

Like seashells, we
are beautiful and
unique with a story
to tell

YOUTH ACTIVITIES
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HELLO AUGUST! What.....already? That means it is....**BACK TO SCHOOL** time!!!

That means it is time to shake the sand off your feet and get them into your **RUNNING SHOES!!** Now is the time to get started with our Youth.

READING BUDDIES is the new program this year that can make a difference in a child's life who has been left behind due to issues of reading and comprehension. Youth Chairmen, make a trip to the school if so allowed, or call and see if you can visit with the teachers and see how the **VFW AUXILIARY** can be of help. We can volunteer to help **READ** with the kids, or through technology we can **ZOOM** or **FACETIME**.

Start planning to have a **READING BUDDY DAY**. Plan a day of fun with the focus on reading. Have enough members to each pair up with a student and read a book together....this may take some interaction with the teacher to find interests of the children. Perhaps use your Public Library as a resource to have books on hand for the activity. Add a fun craft as well for the kids and have a meal prepared as you never go wrong with **FOOD!!** (Remember this activity would have to have permission from the parents and they can even be invited to attend as well). This project is one of my **AWARDS** and you will receive **10 SEA SHELLS** for hosting it. Come to the Department School of Instruction to learn more about **YOUTH ACTIVITIES** and how you can earn **SEA SHELLS** and their significance!!

Also, the beginning of school brings on **SPORTS!** There are opportunities to help with these **YOUTH GROUPS**. You can help provide team drinks, snacks, notes of encouragements and attending one of their events to let them know they have your support. Besides sports, there are many other school groups you can become involved with.

This is just a start to get you thinking....many more ideas to come. I am looking forward to a fun and active year with our **YOUTH!**

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