

## **Auxiliary Newsletter**

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## MESSAGE FROM OUR NATIONAL CHAIRMAN, CORAL MAY GROUT

The Ides of March are upon us! This means April is not far away. April is the most important month for the Children & Youth Program. I ask that you do something for Children & Youth during that month, which means March is the month to make your plans!

April 15th, in addition to being Tax Day, is also Purple Up Day. Division chairmen will be updating you on ways you can become involved. EVERY Unit can do Purple Up Day! Just wear something PURPLE in support of Military Children. Ask your City or State officials to proclaim April 15th as Purple Up Day in your Department. Contact your state senator or representative to have a resolution approved at your State House.

Other ways you can help C&Y in April: Donate to the Child Welfare Foundation. Past National President Linda Newsome is our representative. Let's make her happy by sending in a donation. Any and all donations are appreciated.

The importance of doing a report on your C&Y activities this year is so important. Don't forget those pictures!!! And, our awesome Facebook leader, Mindi Rue, is always looking for comments and pictures on our Facebook page.

Remember that your outstanding Division chairman is a huge help to you. If you have questions, call her.

Happy Easter!

Coral May Grout, National Chairman

From Vice Chairman Mindi - Please remind everyone about the National Children and Youth Facebook page ALA Children & Youth | Facebook. Also, remind them that this is a private Facebook page and to keep down on spam, all members of this page must answer the membership questions to be approved.





## MESSAGE FROM WESTERN DIVISION CHAIRMAN, DOROTHY HAZEN

## REMINDER – NEXT ZOOM MEETING – THURSDAY, APRIL $4^{TH}$ . PLEASE HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM YOU DEPARTMENT ON THE ZOOM MEETING. IF YOU CANT ATTEND, NOTIFY YOUR DEPT. PRESIDENT, SO SHE CAN HAVE A SOMEONE ON.

I want to thank those of you who post your activities/events/awards to the National facebook page. Keep showcasing your work. Let's promote WEST IS THE BEST.

Don't forget April is the Month of the Military Child. Show your love and support to our military children. Start planning your activities now. How about hosting a party during April, maybe include karaoke, games, ice cream, pizza, ... you name it. Don't forget April 15<sup>th</sup> – **PURPLE UP DAY** 

Some highlights from WD Departments -

Katie – Arizona has sent in over 50 GD/YH awards. WOW! Can anyone top this?

Cary – Utah – has sent in 2 more awards. One was to a group of students who lifted a wrecked car off of a mother and child.

Maureen – California – Baby shower items were delivered to Travis Air Force Base in Northern CA. Members of the base were so happy and appreciative on the donations. They have several more showers coming up. What a neat idea.

Tina – New Mexico – 2 more GD awards sent in. A total of \$230.00 was raised at mid year conference for C and Y and CWF.

Angelina - Oregon – working on stuffing bags which they received 2 years ago. Once stuffed, will distribute to each district to distribute to units.

Vickie – Washington – sent in 3 more GD awards. She has created a challenge to every WA member to donate \$1.00 for CWF. The unit that gets 100% donated first will receive a prize. WA youth will present the Child's Military Table in April at a couple of posts.

Brister - Hawaii - planning C and Y events in May.

April – Alaska – looking for GD/YH award nominees. Spreading word about C and Y, CWF, as well as Girls State, Scholarships, and Americanism Essay Contest.

Dorothy Hazen
WD C and Y Chairman



Western Division Chairman

Alaska, Robyn Downs California, Maureen O'Brien Sacco Idaho, Leslie Kaiser New Mexico, Tina Ford Utah, Cary Fisher

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