

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2025



AMERICANISM

Holidays are over and some may say it's a SLOW time; nope!!! Busy ants get busy. So, it's time for all Americanism chairs to get caught up on their reporting and start teaching the younger generation that Americanism is not just during Patriotic holidays.

FLAGS

If you find yourself wondering what to do for the children, please go into MALTA under resources (Americanism) and look for FLAG EDUCATION FOR KIDS!!

This gives you a handout to print off and take to a school. Hand out flags while you are there and show them the proper way to salute the flag.

Remember on our resource page we have citations that you can fill out and hand out. Great way to recognize those who show patriotism.

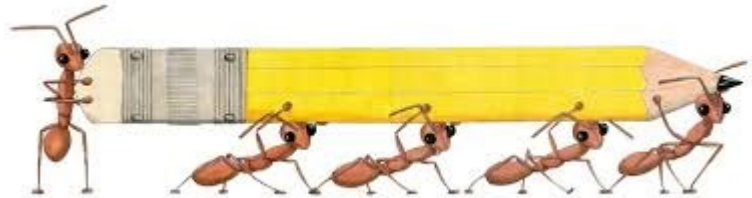
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EDUCATION

A project you can do during this SLOW time is to teach and demonstrate the proper way to dispose of flags.

Flag Disposal: This should only be done with adult supervision! - The Flag should be folded in its customary manner. - It is important that the fire be fairly large and of sufficient intensity to ensure complete burning of the Flag. - Place the Flag on the fire. - The individual(s) can come to attention, salute the Flag, recite the Pledge of Allegiance and have a brief period of silent reflection. - After the Flag is completely consumed, the fire should then be safely extinguished and the ashes buried. - Please make sure you are conforming to local/state fire codes or ordinances.

It's never too early to plan for Patriotic Days with Memorial Day being the next one to come. Think of an event that the Post and Auxiliary members can do together to educate your community. Remember that the Auxiliary does not exist without our Post. Remember we are here for our Veterans. Remember unity, Brothers and Sisters of the VFW Auxiliary are here to support and respect our Veterans.

If you do not know what should or shouldn't be reported please reach out to any Chairman of the Department. We are here for you.

Wishing you all a great 2025; and can't wait to see you soon.