

VFW



News and Notes

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EDITORIAL COMMENT— WE ARE STILL HOLDING TOGETHER IN THE WORLD - WIDE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC!! THINGS ARE GOING WELL. WE JUST NEED TO FOLLOW ... ALL REGULATIONS AND...HOPE TO RETURN TO NORMAL OPERATIONS— AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!

VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

FROM THE COMMANDER: Well we had our second post meeting in May in the garage of our quartermaster Bob Vance's garage and it looks like we will be doing it again in June. We did swear in the officers for VFW year 2020-2021. It appears to me that many of our members still do not want to meet as we have prior to the COVID-19 virus. With most of us at the age where we don't want to catch the virus, and believe me when I say we all understand folks not wanting to be in crowds. A good example was our recent Final Salute for long time post member Don Porter, there was only 5 of us but the many veterans in attendance joined in as well as 3 of his sons and a daughter in-law. He still had a military funeral with thanks to the Reynoldsburg VFW and the 2 Air Force honor guard members.

I decided to write this after Memorial Day since I wanted to comment on what our post did to honor the men and women who paid the ultimate price for the freedom that we all enjoy and cherish. There were 10 of us that met at Union Grove Cemetery and raised the flag while playing our national anthem, I spoke briefly, said a prayer, and had a rifle volley followed by taps. This small ceremony was not what we have done in the past, but we had to have this to honor our fellow comrades.

My thanks to all who participated in this ceremony. I will keep this short but try and remain safe and I'm speaking on behalf of all of your post officers that we hope to have a full fledged meeting at the community center in July. I hope all that have e-mail are reading the newsletter and please, if you need any help don't hesitate to reach out to us.

"Veterans in Action - Because we Care."

J. Rick Williams, Commander
VFW Post 10523

JUNE UPDATE ON COVID-19/VFW



AS WE ALL KNOW — THE COVID-19 EPIDEMIC IS STILL WITH US... AND STILL TROUBLESOME — TO ALL!! AT THIS POINT IN TIME (JUNE, 2020) IT IS STILL INCREASING!! WILL WE EVER RETURN TO NORMAL??

COMMANDER WILLIAMS ASSURES US, "BASIC OPERATIONS ARE FUNCTIONING PROPERLY. WE ARE OBSERVING ALL REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES. OUR POST IS STRONG."

JUNE ACTIVITIES

- ★ Post Operation — Good!! (Limited)
- ★ Post Activities Non-Essentials— Limited
- ★ June VFW Meeting June 11 (Controlled)
- ★ Officers Planning Meeting June 8 (Controlled)

Post 10523 — Operating Properly — Good Management — Within Regulations!!

COMING UP ... IN 10523



- June... Continued basic Post activities — limited
- June 8... Officers Planning meeting
- June 11... June VFW Meeting
- June... Non-essential Activities Postponed
- June 30... End of 2019/2020 VFW Fiscal Year



END OF FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020



THE END OF THIS MONTH, JUNE 30, IS THE END OF THE CURRENT VFW YEAR, 2019-2020!! THIS YEAR WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS — THE YEAR THE CORONAVIRUS EPIDEMIC STARTED. (POST CONTINUES STRONG, BUT LIMITED!!)

THIS YEAR WILL BE RECORDED AS YET ANOTHER GREAT YEAR —

- ★ Great Pride and enthusiasm
- ★ Great member participation
- ★ Great meeting attendance (25)
- ★ Great fellowship
- ★ Great commitment

Our Post is doing reasonably well — even if currently limited!! Let's continue to keep it one of the best!!

VFW POST 10523

**LIMITED OPERATION (COVID-19)
— STRONG/VIABLE/ORGANIZED —**

Will return to "Full-Go"...Soon as possible!!



NEW MEMBERS 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR

- ★ **GEORGE E. LYBARGER** — MARINE — VIETNAM
- ★ **WILLIAM (BILL) WELLMAN** — NAVY — VIETNAM
- ★ **NATHAN M (NATE) DANA** — ARMY — AFGHANISTAN, KOSOVO
- ★ **HARRY (JOE) HANNA** — MARINES — VIETNAM
- ★ **BLAIR NEW** — ARMY-OHARNG — IRAQ, KUWAIT

**CREDITS TO OUR RECRUITING COMMITTEE!!
ALL OF US CAN HELP — JUST INVITE FRIENDS,
NEIGHBORS — AND OTHERS TO JOIN ONE OF
THE BEST VETERANS GROUPS IN OHIO!!**

NOW HEAR THIS... SUMMARY OF MAY VFW MEETING (LIMITED)



- 1:30 pm Commander Williams opened the meeting
 - Location was the Bob Vance Garage
 - Full Social Distancing was used
- Service Officer Ceneskie discussed the VOD Contest.
- Memorial Day Ceremony to be held... Limited
- Scouts placed flags on Veterans' graves
- Keystone H/C will again sponsor our 2020 Golf Classic
- Spring Poppy Distribution — Cancelled (coronavirus epidemic)
- Post 10523 made a contribution to Motts Museum
- Post Officers will make contacts with VFW Members
- Rich Holter has the Post website open for use
- Our Post Officers were sworn in at the May meeting
- Meeting closed — 1:40 pm
 - Location — Vance Garage
 - Attendance — 10 (Covid-19)
 - Time: 40 Minutes

NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2020

LOCATION TBD



DATE: Thursday, June 11, 2020

TIME: TBD

FOR: VFW Business Session, Comradeship