3219,6002,824,7167
2	392, 993, 3160, 4411, 4809
3	2239, 9808,
4	622, 2584, 8902,
5	7568,7726,1115,8243,
6	1033, 1841, 2157,
7	621, 1860, 2447,9760,7589,9872,
8	3103, 7589
9	1184, 6000, 7136
10	609, 3150, 7916
11	632, 2216, 8279
12	0
13	0

I have been receiving some reports with no auxiliary number or district number. So if you **have** reported, and your auxiliary is not listed please send me another report with your auxiliary number and district number.

Reports are coming in slow, please get those reports in

**Report!!!!!!!!!! Report!!!!!!!!!! Report!!!!!!!!!! Report!!!!!!!!!!**

**HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!**

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Sisters,

The reports are coming in slowly. To those that have reported, Thank you. To those that have not reported, please get the reports in.

The deadline for the District to be 100% reported is December 1, 2006

Did you vote? I did. Did you talk to candidates? I did.

Remember we must go Above and Beyond Faith to support our Cherished Heros.

Hold a fundraiser. Put your men in Hula Skirts and as they dance, take up donations.

Hold a bake sale. Hold a Raffle. Make your fundraiser fun and interesting. Explain what PAC is, what the donations are for.

I cannot stress enough, our Cherished Heros are losing their Benefits and Entitlements everyday. We need to support them through PAC !!!!!

Send your donations to:

VFW-PAC  
PO Box 76322  
Washington, DC 20013-6322

Send your report to me.

**REPORT**

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**If your auxiliary number is listed below. I need a report !**

**District # 1- 5500 - 6002 - 8252**

**District # 2 - 392 - 4809**

**District # 3 - 1426 - 3125 - 8046 - 8356 - 9224 - 9501 - 10387 - 10654 - 10657**

**District # 4 - 637 - 2584 - 5313 - 7136 - 8048 - 8228 - 8759 - 9855**

**District # 5 - 4637 - 8243 - 8467**

**District # 6 - 1444 - 4522 - 7854**

**District # 7 - 621 - 2123**

**District # 8 - 1177**

**District # 9 - 4667 - 7328**

**District# 10 - 1503 - 7916 - 8241 - 8815 - 9274 - 9478**

**District # 11 - 2216 - 2424 - 4208 - 10826**

**District # 12 - 1994 - 3782 - 6975 - 8652 - 9600 - 9830- -10298 - 10310**

**District # 13 - 1827 - 7638 - 8436 - 8967 - 10546 - 10574**

Have A Safe and A Happy Holiday Season

Loyally Yours,  
Sue Barrie





**Patriotic Art Escrow Fund:** Donations are paid to National, with the check earmarked for this purpose. The Patriotic Art program is fully endowed, but your donations are still accepted.

*Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

**REPORTS: Keep 'em coming!**  
**All Auxiliaries SHOULD be reported for the**  
**Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Contest for their participation.**

**Report forms are in President's Handbook & September & November General Orders.**

**Auxiliaries REPORTED:** *I hope I have it right this month! Sorry if I failed to report you previously.*

District No.	Auxiliaries Reported									% Rptd
1	176	7167								22
2	993	4411								33
3	8356	9808	10387							25
4	622	2584								13
5	647	1115								40
6	1033	2157								29
7	1860	2447	8613	9660	9760					71
8	3103	7589								50
9	7136	7969								25
10										0
11	632	8279	9339							27
12										0
13										0

*Loyally, Beverly Abbott*

*VOD/Patriotic Art Chairman*

Department Youth Activities Chairman  
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## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

“In the Spirit of America-We Are The Champions Of America’s  
Cherished Heroes”  
“Above and Beyond The Power of Faith”

“Season’s Greetings” to everyone. This month I want to remind our Auxiliaries about the information required for the Youth Activities Programs. Ladies, it’s time to start looking for those special young volunteers who have gone out of their way to help in their communities. Any volunteer hours that have been performed from January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006. The volunteer can be either male or female between the ages of 12 and 15.

The volunteer must be sponsored by a Ladies Auxiliary and must live in the same state as the sponsoring Auxiliary. “Awards” the winner of this award will receive from National a \$5,000 U.S. savings bond, a plaque, and airfare plus two nights lodging to attend the 2007 National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Don’t forget the deadlines, students February 3, 2007, Department February 17, 2007, and National March 3, 2007. We must recognize our youth that are doing a fantastic volunteer work.

For our “Outstanding Young Volunteer of the Year” I need to know the amount spent on awards plus amount spent on other items for this program, and the number of students who participated. The same is also needed for the “Patriot’s Pen Essay”, the number of students who participated and the amount spent for awards (prizes) and other expenses involved. I am hoping for 100% participation by Auxiliaries, so ladies get those reports in!!

Ladies, as the days turn crisp and we prepare to burn the Yule tide log let us remember our America’s children. Let’s reflect on what we have accomplished and what can be done in the days to come. This month as well, there are many programs you can do: go to your school and get Christmas cards made by the students to give to Vets at the VA Hospital as well as our Troops over seas---help put together baskets for the needy---help the little ones to have a Merry Christmas---put small flags in Christmas stockings---do something special with the Girl Scouts---help them to work for the gold and silver award in scouting---check with your local hospice program to assist with children who are suffering because of terminal illnesses in their families---help provide the essentials that we take for granted, but which are badly needed in shelters for the homeless.

Sisters, please send your reports in now, don’t wait until the last minute. There are so many programs in the month of December to do with our young people. So let’s all work together “Above and Beyond the Power of Faith”.

THE FOLLOWING AUXILIARIES REPORTED AS OF DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

District 1—176, 824, 3219

2---4411

3---9808, *10567*

4---8228

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6---1033, 1841, 2157

7---2447, 8613, 9660, 9760, 9872

District 8—3103, 7589

9---7136, 7167, 6000

10---609

11---8279, 8644

12--- -0-

13--- -0-

**I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year! Remember to pray for our troops to come safely home to us and for their families who will be without them for the holidays!!**

**Merry Christmas!!!  
Betty Jo Department Chairmen**