



**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE UNITED STATES**
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THE POST NEWSLETTER - December 2008

GET IT DONE

Seasons Greetings to all and welcome to the December 2008 Edition of the Post 7706 Newsletter.



USS Freedom

Three Comrades from our post visited the Commissioning of the Navy's newest Ship. The USS Freedom LCS1. The commissioning took place at the Port of Milwaukee on November 8, 2008. LCS stands for Littoral Combat Ship. The Ship's mission is to engage in very diverse combat roles such as under water Mine Warfare, Anti-Sub Warfare, Special Operations, Surface Warfare and Support to the Main Battle Group. The ship has a crew of Forty Sailors, it has a draft of 13 to 14 feet, can accelerate to 40 knots in two minutes. The ship can rotate 360 degrees in 3 minutes while standing still. All this exceptional maneuverability is provided by four water jets. It was an honor to observe the crew of Officers, Men and Women "Man the Rails" and bring the Ship to life.

Veterans Day

Veterans Day was celebrated on two separate dates. On Monday November 10, 2008 The Children from Hough School presented two Patriotic Concerts. One in the afternoon and one in the evening. On Tuesday November 11, 2008, the Prairie Campus Middle School, Home Economics Department served breakfast to the Veterans. Afterwards a Patriotic Program was enjoyed by the Veterans. Veterans from Post 7706 conducted a Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial. Lunch was provided by Cynthia Baer of the Barrington Home Shoppe. Later that day, Veterans attended a Patriotic Program at Station Middle School. We wish to thank all the Schools for their recognition of our Veterans.

UN Paid Dues

Currently there are twenty members that have not paid their dues for 2008-2009 time periods. Some confusion may exist due to the fact that the VFW calendar year starts on 7/1/2008 and ends on 6/31/2009. If you are having difficulty in paying your dues please contact Quartermaster Clarence Hovorka at 847-844-8130. We would like to close the books for the year. Thank you

Membership

So far this year of 2008 we have recruited four new members and have lost seven. We are falling behind and need help in recruiting new members. If you know of an eligible member please contact James Mulvihill at 847-304-1315. Thank you.

New Member

Please give a warm welcome to our newest member. Brian Krull served in Iraq as a U.S. Navy Medic. Brian is currently serving as a Para-Medic on the Barrington Fire Department. Welcome Brian we look forward to many years of your Comradeship.



Awards

Comrades from our post presented an Award Plaque of appreciation to Kurt and Dan Marquardt of Marquardt Buick-GMC-Pontiac for their many years of support to our post by providing transportation for our Veterans during Memorial Day and Fourth of July Parades.



Address, Phone Numbers & Email Address

If you are planning to move, change your phone number or email address please notify James B. Mulvihill at 847-304-1315. We like to keep in touch with our Veterans and it becomes difficult to track down people after the fact. If you have an email address and have not received an email from our post, please send an email to, jimbo7706@sbcglobal.net and I will add it to our list. Thank you



Taps

Gottlieb Kufeldt 89, passed away on August 6 2008. Gottlieb served with the 42nd Rainbow Division in Germany during World War Two. He was awarded two Bronze Stars. He spoke fluent German and was able to capture a German Officer and relive him of his P38 Pistol and Binoculars. He was a Post 7706 Comrade and he will be missed. May he rest in peace?

On October 21, 2008, William Blue Vaughan II passed away. He served in Germany during World War Two in the Field Artillery. He participated in the liberation of the prisoners at the Dachau Concentration Camp. An American Flag folding and presentation was conducted in his honor by the Military Funeral Detail of Post 7706. May he rest in peace?

On November 15, 2008 a Memorial service was held for Paul S. Quigg. He was a Veteran of the Korean War and a member of VFW Post 7706. May he rest in peace?



Final Salute

During the past year the following Comrades have departed our ranks.

Lydia Millicent Truc Franz, Henry A Parker, Chaplin Louis J. Pignatelli, John F. Speck,

James A. Young, Gottlieb Kufeldt, Paul S. Quigg. May they rest in peace?

Calendar of Events

Meetings start at 7:30 PM. On the 2nd Thursday of each month

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
1/8/2009	Thursday	7:30 PM	Monthly Meeting	Public Safety Building
2/12/2009	Thursday	7:30 PM	Monthly Meeting	Public Safety Building
3/12/2009	Thursday	7:30 PM	Monthly Meeting	Public Safety Building

Thank You

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