

**DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN
VFW AUXILIARY
BUDDY POPPY/NATIONAL HOME PROGRAM**



December/January Bulletin

The VFW National Home will soon turn 100 years old! What a celebration that will be! Here are a few of the events that are being planned: 100th Birthday Party Celebration Tuesday, Jan 7, 2025 4-7pm; Gala Celebration – February 8, 2025 5:30pm Cocktails, 6:30pm Dinner; 7:15pm Program; June 28, 2025 from 11am to 4:00pm – ground will come alive with free carnival rides, plus a whole lot more! 2025 Will be a year to remember!

The National Home Provides: Housing, Education, Daycare, Recreation, and Case Management! Call the Helpline at: 800-313-4200. It is a free service that offers information, creates connections, and gives hope to military and veteran families that are struggling.

Congratulations to Michele Rathke who was elected District #7 Trustee at the National Home in October at the Annual Meeting and Fall Festival. Our theme was “Wizard of Oz” – and Wisconsin was outstanding! If you were in attendance, please email your favorite photo from the Fall Festival with a short description to Nikki David at nikdmetalsmith@gmail.com and CC: me at susankarlson1@gmail.com and you will receive a special treat at the Mid-Winter Convention.



There will be a Buddy Poppy Contest at Mid-Winter. Please see the entry form in this newsletter.

Auxiliary Brothers and Sisters – from myself and my family – Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year!

Dept. Chairman, Sue Carlson