



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

October 1, 2017

Dear Veterans and Friends:

**History Lesson for the Month of October:**

October 1, 1908 - Henry Ford's Model T, a "Universal Car" designed for the masses, went on sale for the first time.

October 1, 1979 - After 70 years of American control, the Panama Canal was formally handed over to Panama.

October 2, 1968 - California's Redwood National Park was established.

October 2, 1975 - Japanese Emperor Hirohito Moto made his first-ever visit to the White House.

October 3, 1863 - President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation designating the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day.

October 3, 1974 - Frank Robinson was hired by the Cleveland Indians as baseball's first African American Major League manager.

October 3, 1970 - After 45 years of Cold War Division, East and West Germany were reunited as the Federal Republic of Germany.

October 5, 1964 - The largest mass escape since the construction of the Berlin Wall occurred as 57 East German refugees escaped to West Berlin after tunneling beneath the Wall.

October 8, 1871 - The Great Chicago Fire erupted.

October 8, 1890 - American ace fighter pilot Eddie Rickenbacker was born in Columbus, Ohio.

October 9, 1940 - Beatle John Lennon was born in Liverpool, England.

October 10, 1973 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew resigned.

October 11, 1884 - Eleanor Roosevelt was born in New York City.

October 12, 1492 - After a 33-day voyage, Christopher Columbus made his first land fall in the New World in the Bahamas.

October 13, 1775 - (FOR OUR NAVY VETERANS) The United States Navy was born after the Second Continental Congress authorized the acquisition of a fleet of ships.

October 13, 1792 - The cornerstone of the White House was laid by George Washington.

October 13, 1884 - Greenwich was established as the universal time from which standard time throughout the world is calculated.

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October 14, 1947 - U.S. Air Force Captain Chuck Yeager became the first man to break the sound barrier flying in a rocket-powered research aircraft.

October 14, 1890 - Dwight D. Eisenhower, the 34<sup>th</sup> President of the United States was born in Denison, Texas.

October 16, 1758 - American teacher and journalist Noah Webster was born in West Hartford, Connecticut.

October 17, 1987 - "Black Monday" occurred on Wall Street as stocks plunged 508 points (22.6%), the largest one-day drop in stock market history.

October 21, 1915 - The first transatlantic radio voice message was made by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company from Virginia to Paris.

October 24, 1945 - The United Nations was founded.

October 31, 1968 - During the Vietnam War, President Johnson ordered a halt to the American bombing of North Vietnam.

#### **NEWS FROM AROUND THE POST:**

In case you did not hear, VFW Post 313 **WON FIRST PLACE IN THE YOUNGSTOWN LABOR DAY PARADE IN THE HEROES CATEGORY.** A trophy was presented to Post Commander Gary Zanardi and is on display at the Post. Commander Zanardi wishes to thank all those who participated in the parade to make this a very rewarding day for our Post.

The Post would like to offer our sincere congratulations and best wishes to Ed Stefik, Jr. for being selected as Command Chief of the 107<sup>th</sup> Attack Wing at Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station. **CONGRATULATIONS ED!!**

The Post is kicking off its Capital Improvement Campaign this month to raise \$20,000 to refurbish our restrooms, update our entry, and improve handicap accessibility to the building. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation using the enclosed form or visit <http://www.gofundme.com/vfw-post-313-building-renovation> to pledge your support

Dog Tags of New York will be hosting a fundraiser from Noon-8:00 p.m. on October 7<sup>th</sup> at Veterans Memorial Park in Niagara Falls. There will be a Dog Pageant, live music, food trucks and raffles to support this worthy veteran program.

The Post will be hosting the New York State Pistol Permit Training and the Multi-State Concealed Carry Training again this Fall. The training is provided by Mr. James Emmick of Fire Arms Training of Western New York. Cost for the New York State Pistol Permit course is \$60.00 (\$50.00 for veterans) and the Multi-State CCW Course is \$150.00 (\$130.00 for veterans). The New York State training will be held on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m. The Multi-State CCW training will be held on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. More information is available at [www.ftwny.com](http://www.ftwny.com) or by contacting James Emmick at [info@ftny.com](mailto:info@ftny.com) or calling 716-903-2558.

