



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

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Ted Raggl	Chairman	Always Post Commander
Fred Lemieux	Vice Chairman	3 yr. Term
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Al Schmidt	2 Trustee	1 yr. Term
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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hi all.

Nice cooler weather we are having. Fall is coming, its time the mower goes out and the blowers come in. Summer went by fast. Or was it just too hot to notice. Hopefully we will get our normal weather back.

Well we had our food truck for needy and it went kind of slow, it rained and the word just didn't get out enough. Oh well, we learn by our mistakes.

The next Texas Hold'em is October 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th. We have a few openings. The signup sheets are at the bar.

The Robbinswood Veterans asked to see the new monument, so we are going to bring them on October 3rd at 1:00. If anyone would like to come, feel free.

Well, along with the cooler weather comes warmer dinners. The burger and brats are over, now we will be doing dinners. Starting on October 4th, Thursday from 5 till 7, we will eat. The cost is 7 dollars for adults and 4 dollars for kids under 10. The first dinner will be Goulash. Come on down.

If you would like to receive the bulletin by e-mail please get us your e-mail address.

Thanks Ted

HONOR GUARD ACTIVITIES

08/01 Full military rites for Geo Talsman Jr.

08/11 I attended the military funeral for Sgt. Daniel Price that was held in Holland. What an honor it was to be able to participate in this memorial for this deceased American Combat Veteran.

08/13 Full military honors for Henry Gilde. We meet Henry when he was living at the Robbinswood Living Center.

08/17 attended the funeral for past Women Aux. President Etha Baker.

Upcoming Honor Guard Events:

Nov.11 Veterans Day falls on a Sunday this year, and most events will be celebrated on Monday, Nov 12. BUT we will be firing in Central Park on Sunday, at 11:00 A.M., at the WWI Memorial. Hope to see most of my group participating, and a bunch of you attending also. We fire at 11 A.M. sharp.

Nov 12 Our Post will have their Memorial Day program in the evening.

Dec. (?) We will be appointed our day to help the Salvation Army by "Ring-the-Bell" at Wal-Mart. We will need volunteers from the entire Post to help man the Bell for this event. Each time slot is only for an hour. More info on this will be in the next newsletter, and posted at the Post.

NEWS FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Our VFW Post...

We are so fortunate to have the leaders in our Post that we have. Sometimes we are quick to find fault with what others do, but the fact is, they are doing something.

Someone once said that good leaders take a little more than their share of the blame and a little less than their share of the credit.

That's clear in this Civil War story about Abraham Lincoln.

After the Battle of Gettysburg, General Robert E. Lee and his Confederate forces were withdrawing to Virginia, and Lincoln felt that they were vulnerable. Eager to get the agony of the war over with, President Lincoln sent word to General George Meade to attack.

With his message, Lincoln also sent a personal note. "The order I enclose is not on record," said the note. "If you succeed, you need not publish it. Then, if you succeed, you will have all the credit of the movement. If not, I'll take the responsibility.

Take time to thank all those who do so much to keep our Post active and alive.

By the way...

There are some important jobs that need to be filled to keep our Post going strong. Can you step up and help just a little? See the Commander for details.

God bless and look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

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LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

We are well into fall now, so enjoy the crispy weather! Remember to take a color tour, even if it's just around the local country roads.

Cooler weather means it is time to get your knitting needles clicking. We have a lot of little hands and heads that need to be kept warm; so, mittens, hats and scarves are needed to hang on the tree in November. They will be distributed by the Good Fellows at Christmas time.

The Pow Wow (Annual Fall Conference) will take place at Shanty Creek in Bellaire, MI. Oct. 11 through the 14th.

Plan ahead for the Eighth District meeting on Saturday, November 3rd. It will be held in Grand Haven this year. Dinner will be served at the Post at 11:00 a.m. The meeting will follow at 1:00 p.m.

Auxiliary will meet on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Thank you to Crystal Cooper for her inspiration and work on our art work dog. She did a fantastic job in a very short time frame .

We would like to Welcome back Kanduu to help with cleaning our club. They are a wonderful addition to our volunteer stall. And a BIG Thank You to Al Schmidt for making it happen.

NEWS FROM THE CHAPLAIN CON'T

On the lighter side.....

A while back, young Bobby Birman, a Michigan mountain man, answered his nation's call and joined the Marines.

On the first day of boot camp, the Corps issued him a tooth brush. That afternoon, a Navy dentist yanked several of his teeth.

On the second day, the Corps issued him a comb. That afternoon, a Navy barber shaved his head.

On the third day, he was issued a jock strap.....

The Marine Corps is still looking for him.

Food for thought.....

You can tell more about a person by what he says about others than you can by what others say about him.

- Leo Aikman

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1 CLOSED	2 BAR OPEN 3-9 KANDU	3 BAR OPEN 3-9 POST MTG. 7:30 PM	4 BAR OPEN 3-? DINNER 5-7	5 BAR OPEN 3-9 EUCHRE 6:30 PM	6 BAR OPEN NOON-5
7	8 CLOSED	9 BAR OPEN 3-9	10 BAR OPEN 3-9 MEN'S AUX. 7:00 PM	11 BAR OPEN 3-?	12 BAR OPEN 3-9 EUCHRE 6:30 PM	13 BAR OPEN NOON-5
14	15 CLOSED	16 BAR OPEN 3-9 KANDU	17 BAR OPEN 3-9 LADIES AUX. 7:00 PM	18 BAR OPEN 3-?	19 BAR OPEN 3-9 EUCHRE 6:30 PM	20 BAR OPEN NOON-11 KARAOKE 7-11 PM
21	22 CLOSED	23 BAR OPEN 3-9	24 BAR OPEN 3-9 CLUB BOARD 7:00 PM	25 BAR OPEN 3-?	26 BAR OPEN 3-9 EUCHRE 6:30 PM	27 BAR OPEN NOON-5
28	29 CLOSED	30 BAR OPEN 3-9 KANDU	31 BAR OPEN 3-9 HAPPY HALLOWEEN			