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ALL ABOARD THE FRIENDSHIP TRAIN**

As we continue traveling on down the friendship train with President Gloria Williams, we are making great strides in spreading patriotism to all corners of this GREAT state.

Department Executive Committee: DEC

I would like to thank all of you who turned in their mid-year reports. Out of 30 districts I received 19. I can tell you that as we ride the tracks on the friendship train, we are spreading Americanism across California.

I would like to thank all of you who attended DEC and voted to accept next year's essay questions for our Americanism essay contest.

FEBRUARY IS AMERICANISM MONTH

Opportunities:

- On January 12, 2013 I attended the National/Western division quarterly meeting.
- National is asking that the Auxiliary gets involved with the **Oratorical** Program that the American Legion sponsors. I have been involved with a local Post and it is an amazing program.
- **Star Spangle Kids** is the national educational program, that is about educating our children about American history.
- Are you passing out flag etiquette books and pocket constitutions at your local schools?
- December/January has been one of the rainiest windiest times I can remember. Look around up in the sky, what do the flags in your area look like? Let's get them replaced.
- How are you doing with your schools and the Americanism essay questions?

Essay question due dates?

March 6th Unit Chairman pick up essays from schools.

March 20th Unit to forward **winner**s only of each group to the District Chairman for judging.

April 10th District chairman to forward **winner**s only in each group to Department Chairman.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

February 1, 2023 Blue Star Moms Day

February 20, 2023 Presidents Day, the third Monday of the month.

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