

LAKE ONTARIO POST 313

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States



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October 1, 2023

Dear Veterans, Auxiliary, and Friends:

Commander Comments:

Fall is here and it is a very busy time for the Post. The biggest event is the chicken BBQ on November 11. We have tickets and will be handing them out at the meeting this Monday. It is very important to get out and sell them, the basics of all find rising.

We will be doing our normal Veterans Day ceremony at the Veterans monument at 11 o'clock on Veterans Day. We will meet at the Post at 10:00 and then go down the monument from there, if it rains or there is bad weather, we will do it at the Post. After the ceremony we will go over to the Legion in Ransomville for the BBQ. We can use all the help we can get, as normal.

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There are two other events are happening that week of Veterans Day. The first event being at Niagara County Court House in Lockport, in this event the County will be receiving the medals of Frank Gaffney from his family. Frank Gaffney is a Medal of Honor recipient from the First World War. He was born and grew up in Lockport and lived in Niagara Falls after the war. The ceremony will take place on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 in the morning.

The second event is the dedication of the Veterans monument at the Niagara County Community College. That will be at the college on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 in the morning. This is always a good event and is well done by the college.

November is always a busy month, and this year is no different. The biggest thing is getting out and selling tickets. While you are doing that, remember to sell a wreath or two!! If you are not sure about how to sell the wreaths; give me a call for all the info.

I hope to see you at the meeting on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>; it starts at 6:00 PM.

**ED Jackson**  
**Post Commander**

### **MEMBER CONCERNS:**

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

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### **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.

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

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Post Meeting 6:00 PM
November 9 <sup>th</sup>	The presentation of the Medals of Frank Gaffney
November 11 <sup>th</sup>	Chicken BBQ and Annual Veterans Day Service
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Post meeting 6:00 PM

Please come out and support the Post in these activities.

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### **VFW Calendar for October 2023**

October 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Post Meeting 6:00 PM

November 5<sup>th</sup> Officers meeting 9:00

November 9<sup>th</sup> The presentation of the Medals of Frank Gaffney; a WWI Medal of Honor Winner, to be received by County from his family. At the County Court House Lockport, 11 AM

November 10<sup>th</sup> The dedication of the Veterans monument at the Niagara County Community College 10 AM at the College

November 11<sup>th</sup> Chicken BBQ and Annual Veterans Day Service; will meet at the Post at 10 Am

November 13<sup>th</sup> Regular Post meeting

December 3<sup>rd</sup> Officers Meeting 9:00 AM

December 9<sup>th</sup> Christmas in the Village Post to open for Wreath Contest

December 11<sup>th</sup> Regular Post meeting Christmas Party

December 16<sup>th</sup> Wreath Across America placing Wreaths at the Cemeteries meet at the Post at 11 AM

December 25<sup>th</sup> **Merry Christmas**

December 31<sup>st</sup> Officers meeting 8/9 meeting times

January 6<sup>th</sup> 2024, Clean Post 8/9 - a few hours

January 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting 6:00

January 14<sup>th</sup> Clean Post 8/9 meeting times

January 20<sup>th</sup> Pick up Wreaths depending on weather!

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