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### VFW Checkpoint – January/February 2023

Happy New Year, Checkpoint readers! Your latest installment of the Checkpoint newsletter has arrived.

Please take this opportunity to see what other Posts around the world are doing to better their communities. Be sure to share the valuable information you get here with your fellow VFW members. If you know someone who is not receiving Checkpoint, encourage them to email <a href="magazine@vfw.org">magazine@vfw.org</a> and get signed up.

This issue of Checkpoint talks about VFW's much-anticipated second annual Day of Service on May 6. With nearly 100 percent of Posts that participated last year planning to do so again, it is sure to be a success for the VFW. Additionally, VFW launched a new website to help veterans quickly locate a VFW service officer. Find out what you need to know to access this vital information. A Post in Wisconsin received a \$50,000 grant from T-Mobile towards the Post's Freedom Park Center, which will house a veteran's center. Read these articles and more in this issue of Checkpoint and let us know what you think.

Be sure to let us know what your Post is doing in your community. We always are looking to promote the great efforts of VFW. Email <a href="mailto:idyhouse@vfw.org">idyhouse@vfw.org</a> your suggestion, and you just might see it in an upcoming issue of Checkpoint.



#### VFW Gears Up for Second Annual Day of Service

VFW Posts around the world are preparing now to engage in community service endeavors on May 6. <u>The second annual</u> VFW Day of Service is sure to be a success.



#### PACT Act Resource Now Available

VFW recently launched its official website, <a href="https://www.pactactinfo.org">www.pactactinfo.org</a>, to assist veterans wanting to submit a disability claim related to the *Honoring Our PACT Act*. <a href="https://www.pactactinfo.org">More importantly</a>, the site connects vets with VFW's VA-accredited service officers.



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#### Wisconsin Post to Establish Veterans Center

A \$50,000 grant from T-Mobile will ensure the Freedom Park Center in New Richmond, Wis., is built. <u>VFW Post 10818 is spearheading the project, which will include a veteran's center.</u>



#### Help A Hero Scholarship Assists Vets with Goals

Thanks to VFW's Sport Clips Help A Hero scholarship, a Navy veteran will continue her studies toward an aeronautical engineering degree. She is one of the more than 2,500 recipients of the scholarship since the program began. Sport Clips has donated more than \$11.5 million in scholarships.



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#### New Jersey Post Gives Back at Christmas

In Sparta, N.J., VFW Post 7248 greeted more than 150 people to a toy drive in December. <u>More than 200 gifts were donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Philadelphia.</u>



#### Veterans Ride for a Cause

More than \$16,000 was raised for children's medical research when members of VFW 2598 and its VFW Riders in Cleveland, Tenn., trekked some 190 miles across the state. Post leaders say the community stepped up in a big way to make the event the success that it was.







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