



**BUDDY POPPY/NATIONAL HOME
PROMOTIONAL FOR FEBRUARY 2024
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Hello to All, here in NM we just finished our Midwinter Conference for those of you that attended, I hope you enjoyed the short video I showed on the Buddy Poppy Choir singing the “Buddy Poppy Anthem” I found this video in 2008 and had it saved for an opportun time to show it and this was the time. I realize that our Buddy Poppy is normally thought of more during Veterans Day, but let’s remember everyday.

Using you Buddy poppy decorations all the time for different events, tying your silverware with a buddy poppy, centerpieces with buddy poppys all this can be done and more. I realize with the weather cold we aren’t out have distributions in front of stores or wherever else, but we can do things indoors, there are places that will allow you to set up a table inside and do a poppy distribution, remember that the funds gathered from poppies helps support the veterans who do the buddy poppies and also the National Home. These are our veterans and our children.

For the more crafy people have you ever thought of maybe making poppies, we had the pleasure this year at midwinter of doing blow art, and what we made were poppies, what a wonderful time it was. Making the poppies and moreso the commradeship of us gathering together to make the poppies. It was fun, for those of you that are intrested in having a blow art night and raising funds while making poppies contact me we can make sure you have the instructions.

I have also sent to all district presidents a National Home house, for fundraising I am asking all District President’s to please fill that house up with donations and bring back with you the house and the donations for state convention. Let’s make this a good donation for National Home.

Don’t forget that reports are due to me by the April 15th , don’t forget to include what how you promoted the buddy poppy and National Home, what resoruce you used and donations.

Look forward to seeing what you’ve done

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