**Constitution Week**

**Local American Legion Auxiliary Unit #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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Constitution Week is commemoration of American’s most important document. It is celebrated annually the week of September 17-23 of each year.

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare6, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America. The Constitution of the United States stands for all the rights, liberties, freedoms and privileges, we as Americans hold so dear. .

The celebration of the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution. In 1955, DAR petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into public law on August 2, 1956, by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

**The aims of the Constitution Week celebration are to:**

* Emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution.
* Inform people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
* Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

Constitution Week is a great time to learn more the Constitution, to promote the reading and understanding of our country’s most important document and celebrate the freedoms it gave to us. Get involved by visiting the schools, home school students, churches, community organizations and promote the reading and signing of the [**Constitution Week Proclamation Pledge**](http://www.dar.org/sites/default/files/members/darnet/forms/PR-0006.pdf)**.** Ask your local community officials to issue a [**proclamation about Constitution Week**](http://www.dar.org/sites/default/files/members/darnet/forms/PR-0007.doc).

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