

# YOUTH ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

## AUGUST 2023

I hope everyone is having a great summer. It is time to start planning our youth activities with our students and youth organizations.

Grave Beautification and By Youth, For Youth have been removed from Youth Activities as separate initiatives. If you do any kind of grave or cemetery work with youth you can still report it as working with youth. Working with any type of youth for youth can be reported also under working with individuals or groups under No. 1.

This year, I am again challenging each auxiliary to donate at least 1 book to a school or library in honor of our veterans. The book should focus on veterans or historic events of our country.

There are 3 ways to recognize our youth for their patriotism. For individuals you can give out R.A.P., Random Acts of Patriotism cards, or recognize them with a Patriotic Youth Award. The Youth Group Supporting Our Veterans Citation can be given to youth groups for their efforts and service projects honoring our veterans and their families.

A great way to get hours reported for youth is to encourage and involve youth in your other programs. Need an idea? Try these. Have them help with creating table favors for the Hospital Program. Marching in a patriotic parade. Making cards and Valentines for veterans. Collecting and packaging items to send to our military troops.

More information on reporting on will be given at the **Department School of Instruction in Salina August 11-13** in Hays. Please plan to attend. If you cannot make that, please attend your District School of Instruction for more information.

Lets have a great year.

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