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News and Notes

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EDITORIAL COMMENT— APRIL, 2020 IS UPON US...GREAT SPRING MONTH!! WINTER IS FULLY GONE INTO ITS "HIBERNATION" — AND— "MOTHER NATURE IS COMING ALIVE."
SPRING IS OFFICIALLY HERE!! *Enjoy!*



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

FROM THE COMMANDER:

Our March 12th meeting went well with only 16 members in attendance due to sicknesses and other problems. This was one of our lowest attendance in recent memories but is understandable. We did manage to have nominations of our post officers for VFW year 2020-2021. Due to the COVID19 virus our voting of the new officers will be different this year and with guidance from the District, State and the National VFW Commanders', I will outline the procedures our post is going to use.

1. On April 6th line officers will be teleconferencing to go over the procedures we will using for our abbreviated meeting on the 9th of April, which is our regular scheduled meeting date. We will meet outdoors at Stradley Place in Canal Winchester and maintaining social distancing will have a brief official meeting with the sole purpose of electing the new 2020-2021 officers. The National VFW Charter requires a minimum of 5 members for a Quorum to make the vote legitimate which we will have.
2. We still want members to participate in the voting and due to COVID19 virus we can do this electronically by using e-mail and I will explain how we will accomplish this. I will send out a listing of the post officers that were nominated and voted on at our March 12th meeting for all to review and then I will need all members that have e-mail to submit a yes or no vote on April 9th our regular meeting date. It is critical that you cast your vote on that date to keep with the guidance I've received from our chain of command procedures. Please make sure your subject line reads "Post Elections".

Knowing these are trying times and unusual circumstances we hope to have a normal post meeting in May but we have to wait and see how it goes.

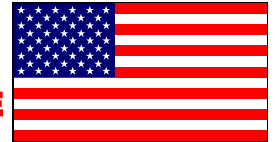
I will close for now and if you have any questions please call me and by all means keep safe and stay well. This virus is bad and all we have to do is follow the guidance that have been put out by our local, state, and our government officials. I will keep all informed on the status of meetings and the functions we have scheduled during May and June.

"Veterans in Action - Because we Care."

J. Rick Williams, Commander

VFW Post 10523

EARLY UPDATE IN MAJOR ARTICLE



THE WORLD-WIDE INTENSITY OF THE "VIRUS" SUGGESTS THAT WE CHANGE THE "LEAD ARTICLE" OF THIS—THE APRIL NEWSLETTER...TO RELATE THE CURRENT VIRUS EPIDEMIC!!

Commander Rick, with much thought and advice, is announcing—

I. Future monthly gatherings must be cancelled—in accordance with national regulations, our April VFW Meeting must thus be cancelled!!

II. We will be informed regarding the future start-up times, according to our Commander. Be alert to forthcoming information.

Commander Williams said to "Keep working together in combatting this epidemic and to keep doing our part to keep our VFW operating as well as possible. Let's keep in touch."

POST HIGHLIGHTS

**YOUR TOP VFW POST CONTINUES TO
"HIT ON ALL CYLINDERS"!!**

- Our meetings are... Good!
- Our activities are... Strong!
- Our fellowship is... Great!

See below for what's coming up in the Post!

Let's Keep Rollin' 10523!!

COMING UP ... IN THE POST

- Apr 6... Officers Planning
- Apr 9... April VFW Meeting —CANCELLED
- Apr 9... Officer Election, POSTPONED
- April... 2020 Golf Classic Planning
- TBD... Keystone may be moving to new location
- June 30... End of VFW 2019-20 Fiscal Year



VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988





SPRING IS ROLLIN' "AIN'T IT GREAT?"



IT'S OFFICIAL—WINTER HAS MOVED INTO ITS NORMAL "HIBERNATION" WITH SPRING OFFICIALLY ARRIVING MARCH 20!

ISN'T IT GREAT TO ENJOY SPRING? -

- ★ WARMING TEMPS... SUNSHINE!!
- ★ LONGER DAYLIGHT HOURS
- ★ GREENING GRASS, TREES, ETC.
- ★ INSPIRING SPIRITS

Let's Truly Enjoy ... Spring 2020!!



- In Memoriam -



IT IS WITH "A WORLD OF SADNESS" THAT WE HONOR THE "PASSING" OF ONE OF OUR "TOP" COMRADES ... POST 10523'S HIGHLY RESPECTED COMRADE ... RAY ECKLES!!

Space will not permit nearly as much as we need, thus, see limited notes -

- RAY ECKLES TRULY LOVED POST 10523
- RAY TRULY LOVED OUR MEMBERS!!
- HE WAS ESPECIALLY ACTIVE.
- WHEN HE SPOKE... EVERYONE LISTENED.
- HE TRULY... CARED FOR PEOPLE!!

Highest condolences go to Judy... His loving wife, to his family — and his many friends!!

*Comrade Ray... will never pass
this way... again!!*



Post Elections 2020-2021

Please make sure to read Commander Rick's message on Page 1. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the cancellation of the April Post 10523 Meeting, Officer Elections will be conducted using a special procedure. *See page 1*

NOW HEAR THIS...



SUMMARY OF MARCH POST MEETING



- 7:30 pm Commander Williams opened the meeting.
- Jeff Wright awarded Honor Quilt.
- De-Draping of the Charter — for
 - Robert (Bob) Barnett
- Draping of the Charter — for
 - Ray Eckles
- Post is receiving funds for Ray Eckles
- Margaret Marshall (deceased) Memorial held March 14.
- Motts Museum accepting donations for Margaret Marshall.
- Post made donations to Quilters on the Canal and CW Food Pantry.
- Roger Peacock to award donation to Post 10523 in honor of wife, Barbara Peacock, a long-time supporter of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10523. Roger's brother, Ralph, was a Past Commander.
- March 19 Cheer-Visit to Rest Home Cancelled.
- The Keystone building has been sold. The company will be moving to a new location!!
- 8:30 pm Meeting Adjournment
 - 50/50 Drawing — Mike Zolton
 - Refreshment Hour — Bob Tinnerello
 - March Meeting Attendance — 16 (virus)

NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020



CW COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER
22 S. TRINE ST.

CANAL WINCHESTER, OH 43110

DATE: Thursday, May 14, 2020

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

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