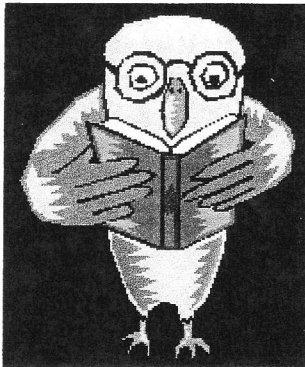


**OCTOBER PROMOTION
YOUTH ACTIVITIES-PATRIOTIC ART
2011-2012**



School has now started and all Youth Activities-Patriotic Art Chairmen should have visited the schools with all of the information on this program. If, by chance, you haven't you need to do it now. Brochures are available on our website or you may order them from the VFW store. Also on our website are the PNP Scholarship forms. I have already had requests for them. Encourage our youth to fill one out and get it in to me.

Patriotic art entries MUST reach your Auxiliary chairman by March 31. The entries MUST then reach me by April 15. I will have these deadlines in my promotional material just about every month so that everyone knows them and gets the participants going on their artwork. The ones at National Convention were awesome. We all have some very talented Youth within our Districts. Get these students going so they can win some scholarships to help with their education.

Please remember to get the request form for Youth Supporting Our Military so they can receive their citations. The activities have to be done between July 1, 2011 and March 15, 2012. This form is also on the website and is self-explanatory but if you have any questions please call or e-mail me.

I hope all of you have gone to our website and looked at the pictures of the Junior Girls Camp Out and Recruitment weekend. We had such a good time and I was so proud of them when we went to the Veterans Home at Cape Girardeau. They did an awesome job making cards and

the Veterans at the home certainly enjoyed getting them and having all the girls visit with them.

October 21 – 23 will be the National Home Bus Trip. I know that some of you are planning on going. There will be an activity planned for Saturday evening after the return from the visit to the National Home. Be sure and bring a costume for the Halloween Party. This is Missouri's year to host the party and everyone is in costume. It's a lot of fun and the kids that live there certainly enjoy it. Just be sure and get your reservation in as soon as possible.

If any of the Junior Girls would like to attend the C of A and Voice of Democracy Banquet in Jefferson City the dates are February 3 – 5, 2012. Please let me know if you want to attend.

The Junior Girls Conference is tentatively to be in Overland, MO. I will know more after the C of A in October. Please mark your calendars for March 30 to April 1, 2012. I am looking forward to seeing all of our Junior Girls there. A trip to the City Museum in St. Louis, MO is planned after our meeting and lunch is over.

I know that some of the girls are already working on their badges in the JUMP program and that is wonderful. About 50 badges can be earned.

I am always just an e-mail or a phone call away so don't hesitate to call me if you have questions or concerns.

We all should be "LEAPING INTO THE FUTURE FOR OUR VETERANS" and "STEP UP with our Youth LEAVE NO VETERAN BEHIND".

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