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From the Commander:

Greetings All,

I would like to "Thank" our Senior Vice Commander Dan Glassco, Junior Vice Commander Adam Cordell, Adjutant Dave Dunn, and Gerald Tillman for conducting a "Flag Retirement Ceremony." This ceremony was to properly retire the numerous flags that have been dropped off at the Post since 2019. We still have 300+ to properly retire. Once we have a handle on the number of flags that need to be properly retired, we can conduct this ceremony at the Post with other organizations, i.e., JROTC, Civil Air Patrol, and Boy Scouts to educate them on how to properly retire and show respect to the United States Flag.

We are hosting the JROTC Military Banquet on 17 March 2023 in the Main Hall.

On 1 April 2023, we will have a Membership Booth at the Swearingen Volunteer Fire Department Car Show, at Marshall County Park #1 in Guntersville. If you can help out in any way by helping us recruit new members or raise money for the Post Veterans Relief Fund, it would be most appreciated.

On 13 April 2023 we will hold our Post elections. If there is a position you would like be nominated for or an appointment you would like, please get with me.

Thank you for your service and all support you provide to Jimmy Harris VFW Post 6837.

In Comradeship,

John Tuck Post Commander Jimmy Harris Post VFW 6837

From the Auxiliary President:

Greetings to the Auxiliary,

Happy March!

Spring is right around the corner, and I personally cannot wait. We are in the final months of the year, and we need to shine! Finish this year strong. It is time for us to start volunteering outside of the Post. I want to get our Community Outreach above and beyond.

Easter is right around the corner and we have baskets to prepare, any and all donations are welcome.

Elections are going to be here before we know it, think about the position and program that you are passionate about.

Thank you for everything you do, you are appreciated more than you know!

Love you all,

Christie Tuck
Auxiliary President

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

John Jenkins

New VA Appointment Tool

You can use this tool to: (Go to VA.gov)

- 1. Schedule some appointments online.
- 2. Request approved community care appointments.
- 3. Cancel appointments made online.
- 4. View appointments on your health calendar.
- 5. Find a location of a VA or Community Care Facility.
- 6. Print a list of future appointments.

Humana and VFW Medicare Briefing

District 1, Department of Alabama VFW will host a training and briefing on Medicare in partnership with Humana. The event will take place on 18 March 2023 from 1200-1400 hours at Post 2702, 2900 North Memorial Parkway, Huntsville, Alabama 38510.

They are inviting ALL VFW members and spouses to attend this briefing and training. If you plan on attending, Post 2702 asks that you RSVP the Post Adjutant: vfw.2702.adjutant@gmail.com.

See the Flyer on page 4.

Source: District 1 email, dated: 1 Feb 23, 5:38pm.

Education Information

For any service member or veteran looking to pursue their education goals through the use of the GI Bill, there is an important tool offered by VA. The GI Bill Comparison Tool allows users to compare different programs and institutions. In the past few years, some student veterans have been impacted by the abrupt closures of the schools they were attending.

These schools were using predatory business practices and had numerous complaints against them. The tool gives users the ability to check the schools they wish to attend and provides up-to-date data received from current and past students. This information can help GI Bill users make better, more informed decisions about where to attend school, and hopefully avoid programs that offer little to no value.

Source: Compass Newsletter, Benefits.gov.



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Know a Member Expiring

Have them sign-up on our Website.



Flag Retirement Ceremony

1 March 2023











VA Apps

These Apps and many more are offered by the Department of Veterans Affairs and can be found through your iPhone or Android stores.



VA Video Connect



Rx Refill



Virtual Care Manager



Annie App for Veterans



VA Launchpad for Veterans



VA Health Chat



Source: VA.org



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National VFW

vfw.org

Department of AL VFW

vfwal.org



Join us for a presentation made just for Veterans and their Families presented by:

VFW Post 2702

Saturday March 18, 2023, Time
12:00 noon until 2:00 pm
Let us know you are planning to attend.
Snacks Provided.
Ken Garcy 206-468-5789 or Dave Cowan 256-701-0140

WHAT WE WILL COVER

- Medicare eligibility and enrollment options
- VA healthcare and Medicare
- How Medicare works with TRICARE or CHAMPVA
- VA healthcare and Community Care
- Local and National resources
- Veteran Disability ratings

RSVP the Adjutant: vfw.2702.adjutant@gmail.com



VETERANS RESOURCE FAIR

March 23rd

10:00-2:00

DeKalb County VFW Fairgrounds

Representation from:

- -Operation Grow
- -Marked For Life Ministries
- -Patriots Memorial Park
- -Mental Health Resources
- -Community Action
- -Medicare
- -Financial Planning
- -Alabama Career Center
- -Heil Employment Opportunities
- -Al Department of Veterans Affairs
 - Blood Assurance will be available for donations

For more information, please call DeKalb County Extension Office 256-845-8595

extension

- -NACC Veterans Recruiter
- -Alabama National Cemetary
- -Senior Center
- -RC&D
- -Free Vision Screening!
- -and more!



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 100th Member is entered the contest.

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

To be entered into the drawing.



Veteran 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





