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### **From the Commander:**

Greetings All,

I want to thank everyone who came to our Veteran's Day Ceremony at Post Headquarters and made the program an enormous success. Thank you to the City of Boaz for coordinating with Dale's BBQ, and Fast Fixin Foods to provide lunch to all the Veterans. Thank you to Colonel West Whitmire for being our guest speaker.

The Albertville Thanksgiving and Christmas Parade and Boaz Christmas Parade were an immense success and appreciate everyone who turned out and participated this year. The Post Christmas Dinner at the Top O' River was awesome. Thank you to all the businesses who donated gifts for the Veterans!!

The Post will attend the Department of Alabama VFW Mid-Winter Conference, 18-21 January 2024.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

In Comradeship,

John Tuck Post Commander Jimmy Harris Post 6837

#### **From the Auxiliary President:**

Greetings to the Auxiliary,

With Christmas right around the corner, I challenge you all to slow down and remember what Christmas is about, the birth of our Lord and Savior. My Christmas wish is that your family is a blessing to you, as my family is a blessing to me.

Thank you for your participation in the Christmas Parades. I had a lot of fun and I hope you did, as well.

The Auxiliary is meeting December 15, 2023 at 10 a.m. to fill Christmas bags with the gifts for the Veterans at Diversicare, Boaz, Alabama. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Merry Christmas and may God bless each of you.

Christie Tuck Auxiliary President



#### PROGRAMS UPDATE

#### **TEACHERS OF THE YEAR**

High School 1st Place Jeff Davis, Boaz

Middle 1st Place Olivia McCreless, Parkside

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Jessica Stewart, Sardis

Primary 1<sup>st</sup> Place Mary Ann Stanley, Albertville

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Maura McCullars, Albertville

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Ashton Riley, Albertville

#### **VOICE OF DEMOCRACY**

1<sup>ST</sup> Place - Grace Harris, Sardis High School
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Christian Burks, Wells Academy
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Trenton Cordell, Albertville High School

#### **PATRIOT'S PEN**

1<sup>ST</sup> Place – Ardyn Foster, Albertville Middle 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Marleni Sanchez, Douglas Middle 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Dezmond Yarbrough, Albertville Middle

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S. SPACE FORCE

#### **Youngest Military Branch**

On 20 December 2019, the Space Force was established and is responsible for organizing, training and equipping Guardians to conduct global space operations that enhance the way U.S. Joint Coalition Forces fight.

The National Defense Authorization Act was signed into law creating the first new branch of the Armed Forces in 73 years. The establishment of the U.S. Space Force resulted in widespread recognition that space was a National Security imperative. During the Space Force birthday, it is important to remember that access to and freedom to operate in space underpins American National Security.



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# ALBERTVILLE THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS PARADE NOVEMBER 16, 2023



















### **BOAZ CHRISTMAS PARADE – DECEMBER 6, 2023**



















### **VETERANS ASSISTANCE – DECEMBER 8, 2023**













Jimmy Harris VFW Post 6837 was awarded the Shepard's Cove Hospice Impact Award for 2023.



Auxiliary 6837 Donated a Wreath and \$300 to the Boaz Festival of Trees 2023



# POST CHRISTMAS TREE - TINSAL TRAIL OLD MILL PARK, BOAZ ALABAMA





#### **DONATIONS**

The Post donated a total of \$300 to the Boaz Festival of Trees by donating \$100 to the Christmas Coalition, \$100 to the Miracle League and \$100 to CAJA.

### **Fall Raffle Results**

\*1st Winner - \$500 - Matthew Adams

2<sup>nd</sup> Winner – AR10 – Hunter Rogers

3<sup>rd</sup> Winner – 65" Samsung Smart TV – Annette Beck

\*First Winning Ticket Sold by Ellen Randolph

\*\*Most Tickets Sold by Thomas Maltbie

# CHRISTMAS FOOD GIFT BAGS DELIVERING FOOD TO SUPPORT - CASA OF MARHSALL COUNTY



















# VETERANS of FOREIGN WARS Department of Alabama ALL- AMERICAN CLUB



The ALL- AMERICAN CLUB will be raffling off a Lever Action Henry Rifle for Life Members who will take the challenge.

All those who are a Life Member, if you choose to go to Legacy Life, Bronze, Silver or Gold, and get the proof to the Department Quartermaster, the first 100 members will be eligible for the drawing.

If you are a Bronze or Silver Legacy Life Member, and you move your membership up to the next level, you are also eligible.

Again, the first 100 members to take this challenge, the All - American Club will hold the drawing at the next conference or Convention when the 100<sup>th</sup> Member is entered the contest.

Email your Legacy Life Membership upgrade reciept to leelambert53@yahoo.com

To be entered into the drawing.



### **Helpful Links**

https://ask.va.gov/

https://www.veteranscrisisline.net

https://www.ptsd.va.gov

https://tricare.mil/prime

http://www.va.gov/health-care

http://www.myhealth.va.gov

https://www.benefits.va.gov

https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov

https://www.va.gov/jobs

https://www.fedshirevets.gov

https://www.va.gov/vaforms

http://www.va.gov/health-care/get-reimbursed-for-travel-pay

www.va.gov/records/get-military-service-records

https://www.va.gov/resources

https://www.va.gov/find-locations





