

South Platte Memorial Post 7356 - July 2024

Mail Call

Comrades,

I want to thank everyone who attended the June 14th Spaghetti Dinner at the Legion. In total we had over 60 in attendance, and I do want to commend the American Legion Post 318 for wonderful job with the dinner. Due to the success of the event, it has been agreed that we will continue to do this every quarter. That being said, we are looking to have the next in October, which the VFW Post will be the host.



Here in a few days will be the 4th of July Parade in Downtown Parkville. A previous notification was sent out stating where to meet up before the parade. We will still be sitting up a booth during the festivities afterwards, however all that may change. So please keep an eye on your E-mails. Weather may affect everything, and the City of Parkville is preparing for possible flood like conditions along the river. I am really hoping that the upcoming weather does not interfere with our Independence Day plans.

As for the rest of the Month, July 13th the District is having the School of Instruction for the Posts in Edgerton, Missouri and the National Convention starts on the 27th of July and ending on August 1 in Louisville, Kentucky. Visit <u>VFW.org</u> for details.

After a discussion with our Auxiliary, we are planning a Picnic at the Park by the river. Our Auxiliary has thought of this wonderful idea and they are planning on cooking hamburgers with the fixings and is asking the Post Members to bring side dishes. Just another chance for us to get together and enjoy each other's company.

Have a great 4th of July if I don't see you and our next monthly meeting is July 25th, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

VFW Post 7356 website.

https://vfw7356.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp

As Always, Semper Fidelis Post Commander 7356 Joseph Wolfgeher vfw7356@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

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- 7/4 @ 0900 Parkville, Mo July 4th Parade and festivities
- 7/13 @ 1400 District 3 School of Instruction Mt. Zion Baptist Church. 5705 CO RD Z, Edgerton, MO 64444.
- 7/27 8/1 VFW National Convention
- 8/10 @ 1100 1400 Picnic in the Park

Post 7356 VFW Riders

Even though I am no longer the Commander of Post 7356, Commander Wolfgeher has offered me a spot on the Monthly Newsletter to continue getting information out to our Riders. With that being said, we have a very busy next couple of months for our Post Riders Group. This Saturday (6/29) our Riders will be heading out to Leavenworth to support VFW Post 56 in their Annul Memorial Ride. The proceeds from this year's ride will go to assist local Soldiers this holiday season and towards the Local Homeless Shelter Feeds.

We have once again been asked to join the Post during the Parkville 4th of July Parade and will likely be leading the way as we have for the last two years. For all Post Riders Group members wanting to participate please wear a vest, shirt, or



jacket your VFWRG backpatch, but all Post Members and Aux Members that ride are welcome to join.

The next big event we have on the schedule is going to be the Ride to the National Convention in Louisville, KY to participate in the annual VanderClute Memorial Ride. I have been in contact with many Riders Groups from across the state coordinating the ride into Louisville. We will be leaving KC early in the morning on 7/26 with Riders from Post 7356 and District 1. Along the route riders from the Fulton VFW Post, Joplin area, and District 8 Riders will also be joining me. At this current moment I am planning on riding into Louisville with around 10-14 other Missouri Riders behind me, hopefully making us one of the largest groups there. The VanderClute Ride will begin at VFW Post 7909 @10am with 6 total stops across the Louisville area.

The VFW Riders day at the National Home is planned for Saturday 8/17 at the National Home in Eaton Rapids, MI. Please reach out to Missouri Department President Don Harris on the Missouri VFW Riders Facebook page for more information on the ride there and back. The last thing I was told is that they are planning a one day ride up on Friday 8/16 and a one-day ride back that Sunday 8/18 or Monday 8/19.

Please add Saturday 9/21 to your calendars, as Desoto, MO VFW Post 1831 has asked for our Rider to come support their POW/MIA Day Ceremony. After the Ceremony they are planning a Ride around the local Area. I will have more information on the Riders Group Facebook Page as I get it VFW Post 7356 Riders Group Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/groups/1127707248094511/

Post 7356 VFW Riders President Nickolas McCullom

South Platte Memorial Post 7356 Auxiliary



We have had a great June and more fun to come in the July Month! Our next big event is the 4th of July Parade. Please see details below. We would love for

you to walk with us, pass out candy, ride in a golf cart or drive. The theme is Celebrating the VFW's 125th Anniversary. There will be a booth open after the parade.

Due to attendance of the National Convention, the date of this month's meeting has changed to Friday the 19th at 6:30pm at an alternate location.

At Department Convention, Jennie took 2nd place with her Buddy Poppy bookends display in the Patriotic/Soldier Veteran category. This is amazing; we are very proud of her! We received a certificate for being a Healthy Auxiliary. Former member, Anita Crowell is our Department Junior Vice for the 2024-2025 year.

Spaghetti Dinner was a hit. It was so nice to be back together enjoying a delicious meal and meeting new Comrades. We definitely missed those who were unable to attend. The VFW, Auxiliary American Legion have decided this will be



a great quarterly gathering. Look for future details of an October get together.

UPCOMING EVENTS

District Meeting: Sunday, July 13th. Joint meeting at 1:00pm and School of Instruction starts at 2:00pm. Mt. Zion Baptist Church. 5705 CO RD Z, Edgerton, MO 64444. Learn about the different Committees and duties of the organization. Support the Auxiliary District by bringing an item for the Ways and Means raffle. Our very own member and

District President, Jennie Rosales-Wolfgeher, has a special project called Heroes for Heroes. They assist Veterans with various needs. Bring monetary donations if you are interested or able.

National Convention: July 27th -August 1st in Louisville, KY. https://vfwauxiliary.org/national-convention/

Picnic in the Park: Saturday, August 10th from 11am-2pm. Friend Shelter at English Landing Park. Bring your chairs & Eamp; join us for lunch & Eamp; comradery. VFW and Auxiliary friends and family Welcome. We will provide grilled hamburgers with fixings, water, tea; lemonade. If you are able, please bring a side or dessert to share. RSVP by August 5th by calling or texting Sharon Bugg or by email. Cell: 816.392.7138 sharon.dar.2013@gmail.com

Swing Fore Veterans Annual Golf Tournament: September 9th. If you would like to donate something for the Silent Auction, please contact myself or Jennie. The VFW is also looking for Sponsors.

Action Corps Weekly: Stay up to date with the Legislative Goals by signing up to receive the latest updates. https://votervoice.net/VFW/register

Monthly Meeting: Friday, July 19th, at 6:30pm at the residence of Sharon Bugg. 10301 NW 72nd Ter, Weatherby Lake, MO 64152.

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