



MESSAGE FROM OUR NATIONAL CHAIRMAN, CORAL MAY GROUT

Hello, Members!

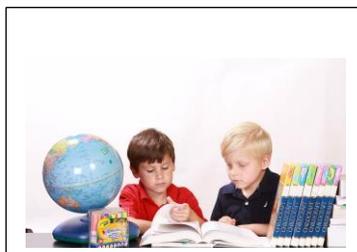
Spring has definitely sprung! April is Children and Youth Month so let's spring into action. together for our youth! I'm including some suggestions for you to incorporate. You'll hear a lot. more from your Division Chairman.

April 15 th , in addition to being Tax Day, is Purple Up Day. Please encourage everyone in your community, including non-members, to wear Purple on that Day in honor of military children. Purple, by the way, is the color that you get when you combine the colors of all our armed forces. Be sure to take pictures and post them on the Facebook page for Children and Youth. If you aren't sure how to do that, ask a student! They know so much more technology than most of us. Also, please do something special for kids in your community. There are thousands of possibilities. You can offer to be a chaperone on a school field trip, read to kids at your local library, make a donation to a local children's event, donate children's clothing to local charities, or offer an event for kids at your Post. Bring in a magician or a puppeteer from your community. Have refreshments. Again, take pictures and keep a record of what you did. Add it to our awesome Facebook page!

Scour your local media sources and find candidates for Good Deed and Youth Hero Awards. Remember that the Good Deeds are for kids who do that. If it is a required deed for school for example, you really shouldn't nominate a youth. The Deed is meant for something that the youth or group of youth have done on their own volition.

Reporting time is just around the corner. Be sure to do a report. Any Unit can apply for a National award! I'd love to see hundreds of award submissions for C&Y! Bottom line is, however, that there needs to be a report from every Department Chairman. The Division chairmen and I will be calling you if you don't report by the deadline!!!

Coral May Grout
National C and Y Chairman





MESSAGE FROM WESTERN DIVISION CHAIRMAN, DOROTHY HAZEN

REMINDER – NEXT ZOOM MEETING – THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH. PLEASE HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT ON THE ZOOM MEETING. IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND, NOTIFY YOUR DEPT. PRESIDENT, SO SHE CAN HAVE A SOMEONE ON.

APRIL IS THE MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD – CHILDREN AND YOUTH MONTH

I know Western Departments are busy planning their activities/events for April. How is your department remembering our Military Kids. I look forward to hearing all about your events/programs/activities in your April report. Let's encourage our members to Purple Up on the 15th.

To echo the words of our national chairman, please show you care and do something special for the children in your community. She has given you several ideas you can use if you do have already have some ideas of your own.

Keep working and awarding our youth with Youth Hero Awards and Good Deed Awards. Let's have 100% of Western Division awarding some or both of these awards. Dorothy Hazen, WD C and Y Chairman



REMINDER – I NEED YOUR YEAR END DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN'S REPORT BY MAY 15TH. DON'T FORGET TO SEND PICTURES SEPARATELY, NOT EMBEDDED IN YOUR REPORT.

Western Division Chairman

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

Arizona, Katie Wojahn
Hawaii, Katy Stewart
Nevada, Rose Anna Cirac
Oregon, Angelina McKinney
Washington, Viki Evans