

Americanism / Patriotic Instructor

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Re: December Americanism / Patriotic Instructor Promotion

Hello VFW Auxiliary Department of California,

The holidays are upon us now. This is where we can show our patriotism at its finest. We can participate in toy give aways to our veterans and families by our Auxiliary's or put out boxes to collect toys for Toys for Tots by the US Marine Corp. Another idea, all our Auxiliary's can make up holiday food baskets for our veterans and families to show thanks for their service and/or make up deployment baskets to send to units that are deployed with a little note thanking them for their service. Thank you all for your hard work and looking forward to reading all your reports. Happy Holidays and you all be blessed this holiday season. Please see key patriotic events in December below:

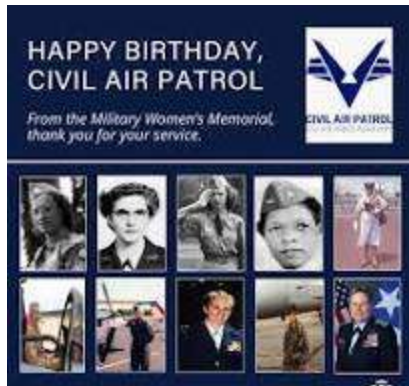
Thank you all for this opportunity to be your Americanism / Patriotic Instructor Chairman. May God Bless you & your family.

Best wishes,

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Americanism Program Chairman

VFW Auxiliary Department of CA



December 1st Civil Air Patrol Birthday

The U.S. Air Force Auxiliary observes its birthday on this day. The **Civil Air Patrol (CAP)** was founded on **December 1, 1941**, and this is celebrated as its birthday. The organization serves as the official civilian auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force and has evolved from its initial mission of mobilizing civilian aviation for national defense.



Dec. 7 – National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

This day is observed to remember the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, which led to the United States entry into World War II. Events often include flag ceremonies, and the day is sometime designated for flying the flag half-mast.



Bill of Rights Day is celebrated annually on **December 15** to commemorate the ratification of the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution in 1791. The day honors the fundamental rights and freedoms, such as freedom of speech, press, and religion, that are guaranteed to Americans and serves as a reminder of the importance of the Bill of Rights. It is not a national holiday, but is observed with various activities and ceremonies. In 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt designated this day to celebrate the adoption of the U.S. Bill of Rights.



The National Guard's birthday in 2025 is on Saturday, December 13, 2025. This date marks the 389th anniversary of the organization's founding in 1636, when the first militia regiments were organized in Massachusetts.



Christmas 2025 Toy Campaign

Find Your Local Chapter

- [Request a Toy by submitting an application to your Local Chapter](#)
- [Request Toy Boxes and collect gifts for Toys for Tots in house](#)
- [Request to be a Public Toy Drop Location](#)
- [Request to Host an Event for Toys for Tots](#)
- [Request to Volunteer with Toys for Tots](#)
- [Request to Donate a Toy](#)
- [Request Toy Application Status](#) (local online applications only)

