



LAKE ONTARIO POST 313
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

February 1, 2017

Dear Veterans and Friends:

What happened in the month of February as history tells us, did you know that:

- On **February 3, 1913** – the 16th Amendment of the United States Constitution was ratified (you probably don't want to know this, but...) granting Congress the authority to collect income taxes.
- On **February 3, 1894** – American artist and Illustrator Norman Rockwell was born.
- On **February 6, 1895** – George Herman ("Babe") Ruth was born in Baltimore, Maryland.
- On **February 6, 1911** – Ronald Reagan, 40th President of the United States was born.
- On **February 10, 1945** – The first Medal of Honor during World War II was awarded to 2nd Lt. Alexander Nininger (posthumously) for heroism during the Battle of Bataan.
- On **February 11, 1945** – American Inventor Thomas Edison was born.
- On **February 12, 1809** – Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States was born.
- On **February 13, 1945** – During World War II in Europe, British and American planes began massive bombing raids on Dresden, Germany. A four-day firestorm erupted that was visible for 200 miles and engulfed the historic, old city, killing an estimated 135,000 German civilians.
- On **February 20, 1962** – Astronaut John Glenn became the 1st American launched into orbit, aboard "Friendship 7" spacecraft. He orbited three times in this historic flight.
- On **February 22, 1732** – I don't remember, but do you? George Washington, 1st President of the United States was born.
- On **February 23, 1991** – The Allied ground offensive began after a devastating month long air campaign targeting Iraqi troops in both Iraq and Kuwait.

And that is the way it was in history.....Do you have any more information for us.

Now, to news around Post #313:

On January 25, 2017, Commander Gary Zanardi, Ed Jackson, Walt Stevenson, Will Hartly, and John Mac Arthur attended a Breakfast Meeting with State Senator Robert Ortt at Syros Restaurant. Senator Ortt talked on Veterans issues, thanked us for our service to our country, and introduced our County Veterans Service Officers who explained that they are here to help us with any Veterans questions and explanation of our benefits. If you have a concern or question, contact **Chris Butler**, at 438-4090, email veterans@niagaracounty.com or 111 Main Street, Suite 200, Lockport, New York 14094.

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VFW Lake Ontario Post 313 Youngstown

On January 26 and 28, the Post hosted a New York State Pistol Permit Course. There were 38 attendees on Thursday, January 26, and 37 on Saturday January 28. By all indications it was VERY SUCCESSFUL. Our thanks to Commander Gary Zanardi and Lynn for making this possible.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 2 – HAPPY GROUND HOG DAY
February 13 – Regular Post Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
February 14 – HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY
February 26 – VFW District 7 Meeting, 1:00 P.M., Lockport VFW Post 2535
March 13 – Annual St. Patrick’s Day Dinner, further information will be in the March Newsletter.
March 18 – Youngstown St. Patrick’s Day Parade, Noon, Main Street
March 18 – Youngstown Lions Club “Cash Bash.” Monetary prizes, food, drink, and entertainment. It will be a FUN DAY!!

TRIVIA TIME: WHAT GOES UP AND NEVER GOES DOWN? (Answer will be revealed in the March Newsletter)

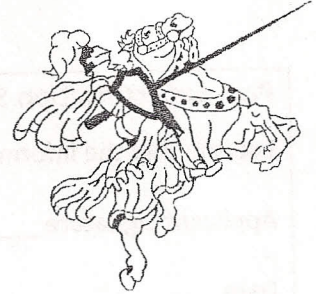
Until next time, have a great month, stay healthy, and above all thank you for your service!!

Sincerely,

Lance Dickinson, Newsletter Co-editor
John H. Mac Arthur, Newsletter Co-editor



**Veterans of Foreign Wars
Lake Ontario Post 313
2017 Scholarship Application**



Purpose

- Provide a \$500 scholarship to an eligible student who is the relative of a military veteran.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a senior at Lewiston-Porter High School.
- Must be the relative of a United States military veteran.
- Scholarship must be used to attend college or an accredited technical/trade school.

Part 1: Applicant Information

- a. Applicant's Name: _____
- b. Home Address: Street _____
City/State/Zip Code _____
- c. Telephone Number: _____
- d. Name of military relative and their relationship to you (father, mother, grandfather, etc.)

- e. Cumulative high school GPA as of last semester or quarter: _____
- f. Current SAT and/or ACT: _____ / _____
- g. High school class ranking: _____ of _____ as of last semester/quarter.
- h. List the colleges/schools where you have applied or been accepted:

- i. Intended major course of study: _____
- j. Attach a copy of your high school transcript.

Part 2: School and Community Extracurricular Activities

- Attach a list of all activities that you participated in while attending high school.
- Include school, community, work, and sports activities including positions held and awards received.

Part 3: Essay

- **Topic: "My Responsibility to America"**
- Essay cannot exceed one 8.5 x 11 inch page.
- Neatness, spelling, and composition counts.

Part 4: Certification Statement

I certify that the information provided is true and factual to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature _____

Date _____

Teacher / Guidance Counselor Endorsement _____

Date _____

- **To be considered, application must be received by May 1, 2017.**

- Mail completed application with high school transcript, activities list, and essay to:

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