YOUTH ACTIVITIES October 2024

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Let's get our kids involved! Your Auxiliary can engage children in any one of our many Programs, including activities to honor our veterans and display patriotism. You can find youth groups everywhere – sports teams, church youth groups, school programs, Scouts, 4-H, Boys & Girls Clubs, JROTC, home-school associations, and more. Don't forget about your own members' children and grandchildren! Many youth organizations require community service hours – tap into that and encourage these youth to take part in our Auxiliary projects. These activities can even bring new membership to your Auxiliary. When youth and their whole family are included, they feel more connected to your Auxiliary. Our youth are important – let's work together with them to show our love and support for our veterans, our community and our country!

What are some things can we do with our youth?

- Make cards or gifts for veterans.
- Visit nursing homes or hospitals.
- Deliver groceries to disabled veterans.
- Help a veteran with yard work.
- Read a patriotic book with a veteran.
- Send care packages to troops.
- Help with "Buddy" Poppy drives.

- Take part in parades and patriotic events.
- Conduct a flag retirement ceremony.
- Participate in the Oral History Project.
- Promote Patriotism Through Literacy.
- Organize food and clothing drives.
- Make birthday cards for the National Home.
- Place flags on veterans' graves, and more!