



**VFW Auxiliary**  
**Department of Washington**  
**November-December 2019**  
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***Aloha Members ---***

A Blessed and Happy Holiday Season to each of you! **Remember ... every day is Veterans Day!** Let's make it a point to visit our veterans in the Hospitals and Veterans Homes as this time of year can be very lonely without loved ones nearby. Please remember to send them cards, take them treats or needed clothing items; and, especially, spend time with them. These heroes were there for us when we needed them, and they must never be forgotten!

I cannot believe how fast this year is flying by and I want you to know that I enjoy visiting the Hospitals and your Districts so much. I have been or had a representative at District #1, #2, #3, #5, #6, #9, #11 and #14 your hospitality has been wonderful and greatly appreciated. You are all showing that you are working hard together. The interaction with members is a highlight. I cannot believe all the things you do for our veterans by getting out in your communities with the Buddy Poppies and also recruiting new members. **Thank you for letting your Light shine – we do make a difference.**

Now I want to talk again about respect for your fellow members. I cannot emphasize enough that we treat each other with LOVE, just like our National President wants us to do. And, even though we have different ideas on how a situation is or is portrayed to be, we have to listen to each other and have an open mind to our fellow members, even when we disagree with him or her. We all learned in Grade School to not be a bully, nor talk about another person when they are not there; so, don't do it in your Post Home or in an Auxiliary meeting. It has come to my attention that this has to stop. So, I admonish you to be kind to each other and respect the office to which some have been elected to.

I am especially pleased with our membership totals. We are keeping up with other States on our percentiles, but I know we can do better. Let's all get to 95% by the end of November, so our Department can get the incentive money from National. **I know We Can Accomplish this!!!!!!**

**I wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving with your families and a Blessed Christmas too!**

Loyally,

Kathi Naff, President

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