

CHAPLAIN BULLETIN MARCH 2023

Dear Chaplains

March” is named for the Roman god of war, Mars. Although we think of it more pleasantly as the beginning of Spring and the return of Daylight Saving Time!

Well my dear Auxiliary members what are we doing to assist our Veterans, Active Duty Military and their families as we move into March? Does your unit or district have a plan for helping? Do you need some ideas or suggestions?

-This past Sunday we played Bingo at our VA Livermore CLC ...oh what fun that was for them and us! They were happy to see us and we were happy to see them, it had been a long time!

-Do you live near an active base where some may soon be deployed? Can you provide or participate in a “Deployment Party”? Those can be fun where you have gifts and games for the children, Dinner for the family, provide cards with your name and address so you can be pen pals with service members while they are gone and send care packages! And perhaps keep in touch with the families.

-Have you visited Veterans in Nursing Homes? They are gradually opening up now and welcome visitors.

-Make visits to members of your Unit & Post. Make a plan to go over with dinner and even stay and enjoy that meal with them. Play cards or checkers.

-If you can't get out of the house call on members and Veterans. Ask if they would like you to read to them!

Of course this transition into March has just about been the coldest end of winter I can remember in a very long time! Another good reason to check on Unit and Post members!

Did you know....President Ronald Reagan officially declared Proclamation 5613 making March National Disabilities Awareness Month. Remember not all disabilities can be seen. Treat everyone the way you would like to be treated....with patience, kindness and respect!

If any of you have a special occasion you would like me to acknowledge with a card, please let me know.

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