



## VFW Post 3830 Newsletter

June, 2011

**VFW** *Commander's Corner*

**Aloha Comrades and Sisters,**



Well I think we made it through May, at least I hope that we have. Not really time to rest up as June will be even busier including our State Convention and the Hilo Bay 5k run walk. Thanks to everyone who showed up at the events in May we really had some good turnouts.



June will be my last newsletter and I will be retiring as Commander so that I can work on my health. It has been a great three years and we have accomplished much in that time plus we have a lot of things that are started that I hope will be finished to better serve the community and the Post members. We will be clearing more land behind the Post and also hopefully be adding to the Post to give us more room. We will continue with our support and scholarships for the students and our support for the CAP Cadets and NJROTC.

All of the good things we have done in the past three years I could not have done without a lot of help and support from all of you and I would like to give you all a big "Mahalo" for your effort.



This is how some of our Vets have had to live. This is something we should not tolerate. Our Vets deserve better than this and VFW Post 3830 will do all in its power to rectify this problem.





I need to thank Jan Kama again for all her efforts on behalf of the convention. She has been a real trooper and hopefully she will survive until the convention. Thanks again Jan for all that you have done. We really appreciate it more than you think.



We are still working with the VA on behalf of the veterans. Thanks to our efforts and some help in Washington we will be getting another doctor at CBOC starting in July to better serve all of the veterans.



Thanks to everyone who turned out at the veterans outreach stand down in Keaau. There were a lot of veterans there and we hopefully helped a lot of people. It gets better every year so start looking forward to next year.



We would like to bid Tom Campbell a fond farewell and wish him luck on the mainland. Tom is going back to Catalina to be with his grandchildren. Good luck Tom Semper Fi from all of us.



We had a great turnout at the Memorial Day celebrations in Keaau and Hilo. Thanks to all who came out to show respect to the veterans who gave their all so that we may enjoy the freedoms that we have. May we long remember the ultimate sacrifice these brave men and women gave



for their country.



Thanks need to go to Wymond for all the work he has done on the new desk and cabinets for the office it really looks awesome and should make it a lot easier to utilize the office. Thanks also to Rick and Charlotte and Randy Garza for the help in clearing and painting the office.



Join us for “A Salute to Our Veterans” and our first annual Hilo Bay 5K Run/Walk Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 a.m. WANTED: 200-300 people who believe in our vets and want to help Post 3830 expand its facilities and services badly needed in the Puna district. Registration forms are available at the post or on-line: [www.vfwpost3830.com](http://www.vfwpost3830.com) Click on “Convention and Run 2011.” Early Bird registration until June 5<sup>th</sup>: \$25 with T-shirt/\$15 without. Late Registration after June 5<sup>th</sup>: \$35/\$25.

Fraternally Yours  
Commander  
*George Kelly*

**Here are some words of wisdom for the new officers...some are quotes from famous people a couple are from me.**

## **Wisdom**

**Things are only impossible until they're not.**

**People who say it can't be done, should not interrupt those of us who are doing it.**

**It's your right to be stupid, but it doesn't mean you should be.**

**"More people would learn from their mistakes if they weren't so busy denying them."**

**"Any fool can criticize, condemn, and complain, and most fools do."**

**"Do what you can, with what you have, where you are."-**

**Always put yourself in others' shoes. If you feel that it hurts you, it probably hurts the other person, too.**

**Do not undermine your worth by comparing yourself with others.**

**"Follow the three R's: Respect for self, respect for others and responsibility for all your actions."-**

**"There is no limit to what can be accomplished when no one cares who gets credit."**

**"Things don't have to change the world to be important."-**

**"Even if you're on the right track you'll get run over if you just sit there."-**

**People may fail many times, but they become failures only when they begin to blame someone else.**

**Don't talk with both feet in your mouth...you won't have a leg to stand on.**

**If it isn't broke don't try to fix it.**

**Don't make it all work, take time to enjoy life along the way.**



## Ladies Auxiliary – President's Greetings



Hello Ladies,

As this is my last newsletter I wish to thank all of you for the support that you have shown me through the past three years. I hope you will carry on all of your good work for your new Auxiliary President, Freda Hart. She is ready, willing, and more than capable of carrying on where I left off. Please stand beside her in all of her quests as you have done for me. I would particularly like to thank my line officers, Marlyn Kelly, Betty Zuech, Pat Gawith, Mary Peralta, Freda Hart and Jacquie Hammond along with Norma Jean Blair, Pat Summers, Charlotte, and Shirley for all the work you have done at the Post every time we needed you.

As usual the month of May was filled with lots of duties and we put in a lot of overtime, we will finish the month with a great report. For our community service report we will have 125 hours, 185 miles at the cost of \$445.90. As for Veterans and Family Service report we will have put in 481 hours, 1510 miles at a cost of \$551.40.

Now let's get down to business. The month of June will start with our meeting on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:30 pm. After this we will have the first breakfast of the month on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Our 73<sup>rd</sup> VFW State Convention will start on Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup>. The convention will run until Saturday night June 18<sup>th</sup>, with a breakfast the next day (Fathers Day) Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup> at the Post. With several members still away at the Convention we ask that everyone that can please step up and help out at this breakfast. We will be having a lot of members from the Maui and Oahu Posts for breakfast that day so even if you are unable to help out please come in and meet your Sisters from the other Posts, they would enjoy this.

At this time I would like to wish all June babies a Happy birthday, Starting with Flora Schlenk on the 16<sup>th</sup> and Virginia McRay on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Have a very "Happy Birthday". As always I am sorry if I have missed anyone. If there has been anyone missed this past year please send your birth date to your new secretary so that Freda will be sure not to miss anyone. I will miss you all.

Fraternally Yours

*Theresa Laymon*, President

**If you know of any vet or family in need, please contact any of the Post officers.**



## Coqui Poke News from the neighborhood



June events for **VFW Post 3830**, please try to attend as many functions as you can, and remember to enjoy yourself and have fun.

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>** Post meeting day, Convention committee meeting 2:00pm, Ladies Auxiliary at 1530 VFW Post 3830 meeting 1700


**June 3<sup>rd</sup>** Post open 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm bring some pupus Air Rifle 2-4 pm

**June 5<sup>th</sup>** Community breakfast, Bacon, eggs, hash browns, biscuits and gravy, fruit salad, coffee and tea

**June 10<sup>th</sup>** Post open 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm bring a tasty dish to share. Air rifles 2-4

**June. 16<sup>th</sup> VFW 73 rd Annual Convention June 16-17-18<sup>th</sup>**

**June. 19<sup>th</sup>** Community breakfast; SOS, hash browns, biscuits, fruit salad, coffee and tea."Happy Fathers Day"

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>**  Visitation Vets home at 10:00am Hale Anuenue at 11:00am everyone should try to come

**June 24<sup>th</sup>** Post open 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm for members and guests. Bring some good food. Air rifle 2-4

**June.26<sup>th</sup>** CAP Air Rifle practise 2-5