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Commanders Message

CONGRATULATIONS POST 3377

Comrades, I have been advised by Department Headquarters that we have been selected for All-State honors for 2009-2010. I congratulate you and I extend my heartfelt appreciation to each and every member of this Post and our Auxiliary. No one person accomplishes this by him or herself. This was truly a TEAM effort, and proves that **Together Everyone Achieves More.**

For those who may not know, Department tracks all projects, programs, membership, etc., of each and every Post in the State. Points for the each category completed are awarded, tallied, and the top 25 Posts make up the All-State Team. Quite an achievement when you consider there are approximately 380 Posts in the state.

Here we are at June, the last month of this VFW year. To give you an idea of what Post 3377 has accomplished this year, I offer these few facts:

- Members completed 113 Community Service Projects with an estimated cash worth of \$12,370.
- We have made charitable contributions in the amount of \$4,125.
- We awarded scholarships to local area students in the amount of \$4,500
- We hosted two Chili Cook Offs and from those deposited \$4,175 in our Scholarship Fund
- We adopted a USMC Reserve unit and have
 - Participated in their 2009 Family Day at Camp Mabry and made cash donation
 - Hosted a deployment preparation Family Day at our Post. We fed over 300 people
- We have invested approximately \$10,000 in Bingo, Building, and Canteen improvements
- We hosted our annual program to formally recognize local youth, teachers, firemen, and patriotic citizens and businesses.

The list just goes on with parades, Homeless Veterans support, etc., etc... We have indeed accomplished a great deal and our accomplishments carry on the rich tradition long-ago established by Post 3377. Our successes have taken the efforts of many, many people. I don't dare attempt to name names, because we all know what happens when one does that.

When we're at the Post working these projects, we usually end up in the Canteen for refreshment, so to Peggy, Carrie, Armanda, and Doris, thank you for keeping the drinks cold and for all of your help and support. The cook offs, family days, etc., wouldn't be possible without you ladies.

I think many of you know, but our very own Glenna Alexander was recently installed as District 28 Auxiliary President for the coming year. Glenna, on behalf of the Post, we wish you all the best.

It has been my honor to serve as Commander this year, and again, I thank each and every one of you for your help, support, and counsel. Let us all reflect on this past year with a great deal of pride, take a deep breath, and then prepare to tackle the upcoming VFW year.

Yours in Comradeship,

Ed Fitzgerald
Post Commander

“Because we’re Proud”

Americanism Quote

Theodore Roosevelt quote on Americanism:

"Americanism means the virtues of courage, honor, justice, truth, sincerity, and hardihood—the virtues that made America. The things that will destroy America are prosperity-at-any-price, peace-at-any-price, safety-first instead of duty-first, the love of soft living and the get-rich-quick theory of life."

(Letter to S. Stanwood Menken, January 10, 1917)

Auxiliary Presidents Message:

Hello Ladies!

Congratulations to all newly installed officers! I am honored to serve you as President this year and I look forward to working with you all toward the greater good of our organization. I do hope to see some unfamiliar faces at our monthly meeting.

I want to thank everyone who assisted and attended the Chili Cook Off and the Family Day the Post hosted last weekend.

I want to congratulate our very own Glenna Alexander, our new District President!! I look forward to making her proud of her Post home through our hard work and dedication to our programs and events.

Please mark your calendars for the following dates and events:

May 29th-8:00 AM meet at Live Oak Cemetery to place flags on Veterans graves. All are welcome.

May 31 10:00 AM Memorial Day services at Live Oak Cemetery. Should it rain, events will be moved to the Post. Open house at the Post at 12:00. Ladies Auxiliary members are asked to bring sides and desserts for the event.

Again, I am honored and humbled to serve as your President for the next year. I would like to thank Myrt Roberts, Sandra Deel and Karen Wende for installing the 2010-2011 officers. Our officers are as follows: Sr Vice President- Nicola Moore, Jr Vice President- Rosemarie Hall, Treasure- Glenna Alexander, Secretary- Barbara Parker, Chaplain- Iris Bishop, Conductress- Sandra Deel, Patriot Instructor- Teen Reesman- Guard- Audrey Mac Donald, and Trustee are Iris Bishop, Rosemarie Hall, and Sandra Deel.

Remember, as Long as there are service men and women serving in the armed forces for our freedoms, we have work to do!

Our next meeting will be held on June 17, at 7:30 PM. Hope to see everyone there!

Tully Rogge-Groteluschen
Auxiliary President VFW Post 3377

Post Notes

Bingo

I thank Jim Linville, Dave Solverson, Jim Blasczyk, Charlie McKinney, Roger Gerrish, and new comer Rick Desrochures for serving as Bingo Operators. Great job Comrades! If you can help out one time a month as a Bingo Operator, please contact me at 786-6661. - Terry B. Burkett

Terry B. Burkett - Bingo Chairman

Fundraiser

Our semi-annual Chili Cook-Off held on May the 8th was again a great success thanks to all the Post Members who either helped with the work or their donations. The Booze Wagon brought in a considerable amount for the fund and we thank every Member who donated. We also had a silent auction. Thanks to Peggy Ballard and her hard work for contacting all the donors and collecting the prizes.

Bob Whitaker - Fundraising

Webmaster

Don't forget to visit the Post website at www.vfwpost3377.org often for the latest happenings, photos, and news of interest to veterans. Also, please visit www.buildthemonument.org to learn about the Texas Capitol Vietnam War Monument scheduled for dedication in early 2012.

Terry B. Burkett - Webmaster

Auxiliary Notes

National Home for Children – Myrt Roberts

VFW National Home for Children

Its graduation time and this year there are two students who will be graduating from High School. Their names are Ashley and Jonathan. Last names are not given out so if you wish to send these students a card address it with their names and add High School Graduate.

The address is:

VFW National Home for Children
3573 Waverly Road South
Eaton Rapids, MI 48827

Myrt Roberts
Auxiliary Chairman

June 2010

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July 2010

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