



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT
MENTORING FOR LEADERSHIP

“Remember Your Why”
“Banding Together for our Veterans”

MENTORING FOR LEADERSHIP COURSE: 107 LEADERSHIP

Leadership comes in many forms. A Trustee who knows that job completely is a leader. Chairmen, Treasurers, Secretaries and Presidents are leaders. Leaders are not born, they're made. They may have gifts that make them better able to lead than others, but the truth is leaders are only as good as the ones who taught, encouraged, and brought out their true potential.

A volunteer job is an important role but finding our successor while we are still able to teach them is the best way to produce more leaders. We as leaders are experts in our field. It doesn't matter if you're a chairman or elected Officer. We need to make it our plan to find someone who is interested in our areas of expertise and slowly mentor them to take our place. Of course, no one likes to be replaced, but the reality is we need to prepare for the future in all aspects of our organization and on all levels.

The best level to begin is with a chairmanship. If you are the chairman of a program, you are the leader. Find some who is passionate about America and mentor them to be the Americanism chairman. Find the person who works all the Buddy Poppy drives and decorates with poppies and mentor them to be the Buddy Poppy Chairman. Training is endless.

Homework: Think about a program or position that may interest you.

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