

Post 243 Newsletter



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OVIEDO MEMORIAL POST 243

IN APPRECIATION OF YOUR

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Be sure to join us after **this Wednesday's** Coffee & Chat for the Four Chaplains Ceremony. Lawn chairs recommended.

Know any High School Juniors? Encourage them to investigate and apply for Boys & Girls State! What a great way to learn about how our government works and encourage them to be involved.

WHAT SELFLESS SERVICE LOOKS LIKE

Join us
Wednesday, February 2
12:00 pm

to hear their story

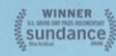
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IT'S TIME TO APPLY!

Applications: OviedoLegion.org/scholarships
Questions: Ralph Cain cblr@aol.com / 407-765-6633

An Apple Original Film



Girls State:
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Key Dates

- Feb 2, 1200 | Four Chaplains Ceremony
- Feb 5, 0900 | District Oratorical Competition
- Feb 12, 0900 | Area Oratorical Competition
- Feb 15, 1830 | Fireside Chat
- Feb 17, 1800 | Potluck Supper & Bake-Off/
Boys Town
- Feb 19, 1000 | District 6 Meeting
- Feb 23, 10-1400 | Mobile Vet Center
- Mar 12, 0900 | Dpt. Oratorical Competition
- Mar 13, 12-1700 | Blood Drive
- Mar 17, 1800 | Potluck Supper/*Tally Update*
- Mar 30, 10-1400 | Mobile Vet Center
- Apr 16, 0900 | Flag Folding and Retirement
- Apr 21, 1800 | Potluck Supper/*Police & Fire*
- Apr 23, 0900 | Spring Clean-up
- Apr 27, 10-1400 | Mobile Vet Center

From the Commander

A Legion Post is only as strong as its membership. We are blessed to have completed our membership drive in record time but are always looking for ways to connect with other veterans. We also have many opportunities to participate in our community that are only limited by our involvement. I am always impressed when I read the Legion magazine at everything Posts across America are doing.

Please take a few minutes to see where you think your talents might help us serve our community. If you're not sure, talk with someone in a leadership position to see what might interest you. We need help in many areas. Consider volunteering with Post 243 to help keep us strong and engaged.

Gratefully, Laurel

JROTC Help Retire Flags



Members of Lake Howell and Lake Mary JROTC units helped fold & honorably retire over 700 flags this month. A special thank you to Richard Otto for spearheading our scouting and JROTC partners for these events.



Florida's Fallen Memorial

Maintenance was performed on the Memorial as we start to get it ready for installation in May. Thank you to everyone who came out to help get our projects started!



2022
Open
Sunday 5/22
thru
Friday 6/3



2022
Set-up
5/21
Take-down
6/4

Key Date Info

6th District Meeting

Come learn more about what is happening in our District. Post 80, Kissimmee. RSVP to carpool.

Bake-Off

Bring your famous dessert for us to sample and vote on. Contact aplmpost243@gmail.com to enter.

Boys Town

Did you know we have this organization for young men and women right in our back yard? Find out more with Terry Knox presenting.

Fireside Chat

Casual, after hours get together out back by the fire pit. A chance for our working members and guests to learn what is happening at the post. Snacks are provided, BYOB.

Four Chaplains Ceremony

Come and invite friends to hear what selfless service really means. Some seating outdoors is available, lawn chairs welcome.

Mobile Vet Center at Post 243

Available to entire community, spread the word.

Oratorical Competitions

All are invited to support our future generation of leaders. District will be at Post 53 (Sanford), Area will be at Post 80 (St Cloud) and Department will be at the Lee Road Headquarters building.

Tally (Tallahassee) Update

Want to know more about what is being focused on in our state's capitol, especially as it related to veterans? Come hear Anthony Sabatini's update

February Bake-off

Do you love to bake? Is there a favorite receipt you'd like to prepare? Why not enter in our February Bake-off to see if it is a Post 243 favorite!



Oratorical Competition

Post 243's competition was just last week. We are extremely proud of both contestants and are asking for your help in supporting our representative at the District Competition this Saturday – February 5th at Post 53 in Sanford. Be seated NLT 0900.



Talmage Kanistras, from Oviedo High School was our winner (far left) and our runner up was Henry McKey from Lake Howell High School. We look forward to hearing both of these young men again next year, as well.

Post 243 Recognitions

If you haven't seen the January/February edition of Oviedo / Winter Springs Life magazine, you're in for a treat. Post 243 was featured in the issue, including the front cover. Copies are available at the post and also in our website Gallery. Be sure to take a look!



At our January Membership Meeting, Post 243 was honored with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Marine Corps League. Thanks for being a great partner veterans organization. We also awarded our Wreaths Across American flag detail with thank you coins. And Quilts of Valor supported another of our members who has been touched by war, Brad Sokoly. Thank you to all who joined us that evening.

Fireside Chat

January's event was blessed with perfect weather and even a rocket launch! Plan on inviting anyone interested in learning more about the American Legion to our final Fireside Chat of the season, Tuesday, February 15, starting at 1830.



Support Post 53, Sanford

Every Tuesday at 6pm
Tacos & Trivia

Every Wednesday at 5pm
Burgers & Bingo

Every Friday at 5pm
Karaoke

Most Saturdays at 6pm
Dinner followed by dancing:
Feb 12 – Steel
Feb 26 – DJ Craig

For more details/pricing, visit alp53fl.org/

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