The University of Buffalo will be hosting a "Dentistry Smiles on Veterans Day" on November 11<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. at the UB Dental Clinic on the South Campus. They will provide free dental screenings, cleanings, restorations, extractions and repairs for those with an appointment. Please call 716-829-2780 to schedule an appointment.

Beginning November 11<sup>th</sup>, any honorably discharged veteran will be authorized **on-line** Post Exchange shopping privileges. To find out if you are qualified, go to <https://www.vetverify.org>. If you are eligible, you can shop at any of the following service exchanges: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/> (Army/AF), [www.mymcx.com](http://www.mymcx.com) (Marine Corps), <https://shopcgx.com/> (Coast Guard), and <https://mynavyexchange.com/> (Navy).

The Post will be holding its annual Fall clean-up on October 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m.-Noon. Please bring racks and gloves to help us make the Post look nice for our Veterans Day Ceremony. The ceremony will be held on November 11 at 11:00 a.m. in Veterans Park with refreshments at the Post after the ceremony.

We would like to welcome our newest member to the Post, Vietnam Veteran Lonny Gibbs.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Saturday, October 7 – Youngstown Arts and Music Festival, Falkner Park, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 7 – Dog Tags of WNY Fundraiser, Veterans Memorial Park, Niagara Falls, Noon-8:00 p.m.

Monday, October 9 – Regular Post Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 19 – New York State Pistol Permit Class, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 21– New York State Pistol Permit Class, 9:00-12:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 28 – Fall Post Clean-up, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Saturday, November 4 – Multi-State Concealed Carry Course, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 11 – Youngstown Veterans Day Ceremony, Veterans Park, 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, November 11 – Dentistry Smiles on Veterans, UB Dental Clinic, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Appointments are required.

Monday, November 13 – Regular Post Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Timbuktu, the magic city – Few names inspire such a romantic longing to escape to far romantic places as Timbuktu. Few places are likely to disappoint the traveler more says John Darnton, writing in the *New York Times* on January 9, 1978. For in fact, says Darnton, Timbuktu is "a village of mud-brick huts and ankle-deep sand."

Timbuktu, in Mali near the river Niger in northwest Africa, was an important, perhaps even splendid city during the Middle Ages. But by the eighteenth century it had fallen into a poverty and desolation from which, apparently, it is yet to recover.

Until Next time, may the good Lord be with you, and we hope to see you soon.

**HAPPY FALL/AUTUMN!!**

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# **DENTISTRY SMILES ON VETERANS**

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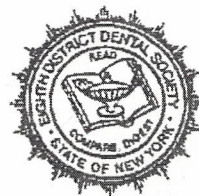
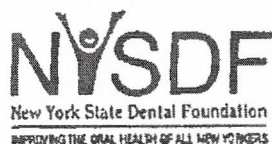


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**716-829-2780**

*\*appointments are required as space is limited*

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Dear Friends of the Youngstown Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 313,

I'm sure you are aware of the important role that the **VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 313** plays in helping veterans in the Youngstown, NY area. Our work is supported largely by the generous donors who contribute to our annual capital campaign. This year Lake Ontario Post 313 needs your support for our \$20,000 capital improvement project to refurbish our restrooms, update our entry and improve handicap accessibility. This project will allow the Post to continue providing much needed services to veterans in our community who are in need of assistance. Our building is also used by other community organizations to support their charitable work. Without the continued support of generous donors like you, our building upgrades will likely go unmet and the future of our building will be in jeopardy.

In order to continue making a difference in the lives of veterans, it is vital for this year's capital campaign to be a success. Can we count on you to make a donation to this important cause? By making a tax-deductible donation to our capital campaign, you'll be directly contributing to veterans struggling to cope with returning to civilian life or military related illnesses.

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Additionally, you'll be recognized for your generosity as a capital campaign supporter on the VFW Post 313 website and in our monthly newsletter.

VFW Post 313 is depending on your assistance and generosity. Please visit <https://www.gofundme.com/vfw-post-313-building-renovation> to pledge your support, or fill out and return the enclosed pledge card. Please be assured that your contribution will be put to good use to provide help to individuals in need of assistance right here in our community. Thank you for your consideration and continued support.

Regards,

*Gary Zanardi*

Commander, VFW Post 313

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**