



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

January 1, 2017

Dear Fellow Veterans and Friends:

“When old acquaintances”...

**HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017!!**

I don't know about you, but I had a pretty good year, and look forward to even a better one in 2017. Do not forget those **New Year's Resolutions**; did you keep those for 2016?

**NEWS FROM AROUND THE POST:**

Commander Gary Zanardi and the Officers and Members of the Post would like to offer our thanks and appreciation to Lt. Col. Kurt Mieth for the GREAT JOB he did in collecting toys and gifts for the Western New York Heroes Christmas Toy Drive. These gifts are for Veterans families who cannot afford gifts for their children at Christmas time.

On December 6, Post Commander Gary Zanardi and Jr. Vice Commander Walt Stevenson received a grant check in the amount of \$500.00 for our Post from the Town of Niagara and Mr. John Doran, Sr. Manager of Macerich's Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls.

On December 13, our Annual Post Christmas Dinner was held with approximately 35 members and guests attending. Among the guests were Dominic and Tom Etopio, two brothers who are World War II veterans, who took the World War II Honor Flight sponsored by State Senator Robert Ortt to Washington, D.C. Our thanks to Jr. Vice Commander Walt Stevenson who escorted them to the dinner and we thank them for their service to our country. Dinner was prepared by our Chef extraordinaire Danny Cipollitti, along with Doogie and Patty. Thank you very much, it was a great meal as always and very much appreciated by those in attendance.

Commander Gary Zanardi would like to offer his thanks and appreciation to the members and friends of Post 313 for their donations of gift cards and cash for a Veteran in our community who needed our assistance. We received over **\$500.00** to help a local veteran in need.

On January 26 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and January 28 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, the Post will be rented out for Mr. James Emmick who will be conducting firearms training.

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

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

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

In closing, we hope that you all had a very Merry Christmas, and wishing you a Very Happy and Healthy New Year.

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