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American Legion, Post 543 Donated to Civil Air Patrol to Assist Cadet Fund

The American Legion Post 543 presented the local Civil Air Patrol Squadron with a donation to assist their cadet fund to procure needed items, as well as funds to cover the cost of a wreath for Legionnaires assigned to the Post now on “Eternal Patrol”. The wreath is purchased through “Wreaths Across America” which places wreaths on veteran’s grave sites during the holiday season throughout the United States.

In 2014 over 700,000 memorial wreaths, inclusive of 226,525 in Arlington National Cemetery, were placed on veteran’s grave sites throughout the United States. The wreath-laying is conducted on the second or third Saturday of December. It is a way to remind people how important it is to remember and honor the ultimate sacrifices of our military in order to protect the liberties that we enjoy today.

Pictured from left to right are: Cadet Chief Master Sergeant Willett, Commander of American Legion Post 543 Gary Crowden and Richard Hart, a member of the Civil Air Patrol and their point of contact for Wreaths Across America.

