

VFW



News and Notes

An organization of Veterans
Who have fought
America's foreign wars
on land and sea and in the air

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EDITORIAL COMMENT – CAN'T HELP BEING SAD ABOUT LEAVING VFW JOB — I REALLY LIKED “EDITOR OF POST 10523'S NEWSLETTER. I REALLY ENJOYED DEVELOPING THE ISSUES EACH MONTH. SEE PAGE 3 FOR FOUNDING OF THE VFW NEWSLETTER.

VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

FROM THE COMMANDER:

We finally had a regular meeting at the community center for our May 13th meeting and it was terrific to see 17 comrades in attendance. It's been 14 months since we were all able to meet as a large group and I saw a few familiar faces that I haven't seen for a while. I'm hopeful that our meeting in June will have an even better turnout of comrades.

During our meeting in May our post officers for VFW 2021-2022 fiscal year were sworn in. I want to thank all those who continue to serve our post and also thank the ones who have served in the past. It's comrades like those who can serve that makes our post what we are all about.

By the time you read this, we will have completed our Memorial Day Ceremony at Union Grove Cemetery and my thanks to all that contributed to making this annual ceremony a success. We dedicated a memorial bench for our fellow comrades who have and continue to serve during the "Global War on Terrorism" (GWOT). We sure want to recruit more of the GWOT folks into our post as we need the younger comrades to get involved so that someday, they will be running our post and continue our legacy of helping our fellow veterans.

The month of June will be our post newsletter editor, Dr. Earl Kantners' last publication as editor. I want to personally thank him for all the hard work he has put into making our newsletter a great read and full of pertinent news. I, with the help of Amanda Lemke, will be filling in as editor until we get a comrade that wants to take over and become our post newsletter editor. Please let me know if you're interested as I think my plate is pretty full and I would welcome the break!

Our Golf Committee met for the second time and everything is progressing smooth but we will need teams, gifts, and your help during the outing to make this outing better than the past ones.

I will close for now so stay safe and be careful with the hot weather and don't overdue your outside activities until our bodies adjust. **Veterans in Action - Because we Care."**

J. Rick Williams, Commander— VFW Post 10523



YEAR IN REVIEW — 2020-21 CHALLENGING —

THE VFW YEAR 2020-21 WAS A MOST UNIQUE ONE — HIGHLIGHTED OF COURSE BY THE WORLD-WIDE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC." WE ALL KNOW THE DEVASTATING EFFECTS OF THIS WORST-EVER EPIDEMIC.

Post 10523 HAS PERSEVERED QUITE WELL— ON A LIMITED BASIS...IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS.

POST 10523'S BASE SUCCESSES WERE INSPIRED BY

- ★ STRONG LEADERSHIP
(COMMANDER AND OFFICER TEAM)
- ★ FIRM DETERMINATION
- ★ LOYALTY... TO HIGH QUALITY
- ★ AN ABIDING FAITH IN THE FUTURE

DEEP APPRECIATION TO ANY AND ALL — THAT "STAYED THE COURSE."

COMING UP ... IN THE POST



- June 7... Post Officer Planning *Cancelled*
- June 10... June Meeting — VFW Post 10523
at the CW Community Ctr.
- June 30... End of Post 10523 fiscal year

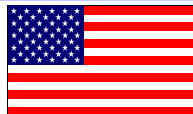


POST OFFICERS VFW POST 10523

JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

OFFICE	OFFICERS	ASSISTANTS
COMMANDER	RICK WILLIAMS	
SENIOR VICE	BOB TAYLOR	
QUARTERMASTER	BOB VANCE	
ADJUTANT	TOM RICHARDS	
ADVOCATE	RICK COMPTON	
CHAPLIN	CLIFF SMITH	LEE GIFFORD
SURGEON	GERRY GARBE	NAT DANA
OFFICER/DAY	ELIE WALLER	ANDY MINNETTE
SVC OFFICER	BRUCE CENESKIE	
POST GUARD	JEFF WRIGHT	BLAKE FIRESTONE
TRUSTEE (1)	RICH HOLTER	
TRUSTEE (2)	GREG ISETT	
TRUSTEE (3)	ED MORAST	

MEMORIAL DAY — REMEMBERING THE FALLEN



THE TRADITIONAL CANAL WINCHESTER MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES WERE HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 31 (OFFICIAL MEMORIAL DAY). THIS LOYAL COMMUNITY EVENT WAS SPONSORED BY VFW Post 10523, COMMANDER J. RICK WILLIAMS PRESIDING.

