



American Legion Urbandale Post 663

April 2024

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Urbandale IA 50322

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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 Davi
Post #663**

Commanders Comments:

From the Desk of the Commander:

Please try and attend our next Dinner/Meeting to be held on the 18th of April. The doors will open at 5 pm and dinner will be served at 6 pm. We are honored to have The 6th District Commander here to present our own 2nd place winner of the Flag Essay (Abraham Osmond Dera). He will be awarded a certificate and a check for his accomplishment.

I want to thank VFW Post 9668 and American Legion Post 663 for meeting at the McDivitt Cemetery in order to remove the Christmas Wreaths, which we had laid in December.

On the 19th of March Post 663 hosted the Urbandale Planning and Zoning Committee. The meeting consisted of ideas and questions, from both the Business Owners and the City Planners. This is just the second of many meetings to come.

Please put on your calendar the 18th of May for our next Food Drive. All proceeds will go to the Urbandale Food Pantry.

Commander Michael Knight

Membership Report:

Our annual Post Everlasting ceremony will be held during our monthly meeting and dinner on Thursday, May 16, 2024.

During this recognition, we will honor nine fellow Legionnaires that passed away during calendar year 2023. Please join us as we honor those members and their families for this special evening. Thank you.

**Peg Mullen, Membership Chairperson
rpusn20@gmail.com**

Urbandale Auxiliary Unit 663:

The Auxiliary will host the dinner on Thursday April 18. We will have chips and dips, cheese and beef enchiladas, rice, beans and cake and ice cream Please call, text or email me with your reservation. Phone is 515-306-1926, email is hotovec@centurylink.net. Look forward to seeing everyone. The next Auxiliary meeting will be April 23 at 1pm at the Legion Hall Thank you.

Joann Hotovec, President American Legion Auxiliary, Urbandale Unit #663



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April 18, Dinner Meeting and Business Meeting.

Dinner: chips and dip, cheese and beef enchiladas, rice, beans and cake and ice cream

Service Officer:

Questions or Concerns about getting enrolled in the VA System or questions about compensation, qualifications, the VA Hospital or just how to get your DD-214, Please call your Post # 663 Service Officer (Robert Morris at 515-278-4231)

Dates to Remember:

Officer's Meeting First Thursday of the month @ the Post 5:30 PM

April 22, Earth Day

April 23, Passover Begins

April 24. Administrative Assistance Day

May 1, May Day

May 12, Mother's Day

May 16, Post Everlasting Dinner & Recognition

May 18, Food Drive / Armed Forces Day

May 27. Memorial Day

June 16, Father's Day

June 19. Juneteenth National Independence Day

June 20, Summer Begins

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.