

## December 2025



## Did Ya Know?

According to the History Channel. the tradition of playing the Star-Spangled Banner during sports events began during the 1918 World Series game between the Boston Red Socks and Chicago Cubs. The baseball game took place a day after a bomb had gone off in Chicago only adding to the national heartache caused by the continuing Great War. The World Series continued to play the anthem at each of it's games that year and the practice was soon adapted by other sports leagues around the nation.

## Holiday's time to Celebrate!

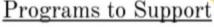
How do we keep the spirit of Chirstmas alive for our Veterans and their families? We can participate in the VA gift shops around the state. We can help decorate the VA homes. We can write Christmas cards to those at home or faraway from home. Invite a Veteran to dinner or make and drop off dinner. Some units participate in Christmas light parades to promote the Auxiliary. The need is great to feel loved this season!

SPREAD LOVE AND JOY LIKE CONFETTI!



## Christmas facts:

- \*Eggnog originated in medeval Britain, and was a luxury drink for the upper class
- \*The first artificial tree was made in Germany from goose feathers dyed green.
- \*Jingle Bell was originally written as a Thanksgiving song.



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