WITH COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS EASED, ATTENDANCE WAS THE LARGEST EVER, — DUE TO LOYAL CW AND AREA CROWD WHO CARED... TO REMEMBER AND HONOR OUR FALLEN VETERANS, WHO GAVE THEIR ALL — THEIR VERY LIVES FOR OUR COUNTRY... FOR EACH OF US!!

**BACK TO...
THE COMMUNITY CENTER**
**WE WANT TO STRESS THE JUNE 10
(THIS THURSDAY) VFW POST MEETING
WILL BE HELD IN THE CW COMMUNITY
CENTER.
"BACK TO BUSINESS!"**

Be sure to join us!!



NOW HEAR THIS...

SUMMARY OF MAY POST MEETING



- PRIOR TO THE MEETING, AN HONOR QUILT WAS PRESENTED TO AMANDA LEMKE, FAMED TYPIST, FOR HER TRULY OUTSTANDING TYPING OF OUR VFW NEWSLETTERS OVER THE YEARS!!
- THE MAY 2021 MEETING OF VFW Post 10523 WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 P.M. BY COMMANDER WILLIAMS.
- DISCUSSION — THIS IS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF — THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER”
- **NEW RECRUIT FOR 10523-**
★ **CHARLES SANDERS, U.S. NAVY VETERAN**
- **ANNUAL VFW GOLF CLASSIC** DISCUSSION BY CHAIRPERSON RICH HOLTER. **PLANS DEVELOPING WELL!!** OFFICIAL DATE FOR 2021— SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 12. TEE-OFF AT 1:00 PM SHARP!
- THE OHIO FLAGS OF HONOR — **OUTSTANDING TRAVELING DISPLAY** OF MEMORIAL TRIBUTES OF OUR FALLEN COMRADES WILL BE ON DISPLAY JULY 2 THROUGH JULY 5.
- THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:30 P.M.

**ATTENDANCE — 19
JUNE GOAL— OUR STANDARD 25!!**

NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING THURSDAY, JUNE 10

AT THE
CW Community Center
22 S. TRINE ST.
CANAL WINCHESTER, OH 43110
DATE: Thursday, June 10, 2021
TIME: 7:30 P.M.
FOR: VFW BUSINESS SESSION, COMRADESHIP

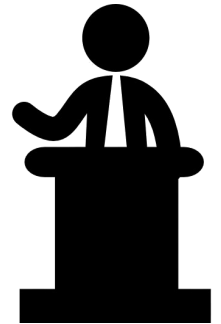




NEW EDITOR — VFW NEWSLETTER

— EARL KANTNER RETIRING —

Au Revoir, Comrades



AN EDITORIAL —

AFTER 17 YEARS AND NEARLY 200 VFW NEWSLETTERS, I WILL BE RETIRING , EFFECTIVE THIS (JUNE) ISSUE. HEALTH CONDITIONS AND ADVANCED AGE (95) ARE RESPONSIBLE.

**BOBBIE MERSHON
FOUNDER...**

**THE VFW 10523
NEWSLETTER**



**VFW Post 10523's
POST NEWSLETTER WAS FOUNDED
IN OCTOBER 1998 BY THEN-
COMMANDER BOBBIE MERSHON,
WHO STRONGLY WANTED TO HAVE
A NEWSLETTER FOR THE POST.
DISCUSSIONS FOLLOWED... THE
POST AGREED UNANI-
MOUSLY, AND POST
10523 WAS TO
HAVE A VFW NEWS-
LETTER!!**



THE FIRST EDITOR —

A MAJOR PROBLEM WAS — WHO WOULD PRODUCE (EDIT) IT? NONE OF THE MEMBERSHIP WOULD OR COULD, UNTIL I (EARL KANTNER) FINALLY AGREED.

Sincere Note — I have truly enjoyed serving as your editor for nearly seventeen (17) years!! We have produced nearly 200 issues — laying out and hand-printing the copy for the typists.

SINCERE APPRECIATION

- ★ **TO COMMANDER WILLIAMS FOR HIS MONTHLY COLUMN**
- ★ **TO THE LOYAL TYPISTS FOR TYPING EVERY ISSUE — COST FREE... FOR VETERANS!!**
 - ★ **TO DONNA WARREN, OUR FIRST TYPIST**
 - ★ **TYPIST DELUXE AMANDA LEMKE**
 - ★ **LINDA TENNISON**
- ★ **TO TOM RICHARDS AND CONRAD YEATER FOR ORGANIZING AND MAILING THE COPIES.**

Warmest Wishes to All!! — Earl Kantner