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Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

August 1, 2021

Dear Veterans, Auxiliary, and Friends:

Commander Comments:

Well, here we are with another month down; I hope everyone is doing well. This month we will be having our annual streak dinner on the 9th, in place of our regular meeting. It is going to be **“very important”** to call in your RSVP to John MacArthur. This is because of the prices for steaks have skyrocketed and we can't afford to be caught with too many extras. If people call in early and commit, we will buy to cover, but the number must **cut off on Saturday the 7th**. So please call in! There is one other thing and that is the price for the meal has gone up to \$20.00; you had to know that was coming. The last thing is to bring a dessert to pass. Kurt - bring cookies, we have snacks.

There is one more thing I would like to cover. This newsletter is for all members and with that anyone can add to it. We need others putting in their ideas or reporting on what has happen and what is going to happen. John is reporting on the 50/50 raffle at the Town of Niagara on the 4th of July. We have other members who are picking up in different areas and we need them to be reporting in. With your help, we can get more information out to the members. We would like to get started on the newsletter about two weeks ahead of the meeting date. Get in contact with Will Hartley (585-813-8321 or williamh995@gmail.com) for anything you would like to add.

I think that covers almost everything for now. I would like to finish by thanking those who turned out for the 50/50 raffle and did a great job. Also, while in the thank you mode, Many Thanks are due to John MacArthur and his wife Sara for all their help last month at the hamburger and hot dog picnic. And to all who come out and support us “Thank you”. See you at the dinner.

Ed Jackson
Post Commander

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MEMBER CONCERNS:

Our sympathy and condolences go out to the family of Frank Gubala. Frank was a US Army Veteran, 9th Infantry 3rd/47th, recipient of 2 Purple Heart Medals, Combat Infantryman's Badge. Member of VVA Chapter 77, VFW Post 313, and other Military Organizations.

Frank was interviewed by Mike Russert and Wayne Clark for the New York State Military Museum. The interview can be viewed on:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CQODB_wXN6E

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 21, 2021, at 11:00 AM. St. Andrews Church Elmwood Ave and Sheridan Drive.

A luncheon will follow in the church hall. Please RSVP via text, phone, or email to Joyce – 716-983-3081.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE POST:

We are still looking for a volunteer to be Membership Officer to assist with Post recruiting efforts. If interested, please let Ed or Marie know.

Monday Music Mania and 50/50 Split

On a hot and sunny afternoon of July 3, 2021, at the Town of Niagara Veterans Park: Walt Marie, Melody, Mike, Steve, Debbie, Sarah, and John attended a “Music Mania” event sponsored by the Town of Niagara.

From 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., we sold 50-50 tickets to those in attendance at the event, to raise money for Veterans in our area, who are less fortunate than ourselves.

After all our hard work, sore feet, and lots of suntan or whatever the case, we raised a total of \$797.00 and an anonymous donor gave \$3.00 to make the count an even \$800.00.

Our thanks to the Town of Niagara, for permitting the Veterans and Auxiliary members of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #313, Youngstown, New York and to all those who took their time and energy to make this a very successful fund-raiser.

Post BBQ

On a warm, sunny evening of July 13, 2021, the Post held its Annual Hot Dog and Hamburger Roast at the Post. Our thanks to Danny C. “Dooger”, and Amber for obtaining the hot dogs, hamburgers, salads, and baked beans for this event. And, even doing the preparation, grilling, and clean up. Our thanks also to O.C. Allen for obtaining corn for the roast.

Without the snacks, dishes, and deserts provided by the members, along with the door prizes, this Hot Dog and Hamburger Roast was a great success with a good time for everyone in attendance. Many thanks to all.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 7th Purple Heart at River Road Seabee Park North Tonawanda @ 7:00 PM
August 9th Annual Post Steak Cookout 6:00 PM – RSVP to John MacArthur by August 7th!!
18th One Stop @ Fort Niagara 1:00 PM
Sept. 6th Labor Day Parade Youngstown
Nov. 13th Chicken BBQ VFW and American Legion Ransomville

Please come out and support the Post in these activities.

Will Hartley
Post Adjutant