

Cameron Ponder VFW Post 12237 | Elizabethtown, Kentucky

POST DISPATCH

September 2026 | MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



CELEBRATING THE LEGACY



Keeping our members connected to the Post, informed about Veterans' resources, and ready to serve our community.

NEXT POST MEETING

Monday, September 7 6:30 p.m.

PATRIOT DAY

September 11

NATIONAL POW / MIA RECOGNITION
DAY

September 18

Remembering our Fallen Comrades

Carey "CT" Christie

Scott "Spareparts" Zimmerman

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This Month at the Post

NEXT MEETING

Join us Monday, September 7 at 6:30 p.m. at Home of Philanthropy, 200 Jim Owen Drive, Elizabethtown, KY. Members, prospective members, and eligible Veterans are welcome.

Welcome

This newsletter keeps you connected, informed, and involved in the work of Cameron Ponder VFW Post 12237. Each issue brings together Post business, Veterans' resources, local events, volunteer opportunities, and stories that reflect our commitment to service. Attend a meeting, volunteer, bring an eligible Veteran, or share an idea with a Post officer. Every contribution strengthens the Post and extends our reach in the community.

Key Dates and Actions

DATE	EVENT	WHAT MEMBERS NEED TO KNOW
Monday, September 7	Post Meeting	6:30 p.m. at Home of Philanthropy, 200 Jim Owen Drive, Elizabethtown, KY
September 7	Labor Day	.
September 11	Patriot Day	
September 18	POW/MIA Recognition Day	
September 19	Rineyville Days Pancake Breakfast	<i>We need volunteers to cook, serve and assist with the Rineyville Days Pancake Breakfast. Please let the Jr Vice know if you can help. The times for the volunteers would be 0630-0930.</i>

Post Officers and Contacts

ROLE	NAME	CONTACT
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Honoring our Fallen Comrades



IN MEMORY OF
CAREY T. "C.T." CHRISTIE
A LIFE OF SERVICE TO VETERANS



In Memory of
Scott “Spareparts” Zimmerman
Lived life to the fullest &
Loved every day

Investing in the Next Generation

Cameron Ponder VFW Post 12237 proudly supports the annual Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen competitions. These nationwide programs give middle and high school students a chance to reflect on democracy, patriotism, civic responsibility, and the lessons Veterans pass forward.

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY	PATRIOT'S PEN
Grades 9–12 3–5 minute recorded essay Top national prize: \$35,000 	Grades 6–8 300–400 word written essay Top national prize: \$5,000 
2026–2027 THEME “What a Veteran Taught Me About America”	
ENTRY DEADLINE October 31, 2026	

How Post Members Can Help

- Share the competition information with local schools, JROTC programs, home-school networks, youth groups, and eligible families.
- Encourage students to begin early and carefully follow the national submission requirements.
- Volunteer to help with outreach, local judging, recognition, or awards coordination.

Commander's Corner

REFLECTING ON OUR PROGRESS

I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible efforts of each one of you. In a short time, we have made meaningful strides, from growing our membership to stepping up for our community through disaster relief, fundraising, and planning for future events.

Each of us brings something unique to the table, and together we are shaping the future of this Post. As we look ahead, I am confident that we will continue to grow, not just in numbers, but in our impact on Veterans and the community we serve.

Thank you for your hard work, your support, and your willingness to go above and beyond. We are laying a foundation for something that will last far beyond today, a legacy that will make a difference in the lives of Veterans and in our community. Let's keep moving forward together.

Respectfully,
Drew Flynn
Commander, Cameron Ponder VFW Post 12237

From the Foxhole

OFFICER / SECTION	MONTHLY UPDATE
Senior Vice Commander	In next month's issue we will start having an FYI section about different topics to assist the members. Please let us know of any ideas you would like to cover.
Quartermaster	The Post/District/National websites are a great resource to help you stay informed. If you do not know how to log on to any of them, we are here to help.
Junior Vice Commander	We are preparing to fill the roles of the house committee that will serve as the project management for our new post home construction.

September 2026 Calendar

Dates shown below are based on the current Post newsletter. Members should watch Post communications for additions or changes.

 September 2026 Cameron Ponder VFW Post 12237 						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Labor Day	8	9	10	11 Patriot Day	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 National POW/MIA Recognition Day	19 Rineyville Days Pancake Breakfast
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			
Notes:	* On Patriot Day we pay tribute to all the heroes and victims that were lost in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the United States. * National POW/MIA Recognition Day 3rd Saturday in September remembers and honors our American Service Members who were prisoners of war and those who served and never returned home.					

Notes and Reminders

Volunteer needs: *We need volunteers to cook, serve and assist with the Rineyville Days Pancake Breakfast. Please let the Jr Vice know if you can help. The times for the volunteers would be 0630-0930.*

Member care / relief: *Please continue to keep the families and friends of Comrade Christie and Comrade Zimmerman in your thoughts and prayers*

Items for next month's newsletter: *Look for our "For your information Section", each month will cover something different.*

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