

## **Post Members Find Support While** Working as a Team

## VFW Post 670 is a special place where veterans enjoy camaraderie while giving back

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VFW Post 670 strives to be a good neighbor within its Fayetteville, North Carolina, community. Its members serve on local civic boards, volunteer at different organizations, work to combat hunger and more. Above all else, the Post is devoted to supporting its members and the greater veteran population.

"Our Post, although open to the public, is very much an organization that helps veterans," said Commander Mike Baker. "It provides a place for veterans to talk to others who've dealt with the same issues, been to the same places ... people who understand what you're trying to describe, even when you can't find the words."

Because of the family atmosphere and camaraderie, the Post is a place where members can be themselves and join like-minded friends to make a positive impact together.

Recently, they took part in the inaugural VFW Day of Service when they gathered with Auxiliary members to clean up a local roadway.

"We walked a mile from the Post and collected all the litter," said Quartermaster Amelia Smith. "In just that one mile, we collected 300 pounds of trash."

In addition to this event, Post members have performed countless other acts of service in recent months.

"In April, we bought and collected \$250 in new toys, blankets and games to donate to the Child Advocacy Center," Smith said. "On March 30, the Post and Auxiliary hosted a Vietnam Veterans' Appreciation Lunch."

The Post also dedicates time and raises funds to support many programs, such as Man 22, the Veteran Suicide Awareness Program, 22 Until None, Veterans Empowering Veterans

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Office 202.543.2239 Fax 202.543.6719 info@vfw.org www.vfw.org and Gold Star Families. And to support active-duty soldiers, members provide meal services at unit events.

"We've done four events in the last couple of months and served over 800 soldiers and family members," said Baker. "We've also distributed candy, cookies and hygiene products to deploying units."

No matter the task, members of VFW Post 670 are eager to unite and lend a hand.

"We're still serving because it helps our community, as well as the veterans. When veterans gather together to help someone else, we don't focus on what's wrong with us, and we don't feel alone," said Smith.

"Regardless of the amount of people who show up, we come together and work as a team, focusing on how to get the job done to the best of our ability. Along the way, we meet people, make connections, share ideas and just try to relax and enjoy the camaraderie."

The VFW is proud to honor the members of Post 670 who are #StillServing to provide vital support to the community and one another.