



Hospital Bulletin November 2018



November Greetings Department of California!!



The month of November is designated as Military Appreciation Month. Veterans Day falls on November 11, 2018. This day is the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day. In 1918, on the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour, World War 1 officially ended. Celebrations are planned nationwide. At Flanders Field American Cemetery in Belgium a celebration will be observed. This day is a perfect day to celebrate with our Hospitalized Veterans.

This week, November 5 -11, 2018 is Community Volunteer Recruitment Week!!!

There is a critical need for more volunteers. Every hour of Volunteer time helps to free up the medical staff to do their job. Volunteers can help serve meals, push wheelchairs, drive shuttles, or just sit with a patient and listen to their stories. Every facility has its own rules regarding volunteers, please check with your Voluntary Services Chief to see what their guidelines are. We should (need to) make it our foremost goal to recruit more volunteers. We can recruit VFW & VFW Auxiliary members, Non- members, Family, Friends, Youth. We can volunteer at any VA or non-VA medical facility, Veterans Homes, Local hospitals, anywhere that Veterans are being served. For recruiting tips, posters, and more information go to www.vfwauxiliary.org/resources.

Upcoming Events:

2nd Wednesday of every month- Hawthorne Aux. 2075 hosts Bingo, West L. A. VAMC Bldg. #300. 11301 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 1:00 – 2:00 PM. Volunteers ALWAYS welcome- Please contact Jo Ann Wright, Aux 2075 Hospital Chairman @ 310-704-0878 (no texting)

Last Friday of Every Month – Veterans Social Connection, Tibor Rubin VAMC Bldg. 165 Canteen Back Patio, 5901 E. 7th Street, Long Beach, CA 8:30 – 10:30 AM . Please contact Romey Hagen if your auxiliary would like to be part of this project. 310-988-5296 or romicles@pacbell.net

November 5-11, 2018 – Hospital Volunteer Recruitment week

November 7, 2018 - West L.A. Pre Vets Day Salute -11:30 AM -Bldg 214 Quad Area –
Set-up 9:00 AM

November 11, 2018 - West L.A – BBQ & Car Show - 9:00 AM - Parking Lot #9 Quad Area –
Set-up 8:00 AM

November 11, 2018 - Tibor Rubin Long Beach – Veterans Day Ceremony - 11:00 AM
November 15, 2018 – West LA – Octoberfest - 11:30 AM – Bldg 214 — Set-up 9:00 AM
November 16, 2018 – West LA – Pre Thanksgiving Celebration – 11:30 AM – Bldg 214 –
Set-up 9:00 AM
November 19, 2018 – Tibor Rubin Thanksgiving Food Drive
November 21, 2018 – West LA - Bedside Visit -10:00 AM – Bldg- 500
December 1, 2018 – Tibor Rubin Long Beach – Tree Decorating - 11:00 AM–
Volunteers Needed – meet at Voluntary Services Bldg 50
December 16, 2018 – Tibor Rubin Long Beach – Operation Santa – 11:00 – 2:00 – Set-up 8:30
December 19, 2018 – Yountville VA Christmas party – if anyone has info on this, please let me
Know

Please keep the 2018/2019 Hospital Team informed of any and all Hospital Events in your area,
so that we can get the information out to the entire department.

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