

**June 2020 Newsletter** 

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<sup>&</sup>quot;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:**

Greetings fellow Legionnaires, I hope this News Letter finds you in good health. As we move into the summer months we are all going to see the world has changed and we will have to adapt to it in order to stay safe.

I have been informed that the annual Fourth of July Celebration, including the Parade in Urbandale has been cancelled for this year. We are still looking at what to do about opening back up with our Monthly Dinner Meetings. When we feel it would be safe to do so, we will make sure you know about it. The whole process may look different and you may be faced with many new restrictions that will need to be implemented.

I would also like to say that if any of our members are having difficulties and need assistance during these unprecedented times, please reach out to any of our Board Members and we will see if we can help. Each Board Member has his Phone Number by his name on our News Letter Cover Sheet.

**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

ghlegion@q.com or 515/480-4348.

Hendrickson directly at

### **Auxiliary News Urbandale Unit #663**

We will continue to follow the Legion as far as when we can meet at the Legion Hall. At the Executive Board meeting on May 29th with the Legion, they are hoping to re-open the hall by August 1st. We will continue to communicate by phone and e-mail as needed. We are currently at 88% for membership this year. With 3 more paid memberships we will be a Goal Unit. Please reach out to those who may be interested in joining!! As always, please reach out with any questions you may have. Meribeth -- mbhaynes18@gmail.com

### \*\*\* Membership Report \*\*\*

Final membership numbers for 2020 will be ending soon, and July will begin a new membership campaign for 2021. At this time, we have 2 WWII veteran post members that have not yet paid their dues for 2020, and one of them is a 35 year member. We also have 6 Korea veterans on this list, one of them is a 24 year member. Would any current members be willing to sponsor these veteran's 2020 dues to thank them for their service? If so, please send me an email indicating your interest to assist. Thank you.

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.

#### **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.

#### 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

1-8888-653-6450

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

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

# 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:**

June 14, Flag Day / US Army Birthday
June 20, First day of Summer
June 21, Father's Day
June 25, Start of Korean War1950
July 4, Independence Day Fireworks
only

#### \*\* POST EVERLASTING \*\*

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

NO JUNE DINNER OR MEETING
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NO POST EVERLASTING REFER TO
ARTICLE IN BULLETIN