

“Buddy” Poppy & VFW National Home

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Most outstanding use of the “Buddy” Poppy in another VFW Auxiliary Program

Ideas of what you can do:

Americanism - Attach a poppy to a small flag & hand out on a patriotic holiday.

- Give a presentation on the meaning of the “Buddy” Poppy at a patriotic event, read the Flanders Field poem and pass out poppies.

Youth Activities - Make favors with the youth and attach a poppy. Get ideas from pinterest, Hobby Lobby or Michaels. Favors can be used at a post event, senior centers or retirement communities.

General Hospital - Recognize the staff at a convalescent home with goodie bags. Make a list of items and have each member bring them to an auxiliary meeting, fill the bags, add a Thank You note and attach a poppy.

Veterans & Family Support - Make a Holiday ornament and attach a poppy. Present to a veteran or a post or auxiliary member. Decorate a Christmas tree at the post with poppy ornaments.

- At your post home events or activities; wrap the utensils with a napkin and tie the poppy to it or make centerpieces and decorations with poppies.

Scholarships – At your awards ceremonies attach a poppy to the certificates.

Find the form for the “Buddy” Poppy & VFW National Home Award for Auxiliaries No. 2 on Malta Resources (vfwauxiliary.org) or our department website (vfwauxct.org) under Programs / Buddy Poppy/National Home. Auxiliaries are to send the completed form to the Dept. Chairman by March 31, 2024

“Remember Your Why”

“Banding Together for our Veterans”