



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

**July 1, 2021**

**Dear Veterans, Auxiliary, and Friends:**

**Commander Comments:**

Well, here we are beginning to enjoy a little bit of freedom of walking around and getting out talking to people without a mask. For me it feels great to get back to some kind of normalcy. This month we will be having the regular hot dog and hamburger picnic for the Post. The Post will be putting it on; it is just that “we” will need to bring a dish for desserts. That is, I will be bringing something, also! I think we all need a little fun together after the past year.

We will also be going to do that for the August meeting. By having a steak dinner but for this meeting we will be looking for donation for each dinner served, the price of which has yet to be determined. And again “we” will need to bring a dessert to pass. In both cases, please call John Mc Arthur at 716-791-3243 if you are going to attend.

I really don't have much for this month to say. There are few things in the works but nothing to report on at this time. I would like to thank those who turned out for the Memorial Day weekend and for the “Buddy Poppy” donations it was a great success. We are going to need more help next year but that will be talked about later.

Also, we had a great showing of members for John Roberts's graveside service.

And with that I am out of here; see on the 12<sup>th</sup>

**Ed Jackson**  
**Post Commander**

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## **MEMBER CONCERNS:**

Our sympathy and condolences go out to the Roberts family on the death of longtime Post member John Roberts. John served in the U.S Navy from 1949 to 1953. He retired from Strate Welding in 2017 where he was a welder for 50 years. John was very fond of his co-workers and was enormously proud of his past military service. As well as his membership with VFW Post 313, John was a lifetime member of the American Society for Metals.

A graveside service with military honors was held on Friday, June 18th, 2021 at Acacia Park Cemetery. Donations in his name can be made to the American Cancer Society, 101 John James Audubon Pkwy., Amherst, NY 14228

## **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.

Music Mania ‘Mondays’ – returns on Saturday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at Veteran's Memorial Community Park, 7000 Lockport Road. VFW Post 313 will be selling the 50/50 split tickets at this, the first concert of the 2021 concert season. Walt and Maria Stevenson are honchoing the effort which should be a lucrative effort.

The “Wall that Heals” is coming to Veterans Park in Tonawanda from July 22-25. The Wall is a ¾ scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC, and travels throughout the United States. There will be a welcome ceremony on July 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon and the memorial will then be open 24 hours a day through July 25<sup>th</sup> at noon.

Mark your calendars for July 12 and August 9. Our annual Hamburger/Hotdog barbeque and Steak Cookout are back for Post and Auxiliary members and guests.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

July 3, 2:00 p.m. – VFW Post 313 50/50 Monday Music Madness  
July 12, 6:00 p.m. – Annual Hamburger and Hotdog BBQ  
July 22-25 – The Wall that Heals, Veterans Park, Tonawanda  
August 9, 6:00 p.m. – Annual Post Steak Cookout

Please come out and support the Post in these activities.

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