

Voiture 1379 Communiqué for January 2010 Happy New Year to One and All.

The food collected by Voiture 1379 during the Christmas Party, was given to a family in Cameron. It is a family with 4 children; the father has no job, the mother working for minimum wage. They have had to work a deal with the bank to save their car so it is possible to drive to look for work. They are living in fear of losing their house. The woman was very grateful for the food. It is a family that has helped other families in the past when it was needed. Thank you to all those who donated items at Christmas. The Dog Tags for Kids Project is dedicated to helping United States Service men and women in most harm's way connect with their children at home. Specially engraved Dog Tags in the appropriate service color are provided FREE to the service members for their children. Dog tags are engraved "With Love From Dad, U.S. Army, Iraq 2010." To donate Kids Charities of the Antelope Valley (a 501(c)3 Nonprofit Corporation) C/O 1209 W. Avenue K

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(\$.50 per tag and a normal shipment of tags is 135 tags) http://www.dogtagsforkids.com The dog tags must come from the parents so all dog tags are sent to Iraq, Kuwait, or Afghanistan at the request of the service members to send to their children; from their hearts to their children's hearts.

We are still in need of some fundraising ideas. We currently have the money in the bank to cover the Nurses Training Scholarships the Voiture currently is sponsoring. After that we will need to find a way to raise funds in order to continue sponsoring Nurses Training.

Membership is now up to thirty seven paid up for 2010 out of forty two. We are slowly getting close to one hundred percent.

We should have at least two PGs ready for the Spring Wreck in Jefferson City. Hopefully we can get them to Jefferson City to be formally "WRECKED". This should be a first for the Forty and Eight "WRECKING" a husband and wife.

The Spring Wreck and Grand Cheminot will be held March 26th through the 28th at the Truman Hotel, 1510 Jefferson Street, Jefferson City City, MO. Get you reservations in today.

This months Promenade will be on January 27th in Liberty, MO with dinner and Promenade at the SMOKEBOX Restaurant. Dinner will begin at 18:00 HRS with the Promenade beginning at 19:00 HRS.

If there are any other functions you would like to "get the word out" please let me know and I will put them on the Grande du Missouri, Voiture1379 and 3rd District web sites as well as the communiqué.

Thank you for your service to Our Great Nation, your service to the American Legion, and the 40et8 through Voiture 1379. If we all work together we can and do make a difference. **Robert C. Emery, Correspondant Locale, Voiture 1379**

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