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Madam Department President Kathie, Past Natl. President Gwen, Past Department Presidents, Department Officers, Brothers and Sisters: I am Kathleen "Kathy" Smith, the Department Hospital Chairman 2025 - 2026.

You can volunteer at the Hospital by reading to the Hospitalized Veterans, hosting bingo, serving root beer floats, sugar free of course. Hospital is a way to recruit volunteers whether they be members of the Post, Auxiliary or even family members or friends -- even youth can volunteer.

In the North on July 19th, 2025, the VFW and the VFW Aux will be hosting a picnic at Yountville Veterans Home in the 16th District. Anyone interested in helping out please be there between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. to help wrap silverware, and serving starts at 11:00 a.m. We need help cooking, preparing the food, pushing wheelchairs, getting drinks and food for the patients.

Auxiliaries, please remember your donations of \$1 per member for Hospital, of which \$.75 goes to Department for the V.A. Hospital for "when our Department President Kathie makes

her visits during her Official Visit, and \$.25 goes to the Medical Insurance Program, we also donate to drug abuse, and the "Rollin' Joe Velasquez" Wheel Chair Games, and these projects can be any amount and please remember to fill out your reports for Hospital, not Donations.