

AUXILIARY OUTREACH #3 OCTOBER 2023

Hello, my fellow Sisters and Brothers.

We made it through September a very busy month, for most. Auxiliary Outreach a program of Reaching out to make a difference, there are so many of us that do small things that make a difference in someone's life, and we never even know we have.

I would like to challenge everyone today and ask that when you are in line at a bank a store in a restaurant turn around or to the person in front of you reach out and say hello and bid them a good day that's all just say "hello how's your day going, or hello have a good day. Do it 5 times to 5 different people and see the response you get, see if someone responds, if so do they carry a conversation, do they then ask where are you from what is the VFW or my husband served or my brother served. See where the conversation leads, maybe you can sign up someone or maybe someone will say they work for an organization that is doing an event maybe that is your way in and ask if you can help. Try it let's see if it works, my theory is out of 5 people at least 2 will strike up a conversation and of the two 1 will have some Military connection the other will have some sort of civic history, they both may surprise you with a response that will make a difference. Now in a day we are all so busy and we have so much to do that we have forgotten what it's like to strike up a conversation with someone.

Remember that the commonality that we all need to have is kindness and that needs to begin with us. We all need to reach out and touch someone in one way or another. This last week we all took the time to remember the POW's and MIAs for the sake of them and the fallen we need to reach out to the survivors our fellow comrades and all the others that are in different organizations and work together to MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Some Holidays to remember In October are Breast Cancer Awareness Month, 10-4 National Taco Day, 10-5 National Teachers Day, National do something nice day, 10-9 Columbus Day, National indigenous day, 10-10- National Homeless Day, 10-13 Navy Birthday, 10-14-National Dessert Day, 10-16 World food day, Boss's Day, 10-21 National Pets for Veterans Day, 10-27 National Mentoring Day, National Chocolate Day, 10-31 Halloween.

Use these holidays to reach out to the community. Like National homeless day work with another organization that works with the homeless and gather or deliver items for them.

Let's all Make a difference!!!!!!!!!

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