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Date	Event or Activity
June 2020	Post home improvements are all but completed on schedule within budget a big BZ to our Post Home Committee Chairman and team! 25th made used clothing donation to Hand in Hand. D5 Officer nominations & electronic election continue a long story but marvelous job by current D5 CDR, Past Post CDR Jack Farrell & committee
June 2020	Conducted Post Leadership & General Membership Meeting at the Post home. Post Charter, Legacy Life Gold member, Past Post, District 5 and DPA SVC Commander Ken Stein succeeded to DPA Commander. He Installed Post Charter, Legacy Gold Life member Lou Holub to District 5 Commander and Post Charter, Legacy Life member Mike "Coop" Cooperman to Post Commander as well as several District and Post Officers
May 2020	30th a Memorial Day Remembrance conducted at Finnegan's Irish Pub and restaurant Banchang, Conducted Vietnam Veterans days recognition which was missed in March
April 2020	Post completes requirements for All State by mid-month Thailand has done a fantastic job mitigating against the Pandemic restrictions being lifted, we have no Post member or family or friend infected. Post Members & Friends continued Community Service Activities in support of the less fortunate during the pandemic period, we visited/assisted our shut in Vets, continued used clothing drive, supported foodbanks and meal delivery to orphans & needy unemployed service industry workers
April 2020	Pursue post home 2nd floor improvements, we are planning are annual "clean the closet campaign" used items dropped at the Post home donated items to Hand in Hand. Friends of the Post delivered needed adult diapers to bed ridden teenage boy in Banchang this in conjunction with local Christian org. happen to be contacted by our Post home next door neighbors. Post members delivered needed water, eggs and LOVE to Ann's school orphaned children. The DPA Convention is cancelled we are working on D5 all options being reviewed. A few gathered on the beaches 06:00 on the 25th ANZAC moment of slice and prayer
April 2020	ANZAC Day Kanchanaburi (Cancelled due to COVID) District 5 Convention postponed waiting Nat/DPA orders. The Post, Diststict 5 & Pacific areas have been & continue to provide assistants / supporting fellow Vets, widows, orphans & the less fortunate in our local community. In my over 20 years in Thailand I have never witnessed a time when our leadership, commitment to our communities our generosity has ever meant more. As movement restrictions ease please

	don't forget our shut in /less mobile Comrades as we have learned even a simple phone call helps
March 2020	Conducted 1st Post VDO ZOOM Leadership & general Membership Meeting, Nominations closed for Post Officer positions 2020-2021 Elections conducted by unanimous consent, (installation later) Commander – Mike "Coop" Cooperman Senior Vice Commander –John Kelsch Junior Vice Commander – Howard Holzworth Quartermaster – Dan Morgan Chaplain – Gary Steuer Trustee 3 Year – Gary Stocks
March 2020	On 17 March 2020 Thailand (the world) declared global Pandemic COVID Virus -19. Virtual lock down ordered, all air land sea travel suspended borders closed curfews put in place, social distancing, sanitization and masking required. The world might never be the same, millions infected and thousands died!
March 2020	The HCS85 Adopted Unit redeployment MAP 70 sailors was completed, a proud afternoon of Pizza and cokes, the post thanks all who supported/braved COVID situation in a hot hanger 101 Utapao, Our Friends of the Post collected over 20K THB in 24 hours purchase & delivered needed 100 HAZMAT gloves & suits for local Banchang Government hospital medical staff, a community service 2nd none! Post members delivered needed water /supplies and LOVE to our flag ship local schools /needy orphaned children. VDO meeting options being reviewed, The VFW National Reps visit/luncheon, the Annual ANZAC ceremonies were cancelled as well as all major sporting events. Wished HAPPY VIETNAM VETERANS DAY to our Vietnam Vets but do quarantine / travel restriction BBQ is canceled
March 2020	Nominations opened for post officers for VFW year 2020-2021 Commander – Mike "Coop" Cooperman Senior Vice Commander –John Kelsch Junior Vice Commander – Howard Holzworth Quartermaster – Dan Morgan Chaplain – Gary Steuer Trustee 3 Year – Gary Stocks All nominees accepted their nominations during the meeting
February 2020	Post conducted 4th Annual Charity golf tournament which enables us to continue ongoing community support efforts. After 6 months adjustment July to February a rousing success!
February 2020	Saturday 22nd 5th Anniversary dinner at Banchang Palace Hotel over 80 in attendance

