

Hello everyone,

With the stress of the past few months, and the thought of not being with your family and friends over the holiday season, please remember those in our National Home for Children and what they must be going through. If you have not yet sent in your obligation for "Health and Happiness" please try to do it as soon as possible. And kudos to those who have remitted it already!

A really **BIG Thank You** to all those that put Buddy Poppies together to help replenish the shortage that we had at National. The program is currently **ON HOLD**, to receive any more poppies, but they are looking to make this something that we might be able to help with next year. Please be sure to send in your completed poppies as soon as you can.

I hope that all of you have been able to use the Buddy Poppies in your displays and maybe in your takeout dinners. Just wrap one around your silverware and support our Veterans.

With Veterans Day approaching fast, show your support anyway you can with wearing your Buddy Poppy Pin, and giving poppies to everyone you meet. It will really brighten their day! The Buddy Poppy Pins are available for \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. I will pay the cost of shipping the pins to your Auxiliary, if this is an issue. You can use the pins to give in your care packages to our veterans that are in our hospitals, and care facilities throughout the state. I know they would love to wear them on their hats with honor. The distribution can be used on your community service reports in many different areas.

I received the Report of Trustees for National Home and as of November 3, 2020, the Washington Cottage has been vacated, examined, repaired, and cleaned; it is now ready for a new family. If you know of anyone that may need some help, or that has been affected by the fires, or any other circumstance, please utilize the Help Line for services that may be needed. Who knows, they may be eligible to live at the National Home! The Help Line number is: **800-313-4200**.

**Star Donor Plaques** - This is something that is not publicized as often as it should be. For any organization that qualified with cumulative giving of at least \$500 throughout the fiscal year will be mailed a plaque for display in their business. If your company/organization would like to help a "Non-Profit" group that

is in need of support, please let them know about the National Home website: [www.vfwnationalhome.org](http://www.vfwnationalhome.org)

My heart and prayers are with all of you during this stressful time. Enjoy your Holiday season!

Respectfully yours,

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