

VFW



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Who have fought
America's foreign wars
on land and sea and in the air

News and Notes

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**EDITORIAL COMMENT – APRIL IS NORMALLY A “TRUE SPRING” MONTH —
USUALLY SHORT-SLEEVE WEATHER (BUT NOT GUARANTEED!!) HA!
HOW GOOD IT IS TO HAVE WARMING WEATHER!!**

Let's Enjoy — Spring 2021!!

VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

FROM THE COMMANDER: We finally were able to meet as a group for our March 11th meeting at the Hope United Methodist Church located at 83 E. Columbus Street, Canal Winchester, Ohio. There were 13 of us in attendance and we complied with covid-19 guidelines. It was really great to see some of our folks that we haven't seen for some time and I look forward to seeing more during our April 8th meeting at the same location. We had our post nominations of officers for the 2021-2022 and there were not too many changes other than for post advocate with Rick Compton stepping up for the position and for our post guard Jeff Wright wants to give it a try. We will be voting on the post positions during our April meeting with swearing in during the May post meeting. Thanks to all that wanted to take on more responsibilities with the running of our post. The ladies from the Quilters on the Canal presented a quilt to post member Nathan Dana at our meeting as well as we made a donation to their group so they can continue to support our veterans with their beautiful quilts. We plan on awarding another quilt during our April meeting.

I'm still planning on having our Memorial Day Ceremony at Union Grove Cemetery May 31st as in years past with an additional ceremony for dedicating a new bench for the veterans' memorial area of the cemetery. This new bench will honor those who have served or still serving during the "Global War on Terrorism" from 2001 till present. Keep in mind we will need shooters, flag bearers, and all that can attend. Please try to attend our April meeting and hear firsthand what your post is doing for our fellow veterans. **Veterans in Action - Because we Care."**

J. Rick Williams, Commander— VFW Post 10523



“AIN'T” SPRING NICE?

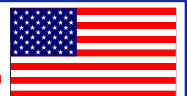
“AIN'T” SPRING NICE? IT'S SO REFRESHING TO HAVE MOTHER NATURE BEGINNING TO BLOOM —

- ★ **THE GREEN, GREEN GRASS**
- ★ **THE BURSTING TREE LEAVES**
- ★ **THE WARMING WEATHER**
- ★ **THE SUNSHINING DAYS**
- ★ **THE LONGER DAYLIGHT HOURS**
- ★ **OUR REFRESHING FEELING**

JUST AS WE ENJOY OUR GREAT SPRING SEASON, SO WE ARE INSPIRED TO “SPRING FORWARD” IN OUR HIGH QUALITY...VFW!! IT WOULD BE SO EASY TO FALL INTO LETHARGY — WE ARE ENCOURAGED TO RALLY SPRING FORWARD!!

Let's Go, Comrades!!

COMING UP ... IN THE POST



- Apr 4... Easter Sunday
- Apr 5... Post Officer Planning *Cancelled*
- Apr 8... VFW Meeting, Post 10523
- Apr 8... Post Officer Election (Voting)



EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 4

EASTER SUNDAY IS A MAJOR HOLIDAY FOR CHRISTIANS ALL OVER THE WORLD. ITS PURPOSE IS TO HONOR AND CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST.



Although VFW does not celebrate this "High day as an organization, our quality members are sure to honor Easter... on a family basis.

WE ALL ENJOY FAMILY ACTIVITIES . WE SELDOM KNOW THEIR REAL MEANING SET BY ANCIENT RITUALS.

EASTER EGGS — DEPICTING **FERTILITY**

EASTER LILIES—SYMBOL OF **REBIRTH**

EASTER BUNNIES — SYMBOL OF **WARMTH**

FAMILY — SYMBOL OF **FAITH**

EASTER— A HIGH AND JOYOUS DAY IN CHRISTIANITY!!

OFFICER ELECTIONS (VOTING)



ON THURSDAY, APRIL 8, AT THE VFW POST MEETING, COMRADES ARE URGED TO ATTEND, AND CAST YOUR VOTE!!

IT'S AN OPEN MEETING — TO BE HELD AGAIN AT HOPE METHODIST CHURCH (MEETING ROOMS).



COVID-19 UPDATE

VACCINATIONS CONTINUE TO EXPAND IN ALL 50 STATES.

AS PANDEMIC NUMBERS DECLINE, RESTRICTIONS ARE EASING AND WE ARE ONCE AGAIN ABLE TO MEET IN PERSON!!



NOW HEAR THIS...

SUMMARY OF MARCH POST MEETING



MARCH VFW 10523 MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HOPE METHODIST CHURCH—

83 E. COLUMBUS ST. CANAL WINCHESTER

- 7:00PM POST MEETING WAS OPENED — THE FIRST OPEN POST MEETING SINCE MARCH 2020.
- JOYCE BARRETT OF "THE QUILTERS ON THE CANAL" PRESENTED A QUILT TO ARMY CAPTAIN NATHAN M. DANA.
- KEEP DAVE FRANCIS AND SWEDE ESLICK IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.
- COMMANDER RICK WILLIAMS HAS RECEIVED A BID FOR AN ADDITIONAL BENCH WHICH IS TO BE INSTALLED AT THE UNION GROVE CEMETERY HONORING VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED AND ARE CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM.
- BOB TINNERELLO OBTAINED PERMISSION FROM THE MEIJER STORE IN CANAL WINCHESTER TO PROVIDE A POSTER THANKING MEIJER FOR SUPPORTING POST 10523.
- COMMANDER WILLIAMS WAS ASKED BY STATE COMMANDER FRED LAVERY TO BE THE STATE CHAIRMAN FOR THE NATIONAL HOME AGAIN THIS YEAR.
- FRANKLIN COUNTY NATIONAL SERVICE WILL PROVIDE POST WITH SOME FUNDS FOR 2021 MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION.
- BOB TAYLOR INQUIRED ABOUT POPPIES THIS YEAR — IT DEPENDS ON COVID.
- NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 8 AT 7:30 PM AT HOPE METHODIST CHURCH.

NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING



THURSDAY, APRIL 8

**HOPE METHODIST CHURCH
(MEETING ROOMS)
83 E. COLUMBUS ST.**

CANAL WINCHESTER, OH 43110

DATE: Thursday, April 8, 2021

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

FOR: VFW BUSINESS SESSION, COMRADESHIP