## OCTOBER YOUTH ACTIVITIES PROMOTION GAYLENE RAMOS

The month of **November** is a special time to honor our Veterans. Now is the time to talk with teachers from your area about holding a day of students reading to veterans or veterans reading to students from a book that is on the "Patriotism through literacy" list of books. Have a motion brought on the floor of your Auxiliary to purchase books off of the list to be donated to a classroom that is participating in the reading program. Maybe even purchase some small flags to be handed out to the class and report it under Americanism.

Now is also the time to plan on using the Scouts, ROTC students, and children's church groups for your upcoming Thanksgiving dinners that you may be planning.

Also, please keep checking the deadline dates for the Illustrating America Art Contest. Be sure and promote it as much as you can. Use the media release templates under Malta.

Important Update: If you didn't see it in the National E Newsletter, the Get Excited for Red, White, and Blue has been discontinued. Everything has been removed under Member Resources – Youth Activities. If you have started promoting it, please follow – up with those who you have had contact with.

On page 109 of the VFW catalog, they have some great Activity Books that can be bought by you or your Auxiliary to help promote many great subjects. A few years back our Auxiliary purchased 10 books in each category. We then made sets, a book from each category and gave them out to teachers that we knew. The teachers can make copies of key pages in each book for their students to work on. Check them out!

As of October 17,2024, all Youth Activities reports have been approved.