

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS WHITELAKE POST 3256

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Commander's Corner

Comrades,

We all need to pray a little for some rain. Temperature wise, this has been a great Summer, however, the lack of rain is starting to cause many problems.

This newsletter article is going to sound like one big "Thank You" note, but sometimes, I feel, that that is just what is needed.

A big thanks goes out to David Dean for the grill that he donated to the Post, for the Pavilion. Also, a big thanks to the Men's Auxiliary for getting it set up in the Pavilion, so that it will STAY THERE!

Another thanks to the Men's Auxiliary for getting the new Aluminum Handicapped parking signs for the Post parking lot. As you can see, the Men's Auxiliary is doing many things and helping out the Post Home.

Thanks go to the Frank Burt Family for the donation of Frank's Service Medals. Also to Dick Sikkenga for the donation of the plaque that goes with the medals.

The bathroom that is being built in the back bar area is coming along and should be done soon.

The Post is still looking for someone to take over as Post Adjutant. If you are at all interested, PLEASE, contact me. My number is 894-6924.

I want to thank the Comrades that went up to Scottville, to help the Scottville Clown Band with the Salute to the Veterans portion of their concert. It was a bad, rainy night up there, but your help is appreciated. The weather was threatening, the night of the concert here in Montague, so it was held in the new Montague High School Auditorium. It was a wonderful sound, inside, and, once again, thanks to all of the Comrades that helped out with that concert.

Our Condolences to the families of the Comrades that have recently passed away.

TAPS:

John "Pete" Hudak
Lawrence Fremd
Joe Briggeman

Take care, and may all of your prayers be answered,

Norm

Relay for Life

Relay for Life- Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Relay for Life. Whether you worked an event, collected money, donated, walked or helped in any way, Thank You!! \$3129.00 was raised by our team. Special Thanks to co-chair Rita VanDyke. Also to Deb and Diane for spending the night! - Until next year---
Bette Bloomberg

Women's Auxiliary News

Auxiliary Sisters,

Hope everyone is having a great summer!!!

The 4th of July parade was a big success! We had 13 members turn out to participate. This year we doubled the amount of flags we purchased to pass out—from 750 last year to 1500 this year and we still ran out. We will just double again next year until we get it right!!!!

Thanks to our "auction instigators"—Marion and Lisa, and our "Auctioneer" Larry- we made over \$600.00 on the T-Shirt auction. It was a lot of fun and for a really good cause.

THE COOKBOOKS ARE IN! They are available in the canteen. The cost is just \$9.00 (+ S&H if you want them mailed to you). Great Christmas presents!!!!

I'm putting out an S.O.S. for someone that might be interested in taking over the banquet chairmanship. Our auxiliary depends on the income from banquets, and receptions. If you are interested please let me know.

Thank you to those that helped with the recent wedding reception we did. You were lifesavers!!!

At our last meeting we had 17 members attend. That may not sound like a lot given the number of members we have but I am really appreciative to have that many attend, and I hope the number just keeps growing.

We have a wonderful Post, one we can all be very proud of.

Watch for information about the Northside Spectacular Parade----You don't want to miss out on the FUN!!!!

Also, the Bicycle/Poker run will be Sunday September 2nd. Come early to sign up, we leave at noon. Bring hors d'oeuvres or a dish to pass. Destination to be announced.

Assisting our Veterans,

Evelyn Lovejoy
Auxiliary President

Men's Auxiliary News

Dear Membership,

Welcome new member Henry P. Bosse. We appreciate your support.

We lost one of our charter members, our first chaplain, at far too young an age. We'll miss him. Our sympathies go out to the Hudak family. Please take notice of the expense fund canister set up in the clubroom. No one is ever ready for this. Please give.

On a lighter note, don't forget our 3rd Annual Golf Outing August 18th at Old Channel Trail Golf Course. We end up with a pony keg of beer, steaks on the grill, many door prizes and a chipping contest for entries for a drawing for a TV. Trivia: Our 1st golf outing chipping contest – Pete chipped a hole in one, and he won the TV in the drawing.

Until next time, if you like your freedom, thank a vet.

For God and Country
Men's Auxiliary President
Mark L. Riggs Sr., American

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM Post Meeting 7:30 PM	2	3 Fish Fry 5:00-7:30 PM Karaoke	4
5	6 In-House 7:00 PM	7	8 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM Women's Aux 6:30 PM	9 Men's Aux 6:00 PM	10 Boiled Shrimp 5:00-7:30 PM	11
12	13	14	15 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM	16	17 Steak Fry 5:00-7:30 PM	18
19	20	21	22 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM	23	24	25
26	27 Happy B-day Dad	28	29 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM	30	31	

- August 3rd – Fish Fry Karaoke
- August 10th – Boiled Shrimp
- August 17th – Steak Fry and Karaoke
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