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News and Notes

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EDITORIAL COMMENT – SUMMER IS IN FULL-SWING! TIME TO GET OUTSIDE AND ENJOY THE FRESH AIR, SUNSHINE AND BLUE SKIES...AND EVEN THE SUMMER SHOWERS FROM TIME TO TIME!



Enjoy — Summer 2021!!

VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

FROM THE COMMANDER: We had 23 comrades attend our July 8th meeting and it was really great to see our attendance grow as COVID-19 gets further behind us. Speaking of COVID-19, the new strain of the virus (Delta) is starting to take hold of the folks who decided not to be vaccinated. I hope this wave is short lived as our country can't afford another shut-down like we had this past year. Getting vaccinated is a personal decision and if you believe in the science behind the making of vaccines, there shouldn't be any other decision to get it to protect yourself and your family and friends. Let your conscience be your guide. Speaking of the COVID-19 virus, we are still limited on what we can do and where we can go. **Our annual bingo trip in July to Chillicothe VA Hospital has been cancelled** and at this time I'm not certain if our annual trip in December is still going to happen. Once I get word from our point of contact at the hospital, I will let the post members know. Our trip may mimic what we did last December when we dropped off cards and fruit. More to come on this later in the summer.

As you may know, I'm now our Post newsletter editor (temporary) and the Post is still looking for a permanent person or persons to take on this very important position. It's not as hard as you may think it is and with the help you will get from Amanda Lemke, she will make you look really professional!

I will close for now. **I hope to see many of you at our August 12th meeting.** Continue to stay healthy and safe and once again watch being out in the sun during the hot days. **Veterans in Action - Because we Care."**

J. Rick Williams, Commander— VFW Post 10523

MOTT'S MILITARY MUSEUM BRICK-LAYING CEREMONY



ON AUGUST 14TH, MOTTS WILL HOST ITS ANNUAL BRICK-LAYING CEREMONY. THE NAMES OF THE LIVING AND DECEASED VETERANS WHO WILL BE HONORED WILL BE READ ALOUD DURING THE CEREMONY. AT LEAST THREE OF OUR OWN MEMBERS WILL BE RECOGNIZED: DON KIRSHNER, BOB VANCE, AND TOM RICHARDS. ALTHOUGH OUR POST IS NOT INVOLVED, PLEASE CONSIDER DROPPING BY TO WITNESS THE CEREMONY. THERE WILL BE ONE CEREMONY AT 10AM (OUR MEMBERS WILL BE HONORED AT THIS TIME) AND A SECOND CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE AT 1PM.

2021 GOLF CLASSIC

According to Rich Holter and his golf committee, everything is on track for another great golf outing on September 12th at Westchester Golf Course! We still need a couple more teams and of course help from post members during the event. Contact Rich or Bob Taylor to sign up.



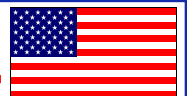
SAVE THE DATE! DEC 9 — POST 10523 CHRISTMAS PARTY

THE POST'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY WILL BE HELD AT THE DAVID LUTHERAN CHURCH

ON DECEMBER 9TH.

MARK THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THE CELEBRATION!

COMING UP ... IN THE POST



- Aug 9... Post Officer Planning Meeting
- Aug 12... VFW Meeting, Post 10523
- Sept 4... Labor Day
- Sept 25... Founders Day Ceremony



HONORING FALLEN EOD VETERANS

Our post members John and Marshall Crabtree were recently highlighted in an article in the Canal



Winchester Messenger (July 19 online, July 25 print). The article focused on the EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) Warrior Foundation Flag Program, which works "to have a flag placed on every EOD grave throughout the summer...to honor and remember all deceased EOD technicians regardless of their years of service." If you haven't read the whole article, a copy will be at our next meeting.



If you'd like to read the article online, it is viewable at www.columbusmessenger.com/couple-works-with-foundation-to-honor-fallen-eod-veterans.html.

KOREAN WAR MURAL MARION, OH

AS YOU MAY HAVE SEEN IN THE NEWS, A KOREAN WAR MURAL WAS RECENTLY DEDICATED IN THE MARION ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. THE MURAL FEATURES IMAGES OF LIVING VETERANS WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR AS WELL AS 11 LOCAL MEN WHO DIED WHILE IN KOREA. THE VETERANS DEPICTED ARE ALSO HONORED WITH GOLDEN PLAQUES ENGRAVED WITH THEIR NAMES.

IF YOU GET A CHANCE WHILE DRIVING UP US-23 NORTH TO MARION, IT IS WORTH CHECKING OUT!



**SAVE THE DATE!
NEXT MONTH'S MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

NOW HEAR THIS...

SUMMARY OF JULY POST MEETING



- JULY 2021 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30PM BY COMMANDER WILLIAMS.
- WELCOMED NEW MEMBER, ROGER PEACOCK, USAF RETIRED CMSgt (E-9)
- CELEBRATION OF LIFE CEREMONY FOR BRENDA CENESKIE, WIFE OF OUR SERVICE OFFICER BRUCE CENESKIE WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY JULY 14TH AT THE LITHOPOLIS AMERICAN LEGION POST 677
- SERVICE OFFICER BRUCE CENESKIE BRIEFED US THAT AFTER 50 YEARS OF THE END OF THE VIETNAM WAR, 50% OF VETERAN SUICIDES WERE FROM THE VIETNAM WAR!
- BLAKE FIRESTONE, CHAIRMAN OF THE VOICE OF DEMOCRACY (VOD) PROGRAM WILL WORK WITH TEACHERS FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR ON ESSAYS FOR THEME "WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE" AND FOR THE PATRIOTS PEN ESSAY THE THEME IS "HOW CAN I BE A GOOD AMERICAN"
- VFW FOUNDERS DAY CEREMONY WILL BE HELD SEPTEMBER 25TH AT GREENLAWN CEMETERY
- COMMANDER WILLIAMS RECOGNIZED MEMBERS WITH CONTINUOUS SERVICE TO THE VFW ORGANIZATION. BOB VANCE, BOB TINNERELLO, AND TOM RICHARDS FOR 5 YEARS, HOLLY PHILLIPS FOR 20 YEARS, BRUCE CENESKIE FOR 30 YEARS, AND DON KERSHNER FOR 75 YEARS.
- MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:30PM

NEXT VFW POST 10523 MEETING



THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

CW COMMUNITY CENTER

22 S. TRINE ST.

CANAL WINCHESTER, OH 43110

DATE: Thursday, August 12, 2021

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

FOR: VFW BUSINESS SESSION, COMRADESHIP