

# VFW



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on land and sea and in the air

## News and Notes

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**EDITORIAL COMMENT—UNBELIEVABLE... WINTER 2020 IS NEARLY OVER, AND ... SPRING IS WAITING IN THE WINGS!!**

**HOW EXCITING!! SPRING IS SO REFRESHING, SO INSPIRING, SO ENJOYABLE.**

*LET'S ENJOY!* — See Side Story —



**FROM  
THE COMMANDER  
VFW Post 10523**

### FROM THE COMMANDER:

Our February meeting was attended by 22 comrades and although we didn't have a lot to discuss we managed to go over our projected activities for the rest of the year. Since I mentioned in my comments from January's newsletter about the projected post activities for 2020 and hoping that if you don't have a copy by now to get with Tom Richards to obtain one. If anything, this will show how busy our post is and what we do for our fellow veterans, our community, and our own post members.

April 1, 2020 we will be doing our constitutional duty of filling out our Census forms by either online, by mail, or by phone. The Census is Confidential and required by law and the data collected is used for decision making at all levels of government. On or between March 12-20, 2020, you will receive an invitation in the mail to respond online to the 2020 Census, some will receive paper questionnaires but no matter what you get please take the time to complete your Census. I'm one of several from Canal Winchester's team for their 2020 Census Complete Count Committee members and I have numerous info sheets on the Census as well as a sample questionnaire for you to review and I will try to answer any questions that you may have, so please don't hesitate to get with me.

I will close for now and I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at our March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting and till then take care and be safe in all you do.

**"Veterans in Action - Because we Care."**

J. Rick Williams, Commander

VFW Post 10523

**HOW INSPIRING...  
IT'S  
SPRING  
IN OHIO!!**

**WE'VE ALMOST "GOT IT MADE". SPRING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!! HOW EXCITING!! THERE'S JUST SOMETHING ABOUT IT — SPRING... TRULY AN INSPIRING SEASON!! (ESPECIALLY AFTER 3 MONTHS OF WINTER!!)**

**March ... "Springtime in Ohio"**

- ★ **More sunny, warmer days!!**
- ★ **Longer daylight!!**
- ★ **Greening of trees and grass!!**
- ★ **Spring spirit!!**

**GOOD NEWS — "PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL", THE PENNSYLVANIA LONG-TIME GROUNDHOG, ANNUAL FORECASTER OF SPRING — AND OHIO'S OWN "BUCKEYE CHUCK" — BOTH BRING GOOD NEWS — BOTH DID NOT SEE THEIR SHADOWS ON NATIONAL "GROUNDHOG DAY", FEB. 2, THUS PREDICTING AN EARLY END TO WINTER, 2020!!" (PER COLS. DISPATCH FEB 3, 2020)**

**NICE GOIN' "GENTLEMEN"... WE APPRECIATE YOUR GOOD NEWS!!**

*Great Spring, Everyone!!*

### COMING UP ... IN 10523

- Mar 9 ... Official Meeting—Post 10523
- Mar 12... March Meeting, VFW Post 10523
- Mar 12... Officer Nominations of the Post
- Mar 19... Rest Home Cheer Visit "Winchester Care"



**VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON**

**FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988**





## OFFICER NOMINATIONS 2020 — 2021 VFW POST 10523



THIS THURSDAY, MARCH 12, AT THE MARCH VFW MEETING, THE NOMINATIONS — FOR NEXT YEAR — 2020-2021, WILL BE HELD!!

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ACTIVITY — FOR YOU AND THE POST. WE URGE YOU TO ATTEND — TO NOMINATE YOUR LEADERSHIP FOR NEXT YEAR!!

FYI -

NOMINATIONS — MARCH MEETING  
ELECTION — APRIL MEETING  
INSTALLATION — MAY MEETING

**HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US THURSDAY!!**

## CHEER TO ELDERLY



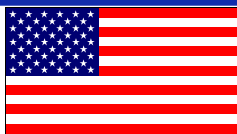
LOVING CONCERN AND CARE FOR OUR ELDERLY HAS ALWAYS BEEN A FOUNDATION BLOCK OF VFW — NATIONALLY, STATE AND LOCALLY.

POST 10523 HAS LONG BEEN LOYAL TO THE NEEDY AS WELL AS OTHERS NEEDING CHEER AND SUPPORT.

CHAIRMAN CLIFF SMITH HAS ANNOUNCED THAT OUR SPRING REST HOME CHEER-VISIT IS SET FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 19 — “WINCHESTER CARE” (WEST WATERLOO ST.) AT 2:30 P.M.

*All are Encouraged to Participate!!*

## TWO (2) MORE — FOR 10523!!



It was a great pleasure to receive two (2) new members into Post 10523 at the February 13 VFW Meeting —

Blair J. Neu — is a quality veteran of the US Army. He served for 25 years in one deployment. Blair and his wife, Ann, are Canal Winchester residents. They have four grown children — Jack, Alex, Max and Dom.

Harry H. Hanna (preferred—use name... “joe”) — Joe is of course a proud veteran of the US Marine Corps. He joined the marines in 1963 and served through 1967 — four (4) years of military service in Vietnam... Da Nang area. Joe is a widower and lives on Columbus Street in Canal Winchester.

*Welcome to the Post* — Blair and Joe!! We look forward to great fellowship!!

## NOW HEAR THIS...



## SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY POST MEETING



- 7:30 pm Commander Williams opened the meeting
- Opening Ceremonies
- Draping of the Charter — for
  - Robert W. (Bob) Barnett
  - Donald R. Harp
- Members in (Health) Distress —
  - Ed Morast (Heart valve)
- QM Bob Vance gave the financial report
- Service Officer — Bruce Ceneskie stresses flying the US Flag on government buildings
- Two (2) new recruits were approved —
  - Blair Neu
  - Harry Hanna
- March 19 — Cliff Smith announce the spring cheer visit to Winchester Care Rest Home
- Idea — Have veteran throw the first pitch at a CW home Baseball Game!! Great visibility/PR!!
- 8:30 pm Adjournment — February VFW Meeting!!
  - 50/50 Drawing — Rick Williams
  - Refreshment Hour — Bob Taylor
  - Meeting Attendance — 22

## NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020



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

**DATE: Thursday, March 12, 2020**

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

FOR: VFW Business Session, Comradeship  
Refreshments Host—Bob Tinnerello