

## LAKE ONTARIO POST 313

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February 1, 2024

Dear Veterans, Auxiliary, and Friends:

Commander Comments:

Over the last month we have been able to get a lot done at the Post. It is looking a whole lot better. There are a few more things to finish up with but it is mostly done. We will finish up the upstairs this month and proceed downstairs next month.

We have talked to Home Depot, and they are going to help us with a few things downstairs. One of those is a new back door which they are going to donate to us. We will have to install it ourselves; but we have a few people around who can help us with doing that. Working with Home Depot is a major step forward. We will be looking at more things for them to help us with over the next year.

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I would like to thank those who came out and put the sweat into this project to make it happen. Special thanks go to Marie Peters, Marty Wojcik, and Will Hartley; and if I forgot someone, thank you for the work that you put in. There is a special thanks to Al Smith who became the heart of the project. He was always putting the extra touches on everything including the floor being cleaned and fixed up. We have also been able to get our hands on some new flag poles for outside, which will be installed in the next few weeks/months depending on weather. Come out to the next meeting and see for yourself the results of the work that was put in.

We were able to get out this past Sunday and get the wreaths picked up. It was done with the help of the Boy Scouts and that was a big help to us. There is a big thank you to them!! Visit the face book accounts of ours or troop 829 to see the pictures of those who helped.

There is one other thing that has been finished and that is the new scholarships. You may remember a guy by the name of Lance Dickerson he is the guy who got it done. For those didn't know we expanded our scholarship program to include trade schools. Also, the amounts of the scholarships are for two \$750.00 scholarships. Thanks Lance!!

With this newsletter we are attaching a copy of the new by-laws for the Post. We cannot be covered by the National by-laws; each Post must have their own by-laws. Please read over and if you have any questions, you can call me at 716-531-6420, and hopefully I will be able to help with your any questions. At the March meeting we will be voting on it and entering into the records. Do not get carry

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away with all the committees, we do not have enough members to cover all these committees and we will break them down into ones that mean something to us.

I will be closing for now and I hope to see you at the meeting; next Monday the 12th.

**ED Jackson**

**Post Commander**

### **MEMBER CONCERNS:**

Please contact the post if you have or know of any member in need.

### **HAPPENINGS AROUND THE POST:**

- Looking for veterans for Honor Guard duty to assist with burial in the National Cemetery. Contact the post for more information.
- Wreaths Across America – Can be purchased early through the post or online for 2024. Contact Ed at the post.
- The Post Cleanup is coming along. The hall has been painted and is looking good. Home Depot is providing some help, and the downstairs will be the next part of the cleanup. Come out and help – more hands are always needed and appreciated.

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.

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Please come out and support the Post in these activities.

**Will Hartley**  
**Post Adjutant**

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March 11<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting at Post

A) Vote on Officer's

B) Vote on By-laws

March 17<sup>th</sup> Happy St. Patrick's Day

March 31<sup>st</sup> Officer's Meeting (this is Easter) let me know if this going to be a problem?

April 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Post meeting

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