

GENERAL ORDERS MARCH 2026
AMERICANISM
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*The following definition of “Americanism” was originated in February 1927:
“Americanism is an unfailing love of country; loyalty to its institutions and ideals;
eagerness to defend it against all enemies; undivided allegiance to the Flag; and a
desire to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and posterity.”*

*I'm not sure about you, but I have no idea where January and February went!
Wow! Spring is right around the corner and I just want to send a reminder about your
year end report deadline. Your report is due to me on April 15, 2026. Just think Auxiliary
reports along with your taxes!!! Haha! I have received a few reports already, so thank
you to those that have submitted.*

*March is the month of the Military Caregiver! Some important dates in March to pass
along include:*

March 3 - Navy Reserve Birthday

March 5 - Seabee Birthday

March 13 - K-9 Veterans Day

March 25 - Medal of Honor Day

March 29 - National Vietnam War Veterans Day

March 1 - 7: National Invest in Veterans Week

As always, I encourage you to check out our
websites: <https://vfwauxsd.org> and <https://vfwauxiliary.org>; you can find a lot of great
information and more ideas!

Sincerely,

Michelle Payne

PS: Happy St. Patrick's Day!