



NATIONAL BIG DIPPER AUXILIARY NEWSLETTER



October 2025

Dear Sisters,

As October comes to an end, here are a few important updates and reminders.

Membership

Thank you for your continued support. If you haven't renewed yet, please take a moment to update your membership this month. Your involvement helps us carry out our mission.

Fundraiser

Our Fall Fundraiser is underway! Your participation and support is vital to our success. Every contribution helps us continue serving our mission. Please share the fundraiser details with friends and family.

National Big Dipper Store

The National Big Dipper Store is **Open!** Be sure to check out our available items, including pins, earrings, and other merchandise. These purchases not only show your pride but also support our programs.

Thank you for being an essential part of our community. Together, we make a difference.

Warm regards,
Connie M. Shuck
National Big Dipper President



Raising Funds for JCEA



The Palmdale Elks Riders
hosted a Poker Run to benefit
the National Big Dipper JCEA,
raising a total of \$945.00.

In addition, Doreen sold
Military Tumblers, and Connie
M Shuck sold patches to help
support the fundraiser.

\$945.00

\$130.00 - Tumblers

\$160.00 - Patches

\$1,235.00 Total for JCEA



Help Raise Funds for JCEA



**HONORING
HEROES THIS
Christmas**

Bonfire Shirt Fundraiser


BONFIRE

ORDER TODAY



MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.bonfire.com/honoringheroesthischristmas>

Big Dipper
Auxiliary
of Ohio

Fast and Easy Ordering!
Scan the QR Code

Let's Quilt This Together

\$20 per Starter Square

GRAB A SQUARE AND ADD YOUR FLAIR.

★ TIME TO SHOW OFF YOUR PATRIOTISM!

★ OUR QUILT WILL BE A COLORFUL PATCHWORK
OF PATRIOTISM ONE LUCKY WINNER WILL
TAKE IT HOME DURING FUN NIGHT



MORE INFORMATION TO COME



Patriotism for all Ages Youth for Troops

Youth for Troops: Inspiring Patriotism Across Generations

Youth for Troops (YFT) is a youth-led, service-focused nonprofit organization with a mission to inspire this generation—and all generations—to volunteer together and support service members and veterans. YFT strives to build respect and appreciation for those who protect our liberties and freedoms through meaningful experiences and unique volunteer opportunities.

Their mission is: “To inspire patriotism in fellow youth and across generations by volunteering on behalf of service members and veterans through community service, advocacy, and education.”

YFT was founded in 2017 by six youth board members who saw that most service opportunities were geared toward adults. They created an organization where people of all ages—from 0 to 120—could volunteer. Today, their vision has grown into a successful movement that offers free, family-friendly service events supporting veterans and service members.

Youth For Troops Programs & Accomplishments

- Sending Care Packages
- Raised \$266,205 to cover shipping costs
- Plastic Mats for Homeless Veterans
- Care Bags & Supplies for Veterans
- Provide Flag lines for active-duty homecomings, military funerals & other veteran events
- This holiday season, YFT is raising over \$18,000 to ship 1,200 care packages. Their R.E.D. Ornament campaign allows supporters to purchase a \$5 ornament and write a message to be sent in a holiday package to a deployed hero. Ornaments can also be kept at home as a reminder to Remember Everyone Deployed.

Youth for Troops grows through word of mouth. Help share their mission by following them on Facebook and Instagram, subscribing to their monthly newsletter, or visiting youthfortroops.org to view the calendar of events and sponsorship opportunities.

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