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EDITORIAL COMMENT — WHAT A THRILL IT IS TO OPEN A BRAND NEW YEAR — 2018!! IT IS A TIME OF "NEW BEGINNINGS," NEW DREAMS AND NEW ENERGIES. IT IS THUS A TIME TO MAKE 2018 A GREAT ONE FOR Post 10523.



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

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Well, we closed out 2017 with our traditional post meeting/Christmas party and with about 97 in attendance, I think everybody had a great time. It was really nice to see all the families enjoying the party with the music, great food, and of course the visit by Santa Claus. I hope everybody read the back of the schedule of events cards that were placed on the table to see what our post accomplished this past year and appreciate the hard work by all involved in the efforts of helping our fellow veterans and their families. We are all hoping to accomplish as much, if not more, for our 2018 year. It's a lot of work, but I feel we get as much out of our accomplishments as do our fellow veterans we strive to help in any way we can. We had both our photo journalism winners as well as our Voice of Democracy (VOD) winner attend our party and I think they enjoyed the function as well as their awards presented to them for their efforts in both these programs. We need to stress the VOD program this year to try and get more participation by the students and teachers. For a small essay and speech, the awards are worth the minor efforts the students have to applying order to win some money for college.

I, and your fellow post officers want to wish all of our fellow comrades and their families a very Happy and healthy 2018 New Year and we appreciate all that everybody does to make our post the envy of many posts in District 11, if not the state. We as your officers don't make our post successful — it's all the participation of the members that makes us look good.

I will close for now and I look forward to seeing as many of you at our January meeting and please be careful this time of the year with the cold and snow. If it's too bad outside to join us we will understand. Sooner have you miss a meeting then jeopardize your safety. " **VETERANS IN ACTION - BECAUSE WE CARE**"

J. Rick Williams, Commander
VFW Post 10523

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2018



HAPPY NEW YEAR, COMRADES!! IT'S UNBELIEVABLE — IT'S 2018! WHERE DID 2017 GO? LET'S GO INTO 2018 WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM!!

WE HAVE JUST COMPLETED THE GREAT FIRST HALF OF OUR CURRENT VFW FISCAL YEAR, AND ARE READY WILLING AND ABLE TO CONTINUE ON INTO A GREAT SECOND HALF!

PERHAPS THE BEST WAY TO ASSURE OUR DESIRE FOR EXCELLENCE WOULD BE TO PUT IT INTO NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS (WHICH WE ARE ALWAYS SURE TO COMPLETE... OF COURSE!!)

- ★ BE LOYAL AND ACTIVE IN OUR POST!!
- ★ ATTEND MONTHLY VFW MEETINGS
- ★ PARTICIPATE IN MOST EVENTS & ACTIVITIES
- ★ CONTINUE OUR GREAT COMRADESHIP!!

Happy New Year, Everyone

COMING UP... IN THE POST



- Jan 6... VOD, District Award Banquet
- Jan 8... Post Officers' Monthly Meeting
- Jan 11... Regular VFW Meeting, Post 10523
- Jan 20 - 21... VFW Mid-Winter Conference

VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988





2017 VFW CHRISTMAS PARTY

ONE OF THE BEST!!



THE 2017 VFW FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY WAS AGAIN A TRUE HIGHLIGHT “KICK-OFF” TO THE CHRISTMAS SEASON!! A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS SPIRIT AND GREAT FELLOWSHIP FILLED THE EVENING’S FESTIVITIES.

A FULL-HOUSE CROWD OF OVER 100 VFW COMRADES, FAMILIES, AND FRIENDS ENJOYED THE EVENING! GREAT CHRISTMAS PARTY!!

YOUTH AWARD WINNERS ...ANNOUNCED



The 2017 youth activities have been completed by the participating CW and Madison Christian Schools.

**The Post-level winners are —
VOD (Voice of Democracy)**

The winner is — Austin Beauchamp, of the Madison Christian High School

Photo-Journalism Contest

The winner is — Shanice Washington of the Canal Winchester High School.

Austin’s entry will be advanced to District. Results will be announced at a Jan 6 Awards Banquet. The photo-journalism contest is for CW only.

Congratulations, Austin and Shanice!!

POST 10523 VISITS THE “FORGOTTEN ONES”



The annual VFW Christmas visit to the “Forgotten Ones” (their term) at the VA Home in Chillicothe was another great success! Twelve (12) loyal VFW comrades joined in providing Christmas cheer to the less fortunate at the December 12 visit. It was a good day for the residents...and our VFW comrades as well.

2017 Hosts of Meeting Refreshments

BOB TINNERELLO	BRENDA ALLEN	RICH HOLTER
JERRY MOSSING (RICK)	BOB TAYLOR	GERRY GARBE
JIM JAUERT	CLIFF SMITH	LOU CARMAN
RICK WILLIAMS	BOB VANCE	THANKS, COMRADES!

NOW HEAR THIS...



SUMMARY OF DECEMBER VFW MEETING

- 5:45 p.m. Commander Williams convened the December VFW Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Commander Williams opened the 2017 VFW Family Christmas Party
- Welcome to all
- Introduction of selected guests
- Recognition of veterans of each of the wars
- Missing POW-MIA Comrades
— White-Table Ceremony
- Invocation
- A Merry Christmas Dinner
- Introduction of youth activity winners
- Arrival of Santa Claus!! (Great job!)
- Reading of the Christmas Story
- Finale — Christmas carol sing
- 8:45 p.m. Adjournment
— Flowers, gifts distributed

NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING



**C.W. COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER
22 S. TRINE ST.
CANAL WINCHESTER, OH 43110**

DATE: Thursday, JANUARY 11

TIME: 7:30 - 8:30 P.M.

**FOR: VFW Business Session, Comradeship
Refreshments Host—TBD**