



Hello to all of my Community Service Tiggers

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WOW I just got back from the DEC Mid-Year meeting and let me tell you the 16th district can put on a great time (I know it's my district, but it was so much fun). I was going to just send out my report that I did at mid-year but then I got to thinking with so many holidays coming up such as Valentine's Day, St Patrick's Day, Easter and so many others it would not be fair for them just slip by.

I know that a lot of you will be doing special things for our Veterans and military for the above holidays but remember to reach out to your schools, homeless shelter and even nursing home to see what you can do special for them also. Working together with other nonprofit organizations you can reach so many more people and get the word out of who we are and what we do. Also, don't forget to label all your items that you plan to disseminate with who you are and that you are a part of the American Legion Auxiliary with contact information, you never know you might just get a new member just by reaching out.

I was so amazed to hear all the ideas, volunteer hours, money and dedication that each one of you have been putting into this community service program and even though we are half way through the year I know the best is yet to come.

I wanted to thank you all for making "Make A Difference Day" so over top. Just some of the fantastic things that were done were making cookies and distributing them to the local fire, police and sheriff departments, friendship rocks (which are still being made,) handing out doughnuts, making meals, handing out flowers and just paying for someone's coffee.

Also, I was listening to the roars about the parades that many units and districts participate in, I even got some great pictures from district 22 (thank you Mildred Roberts). I could not think of a better way to get the name of American Legion Auxiliary out than by putting us in parade.

I know a lot of you will be working on Community Service Projects throughout the rest of our year together and preparing for your end of year reporting, unlike me I usually wait until mid-night the night before. There are so many ways to reach out to your communities but please make it work for you and your district or units not everything fits for every district or unit. Think outside the box and put some creativity into.

One last thing I will be looking into the California Disaster Fund and once I have the correct information I will be sending out a Special Bulletin with President Loretta's permission.

If you need anything, please let me know. I'm sure I will be seeing some of you at the leadership workshops being hosted by Linda Fercho. I have the honor of being asked to participate in the work shops and if you have never been to one you really should try to attend, they are fun and very informative.

Please keep up the great work and I'm only a paw away.

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