

News From Your Department Hospital Officer
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Hi, Auxiliary Sisters;

Hope you are enjoying the beautiful fall colors as much as I am. It's my favorite time of the year. Time to put away the flip-flops and put on regular sneakers or shoes.

Fall also means the mid-year hospital reports are due from local chairman. NOV 5TH. is the magic due date. Don't forget they must be postmarked and mailed by the due date. If you are printing your report, you must send me your copy by US Mail, I cannot print your copy, and it must be postmarked the 5th. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Please make sure you check my address, it is new this year. Addresses are listed in the October Auxiliary newsletter, and on the web-site.

Halloween is a fun time to plan something for our veteran patients, cider and donuts would be a great treat. Maybe candy if they are allowed to have make sure you check the rules at your facility. You can also visit a nursing home and plan a small party and you will be surprised to find many veteran's there. Just remember it must be medically staffed 24/7, or it is Community Service.

November is St. Jude Research Hospital month, a National Project. Plan a fund raiser for this worthy cause. Important to remember in November is Veteran's day, we honor those that are serving our country now. There are so many projects out there to thank them for their service. A simple card handed to them, saying "Thank You for Your Service" and you could give the veteran patient a flag.

Reminding the VAVS Representatives that have Joint Reviews with their Director (it is in your instructions) they were due in September. I do need a copy for my files so far I have received Joint Review's from; John Dingell VAMC, and Aleda Lutz VAMC.

Remember my theme : " Smiles are Contagious - Be a Carrier"