

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

December 1, 2021 Dear Veterans, Auxiliary, and Friends: Commander Comments:

VFW Newsletter December 2021

For first time in a long time there are couple of good news items to report. The first and the major bit of news is the success of the Chicken BBQ. It was the best BBQ we have very done and it was the highest gross amount of tickets sales. From that, it was the greatest divide for the two Posts on the bottom end; the details of which will to be discussed at the January meeting.

We had the largest number of meals yet that were distributed to Vets who are home bound. Thirty-five meals were sent out. This would not be possible without the great help of the members of the two posts and the Auxiliary. This is true with the ticket sales and with the day of the event, by all helping and lending a hand in one form or another as was needed. It was truly a great job by all. I thank you all!!

The second story to tell is that wreath sales are way up; in fact, we are sold out at Oakland as it sits now, we have sold 150 wreaths total. That is the good news! The bad news is we are going to need help putting them out on December 18<sup>th</sup>.

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We will be meeting at the Post at about 10:30 and placing them at noon. We will be covering both Oakland and Fort Niagara and maybe a few of them will run over into the other cemeteries. We are working on the wreath counts now.

Last year there were four of us to lay the wreaths and we did about 57 wreaths in around an hour. Let me know at the dinner meeting if you can help.

The last thing I have is the December meeting that is going to be the regular Christmas dinner. We are hoping to keep the price the same as the last time we held the dinner two years ago. But don't be surprised if it may have to go up a little. We are trying to keep it in place. We will need you to RSVP to John McArthur at 716-791-3243. The dinner is being held on December 13<sup>th</sup> and bring your partner with you.

I hope to see you at the dinner meeting. If you are not able to attend, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Ed Jackson Post Commander

#### MEMBER CONCERNS:

Mike Williams is doing better. He is in Heritage Manor of Lockport.

The taped interview of Frank Gabala by Mike Russert and Wayne Clark has been added into the Museum of Washington DC.

### 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.

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# Notes of November 8, 2021, VFW MEETING

CHICKEN BBQ - The Post received a donation of \$120.00 and a sponsored additional \$120.00 from OC for dinners to be delivered to homebound Veterans. Many thanks to OC!

Five hundred dinners are on order with additional/total number TBD.

Organize group and drivers needed to contact and deliver dinners to home bound Veterans Be at Ransomville at 11:00 Saturday to set up. Will also need help in teardown.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA - Wreaths are still being sold, Nov 30 is last day to buy. Wreaths will be placed on Dec 18<sup>th</sup>.

VETERANS DAY - meet at post at 9:30. Proceed to park for ceremony. Coffee and donuts will be served at post following ceremony.

Lew Port is hosting dinner, memorial, and raffle on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of November.

NCCC will hold a ceremony on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 and will read names of Veterans in the county. Contact NCCC to have a name included.

Next Meeting December 13, 2021, at the Post 7:00 P.M.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Dec 13<sup>th</sup> Post Christmas party 7:00 PM Dec 18th Placement of wreaths at Oakland and Ft. Niagara

Please come out and support the Post in these activities.

Will Hartley Post Adjutant