

Our calendar year is ending, and our ND weather is reminding us of it! Bundle up my friends! This is a season of giving and gratitude – my favorite time of year. There have been a whole lot of “warm fuzzies” passed around during the last couple of months! What if we could carry that through into next year?

I am so grateful when I see the contributions that units from all over the state send in for the Auxiliary Veteran’s programs. When we pool our funds, so much more can be achieved for these VIP’s! THANK YOU to each and every unit – you are all a blessing!

Now, I wonder what we can do when January shows up? The dark, dreary days of winter. Where are the “warm fuzzies” then? My hope is that units continue to reach out – perhaps making a monthly or quarterly calendar of one thing the unit can do each month or quarter to keep those appreciative vibes for veterans going. Maybe it is sending them a card (birthdays?), inviting them to a picnic in the spring/summer, or sponsoring a social or game night for them to enjoy each other’s company. Every little thing matters.

Enjoy the season – then pass it on. One small thing at a time - one smile at a time.

Thank you for your generosity.

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