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Commanders Message

We were fortunate to vote on yet another application for membership at our February meeting. That application was from Ivan Rex Doyle, an Iraqi veteran. I was also honored to administer the Oath of Obligation to Julia Moss, a new member whose application was accepted in January. To these new members, welcome.

As I've stated before, membership is the life blood of all non-profit organizations, so we are always looking for qualified new members. We still have over 40 comrades who have not yet paid their 2010 dues. Please, please, please get those dues paid and do not let your membership lapse.

I am pleased to report that our Post and Auxiliary were well represented at the District 28 meeting and Memorial Service on February 21st. To take the biggest part of a day, especially a Sunday, and devote it to doing the work of the VFW, speaks volumes about our members dedication. To all who attended, please accept my personal *Thank You* for once again allowing Post 3377 to have one of the larger delegations.

One more reminder, nominations for Post Officers for the coming VFW Year will be opened at our March General Membership Meeting on the 18th.

On the heels of our March meeting we will host the Annual Community Awards Recognition Ceremony on Thursday, March 25th, starting at 7:00pm. At this ceremony we honor our VOD & Patriot's Pen winners, Teacher of the Year, Emergency Responders, neighbors and businesses in the community who regularly show their patriotism by properly flying the flag of our country. Senior Vice Commander Dave Pender is putting together the program and I believe he's still looking for a few volunteers to help with the program. Please put this event on your calendar and be with us, representing our Post, and meeting those we honor. Dress is informal but we ask Post members to wear their cover.

Looking just a bit further down the road, our Ladies Auxiliary has begun work on our annual Easter Egg Hunt which will be held on Saturday, April 3rd. Mark that day on your calendar, and bring your children, grandchildren, or bring yourself and enjoy watching all the children.

Yours in Comradeship,

Ed Fitzgerald
Post Commander

"Because We're Proud"

Americanism Quote

"A man who is good enough to shed his blood for the country is good enough to be given a square deal afterwards." He made this quote at the Lincoln Monument in Springfield, Illinois on June 4, 1903

Theodore Roosevelt

Auxiliary Presidents Message:

Hello Ladies!

Thank you to all of you who submitted your Campbell's Soup labels for Myrt to turn in for National Home. Also, thank you to all of you who wrote and signed the cards to accompany the Girl Scout Cookies being sent to our fighting men and women overseas. The District 28 meeting was a success. You ladies should congratulate yourselves on a job well done for helping us achieve 100% in Membership. Our Auxiliary received a Plaque and award pins. Thank you for all the hard work in reaching our Goal.

Don't forget that elections are in our near future. If you are interested in holding an office don't be shy about making your wishes known.

Community Awards night is Thursday March 23 and we need volunteers to work the registration table: if interest please let us know by our next meeting, March 18th.

If anyone has any ideas about promotion membership or boosting participation, please either voice them at the next meeting or email me with your suggestions. We had some good ideas this last meeting. To members who do not attend meeting, this means you as well. If there is something you wish to see implemented or suggestion to help us help you, please let us know. Although our membership is 116 our participation and attendance is down to 10%. I would like to see that change but need to know what you ladies think or expect from our organization. My new email address is scotbard@gmail.com.

Please keep the following dates in mind:

March 14-daylight Savings

18-Post / Aux. meeting- 7:30 PM

25-Community Service Awards night

April 3-Easter egg Hunt (10:00 AM)

Remember ladies, our job is far from complete! As long as there are soldiers, they are their families need us.

Tully Rogge-Groteluschen
Auxiliary President

Post Notes

The Post web site address is www.vfwpost3377.org. The site contains information on VFW Programs, POW/MIA, The Post, Ladies Auxiliary, Bingo, and the Canteen. There are useful links to web sites of interest to veterans, a Current Events listing, photos and videos, and much more. Check out the web site today.

Terry B. Burkett, Post Webmaster

Auxiliary Notes

Community Service-The year is winding down and I am starting to put together the scrap book for the year. If you have pictures of any events, please email me a copy or bring them to the next meeting and I will make a copy so you can have your pictures back. Thank you for all the reports that everyone has sent this year. Glenna Alexander

District 28 Meeting: Our Post and Auxiliary was well represented at the District meeting at 8787 this past Sunday. Commander Ed Fitzgerald, Sr Vice Commander David Pender, Jr Vice Commander John Pratt, Bob Whitaker Quartermaster and Terry Burkett our Webmaster were present for the Post, along with Ladies Auxiliary President Tully Groteluschen, Vivian Schwendeman, Beverly Thompson and Glenna Alexander, Treasure for the Auxiliary. The District VOD, Patriots Pen and Teacher winners were present to receive their awards and the 1st place winners read their papers. Our next meeting will be in May and we hope that more of you will attend that meeting in Georgetown.

Easter Egg Hunt. We will have our Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 3. Please come and enjoy the morning, starting at 10:00 with the clown and followed by the Egg Hunt. If you would like to donate large plastic Easter Eggs for the hunt please bring them to our next meeting on March 18th or just drop them off at the Post. We need about 300 more eggs.

Glenna Alexander

National Home for Children – Myrt Roberts

This past year the children visited a nearby VA Hospital to spread joy, partake in games and have fun. Members of the sewing class also personally made lap blankets and delivered them to the veterans. This is an experience that makes an impression on the children as they not only see the physical sacrifices made, they feel the veteran's immense appreciation of their visit and caring.

Myrt Roberts

CANTEEN CORNER

Basketball- March Madness begins on March 13th. We know **University of Texas Longhorns** will be there till the end so keep up with the board in the Canteen for games and time for the Game of the week.

- Don't forget to check the board in the Canteen for other important messages.

Peggy Ballard—Canteen Manager

March 2010

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Daylight Savings begins			St. Patricks Day 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Bingo 7:00pm Anderson	Officer Nominations Open 7:30pm VFW/A Gen. Mtg	7:00pm Bingo 7:00pm Burkett	Newsletter Deadline
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Nat Community Activity Due	1:30pm M.S.C 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Bingo 7:00pm Gerrish	7:00pm Community Service Awards Night	7:00pm Bingo	
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Palm Sunday			Patriotic Art Due 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Bingo 7:00pm Gerrish			

April 2010

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				April 1	2	3
				April Fools ScoutOfTheYear (To Dept.)	Good Friday 7:00pm Bingo 7:00pm Solverson	9:30am Easter Egg Hunt
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Easter			6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Bingo 7:00pm McKinney	6:00pm House Committee Meet 7:00pm Executive Meet	POW/MIA Day 7:00pm Bingo 7:00pm Blasczyk	
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