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From the Commander

Can it be the end of summer already? It sure doesn't feel like it but sure enough, students are back and parking, football has resumed, and we should start to see temperatures slowly become less oppressive. If you look at our Key Dates section, Post 243 has a LOT going on this time of year. Please find your passion and come out and support your post and your community. We would especially like to see many of you at our 75th Anniversary Event in November. Register now for discounted pricing, start searching for your 1940s garb, and brush up on your dance steps. It should be an amazing evening.

To my brothers and sisters who served in Afghanistan, your service and sacrifices are valued. You held back the enemy for 20 years. You reduced terrorism on US soil a thousandfold. You allowed generations of Afghan civilians to sleep at night. You made a difference, and your sacrifices were not in vain. Thank you.

Laurel

Key Dates

- Aug 25, 1000-1400 | Mobile Vet Center
- Aug 25, 1200-1300 | Flag Folding
- Aug 28, 0900-1300 | Kayak Trip
- Sep 3, 1700 | Football Parking
- Sep 9, 1000 | Flag Retirement, Lutheran Haven
- Sep 10, 1700 | Football Parking
- Sep 11, 1200-1700 | Blood Drive
- Sep 16, 1800 | Potluck Supper/Boy's State Guests
- Sep 25, 0900 | Suicide Awareness Walk
- Sep 29, 1000-1400 | Mobile Vet Center
- Oct 1, 1700 | Football Parking, Senior Night
- Oct 7, 1700 | Football Parking, Hagerty
- Oct 15, 1700 | Football Parking
- Oct 20, 0900 | Fall Clean-up
- Oct 21, 1800 | Potluck Supper/Hope Helps
- Oct 23, 0900 | Flag Retirement
- Oct 27, 1000-1400 | Mobile Vet Center
- Nov 5, 1700 | Football Parking, Homecoming
- 6 Nov, 1730 | 75th Anniversary Event, Canterbury
- 11 Nov, 1000-1200 | Veterans Day Thank you
- 13 Nov, 0800-1700 | Blood Drive
- 13 Nov, 0800-1700 | Great Day Parking
- 18 Nov, 1800 | Potluck Supper/program TBD
- 24 Nov, 1000-1400 | Mobile Vet Center



Key Date Info

75th Anniversary Event

Oviedo Memorial Post 243 is turning 75 this year! Come help us celebrate with a dinner & dance at Canterbury Conference Center. Click [here](#) to reserve your spot with early pricing.

Blood Drive

Appointment links are posted on our website calendar when available.

Boy's State Guests

The five gentlemen we sent to Boy State 2021 will be sharing their experiences with us this evening.

Fall Clean-up

Come help, inside or out. Signups will be available at the post the week prior so plan on coming to help that morning.

Flag Folding

We need to get some flags folded for upcoming retirements. Please come or plan on staying after coffee & chat to help us fold.

Flag Retirements

Our first ever at Lutheran Haven, please come to support. Members and community members are welcome to attend the one scheduled at the Post. Flag folding precedes the Post retirement ceremony.

Football Parking

Come help park some cars on these Friday (and one Thursday) nights. Bug spray and Legion/military T-shirt recommended.

Great Day in the Country Parking

This iconic Oviedo Event is changing venues to CrossLife Church. Post 243 will be offering parking. Look for signups for shifts to help.

Hope Helps

President and CEO Joan Faulkner will share some of the programs Hope is invested in and how we can continue to partner with them.

Kayak Trip

Come have some fun in the sun on the water. Contact Jim.Nelson47@gmail.com /321-282-9629 to reserve your spot.

Mobile Vet Center at Post 243

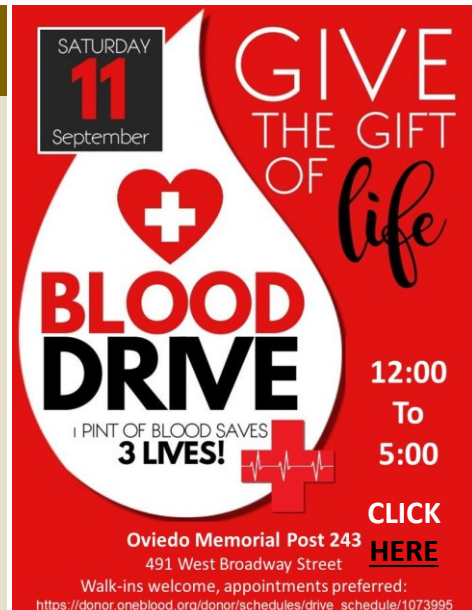
Available to entire community, spread the word.

Suicide Awareness Walk

The walk begins and ends at the post. Luis Cambal whateverittakes1775@gmail.com is Post 243 and MCL POC.

Veterans Day Thank You

Hosting an Open House on Veterans Day. All are welcome to attend.



Poster for a Blood Drive event. It features a large red heart with a white cross inside, and the words "BLOOD DRIVE" in large, bold, black letters. Below that, it says "1 PINT OF BLOOD SAVES 3 LIVES!" with a red cross and a white heart. The event is scheduled for Saturday, September 11, from 12:00 to 5:00. The location is Oviedo Memorial Post 243, 491 West Broadway Street. It includes a link to the event page: https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/1073995. The poster also says "GIVE THE GIFT OF life" and "CLICK HERE".



Poster for the 75th Anniversary Celebration of Oviedo Memorial Post 243. It features a large "75 YEARS" logo with "CELEBRATING" above it. The event is on Saturday, November 6th, from 5:30 pm to 6:15 pm. The location is Canterbury Conference Center, 1601 Alafaya Trail, Oviedo, FL 32765. It includes a link to the event page: OviedoLegion.org/75thAnniversaryEvent. The poster also says "JOIN US! 1940S & PATRIOTIC ATTIRE IS RECOMMENDED" and "DINNER AND DANCING AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS SILENT AUCTION 50/50 RAFFLE". There is a logo for the American Legion and a logo for Gary Sinise Foundation.

Special Olympics

Volunteers are needed for Softball, August 28 from 0800 - 1400. The event is being held at Seminole State College in Sanford. If interested contact allenmeldrum@gmail.com / 407-542-1181



Re Ride Ranch BBQ



Jenga Masters at work.
Escaping the brief rain in the
potting shed.

Thank you to Brad and Maria
for hosting our August BBQ!



Seminole County Veteran of the Month

Oviedo Memorial Post 243
member, Laurel Ross



Commander's Challenge



Learn more about your American Legion, the nation's largest veteran service organization. I will purchase a 50/50 raffle ticket for every Post 243 member who completes their American Legion Basic Training Course (self-paced, online, free) and sends me their 2021-2022 course completion certificate. If you've already been, go again! Click [here](#) to create your account and get started.

Post 243 vs Det 64 Bowling



Register Now for these Events!

Saturday, September 11, 0730

Tunnel to Towers 20th Anniversary Event
274 Cranes Roost Blvd, Altamonte.

Register at T2T.org

Saturday, September 25th 1100-1300

Seminole County Veterans Appreciation Drive Thru Lunch
go to <http://vetslunch2021.eventbrite.com/>
to reserve space for one Veteran and one guest

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