



July 2020 Newsletter

American Legion Urbandale Post 663

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“This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave.” – Elmer Davis

The Commanders Comments:

I hope everyone is staying safe and following the guidelines. By this time I was hoping that things would improve, but it seems that it may get worse before it gets better. As of right now we are still looking at August before we can even think of a meeting. If we do open up it will be with 50% capacity and different seating arrangements. This will not be easy with the majority of our members being over 60 years of age.

We have tried using ZOOM for our Officers Meeting and it has worked. The next question would be, that you as a member would be interested in joining a ZOOM Meeting in the future. If you have an email address and we know it we would be able to send you an invitation.

Please stay safe and we will keep you updated as soon as we have a plan.

Post 663 Commander
Michael B. Knight

***** Board Position Opportunity *****

We have an opening on the Board for a person to assume our Building Rental duties. This position is responsible for coordinating all processes related to renting out the Post building, as well as providing an opportunity to earn commissions on the rental fees. Building rentals are important to Urbandale Post 663 as a source of income to support our ongoing community activities.

If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Gordon Hendrickson directly at ghlegion@q.com or 515/480-4348.

Auxiliary News Urbandale Unit #663

Membership for the 2020-21 year will be coming from National within the month. We would like to thank-you in advance for being a member of our Unit #663. If you know someone that is eligible to join, please reach out to them and invite them to join.

At this time the Legion will have the hall closed for July and August and will let us know when they plan on reopening it. We have received a refund on sending 2 girls to Iowa Girls State and will use the money for Girls Staters next year. We also plan to use the poppies we ordered for this year, we will use them next year. If there is any other business that needs to be done, please contact us.

Meribeth Haynes -- mbhaynes18@gmail.com

***** Membership Report *****

We had a tremendous response to my request in the June newsletter to sponsor 2020 dues for some of our most senior Legionnaires. Thank you so very much to the many individuals that answered that call and stepped up -- very much appreciated. The 2021 membership campaign will kick off the beginning of July. It is more important now than ever that we maintain our strong membership in Post 663, as our fellow veterans and the community continue to need us during this challenging time. Please renew your membership for 2021 as soon as you're able to do so...if you have any questions about your membership, please feel free to reach out to me. Thanks very much.

Peg Mullen, Membership Chair
mullen.margarete@gmail.com phone 515-205-6853

***** Perform Buddy Checks *****

Check in with older veterans in your communities to make sure they have the supplies they need, are feeling healthy and help them acquire the resources they need. Of course, Buddy Checks can be done with phone calls and emails so as not to risk spreading or contracting coronavirus.



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POST EVERLASTING:

Please notify us when you know of a member who has passed away, we want to be sure to get them enrolled in Post Everlasting. Please Contact Peg Mullen 515-205-6853 or mullen.margarete@gmail.com with name of member who passed away.

E-mailing Newsletter:

This is your monthly reminder that if you would like to receive the Post newsletter through email, please send an email to Peg Mullen (mullen.margarete@gmail.com) to be added to the email distribution list. **This can effect a considerable cost savings to the post as each mailed newsletter costs approximately \$0.50 each month. Your email address will not be Shared with any other organization or used for anything other than communication from our post.

Healthy & Active: Advanced Ultrasound Technology look inside your arteries for signs of plaque buildup that's why **9 out of 10 cardiovascular doctors** support preventive screenings for those with key risk factors

Where: Urbandale American Legion Post 663

When: Thursday September 4, 2020
Pre-Registration is Required Call
1-866-229-0469

Package 1 – 4 Tests Plaque, Vascular and Heart Rhythm \$139.00

Package 2 – 5 Tests Add an osteoporosis Screening for only \$10.00 more.

Hall Rental:

Our hall is for **RENT**. If you know of anyone looking for a rental for weddings, or meeting CALL 515-681-9663 for availability and price.

Officer's Meetings:

Are held the first Thursday of each month @ 6:30 PM.

Flags for Sale:

American Legion Post 663 sells new flags in three sizes 3X5 - \$30.00, 4X6 -\$40.00, 5X8 - \$50.00 the Post keeps several in stock.

Volunteers are Welcome:

Consider volunteering to help with future Post activities. **Please Please consider**

attending to support your Post.

Donations are always accepted for replacement of equipment and updating our hall.

Thank you in advance.

Dates to Remember:

July 27, National Korean war Veteran Armistice Day

August 4, Coast Guard Birthday

**** POST EVERLASTING ****

Due to the Covid-19 we will hold this year 2020 Post Everlasting with the May 2021 Post Everlasting.

NO JULY DINNER OR MEETING