

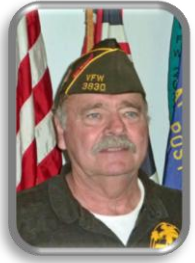


# VFW Post 3830

## VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS!

January 2015



Ed Taylor  
Commander

### VFW Commander's Corner

Best wishes for a New Year filled with Good Health, Happiness and many Blessings!  
Thank you for all you do to support the VFW and Veterans programs.

**VFW Post 3830**  
**First General Membership Meeting of 2015**  
**Thursday, Jan. 8 at 5:00 pm**

Come out and attend and give your input.  
We would like to hear from you.

**Reminder for Annual Members to pay your yearly dues.**

It's easy to renew your **2014-2015 Annual Dues of \$35.00**  
online at <https://www.vfw.org/OMS/QuickRenew.aspx>  
or come by the Post and see the Quartermaster,  
or mail it to VFW Post 3830, Attn. Quartermaster, P.O. Box 13, Pahoehawaii, HI 96778

## Looking Back at 2014

We Remember with Aloha Post 3830's Past Commander Richard Totman  
and LAVFW Sister Mary McDougall who died in 2014.



VFW Past  
Commander  
Richard Totman  
Jan. 2014



LAVFW Trustee  
Mary McDougall  
Jun. 2014

# Looking Back at 2014

## A Pictorial Review of VFW 3830 and LAVFW 3830 Activities



Voice of Democracy  
Scholarship Winner  
Sara DuVoisin



Patriots Pen Scholarship Winner  
Cienna Marie Corpuz (3rd from right)  
With applicants from St. Joseph School



Post 3830's entry in the  
Merrie Monarch Parade



Meeting with Gov. Abercrombie  
to discuss Veterans Issues



Meeting with  
Sen. Mazie Hirono  
to discuss Veterans Issues





We honored departed Veterans on Memorial Day  
at Puna Hongwanji Mission, Veterans Cemetery #1, the Vietnam Memorial, and KMC

Veterans from  
Yukio Okutsu Veterans Home  
participated in  
"A Salute to Our Veterans"  
5K Run/Walk  
on July 4 at Liliuokalani Gardens



VFW Booth at  
Community  
Preparedness Fair

Making PBJ sandwiches  
to feed the troops  
at PTA



Received donation of kitchen equipment  
from Burger King in Kona.  
Now all we need is a kitchen.



Received donation of kitchen range hood  
from VFW Post 12122 in Kona





Veterans Day  
Parade in Hilo



Pahoa Holiday  
Parade



Worked with VA to facilitate home repairs for a disabled Veteran. Don Bennett transported 4th CAV troops from PTA to power wash roof and clean the yard.



Take a Veteran to School Day  
at St. Joseph Elementary School



Filled and Donated  
Patriots Back Packs  
for Needy Veterans



Filled Christmas  
Shoeboxes for  
Needy Children



Chili & Bingo Nights  
Enjoyed by All Ages



Spreading Christmas  
Cheer to the  
Veterans at Yukio  
Okutsu Veterans  
Home

# ★ ★ ★ LAVFW President's Corner

*Ladies Auxiliary  
to the Veterans of Foreign Wars*



Aloha from the Ladies Auxiliary,  
This year, the Auxiliary was able to make Christmas brighter for many of our local Veterans. We were able to donate \$500.00 to the VA social workers, who used this donation to help buy needed food, supplies and presents for homeless and needy Veterans.

We also used donations of canned goods and nonperishable food to make food baskets for three Veterans' families. A \$100.00 KTA gift certificate was donated to a disabled Veteran and his family.

Thanks to everyone who have donated money, food and supplies for our Patriot Packs. This is an ongoing service project to help needy Veterans in Puna, and we welcome your donations. Items like new t-shirts, socks, personal hygiene items such as soap, toothbrush and toothpaste, shampoo, combs, unscented baby wipes, band-aids, towels and wash cloths, lightweight blankets, are much appreciated. These items will be packed into sturdy backpacks and donated to homeless Veterans. Life for the homeless Veterans has been rougher than usual these past few months, and it doesn't show signs of getting better any time soon.

Our raffle and bingo donations also go to help Veterans programs. With your help and participation, we are able to support all these programs.

The Pahoa Holiday Parade was lots of fun. Mahalo to everyone who came out and supported the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary, and a special thanks to Libbie for the use of her pickup truck.

Last week, we visited the Yukio Okutsu State Veterans Home and presented residents with 20 hand crocheted hats, some wheelchair bags, blankets and treats for their bingo games. We entertained them with an impromptu version of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" Hawaiian style. Just seeing them smile and having some fun made all of us happy. These men and women are true American Heroes.

I would like to wish you all a Very Happy New Year. After years of war, our troops are finally coming home. Let's all Pray for Peace in 2015.

I want to say thank you to all the ladies who helped with my beautiful Christmas gift. I will treasure it always. I feel so grateful that I can share my love of our Veterans and America with all my Ladies Auxiliary Sisters.

Happy New Year! Stay safe everyone!

Aloha and Peace,

Freda Hart, LAVFW President





# Coqui Poke

## News from the Neighborhood

**January events for VFW Post 3830.** Mark your calendar! Come and enjoy yourself!

**Jan. 2 - Post Open** 5:00-10:00 pm.  
Potluck...Bring a tasty dish to share.

**Jan. 4 - Community Breakfast**  
**BREAKFAST IS CANCELLED DUE TO**  
**POWER OUTAGE IN NANAWALE.**

**Jan. 8 - Post Meeting** 5:00 pm.  
VFW Post 3830 General Membership  
Meeting.

**Jan. 9 - Post Open** 5:00-10:00 pm.  
Potluck...Bring a tasty dish to share.

**Jan. 10 - Community Chili Dinner**  
**and Bingo** 6:00-9:00 pm. Meat chili or  
Vegetarian chili, rice, cornbread, tossed  
salad, dessert.

**Jan. 16 - Post Open** 5:00-10:00 pm.  
Potluck...Bring a tasty dish to share.

**Jan. 18 - Community Breakfast**  
9:00-11:00 am. Ham, scrambled eggs, hash  
browns, biscuits and gravy, fruit salad,  
coffee and tea.

**Jan. 23 - Post Open** 5:00-10:00 pm.  
Potluck...Bring a tasty dish to share.

**Jan. 24 - Community Dinner**  
4:00-6:00 pm. Chicken cutlets, mashed  
potatoes, fresh garden salad, and ono  
desserts.

**Jan. 29 - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting**  
3:30 pm, followed by potluck.

**Jan. 30 - Birthday Bash Potluck**  
5:00-10:00 pm. Celebrating the January  
birthdays. Live music. Bring a tasty dish to  
share.

*Mark your calendar for next month...*

**Feb. 1 - Community Breakfast**  
**Feb. 7 - Chili Dinner and Bingo**  
**Feb. 15 - Community Breakfast**  
**Feb. 21 - Community Dinner**



Visiting USMC Veteran at  
Yukio Okutsu Veterans Home



Visiting Veteran's Spouse  
at Hale Anuenue



Don Bennett,  
Scheduler/Driver  
of VA Van