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February 2020	Attend Thai War Veterans day activities, Monday morning Super bowl tailgates, (Chiefs vs 49ers), 19th Post actual Anniversary (Comradery on the street)
February 2020	Continue to improve on our Post home building this month adding shelving to our kitchen / utility area, next will be back wall 2nd floor store improvements. The donated gas grill will be put to work next general meeting a tune up for annual golf outing
February 2020	Post JAG /DPA SVC Ken S. and Post Commander Lou travelled to Saipan to meet with DPA QM Pete C. budget reviews, DPA targets and objectives, D7 Qtr. & plenty of Comradery
January 2020	GOOD NEWS on the VOD/PP/Teacher program judging, our Post 12146 VOD nominee Siena S. won the DPA VOD competition and competed at National level. In support of our Post Competition Comrade Bryan B. donated VFW VOD & PP shoulder bags to our nominated students
January 2020	17-18 Jan D5 Officers met in BKK Post 9951 JUSMAG compound we were honored to have DPA Commander Rick Farris in attendance. D5 Officer nominations were opened planning D5 convention in Kanchanaburi River Kwai 24 April to coincide with ANZAC on the 25th
December 2019	Conducted Children's Christmas parties for Wat Somnat Krathon and included Ann's home children plus others
December 2019	Attended DPA Mid-Year Counsel of Administration in Phnom Penh Cambodia which included Pearl Harbor Day remembrance ceremony
December 2019	Conducted Post Leadership & General Membership Meeting DPA Commander Rick Farris made visit to Post home Banchang
November 2019	Conducted Post Thanksgiving Dinner at Nina's Kitchen Banchang, attended SEA Armed forces softball tourney Pattaya Polo club (recruitment)
November 2019	Post Completed All American Post Requirements for 2019/2020 Year
November 2019	Conducted Veterans Day Ceremony after GMM, attended Remembrance day services with local Royal British Legion Friends Pala beach
November 2019	Post members attended the 244th USMC Birthday Ball in Bangkok & Pattaya Beach with Post 9876
November 2019	Conducted Post Leadership & General Membership Meeting
October 2019	VOD/PP and First Teachers Awards Submissions made
October 2019	Attended District V Quarterly meeting in Pattaya Beach & hosted visit from DPA JVC Kevin Mitchel, QM Pete Callaghan & MOC Big Bug Max Maxim
October 2019	Conducted MAP Event for Active Duty US AF Red Horse Unit working at Utapao

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October 2019	Post Received VFW National Community Service Award Road Sign
October 2019	Recognized US Navy Birthday
October 2019	Conducted Post Leadership meeting, on 10/10@10:00 Post Home Building "Traditional Thai Buddhist Monk Blessing followed by the 1st Post General Membership Meeting at new location, 47 in attendance, Saturday market and parking no issues. Members wife's and friends do-nated water, coffee (pots), microwaves, coffee cakes and snacks
September 2019	Awarded Membership, Early Bird Status
September 2019	Recognized US Air Force Birthday
September 2019	Post members Observed POW/MIA Day Ceremonies at US Embassy Bangkok
September 2019	Conducted Patriots Day 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony
September 2019	Conducted Post Leadership & General Membership Meeting. Begin moving Post Home Assets/furnishings from Finnegan's Sinthavee donated location to new Post Home building 14 to 30th
September 2019	Conducted MAP Event for Active Duty US AF Red Horse Unit working at Utapao
August 2019	Commissioned computer program, phone application "Asset Tiger" all Post assets including Post store inventory "line item categories" included in the data with digital image. Data base provides check in/ out process / record as well as schedule and record of maintenance actions
August 2019	Comradery event a day on the street with Post Members, Friends and Active Duty Airmen "Red horse" unit who are doing repair work at new Post home building
August 2019	Post Charter Legacy Life Eldest members two WWII Vets Wendell "the Chief" Newman and Victor Cross meet for the first time Avenue Shopping area Pattaya Beach. Chief is 98 & Vic 93 years of age. Chief landed with invasion force "D" Day Omaha Beach Normandy (Army Medic). Vic (USN) later went on to serve in Korean War. Chief after recovering from health issues is repatriated to Hawaii, Vic living with wife in Jomtien beach Thailand
August 2019	Recognized USCG Birthday
August 2019	Attended District V Quarterly meeting in Phnom Penh Cambodia
August 2019	Conducted Post Leadership & General Membership Meeting. Presentation "to the Post" VOD & PP Citations, Nat. CS Award
July 2019	31st Purchased New Post Home Building in Banchang via established subsidiary company "Veterans Association of Rayong". Refurbishment repair begins
July 2019	Post Awarded VFW National Community Service Award
July 2019	Attended 120th Annual VFW National Convention in Orlando, Florida

