



Post 243 Newsletter

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Police & Fire Awards

We partnered with the Central Florida Chapter of the Gary Sinise Foundation to make last Thursday's event extraordinary. Thank you to all of the individuals that did their parts to make the evening memorable. Congratulations to:



**2020 & 2021
Firefighters of the Year**
Benjamin Clark &
Joshua Maddox



**2020 & 2021
Police Officers
of the Year**
Matt Depanicis &
Joel Brown



From the Commander

Springtime in Paradise! Our major events included the Fire and Police Appreciation Dinner with Gary Sinise Foundation, which was outstanding. We also honored long time Post 243 friend, Judith Smith during the evening.

Memorial Day activities will include placing memorial flags in local cemeteries and the Florida's Fallen Memorial cross tribute in the Oviedo Cemetery from May 23 through June 4th.



Our post membership is growing, so don't forget about our Wednesday morning Coffees and let's keep the energy going!

Bill



Key Dates

- Apr 24, 0900 | Flag Folding & Retirement
- Apr 25, 1200-1700 | Blood Drive
- Apr 28, 1000-1400 | Mobile Vet Center
- May 8, 1900 | Military Appreciation Day - Hockey
- May 20, 1900 | **Know Your Post**
- May 22, 0800 | Florida's Fallen Memorial Set-up
- May 26, 1000-1400 | Mobile Vet Center
- May 29, 0900 | Flag Planting at Oviedo Cemetery
- May 31, 1100 | Memorial Day Service
- May 31, 1200-1700 | Blood Drive
- Jun 5, 0800 | Florida's Fallen Memorial Remove
- Jun 12, 1100 | Flag Retirement at The Tremont
- Jun 17, 1900 | **Know Your Chamber**

New Members

Enrique Avila
William Bradow
Joseph Chapin
Norman Collins
Albert Dul
Lorraine Holland
Paco Lopez
David Malone
John Plaisted
James Tickal
Richard Walker

We're glad you're here!

Post Clean-up

Thank you to the following individuals who came and helped:

Carl Barber
Scott Curtis
Al Dul
Erik & Nathan Dye
Gary Gay
Mike Genco
Tom Koza
Allen Meldrum
Bill & Jill Mitchem
Jim Nelson
Laurel Ross
Meghan Sladek



DO GOOD FEELS GOOD.
Appointment [Link](#)

Key Date Info

Blood Drive

Donate and share our collection dates. Rule changes regarding time in Europe, piercings, tattoos and more. Click [here](#) to check eligibility.

Flag Folding & Retirement

At the post, community members are invited to participate.

Flag Planting at Oviedo Cemetery

Come join us to plant flags for our interred Servicemembers just in time for Memorial Day.

Flag Retirement at the Tremont

Come help celebrate the tradition with our community. Show time 1030 to participate in the ceremony.

Florida's Fallen Memorial Set-up & Removal

Bring your gloves, sunscreen, big spray, water and strong back to help set up (May) and then take down (June) over 400 crosses for our community event.

Know Your Chamber

Join us to hear President/CEO and Legion member Bridget Lake explain what your Regional Chamber of Commerce does and how it helps our community. Feel free to bring guests and spread the word.

Know Your Post

Do you wish you knew more about what your post was doing or how you could get involved? Do you know what resources are available to you? Come get your questions answered this evening.

Military Appreciation Day – Hockey

Hockey is one of the few sports that truly honors America, it's warriors and it's Veterans. Plan on going for some Solar Bears Hockey. Contact scotttyrc2@gmail.com for more information.

Mobile Vet Center at Post 243

Scheduled the last Wednesday of each month for 2021!. They have basic VA information. Available to entire community, spread the word.

Stay in Touch

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If you'd like to be added to our email distribution, please send your contact information to the email address below. If you need help getting to or from Post events, just ask, we're here to help!

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