

Hello to all members.

I look forward to the coming year with lots of gratitude and hope that as each of you continue To work towards our WHAT. "OUR VETERANS" and as we plan our events, attend our meetings and volunteer our time we do this to help our Veterans their families and our communities, words you have heard and read many times.

This year our very own National Home celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. The dream of a 23-year-old woman by the name of Amy Ross who wanted nothing more than to help Veterans and their families. Her dream became a home for 42 families, who enjoy a home, common areas such as the gym, library, computer and science lab, playground, daycare center, fishing pond and hiking. Why because we as a family have continued to support Amy's dream. So, as we celebrate with the National Home, please send them a Birthday card signed by your members in your Auxiliary and Comrades and let them know we are here celebrating with them. It can be mailed to National Home 3573 S. Waverly Rd Eaton Rapids, Michigan 48827 Attn; Birthday Celebration. Also, if your Auxiliary or Post as a group would like to donate to the Birthday Bash, National home has a Wishlist on Amazon.

So how else can you donate to National home.

- 1. Become a life member \$50.00 or become a Centennial member \$100.00 which includes the Centennial pin, 10% National home products and centennial membership card, which only runs till the end of 2025.
- 2. Become a Home Front Hero with a monthly donation for as little as \$10.00.
- 3. Purchase a brick for the Centennial Garden which begins at \$500.00
- 4. Health and Happiness fund which provides holiday cheer, make sure that all your all auxiliaries consider raising your assessments from 50cents to 75cents or for those that can Make it a dollar.
- 5. Always look on Amazon for their Wishlist.

National home also has promotional products that you can also consider purchasing to help support and promote.

This year I gave to all Districts President a National Home House, so I am asking that each District President have a Nickel War., fill those houses up and bring them full by Midwinter Conference. I am also asking each Auxiliary and or Post to make a house, Bird house, cabin, a farmhouse, remember be creative these houses will be judged at Madam President Renee's homecoming. The winner will represent NM at the Western Conference, in Hawaii. GOOD LUCK!!!!!

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