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July 2019	Attended District V Quarterly meeting in Phnom Penh Cambodia
July 2019	Post decided not to hold 4th Annual Charity golf tournament, postpone event until more acceptable date / time of year (possible Feb or Mar 2020)
July 2019	Post Celebrated Independence Day with a return to Nina's Kitchen Banchang event was well attended by Membership and Friends of the Post and their families. Post Commander was engaged in Dept. (DPA) Audit committee duties in Angeles city Philippines. SVC Mike "Coop" Cooperman presided
July 2019	Conducted Post Leadership & General Membership Meeting. New VFW term 2019-2020 commences under the Command of Lou Holub and the elected and appointed officers
June 2019	Conducted Post General Membership Meeting
June 2019	Conducted Post Leadership meeting
May 2019	Memorial Day Remembrance conducted at Royal Thai Navy Airbase Utapao
May 2019	By unanimous consent, Comrades Lou Holub was elected as Commander, and Michael Cooperman as Senior Vice Commander for VFW Year 2019-2020 Commander – Lou Holub Senior Vice Commander – Mike "Coop" Coopermen Junior Vice Commander – John Kelsch Quartermaster – Dan Morgan Chaplain – Gary Steuer Trustee 3 Year – Norbert Mueller
May 2019	Nominations closed for Commander, and Senior Vice Commander
May 2019	Nominations opened for Post Commander, and Post Senior Vice Commander Commander: Lou Holub nominated and accepted Senior Vice Commander: Michael Cooperman nominated and accepted
May 2019	Comrade Larry Williams resigns from Position of Post Commander-Elect, and Service Officer
May 2019	Post completes requirements for All American, and All State
May 2019	Conducted Post General Membership Meeting
May 2019	Conducted Post Leadership meeting
April 2019	District 5 meeting Chiang Mai represented by Post
April 2019	ANZAC Day Kanchanaburi represented by Post
April 2019	Elections conducted followed by installation of: Commander – Larry Williams Senior Vice Commander – Lou Holub Junior Vice Commander – John Kelsch Quartermaster – Dan Morgan

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	Chaplain – Gary Steuer Trustee 3 Year – Norbert Mueller
April 2019	Nominations closed for Post Officer positions 2019-2020
April 2019	Conducted Post General Membership Meeting
April 2019	Conducted Post Leadership Meeting
March 2019	VFW National Junior Vice Commander visit to Bangkok represented by Post
March 2019	Nominations opened for post officers for VFW year 2019-2020 Commander – Larry Williams Senior Vice Commander – Lou Holub Junior Vice Commander – John Kelsch Quartermaster – Dan Morgan Chaplain – Gary Steuer Trustee 3 Year – Norbert Mueller All nominees accepted their nominations during the meeting
March 2019	Camaraderie Luncheon Pattaya
March 2019	Conducted Post General Membership Meeting
March 2019	Conducted Post Leadership meeting
February 2019	Post celebration and recognition of 4th Anniversary
February 2019	Military Assistance Program Support of USS John C. Stennis
February 2019	Conducted Post General Membership Meeting
February 2019	Conducted Post Leadership meeting
January 2019	Conducted Post General Membership Meeting
January 2019	Conducted Post Leadership meeting
December 2018	Conducted Children's Christmas parties for Wat Somnat Krathon and Ann's home
December 2018	Conducted Pearl Harbor Day remembrance ceremony
December 2018	Charter undraped for Departed Comrade Ronnie Delaplain
December 2018	Attended Mid-Year Counsel of Administration in Angeles, PI
November 2018	Conducted Post Thanksgiving Dinner
November 2018	Charter draped for Departed Comrade Ronnie Delaplain
November 2018	Charter undraped for Comrade Dennis Bird
November 2018	Rendered Military Honors for Departed Comrade Ronald Delapine
November 2018	Conducted Veterans Day Remembrance Ceremony
November 2018	Recognized USMC Birthday
October 2018	Rendered Military Honors for Departed Comrade Ronald Delapine
October 2018	Hosted visit from Mike Verville Department Commander
October 2018	Attended District V Quarterly meeting in Korat
October 2018	Recognized US Navy Birthday
October 2018	Draped Post Charter for Departed Charter member Dennis Bird
September 2018	Awarded Membership, Early Bird Status

