



# Press Release

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## POW/MIA Table Dedication at St. John VA Outpatient Clinic

NEW ORLEANS – The Prisoner of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) flag is black, with a white silhouette of a prisoner of war before a guard tower and barbed wire. The text on the flag reads “You are not forgotten.” This flag is flown outside all Veterans Administration facilities just under the American flag to show respect for these service members and their families.

Our country’s POW and MIA service members were remembered and honored on Thursday, July 11, at the St. John VA community-based outpatient clinic, part of the Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System. The St. John clinic received donation of a POW/MIA memorial table from VFW District 2 and Post 3337.

VFW Post 3337 Commander Jamaine “Jamie” Smith made the donation of the “Missing Man” table for her post and VFW District 2 to the clinic. Smith was recently elected commander of the post in La Place and is the first woman to serve in that role.

Smith said, “POWs and MIAs need to be recognized, and we have to make sure they are never forgotten. This table will help ensure we always remember them.”

“It’s an honor for us to receive such a prestigious donation in commemoration of those who served,” said St. John Clinic Manager Tesa Nevers. “We will never forget the sacrifice of our brothers and sisters. We thank VFW Post 3337 and District 2.”

“We are grateful to VFW Post 3337 and District 2 for donating the missing man table so that we shall never forget the men and women who gave up their freedom to protect ours” said SLVHCS Medical Center Director Fernando O. Rivera, FACHE.

For more information about the St. John VA community-based outpatient clinic, visit [https://www.neworleans.va.gov/locations/StJohn\\_Clinic.asp](https://www.neworleans.va.gov/locations/StJohn_Clinic.asp).

For news on this clinic and others in the Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System, follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/VANewOrleans](http://www.facebook.com/VANewOrleans), on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/vaneworleans](http://www.twitter.com/vaneworleans), and on Instagram at [www.instagram.com/vaneworleans/](http://www.instagram.com/vaneworleans/).

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