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News and Notes

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EDITORIAL COMMENT — WE MADE IT — WE MADE IT THROUGH A COLD/SNOWY WINTER AND...SPRING IS (NEARLY) HERE!! SPRING IS USUALLY CONSIDERED THE MOST INSPIRING TIME OF THE YEAR. LET'S GO, 10523!



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

FROM THE COMMANDER:

We had another great turn out of comrades for a cold February night, 21 attended and were very involved. It's always great to see such a turn-out and this is why our post is considered one of the best in District 11 and is well known throughout the state for our many projects to help our fellow veterans.

Our post officers nominations committee is on speed and they should have their final list put together for our March nomination of officers at this month's post meeting. There are not too many changes but it's still not too late if you want to be considered for a position or you want to nominate a candidate at this post meeting. Please get with one of us at the meeting to discuss any potential members who may be interested in getting more involved in the running of the post so that we will continue to have the leadership needed to continue the legacy of our founders.

I will be meeting with Mrs. Pat Hartman, our late member Bill's widow, on our post taking over the Union Grove Cemetery Memorial Day ceremony this May. This is the ceremony she and the group from American Legion Post 220 has been conducting for over 30 years. Our post has been involved in this ceremony for a very long time and we want to make certain it continues to be an annual event for Canal Winchester and more importantly to honor those who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom.

Dr. Dana Street and Rich Holder are continuing their quest to gather support and get civic leaders, politicians, and anybody else they can reach out to and get them on board for this worthy cause for a veterans home here in central Ohio. Be prepared to see more of their initiative and what we can do to help on this project.

I will be heading to sunny Florida the end of this month but will return for the March meeting and I hope to bring good weather back with me! In any case I want to remind you to get your flu shot, still not too late, and stay healthy and safe. **"VETERANS IN ACTION - BECAUSE WE CARE"**

J. Rick Williams, Commander
VFW Post 10523



MARCH 20 IS A VERY SPECIAL DAY FOR MOST OF US, BECAUSE IT IS THE OFFICIAL SPRING EQUINOX, — THE FIRST OFFICIAL DAY OF SPRING, 2018! HOW GREAT IT IS — WE MADE IT THROUGH THE WINTER!! (REMEMBER THOSE BITTER-COLD WINTER DAYS??) NOW, OTHER THAN A FEW COLD SPELLS, WE LOOK FORWARD TO SPRING!!



Spring is, without question, the most inspiring season of the year! It is a refreshing time — A time of "newness". Spring planting, warm winds, green grass, and spring flowers. It doesn't get much better than that!

Let's all enjoy spring 2018!!

COMING UP... IN THE POST



- Mar 5... Post Officers' Monthly Meeting
- Mar 8... March Meeting, VFW Post 10523
- Mar 8... 2018-2019 Officer Nominations
- Mar 22... Spring Rest Home Visit,
Winchester Place

VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988





OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR 2018-2019



Thursday, March 8 (this Thursday) is the first step of our 2018-2019 officer elections. The nominating committee has met and has a list for the post's consideration. Nominations may also be made from the floor. All are urged to attend and help nominate our 2018-2019 leadership.

ALL-STATE 2018... A CONCERN?



POST 10523 HAS BEEN A TOP (ALL-STATE) POST FOR 17 OF THE PAST 19 YEARS ACCORDING TO THE VFW STATE RATING SYSTEM. (NINE CONSECUTIVE YEARS WITH RICK WILLIAMS AS COMMANDER.)

WE OF COURSE WANT TO CONTINUE OUR PROUD ALL-STATE STATUS!! EVERYTHING LOOKS GOOD FOR THIS YEAR, 2018 — WITH ONE POSSIBLE PROBLEM ... MEMBERSHIP!! WE NEED SEVERAL MORE NEW MEMBERS!! LET'S ALL HELP POST 10523 EARN ALL-STATE 2018!!

NEW MEMBER FOR POST 10523

We are pleased to welcome a new member of our post — Richard Perrault. Richard comes to us a veteran of the Vietnam War, where he served in the US Marines. Richard and his wife, Maryjane, live in Hebron, Licking County.

"Welcome, Richard!! We look forward to having you with us!!"

NOW HEAR THIS...



SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY VFW MEETING

- 7:20 p.m. Dave Francis was awarded an Honor Quilt by Quilters-on-the-Canal
 - 7:30 p.m. Commander Williams opened VFW Meeting
 - De-draped charter for Deceased Comrades Conrad Yeater, David Johnson, and Ray Detty.
 - New member approved — Richard Perrault
 - Rich Holter to meet, relative to a possible VA Home in central Ohio.
 - Members in Distress—
Tom Yost, Gerri Garbe, A.L. (Swede)
Eslick struggling (prayers proper)
 - Commander Rick said spring Georgetown, VA Hospital trip a possibility.
 - March 22, 2:30 p.m. Spring Rest Home Visit (Winchester Place)
 - New laptop computer approved for 10523
 - Blake Firestone announce a possible visit to the Columbus Anheuser-Busch Plant (bus transport?)
 - 8:30 p.m. Meeting adjournment
- Rick Williams — 50-50 Drawing Winner
Bob Taylor — Refreshment-Hour Host
Meeting attendance — 24

NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING MARCH 8, 2018



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

DATE: **Thursday, March 8**

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

FOR: VFW BUSINESS SESSION, COMRADESHIP
REFRESHMENTS HOST—Fred Kreutz