

## Veterans and Family Support July, 2025

What an honor to be the one writing this for our July Sunflower Express! It means that our Department President, David, is trusting me with the chairmanship for the program that is at the very heart of our organization. I will admit that I was hesitant at first about taking on such a huge responsibility, but then I realized that I have all of YOU! You are the ones that really make this program a success for the Department of Kansas so I want to start by saying, "THANK YOU" for all you do!!! **"From Sea to Shining Sea"** we will be **"Honoring Veterans Who Keep Us Free".** 

Our National Ambassador, Annie O'Connor, has asked that this year we focus on three main areas:

- VFW-Based Veterans Assistance Programs
- Veterans' Mental Health Awareness
- Veteran and Veteran Spouses Employment

As the year goes along, I will share more details of each of these but I can confidently say that we in the Department of Kansas already do many things within each of these areas of service! Let's be **"A Rising Tide that lifts all veterans to success!"** 

Have a little fun as we get to work! Bring the below completed word search to School of Instruction on Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> in Arkansas City and I'll have a drawing for a prize.

