

VFW Post 12146 Commanders Newsletter

Comrades,

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What better way to start off the 5th year of our posts history than with an outstanding 4th Anniversary Celebration. A job well done goes out to Dan Morgan, Larry Williams and Terry Tansley and the Staff of Finnegan's. Your efforts contributed to the great time that was enjoyed by all. During the Celebration, the post presented awards to Terry Tansley of Finnegan's and Jason Manley of One Bar for their continuous support of the Post and our efforts in the local community. Additionally, Yodee Nursing Home Staff were recognized for their outstanding care of our WWII Veteran Wendell "Chief" Newman in his miraculous recovery which enabled him to fully recover and repatriate back to the US.

A few Days earlier we completed a Military Assistance Program (MAP) which included providing lunch to the sailors of the USS John C. Stennis CVN-74 during their Community Relations efforts at the Banglamung Home for the Elderly. The sailors were treated to a fantastic American style lunch that was prepared and served by longtime friend of the Post Eddie Behr and his staff from Richman-Poorman Restaurant. The appreciation expressed by these sailors made it all worthwhile. The Ships Commanding Officer, and US Embassy Defense Attaché also expressed his thanks to the Post and VFW in support of the ship and her crew during its visit. A special thanks goes out to our membership that took time out of their busy schedules to come out and support the event.

Efforts at Sattahip School Number 12 for Special Needs Children in upgrading and establishing a new food preparation area for the children has recently been completed. The effort included upgrades to plumbing, electrical, and sanitary systems in support of these children. Donations from VFW National and Local Businesses contributed to the upgrades that were expeditiously completed. Well done to all that were involved with the effort.

The month will begin with our Post nominations and elections for the upcoming VFW Year. Nominations will be open for Post Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Quartermaster,

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Chaplain, and Trustee Third Year. Nominations will remain open until the April meeting and will be closed prior to the conduct of elections under new business with their installation being conducted after completion of the elections. Although they we will be installed. Their term of office does not commence until after installation of the New Department Commander at the June convention.

The Post is well on its way to becoming an All American, and All State Post for the fourth straight year in a row. This is an outstanding accomplishment! The efforts of our membership team, recruiters, and individual members has been nothing short of extraordinary in identifying potential members. Additionally, It must be noted that without the administrative support of your leadership team in ensuring that required procedural, and documentation efforts were met for these milestones it would not have been possible to meet these goals. Well done to all for a job well done!

Upcoming dates to keep your eye on.

09 March 1300 General Membership Meeting/Officer Nomination
13 April General Membership Meeting/Officer Elections
19-20 April District 5 Convention Chiang Mai
25 April ANZAC Day Ceremonies at the River Kwai in Kanchanaburi

Stay safe out there, and I look forward to seeing each of you at our Membership meeting on 9 March.

Yours in comradeship and service to veterans,

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