



LAKE ONTARIO POST 313

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

VFW Newsletter September 2022

Commander Comments:

Dear Veterans, Auxiliary, and Friends:

Well, it was a hell of a parade - that didn't happen. For those who did not know, due to the weather the parade was cancelled. I would like to thank Gary Zanardi for all his work in the preparation for the parade; he has a way about getting parades organized. Also, Marty and Marie for making the new contributions to our basic parade stuff - the new VFW Post 313 banner and the way we will be able to mount and display the flags on the back of the truck in the future. I really think they will make a difference in our presentation. And last but not least, John McArthur procured the after-parade refreshments, unfortunately they were not needed. But we had them!! Thanks John!

At this month's meeting on Monday, we will be kicking off this year's Chicken BBQ. And will have tickets available for distribution. If you are not going to be at the meeting, you can call me, and I will make arrangements to get the tickets

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to you. The price for tickets is up a little but is not bad. We are going to \$15.00 with no discount for early purchase, the same price all the way.

The BBQ is going to be at the Fire Hall in Youngstown for the first time in a long time. The times are the same and there is going to be the famous basket raffle, which is a “huge” success. This is the biggest fund raiser for the year, and it has been a savior for this Post.

This year we will again be trying get the Chicken BBQs dinners to the area nursing homes for the Vets that are there. This will include the homes of our members if they are local. We will also be going the homes of Vets who can't get out. Let us know if you know of anyone.

The price of a ticket for a Vet can be donated if someone is not going to be coming to the dinner. They can buy a ticket and it will be used for those Vets who cannot get out. Just mark on the ticket stud “Veteran” and it will used for them. The more we sell of these, the more dinners we will get to the shut-ins. I think it's a great program, and it has expanded over the years. Besides here locally, we were able last year to provide meals to Vets in Lockport.

With a building there is the constant state of repairs that need to be done, and a major repair to the Post is coming up. We will need a new roof sometime in the future and these BBQs are helping in providing the funds to make the repairs. Speaking of that, I would like to thank Chris for repairing the back ramp coming into the building and to the person who made the repairs to the front driveway. It looks better! Thanks!

And finally, we will be beginning the campaign for Wreaths across America. This is the selling of wreaths to be placed on graves of Veterans at Christmas time. The price of the wreaths remains at \$15.00 which may be purchased online at their website, <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/> or from us at the Post. You can also call me at my number (716-531-6420) to purchase.

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That is enough for this month. I hope to see you at our next meeting this Monday on the 12th. Sell Tickets!! I am still at one page!

ED Jackson
Post Commander

MEMBER CONCERNS:

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

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE POST:

The August Steak Out / meeting had to be cancelled but will return in the future!

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 12th, 6:00 PM. – VFW Post 313 Post Meeting
October 1st Officers meet

Please come out and support the Post in these activities.

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Post Adjutant

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VFW Calendar for 2022

September 2022

September 12th Post monthly meeting

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October 1st Officers meet

October 10th Post monthly meeting

November 2022

November 5th Officers meet

November 11th (Friday) Veterans Day Ceremony

November 12th Veterans Day Chicken BBQ

November 14th Post monthly meeting

November 24th Thanksgiving Day

December 2022

December 3rd Officers Meet

December 12th Post monthly Meeting (Christmas Party)

December 17th Wreaths across America (Wreaths Placed Out)

December 25th Christmas Day **Merry Christmas!**

December 31st Officers Meet 8:00 AM Diner or 9:00AM Post?

January 2023

January 9th Post monthly Meeting

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