



Catholic War Veterans of the USA

Father Vincent Capodanno Memorial Post

To Heal, Serve, Love, Listen

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

MEETING NOTICE
NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY
October 4thnd AT 7:00 PM
At Our Lady of Mercy Country
Home
2115 Maturana Dr.
Liberty MO 64068

MEMBERSHIP DUES

As mentioned in our last newsletter, it is now time to renew your membership. I ask all of you, those who are not life members, to please mail your dues to us as soon as possible. Dues are still only \$30.00. So, please send in your dues. After October 1st, you will be delinquent.

There has been a few things going on this past month. Ann Roberts has been rather busy the past few weeks. First was the annual Father Capodanno Memorial Mass on Wednesday the 13th at Our Lady of Mercy Country Home, Msgr.Kaiser, Fr. Criqui, and Fr. Richard concelebrated the Mass. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the death of Fr. Capodanno. Ann had set up an information table in the game room and after Mass she had prepared refreshments.

On Saturday the 16th was the annual Vet Salute held in Independence, MO. Again she did a fabulous job. And again, on Saturday the 23rd, she set up our table again. This time it was that the American Legion Post 61 annual Car and Bike Show. I was busy all day cooking for the Sons of the Legion Squadron 61.

Whenever we do get a chance we attend any function we can and have our table set up. We are continuously adding to our information and other items that may be of interest.

On Tuesday the 19th, Ann and I ventured to Jefferson City to attend a MAVO (Missouri Association of Veterans Organizations). We are now members. For those of you who may not be familiar with MAVO, it is an association of most of the major veterans organizations in

Missouri, e.g. the American Legion, VFW, DAV, AMVETS, etc. Their main function is to keep abreast of all of the legislative that is before the Missouri Congress pertaining to veterans, active duty military, and reserve members. They work closely with the Missouri Veterans Commission and also urge congress to either vote for or against a certain bill that may be on the floor of congress.

Just let me know how many you would like.

MOVE

We are still waiting and praying. I called the national commander last week to find out when he will be here to look at our Catholic Center. The only answer I received was sometime in October. Hopefully he will be here when I and Ann are around to be there.. The board is supposed to vote on the new location at the board meeting in November, just before Veterans Day. But, then, we were supposed to vote on it at the convention. They have our proposal and it has been the same from the start. Every time you turn around, New York changes they proposal. Now the executive director is the guy from New York, which puts us at somewhat of a disadvantage. We will just have to wait and see.



SICK CALL

If you know any member or family member who is ill, let us know and we will place their name here for all to pray for.

Welfare Officer

As you know our Welfare Officer, Ann Roberts, is now the national Welfare Officer. She has revamped the form that the post will be filing out. She has expanded the awards for posts and members by adding four new awards. The post will set up a committee to select one person for each award to be submitted to National and the post will also submit the form for the post. Below is the form and the categories of awards.

Here are the categories of awards:

Saint Xavier Catholic Missions' Award for Catholic War Veterans, USA National Welfare Officer Mission Award

- Saint Xavier Catholic War Veterans, USA National Welfare Officer Program Missions' Award reflects the teachings, spirituality, and missionary work of Saint Xavier as a member of Catholic War Veterans, USA following its mission to involve oneself as a individual member or as a Post in volunteer work in 'social outreach,' to all veterans and their families. *Such mission work include: hospice, time and talent to veteran families who have KIA, deployed families, homeless veterans and their families, and providing ways to support their emotional and spiritual needs through resources available to them.
- **Blessed Oscar Romero Voice of the Voiceless Catholic War Veterans, USA National Welfare Program Award**
- Blessed Oscar Romero Voice of the Voiceless Award aims to signify the Catholic War Veteran, USA member or Post who devotes himself/herself, or Post with their time gifts from God (talents) in

CALENDARS

The 2018 calendars are in. The cost of the calendar is \$25.00 and you have 365 chances to win anywhere from \$25.00 to \$1500.00. Thirteen prizes are \$150.00 or more. Weekday winnings are \$25.00 and Saturdays and Sundays are \$100.00. For every calendar sold, the post keeps \$5.00, so we can use it as a fund raising program.

The big ones are New Years - \$500, Ash Wed- \$500, St. Patrick's - \$150, - Good Fri. - \$150, Mother's Day - \$150, Memorial Day - \$500, Father's Day - \$150, July 4th - \$500, Labor Day - \$150, Columbus Day \$150, Veterans Day - \$500, Thanksgiving Day - \$500, and the biggie - Christmas - \$1500.

On the back of each calendar is an entry form to fill out. When you get your calendar, fill out the little card and mail that with a check for \$25.00 for each calendar to me. I will send the cards along with a check to the national office.

These calendars make excellent Christmas gifts or birthday presents.

The theme for this year's calendar is the Korean War. Really great pictures of our military in action in Korea.

I have twenty-five calendars right now, but I can order more.

making our communities a place where God enters people's lives through prayers, reconciliation, silence, Eucharist, community service, and where one strives to make Jesus Christ more known and loved through our actions and words.

*Such mission volunteer work include: support for needy military and veteran families, military families with a KIA military family member, visiting those in hospice and in hospitals.

- **Servant of God Fr. Vincent R. Capodanno, MM Missionary Catholic War Veterans, USA Award**

- Servant of God, Fr. Vincent R. Capodanno, MM Missionary Catholic War Veterans, USA Award aims to award exemplary volunteer service Veteran Administration Volunteer Service (VAVS) in VA Medical Centers, VA Outpatient Clinics, and in other care facilities.

*Such mission volunteer work include: VAVS volunteering, hospice, homeless veterans, care packages and greeting cards to the deployed, assist Chaplains when needed in hospitals and health care facilities.

- **Dorothy Day Faith and Justice Award**

- The Dorothy Day Faith and Justice Catholic War Veterans, USA National Welfare Officer Program aims to award and praise a Catholic War Veterans, USA Post or Individual member who distinguish themselves in coaching, mentoring exceptional adults, children, assist in programs that feed and shelter the poor in homeless shelters, in other similar areas, and teach others about the sanity and dignity of life in every person.

I will send out the actual form that the post will fill out in the October Newsletter.

Since Karen left, there was no one in Alexandria to take over the day to day operations of the office. So, the power that may be decided to move the computer to Queens New York, where the store is located. The mailing address was changed to the PO Box to, hopefully, lessen any delays in delivery of the mail.

The move is (or is supposed to be) temporary because a new home is supposed to be voted on during the November board meeting. For all of you who have been keeping up with all this, yes, the new location was to be voted on during the convention in St. Louis. That is another story in itself.

NOTICE

The mailing address and phone and fax numbers for national headquarters has temporarily changed. The new information is:

- **Catholic War Veterans of the USA, Inc.**
 - **P.O. Box 5356**
 - **Astoria, NY 11105**
 - **Office Phone: 703-549-3622**
 - **Office Fax: 783-684-5196**
- Office email: admin@cwv.org

The reasons for the temporary move are as follows: The young lady who was running the office so efficiently found a new job and resigned as of August 31st. There were several reasons for this, but I will not go into that right now.