



NEC Newsletter

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National Wreaths Across America Day is December 17. This day is always the third Saturday in December. The American Legion Auxiliary is honored to participate. The mission of Wreaths Across America is to Remember, Honor and Teach by a coordinated wreath-laying ceremonies across the country. Wreaths are laid at Arlington National Cemetery and at more than 3,400 other locations in all 50 states, at sea, and abroad. Wreaths Across America started in 2007, by the Worcester family, along with veterans, and other groups and individuals who had helped with their annual veteran's wreath ceremony in Arlington. Wreaths Across America, is a non-profit 501-(c)(3) organization. If you have never participated in a Wreath Across America, I encourage you to do so. My Legion Family at Post 342 participates at the Historic National Cemetery in Salisbury. It is always an honor to lay the wreath on our Post's namesake. Harold B. Jarrett, WWII Veteran killed in action. For more Information on Wreaths Across America check out. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Dy6PE37g2k&t=213s> Wreaths Across America - Official Page



Legion Family of Post 342

Please remember those that are deployed and their families this Christmas Season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you.

Julie
NFLC
2022-2024

Space Force Celebrates its Birthday

Space Force will celebrate its birthday on December 20, 2022. The newest branch of our military has its official anthem. "Semper Supra"

We're the mighty watchful eye,
Guardians beyond the blue,
The invisible front line,
Warfighters brave and true.
Boldly reaching into space,
There's no limit to our sky.
Standing guard both day and night
We're the Space Force from on high



Spotlight on Community Service.

During the Christmas season many of us look for ways to help the less fortunate in our communities, through coat drives, food drives, Toys for Tots, Angle Trees, or Salvation Army. Don't 'forget to count those hours you volunteer. The key focus of the community service program is to make our communities better places in which to live is something Auxiliary members strive for each day across this country. A major outreach program of the Auxiliary since 1926, Community Service also demonstrates our longstanding commitment to supporting the work of American Legion posts and other organizations in providing assistance with blood drives, first aid and CPR training, child safety programs, support for women in shelters, and disaster and emergency preparedness programs.

National Awards: Unit Award: Most Outstanding Unit Community Service Program (per division) Deadline June 1,

Department Award: Best Department Community Service Program (per division) Deadline June 1.

Unit Member Community Service Appreciation Award Each unit may nominate one unit member <https://member.legion-aux.org/member/committees/community-service>

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Reminders

National will send out the 2nd Renewal Notices on

January 15, 2023

National Office will be Closed

December 23-26, 2022

January 2 and 16th, 2023