

## DEPARTMENT OF SC HOSPITAL BULLETIN #3

Greetings VFW Auxiliary Members,

We are half-way through the year. Please keep up with the great work that you and your auxiliaries are doing for our veterans and their families in the VA Hospitals and non-VA facilities.

If you did not attend the Mid-Winter Conference in Myrtle Beach, you did not see the program chairmen skits. Here is the highlight of my part in the skit as Department of SC Hospital Chairman:

Bringing smiles to our veterans' faces is what we're all about.

Three things about the Hospital Program to remember:

1. Track EVERYTHING – Volunteer hours, mileage, money spent AND remember that volunteers don't have to be auxiliary members! Students and community members count too.
2. One auxiliary member should only be counted ONCE per year but track how many HOURS each person volunteers. That's how we show our impact!
3. Check with the VA Hospital or nursing home to see what veterans NEED. Then communicate with your VAVS Representative and describe your activities in the report. "Made 50 Valentine cards for veterans at the Columbia/Charleston VA, February 10<sup>th</sup>" tells the whole story.

As I write this, I hope you are staying warm and healthy and filling out those hospital reports. You are doing awesome work bringing smiles to our veterans' faces.

Wishing you love, good health and happiness!

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