Post 243 Newsletter

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From the Commander

Merry Christmas Post 243 and veterans everywhere!

2020 has been a challenging year; for many of us individually, and for the American Legion organization. Five of our membership family are known to have tested positive for the Coronavirus, and we are pleased to report that all are doing well at the time of this writing. We have closed the Post to official activities several times this year and have taken other steps to limit potential exposure to our members during our American Legion activities. Those precautions were appropriate and seem to have We will work to been successful. continue that success. On behalf of all your staff at Post 243, we wish you a wonderful Christmas and Holiday season and a less stressful 2021!







Key Dates

December 19, 1200 | Wreaths Across America December 27, 1200 | Blood Drive at Post 243 December 30, 1000 | Coffee & Chat Resumes January 2, 0900 | Wreaths Clean-up January 5, 1900 | Staff Meeting January 16, 0900 | Flag Folding and Retirement Jan 21, 1800 | Chili Cook-off Jan 21, 1900 | Central Florida's Simulation & Training... Jan 30, 0900 | Post 243 Oratorical Competition

Key Date Info

Blood Drive at Post 243

Please donate the gift of life this holiday season. COVID antibody testing is part of your mini-physical on-board the bus. Visit our website for more information and help us spread the word!

Central Florida's Simulation & Training Industry

Colonel Robert Rohlfing, USAF, retired, will be speaking on the simulation program and Central Florida following our potluck supper at 1800 this evening. Please invite friends, neighbors and/or veterans who may be interested in hearing about this subject.

Chili Cookoff

Come help us taste multiple chili recipes during our potluck supper this evening. If you are able, please bring a dish to share and/or a donation for the post. Post POC is <u>laureleross@gmail.com</u>

Flag Folding & Retirement

Help us properly fold the flags donated by our community and then respectfully retire them. All are welcome to attend up to our building reduced capacity.

Oratorical Competition

Post level competition to select our representative to go to the next level. If you know of any High School aged students that are interested in learning and speaking about the US Constitution (and earn some scholarship money) please refer them to pjgreg1@earthlink.net

Wreaths Across America

Come help our community recognize all interred veterans across the world. Day of the event, volunteers are needed at 0930. The ceremony begins at noon. Post POC is <u>wmitchem@cfl.rr.com</u>

Wreaths Clean-up

Help us pick up the wreaths that were placed for the event. Bring your gloves and meet us at the Oviedo Cemetery.

Cornhole Tournament



Our First Annual Army/Navy Games Cornhole Tournament was a success. The Post was able to raise some funds and everyone was able to have some fun while social distancing. Thank you to everyone that participated, especially our unbiased volunteer referee, David. Congratulations to our winners, Gabriel and Samantha. We hope to see you next year & grow this event in the future!



<u>click here for appointment</u>

Thank You

Our Christmas Party food donations were delivered to Hope Helps Food Pantry, a local service and food provider. For more information about their programs or if you are interested in volunteering with their organization, please visit <u>www.hopehelps.org</u>. Thank you to all who contributed!

> VA Releases Vaccination Plan click here for more info

Stay in Touch

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

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