

Millard F. Nixon Post 9612



"Post 9612 History"

Chartered: 21 February 1952

Original Location: Naval Air Station Atsugi, Japan

Current Location: Camp Zama, Japan

Commander-In-Chief: Brian Duffy

MILLARD F. NIXON MEMORIAL

VFW POST 9612

CAMP ZAMA, JAPAN

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AT

NAVAL AIR STATION ATSUGI, JAPAN

CHARTER MEMBERS

Carl B Arns	Richard J. Byron	Harold R. Betzmer
John Charles Gure	Homer Guy Davis	Arnold L. Ellsworth
Dester A. Evans	Jamer R. Holt	Robert L Jorgenson
Malcolm P. Jaeger	Eliss J. Kelly	Walter E. Kumpf
Charles S. Knott	Joseph C. Loconzolo	Norman L. Lunsford
Lee Mitchell	Marvin Owens	Harold I. Reynolds
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Clarence D. Fenley	Welden Lenzy Falconer	Walter Scott Gibson
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Louis Dividori	Donald Roy	Rex Charles Roark
Rollo B. Stewart	Gerald Spykerman	Homer Salton
Lewis Smith	Shugar John Thomas	Salvador Torres
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Signed:

Adjutant General: Julian Dickenson

Commander in Chief: Charles C. Rolls

History of Post 9612

Post 9612 was originally chartered during 1948 in Yokohama. (*Historians note) The Post failed and the Charter was pulled by VFW National Headquarters. In 1951 a group of Seabee's, displaying their famous "Can Do" attitude, re-established the Post at the Naval Air Station Atsugi, Japan. In February 1952 it was re-chartered as Yates- Gonzales Memorial Post 9612. Research indicates that Yates and Gonzales were two Seabee's who died during the construction of the communications station at Kamiseya, located near NAS Atsugi. [1]

*Historian's Note – During this period there was a great deal of animosity between the recipients of the Asian-Pacific Campaign Medal and the Asian Occupation Forces. Both were eligible for admission into the VFW but the combat and island hopping veterans felt the occupation forces were unworthy and subsequently blackballed them from admission to a local Post. As a result these rejected individuals attempted to start their own Post, but owing to their lack of administrative and procedural knowledge they soon found themselves in trouble with National and as a result had their Charter pulled.

[1] The Naval Air Station Atsugi was later designated a Naval Air Facility

PAST POST COMMANDERS

1952-1953	Henry J. Lemire	1953-1954	William O. Sachs
1954-1955	Millard F. Nixon	1955-1958	Richard H. Cormier
1958-1959	William L. Kerr	1959-1960	Byron E. Rodby
1960-1961	Donald A. Warner	1961-1963	Robert H. Fowler
1963-1964	Elmer L. Matheke	1964-1965	William B. King
1965-1966	Leroy J. Giggey	1966-1967	Elmer L. Matheke
1967-1968	Ellsworth D. Sheridan	1968-1969	Charles J. Baldrige
1969-1970	Dawson L. Huff, Jr.	1970-1971	Dewayne E. Ehret
1971-1972	Thaddeus Wasczak Robert Sova	1972-1973	Michael L. Sullivan
1973-1974	Raphael Villar, Jr.	1974-1975	Hugh J. Ward
1975-1976	Harold F. Roed	1976-1977	Gary D. French
1977-1978	Jerome O. Olson	1978-1979	James A. Ramsden
1979-1980	James R. Breese	1980-1981	Howard (Tex) Edgeworth
1981-1982	Ralph L. Johnson	1982-1983	Paul S. Morgan
1983-1984	James Greene Paul Morgan	1984-1985	Paul S. Morgan
1985-1986	Daniel L. Taylor	1986-1987	Howard E. Redding
1987-1988	Patricia M. Perez	1988-1990	Robert L. McNair
1990-1991	Edward S. Jablonski	1992-1993	Edward S. Jablonski
1992-1993	Linney J. O'Malley	1993-1994	Joseph M. Rynne
1994-1995	Richard A. Keeley	1995-1996	Donald Newton
1996-1997	Glenn "Zeke" Heil	1997-1999	Barney Patsel
1999-2000	Sidney "Butch" Malone	2000-2001	Donald Carnahan
2001-2002	Robert Vagasky	2002-2003	Herbert W. Hooper
2003-2004	John F. Johnson	2004-2005	Matthew Thackery
2005-2006	Timothy Estes	2006-2007	Robert Coger
2007-2008	John F. Johnson	2008-2009	John F. Johnson
2009-2010	Joseph F. Mortimer	2010-2011	Richard A. Keeley
2011-2012	Richard A. Keeley	2012-2013	David F. Wykes
2013-2014	David F. Wykes	2014-2015	Vincent J. Dean
2015-2016	Randell E. Himes	2016-2017	Sidney "Butch" Malone