

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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April Showers — SPRING IS FINALLY HERE! ENJOY THE BUDDING TREES, GROWING GRASS, AND OF COURSE, SHOWERS! AS THE SAYING GOES, APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS!



FROM THE COMMANDER VFW Post 10523

FROM THE COMMANDER: We had 16 members attend the March 10th meeting which as always was very productive. We met at the Hope United Methodist Church in Canal Winchester since the community center was in process of moving the contents to the city hall complex in the former Bob McDorman Car Museum. We worked on the nominations of our post officers for the VFW year 2022-2023 and will vote them in at the April meeting and swear them in during our May meeting. I will be attending the District 11 meeting on March 13th at VFW Post 7005 in West Jefferson and will brief at our April 14th meeting. As the newsletter editor, I will be keeping my comments short and put more news throughout the newsletter. Looking forward to seeing you at our April 14th meeting in the new city complex **“Veterans in Action - Because we Care.”**

J. Rick Williams, Commander— VFW Post 10523

CITY HALL COMPLEX COMPLETED

The city of Canal Winchester has finished converting the former Bob McDorman Car Museum into their new city hall which will have offices for the mayor, his staff, and many of the folks that manage the city. What this means for our post is where we will meet for our monthly meetings since the new complex will house the community center. The new address for the city hall complex is 45 E. Waterloo Street, Canal Winchester, OH, 43110. The community center is located on the west side of the building and we will be entering the double doors on the south side of the building (the end that faces Shades and the old community centers rear doors facing the huge parking area for Shades). If confused, please don't hesitate to call. We're looking forward to seeing as many of you that can attend to check-out our new meeting area.



We'd like to extend a big thanks to the City of Canal Winchester for continuing to give us space to meet.



MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

OUR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT UNION GROVE CEMETERY IS ON TRACK FOR MAY 30TH, 2022 WITH OUR GUEST SPEAKER TO BE NAMED SHORTLY. THIS CEREMONY WHICH BEGAN ALMOST 50 YEARS AGO BY THE CANAL WINCHESTER AMERICAN LEGION POST 220 AND TAKEN OVER BY OUR VFW POST THE PAST FEW YEARS TO REFLECT ON THE TRUE MEANING OF MEMORIAL DAY. WE GET TO HONOR AMERICA'S FALLEN HEROES AND BE THANKFUL TO THEM FOR THEIR EFFORT AND THEIR PROFOUND PATRIOTISM. WE DO ALL THE PLANNING FOR THE CEREMONY AND ONE OF DUTIES IS TO PROVIDE A COLOR GUARD AND A HONOR GUARD FOR THE POSTING OF THE COLORS AS WELL AS DOING A 21 GUN VOLLEY HONORING THOSE WHOM PAID THE ULTIMATE PRICE FOR OUR FREEDOM. WE WILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO SIGN-UP TO CARRY THE FLAGS AS WELL AS FIRING OF OUR WEAPONS. WHEN YOU SEE THE SIGN-UP SHEET, PLEASE PLAN ON PARTICIPATING IN THIS WORTHWHILE CEREMONY. THANKS!

VFW...REMEMBERING, CARRYING ON

FOUNDED OCTOBER 12, 1988





VFW SCOUT OF THE YEAR NOMINEES



THANKS TO TOM RICHARDS AND MARK HOUCK, WE HAVE TWO NOMINEES FOR VFW SCOUT OF THE YEAR PROGRAM FOR THE 2021- 2022 YEAR, GIVING BOTH OF THESE YOUNG MEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO WIN A \$30,000.00 SCHOLARSHIP. THE VFW HAS A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA SINCE 1915 TO RECOGNIZE SCOUTS FOR THEIR STANDOUT CITIZENSHIP, PATRIOTISM, AND LOVE OF COUNTRY. OUR NOMINEES ARE BENJAMIN W. CASTOE AND ETHAN W. ESTEP, BOTH FROM THE CANAL WINCHESTER AREA. LET'S WISH THEM BOTH GOOD LUCK.

FROM OUR POST SERVICE OFFICER



Service officer Bruce Ceneskie briefed us on the Biden-Harris administration budget for fiscal year 2023 that delivers critical resources to help the VA serve Veterans, their families, caregivers and survivors with the benefits they have earned for their defense of our country. The whole article can be found on www.VA.gov under the VA Secretary McDonough March 28th statement on FY2023 budget.

With the month of March designated as Women's History Month, the VFW salutes all female veterans.



CHILlicothe VA HOSPITAL



An article in the Chillicothe Gazette newspaper talked about the future closing of the Chillicothe VA Medical Center and building a new multi-specialty clinic, relocating inpatient mental health & rehabilitation treatment programs to the Dayton VA Medical Center, moving half of the nursing home beds to the Dayton VA and the other half to a new facility in Circleville. Final decision will be made by the President and Congress by January 2023, with implementation between one to twenty years if approved. Will keep you posted on the final outcome.

VIETNAM VETERANS DAY

Vietnam Veterans Day



March 29

WITH MARCH 29TH DESIGNATED AS VIETNAM VETERANS DAY, THE COMMANDER WISHES TO THANK ALL OF HIS FELLOW VIETNAM VETERANS FOR THEIR SERVICE DURING ONE OF OUR NATIONS MOST CHALLENGING TIMES.

IN HONOR OF OUR SERVICE, CELEBRATION OF OUR VALOR, AND GRATITUDE OF OUR SACRIFICE, OUR COUNTRY NOW SALUTES WHAT WE DID WAS A NOBLE CAUSE. "WELCOME HOME."

NOW HEAR THIS...



SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY POST MEETING



- Meeting called to order by Commander Williams at 7:30PM
- New member Larry Lautenschleger, U.S. Army, voted in and sworn in.
- Quartermaster Bob Vance gave his report to the post
- Service Officer, Bruce Ceneskie, spoke on Vietnam Veterans Day on March 29th and the GWOT memorial in work.
- Please keep Gerry Garbe & Dave Francis in your thoughts and prayers.
- Jr. Vice Commander, Bob Tinnerello set-up poppy distributions at Sam's Club May 27th&28th.
- Adjutant Tom Richards talked on our 2 packages sent forward for VFW Scout of the year contest.
- Post held nominations of officers for VFW year 2022-2023 with elections in April
- Commander Williams talked on the upcoming Memorial Day Ceremony at Union Grove Cemetery May 30th.
- No further business - Commander Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:20PM

COMING UP ... IN THE POST



- Apr 11... Post Officer Planning Meeting
- Apr 14... VFW Meeting, Post 10523
- May 9... Post Officer Planning Meeting
- May 12... VFW Meeting, Post 10523
- May 27 & 28... Poppy Distribution, Sam's Club
- May 30... Memorial Day Ceremony, Union Grove

APRIL

VFW POST 10523 MEETING



THURSDAY, APRIL 14

**LOCATION:
NEW CW COMMUNITY CENTER
45 E. WATERLOO ST.**

**DATE: Thursday, April 14, 2022
TIME: 7:30PM**