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September 2018	Recognized US Air Force Birthday
September 2018	Conducted POW/MIA Remembrance Day Ceremony
September 2018	Conducted Patriots Remembrance Day Ceremony
September 2018	Post awarded our formal recognition certificate for as All American Post 2017-2018
August 2018	Attended District V Quarterly meeting in Bangkok
July 2018	Conducted MAP Event for Active Duty Service members from US Navy Unit NMCB-5 with a traditional 4th of July celebration.
July 2018	Post conducted 4th Annual Charity golf tournament/fund raiser which enables us to continue ongoing community support efforts.
July 2018	Post conducted emergent move of Post home due to closure of previous location.
July 2018	Post Celebrated Independence Day with a beach picnic at Phayun Beach that was well attended by Membership, Friends of the Post and their families.
July 2018	Ken Stein relieved as Post Commander by Commander John Farrell
June 2018	Hosted the DPA convention. Mike Verville was installed as the Department Commander and all elected and appointed Post officers assumed their duties immediately following the Department Commander's installation.
June 2018	Recognized US Army's Birthday
June 2018	Undraped Post Charter in memory of Michael France
May2018	Hosted the District V quarterly meeting and convention.
April 2018	Participated in ANZAC ceremony in Kanchanaburi.
April 2018	Post held elections for officers. Jack Farrell elected Post CDR
March 2018	Post members visited USNS in Sri Racha Port, signed up two new members.
March 2018	Post held nominations for officers.
March 2018	Provided $500 grant for Post member from Veterans Assistance Committee to help with hospital bills.
February 2018	MAP event provided 100 pizza to redeploying US Marines as they waited for flight home.
February 2018	MAP event provided BBQ lunch for 100 military members participating in Cobra Gold.
February 2018	Along with our partner Bangkok Hospital Pattaya we set up three tables provided advice on VA and information on VFW and our Post, the hospital took blood pressure readings.
February 2018	Participated in War Veterans Organization of Thailand ceremony honoring Veterans Day in Thailand in Chanthaburi Royal Thai Marine Base

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January 2018	Established working relationship with War Veterans Organization of Thailand and agreed to assist each other in various community and military projects.
December 2017	Held Children's Christmas party at School for disabled children.
December 2017	Commemorated Pearl Harbor Day with 2 bell ceremony
November 2017	Celebrated thanksgiving with dinner for post members, families, and friends.
November 2017	Held ceremony at post for Veterans Day
October 2017	Post members and Friends of the Post provided water and snacks to local community during day of mourning and the day of cremation for the late King of Thailand.
September 2017	Recognized Patriots Day at Post home
September 2017	Attended POW/MIA ceremony in American Embassy Bangkok.
August 2017	MAP event at post home for U.S. Army unit, supplied snack food and soft drinks.
August 2017	Helped organize and attended funeral for past department commander.
July 2017	Post recognized and awarded All American Status for 2nd year in a row during National Convention in New Orleans. Convention attended by 5 members of our post.
July 2017	3rd annual post golf tournament.
July 2017	July 4th celebrated with picnic.
June 2017	Attended DPA convention in Subic Bay, Philippines
June 2017	Visited a U.S. Navy ship to promote VFW and receive tour
May 2017	Attended memorial service for Thai Marine killed in line of duty in South Thailand. Presented donation to family.
May 2017	Commemorated Memorial Day with ceremony at EOD Beach Utapao.
April 2017	Post held elections for officers. Ken Stein was re-elected Post CDR.
April 2017	Banchang VFW Post 12146 officially changed to Banchang Utapao VFW Post 12146. New Charter issued by National Headquarters.
March 2017	Post held nominations for officers.
February 2017	Celebrated Post 2nd anniversary with Cajun dinner.
January 2017	Remembered the signing of the Vietnam peace accord.
December 2016	Hosted children's Christmas party for disabled children and orphans.
December 2016	Commemorated Pearl Harbor Day with 2 bell ceremony
November 2016	Remembered Veterans Day with ceremony at post home.
November 2016	Attended U.S. Embassy outreach and provided info on post and VFW and assisted some non-member veterans with VA information.
November 2016	Post Thanksgiving Dinner
October 2016	King of Thailand dies, Post members and Friends of the Post provided water and snacks to local community during day of mourning.
September 2016	Recognized Patriots Day at Post home

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September 2016	Attended POW/MIA ceremony at American Embassy, Bangkok
August 2016	Hosted our military adopted Unit HSC 85 at our post home
July 2016	Post recognized and awarded All American status at the National Convention held in Charlotte, NC
July 2016	2nd Annual Post charity golf tournament.
July 2016	July 4th picnic and BBQ
June 2016	MAP event for U.S. Navy Seabees held at pier at Sattahip, provided lunch and soft drinks.
May 2016	Memorial Day Ceremony at EOD Beach, Utapao
April 2016	Elections held for post officers. Ken Stein re-elected Post CDR.
March 2016	Nominations were held for post officers
February 2016	Celebrated Post 1st anniversary with dinner party
February 2016	Represented the Post and VFW at Utapao during Cobra Gold exercise by having a display. Signed up 12 active duty annual members.
December 2015	Supported Camel Christmas Party for Children
December 2015	Commemorated Pearl Harbor Day with 2 bell ceremony
November 2015	Post Thanksgiving Dinner
November 2015	Hosted DPA Mid Year Convention
September 2015	Attended POW/MIA Ceremony at American Embassy Bangkok
July 2015	First Post Charity Golf Tournament
July 2015	July 4th celebrated with picnic and BBQ
May 2015	First Memorial Day Ceremony & Picnic at EOD Beach, Utapao
April 2015	First Post Election, Ken Stein elected Post CDR
19 February 2015	Instituted as Banchang VFW Post 12146