

Post Donation Will Help Build 'Beautiful' Arch

VFW Post 3360 leaving legacy of support for local veterans

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VFW Post 3360 Quartermaster Cliff Bauer's meetings with his county VA officials have become a regular occurrence. Bauer, who gave Erin Clady, a veterans service officer for Defiance County, Ohio, \$2,000 last September, says the money will help fund the Veterans Section Improvement Project at the Riverside Cemetery in Defiance.

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"A lot of our members are buried there," said Bauer, an Army Vietnam War veteran. "This project demonstrates to the community that we support veterans and their families."

Tanya Brunner, manager of the Defiance County Veterans Office, said the Post's donation will help replace the veterans section's flagpole centerpiece, add benches and construct a "beautiful" wrought iron arch at the entrance to the section. The project is slated to begin next year.

Brunner added that Post 3360 donated another \$2,000 in October, bringing the Post

members' total financial commitment this year to \$5,000. She noted that the veterans section of Riverside Cemetery was established in 1988 and holds the remains of 380 veterans.

Post 3360 also has agreed to partner with the city of Defiance in collecting more donations to help fund the upgrades. According to a news release issued by Brunner's office, 100 percent of the funds raised will be used for the veterans section project.

For more information about Post 3360, visit their Facebook page.

Photo caption: VFW Post 3360 Quartermaster Cliff Bauer and Erin Clady, of the Defiance County (Ohio) Veterans Office, examine paperwork related to a Post donation last September. The money will help fund improvements to the veterans section of the Riverside Cemetery in Defiance. Photo by Lynn Keller, VFW Post 3360

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