



American Legion Urbandale Post 663

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There is no official dinner or meeting in July. On July 16, there will be an informal gathering at the Post around 6 pm. The intention of the informal gathering is for Post members to have a chance to visit and get to know other another better. There is no need to RSVP, feel free to bring a snack for yourself or to share.

Admittedly, this would have been much handier to learn about earlier in the month. 2nd Vice is deeply apologetic for the lapse on her end.

"The greatness of America lies not in being more enlightened than other nations, but in its ability to repair its faults." - Alexis de Tocqueville



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From the Desk of the Commander

The Post Commander was travelling at the time of Newsletter Creation.

Rob Stark, Commander Post 663

Urbandale Auxiliary

The Auxiliary's June Project was having door prizes at the dinner. We collected \$81 for our account. I also received used clothing for Des Moines Stand Down. This has been donated and I received a thank you note saying how much everything is appreciated. We sent 4 girls to Iowa Girls State and they attended the activities at Drake University from June 14-19.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, July 28, at 1pm at the Legion Hall.

Joann Hotovec, Auxiliary President Unit 663

From the 1st Vice

American Legion Informal Gathering: July 16th at 6pm! Come for snacks, stories, and games! Snacks will be provided or bring your own. Beverages available as at a regular meeting for \$1 or bring your own. The military family we assisted may attend.

Jim Cade, Post 663 1st Vice

From the 2nd Vice

Hello Post 663! My sincerest apologies for the extremely delayed newsletter. Between busy days at work and a bad fatigue week, I'm struggling to keep up with my commitments this month.

We heard back from the Iowa Heart Foundation regarding the grant to update our AED. We received back a kind "Not Yet" email based on funding available.

The Urbandale Library's Display Case has been decorated with Post 663 Memorabilia as well as the flyer I created to promote the Legion. I'm hopeful this will generate in the Post.

Lastly: Is anyone interested in running the rental of the Legion Post?

Nichole McDowell, 2nd Vice Post 663



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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 and by purchasing through the Post you don't have to deal with shipping delays or wait times!

Community Events

The Hall remains open every weekday from 8 am to 1030 am for Coffee, Conversation, & Continuing Education.

Walk or Ride in the Fourth of July Parade with Post 663! Meet at the Post on July 4 at 8:15 a.m.

Date TBD: Post 663 Rummage Sale! Have too much stuff? Need to downsize? Pay \$10 for a table inside Post 663 during our Post 663 Rummage Sale. All proceeds are yours to keep. Unsold items may be left at the Post and we will arrange for the DAV thrift store to collect as donations.

[Want to see an event included? Talk to Nichole McDowell at 515-729-4600 or legionpost663@gmail.com](mailto:legionpost663@gmail.com)

Reminders & Requests

Newsletter: The Post will have two methods of distribution - mailed & emailed. The lowest cost option for our Post is to receive the newsletter by email. If you know a fellow Post member who does not receive the newsletter, please direct them to Nichole McDowell (515-729-4600 or legionpost663@gmail.com). We have heard of a few members of the Post and Auxiliary who have found their newsletters in spam or junk folders - it never hurts to check there if you think you've been left off the list!

Social Media: The Post has a Facebook presence in the following ways: A private group specifically for members of Post 663 and a public page that represents the post. The intent of the public page is to assist in recruitment efforts as well as engage with the community. The Private Group is accessible by clicking [here](#) and the Public Page is accessible by clicking [here](#).