

Post 7356 - January 2024

Mail Call

Comrades,

I know I'm a bit late getting this newsletter out to you all. My apologies but it has been a busy start to the year for me.

To start, I know that in the December Newsletter, I mentioned that the Building Committee was planning a presentation with an in-depth update on the status of the new building project. We have decided to postpone the presentation until the February meeting as the focus of the committee has been split between the new building as well as looking into the Train Station as a new temporary home



for the Post, as mentioned during the December meeting on 12/21. We will still be having our January Meeting on 1/25 in the American Legion and plan to have an update on the Train Station.

The District 3 meeting is scheduled for Sunday 1/21 starting at 1pm at the Fraternal Order of the Eagles (2004 N. Belt Hwy, St. Joseph, Mo 64506). This meeting we will have a BBQ lunch and the presentation of the <u>District Voice-of-Democracy</u>, <u>Patriots Pen</u>, <u>and Teacher of the Year</u> awards. If you are free please come support the young students and teachers across Northwest Missouri.

The Winter Conference of Administrators is planned for February 9th-10th at the Stoney Creek Convention Center in Columbia, Mo. According to the Agenda the Department General Session will begin at 8am-12pm. The Department Riders meeting will begin at 2pm and will likely run for around an hour, during which we should be discussing plans for the Annual VanderClute Memorial Ride at the National Convention. If any of our Post Riders are interested in the VanterClute Ride in Louisville, Ky please send an email or message on the Post Riders Facebook Page. On the evening of 2/10 they will have the Department Banquet where they will honor all of the Department District Voice-of-Democracy, Patriots Pen, and Teacher of the Year winners who will be going to compete at the National Level.

The Wreaths Across America clean up at the Leavenworth National Cemetery that was planned for Saturday 1/20 has been rescheduled till the following Saturday 1/27 and plans to start at 9am. They have plenty of trucks to assist with the cleanup but are asking volunteers to bring broomsticks or similar to make picking up the wreath much easier.

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VFW Post 7356 website.

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Upcoming Events

Upcoming events for Post 7356

- 1/21 @1300: District 3 Meeting and Awards Luncheon
- 1/25 @1900: Monthly Post Meeting @ Parkville American Legion
- 1/27 @0900: Wreaths Across America Cleanup @Leavenworth National Cemetery
- 2/9-2/10: Winter C-of-A



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75th Anniversary Coins

We have 75th Anniversary coins available for \$10. We will have them available during breakfast on Saturday, Canteen Nights, and at our monthly meetings. If coming to the Post is not your choice during these trying times, send us a check or money order for \$12





and we will mail one to you. Make sure you give us your mailing address. Please mail to VFW Post 7356, PO Box 12121, Parkville, MO 64152.



Happy New Year. Hope you all enjoyed the holiday time. As we try to meet our resolutions & personal growth plans, please keep our members in your thoughts & prayers for well wishes & general strength as it is needed.

John & Sharon Bugg delivered Christmas cards to the Cameron Veterans Home. \$2000 donated from the VFW & AUX was applied to Veterans individual accounts & for a group activity.

The White Elephant Gift exchange was exciting, & we plan to do more fun bonding activities with our meetings.



Join us at the District 3 meeting for the Voice of Democracy & Patriot's Pen banquet. Support our inspiring youth while they receive awards & show our Auxiliary pride.

Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday, January 24th, 6-9pm Monthly meetings are held at the Parkville Christian Church. 6601 NW 72nd St., KCMO 64150

District 3 Meeting Sunday, January 21^{st,} 1pm The Voice of Democracy & Patriot's Pen banquet will be held. Eagles Lodge, 2004 N. Belt Hwy, Saint Joe, MO 64506

Respectfully,

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