

Department of Georgia

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BUDDY POPPY

VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN

It's the month of November and everyone has been back to work and school getting used to the new policies of wearing masks, social distancing, keeping things clean and disinfected, etc. Even with social distancing, we can still help others, and I would like you to share with me the ideas that members have had for Buddy Poppy drives so that I can share them with other members who may need help. Please send your ideas to me by my e-mail. Also, if you did some buddy poppy displays for judging at the convention that was cancelled, please keep them for February, but please send pictures of them to me so that I can find out what more Madam President knows about how we are going forward with our contest.

This month has many important holidays: November 4<sup>th</sup> Election Day, November 10<sup>th</sup>, US Marine Corps Birthday, and November 26<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving. Take the holidays as an opportunity to host the community at your post inviting them to attend your Veteran's Day Program and have buddy poppy centerpieces you have made or wrap silverware with the poppy. Share your events with the media to ensure that the event is noticed and that the public is aware that they are invited.

Now the VFW National Home for Children needs our help more than ever. Have you had a member sign up to be a life member of the National home, raised money for your relief fund to draw a name at your auxiliary meeting to have a member win the membership? At any time you can give a gift out of your relief fund to help a family there. Shopping from home can be simple by Amazon Smile working with our national home. Will you have a youth group or post and auxiliary members send cards at Thanksgiving time? Lets let them know we are thinking of the them!

The 2nd page I am sending to let you know how and what to expect you will have to do if your Auxiliary and Post are one of the 1st place winners that are chosen at our June convention to go to National convention. Please be working on some entries and Good Luck to all of you!

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