



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

July 1, 2017

Dear Fellow Veterans and Friends:

The History Lesson for the month of July:

- July 1, 1862 - Bureau of Internal Revenue was established by an Act of Congress.
July 1, 1863 - Beginning of the Battle of Gettysburg during the American Civil War.
July 2, 1788 - The U.S. Constitution ratified by the required nine states.
July 2, 1881 - President James A. Garfield was shot and mortally wounded as he entered a railway station in Washington, D.C.
July 2, 1964 - President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
July 3, 1775 - During the American Revolution, George Washington took command of the Continental Army at Cambridge, Massachusetts.
July 4, 1776 - The Declaration of Independence was approved by the Continental Congress.
July 4, 1804 - Novelist and short story writer Nathaniel Hawthorne was born in Salem, Massachusetts.
July 4, 1826 - Songwriter Stephen Foster was born in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania.
July 4, 1872 - Calvin Coolidge, the 30th President of the United States was born in Plymouth, Vermont.
July 6, 1747 - Revolutionary War Naval Officer John Paul Jones was born in Kirkbean, Scotland. "I have not yet begun to fight!"
July 7, 1906 - Baseball pitcher Leroy (Satchel) Paige was born in Mobile, Alabama.
July 10, 1943 - The Allied Invasion of Italy began with an attack on the island of Sicily.
July 12, 1943 - During World War II, in the Battle of Kurek, the largest tank battle in history took place outside the small village of Prohorovka, Russia. About 900 Russian tanks attacked an equal number of German tanks fighting at close range. When Hitler ordered a ceasefire, 300 German tanks remained strewn over the battlefield.
July 16, 1913 - My father, John D. Mac Arthur, a World War II Army veteran was born in Somerville, Massachusetts.
July 16, 1945 - The experimental atomic bomb "Fat Boy" was set off at 5:30 a.m. in a New Mexico desert, creating a mushroom cloud rising 41,000 feet. The bomb emitted heat three times the temperature of the interior of the sun and wiped out all plant and animal life within a mile.
July 20, 1945 - An agreement was signed in Geneva, Switzerland, ending the hostilities between French forces in Vietnam and the People's Army of Vietnam.

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July 20, 1969 - A global audience watched on television as Apollo 11 Astronaut Neil Armstrong took his first step on the moon's surface. He proclaimed, "That's one small step for man, and one giant leap for mankind".

July 20, 1919 - Explorer Edmund Hillary was born in Auckland, New Zealand. In 1953, he became the first to ascend Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world at 29,023 feet.

July 22, 1934 - Bank robber John Dillinger was shot and killed by FBI Agents in Chicago.

July 25, 1943 - Mussolini was deposed just two weeks after the Allied attack on Sicily.

July 27, 1953 - The Korean War ended with the signing of an armistice by delegates from the U.S. and North Korea at Panmunjom, Korea. The war lasted just over three years.

July 30, 1863 - Automotive pioneer Henry Ford was born in Dearborn Township, Michigan.

July 31, 1790 - The United States Patent Office opened its doors.

Would you like some more?

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

Commander Gary Zanardi and his wife Lynn, John and Sarah Mac Arthur, and their guests attended the Veteran's Appreciation Dinner at St Peter's Lutheran Church on June 7th.

Commander Gary Zanardi would like to offer his thanks and appreciation to: John Roberts, DuWayne Brabec, Dave Patton, Lance Dickinson, Kurt Mieth (and his father Hardy), Walt Stevenson, Fred DeMartin, O.C. Allen, and John Mac Arthur for their participation in the Ransomville Bi-Centennial Celebration in Ransomville on June 10th. WE LOOKED GREAT, marching down the street in the parade and received many appreciative comments, mostly thanking us for our Service to our country.

Commander Gary Zanardi would like to offer his thanks and appreciation to: Ed Jackson, O.C. Allen, John Moore, DuWayne Brabec, Fred DeMartin, Lance Dickinson, and John Mac Arthur for attending the Flag Day Celebration at Lew-Port School on June 14th.

Commander Gary Zanardi would like to offer his thanks and appreciation to: John Moore, O.C. Allen, Fred DeMartin, DuWayne Brabec, and John Mac Arthur who attended the Youngstown "Beginning of Summer Street Dance" hosted by the Youngstown Business and Professional Association on June 22nd. We sold hats and gave away pop and water.

We would also like to congratulate Juanita Finn, the winner of our 2017 scholarship. Juanita was born in Bogotá, Columbia and adopted at the age of 12. She feels it is her responsibility to give back to America, possibly as a military doctor, because America has given her so much.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 10, 5:00 P.M. - VFW Post 313 is hosting its Annual Community Barbeque at the Post. Senator Robert Ortz will be attending and the WNY Mobile Vet Center will be there from 5:00-8:00 P.M. to answer your questions. Please bring a dish to pass. Thank-You.

July 31, 6:00 P.M. - Town of Niagara "Concert in the Park" at Veterans Memorial Community Park, 7000 Lockport Road, Niagara Falls. The Post will be participating in the 50/50 fundraiser to raise money for our Post and veterans in the area.

August 6, Noon-8:00 P.M. - St. Christopher Church Summerfest Military Appreciation Day. Polish dinner, beer tent, wine tasting, and gifts for active duty and veterans. 2660 Niagara Falls Blvd., Tonawanda.

August 14 6:00 P.M. - Annual Post Steak Cookout for our members and guests. Cost is \$15.00/per person and we ask you bring a dish to pass. Please RSVP to Commander Zanardi at 628-0440 by August 11. Thank-You.

August 19- The Post is chartering a Grand Tours Bus to D-Day Conneaut 2017, a reenactment of the June 6th 1944 invasion on the 73rd Anniversary of D-Day. You can board the bus at 5:00 A.M., at the Wright's Corners Tim Horton's or at 6:00 A.M. at the Rite Aid Pharmacy in Youngstown. The bus will stop for dinner in Erie and return the same day at 9:00 P.M. Cost is \$40.00 per person. For more information, please contact David Patton at 716-544-5785 or Post Commander Gary Zanardi at 716-628-0440. Information about the event is available at www.ddayohio.us.

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GOOD OF THE ORDER:

What do you get when you cross a baby with a Soldier? ANS: INFANTRY.

And that is the way it is, have a safe and healthy Summer and we hope to see you at the upcoming events.

JOHN H. MAC ARTHUR, CO-EDITOR
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