

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS WHITELAKE POST 3256

AUGUST 2011 NEWSLETTER

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From the Commander

Post Members,

A BIG Thank You to all that worked on getting the Fire Truck home and in the July 4th Parade. There was a great turn out of members and the best community turn out that this commander has ever seen.

Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for the lunch after the parade-what a great holiday!

The new State Commander is Jack Pray, Senior Vice is Kurt Kennedy and Junior Vice is Ron Devereaux.

The National convention is August 27th in San Antonio, Texas.

Garry Armstrong, Ron Falconer and a new volunteer will continue to be members on our in-house committee for 2011-2012. The next meeting is August 1st at 6:00 P.M.

Please keep October 16th open as this will be the Past Commander, Past President, appreciation banquet. We will have a list of members and their years of service. Social hour begins at 1:00 PM. There will be a sign up sheet at the post or you may RSVP to the canteen with the number attending. 894-6064.

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Ernest Shirtum.

The planters of flowers at the entrance of our Post look great. Thank you to those who took part in making that happen. They're perfect!

There is an additional memorial flag below the Michigan flag. It is a new flag that represents all branches of the military and their families to honor and remember those killed in action. Ours is the first Post in Michigan to fly this flag. The flag will be presented to Congress to be voted on as a National K.I.A. Flag. There is an article in the vestibule at the Post from Bobby Joe Jahn who donated this one of a kind flag. Thank You Bobby Joe.

Bless Our Troops and Our Post

Tom Lovejoy
Post #3256 Commander

Men's Auxiliary News

Hey Guys,

We had a good meeting with eleven members in attendance. We also voted in three new members; Gene Fox, David Laux, and Brent Coopoe, so if you see them in the club room please welcome them.

We are paying for 1/3 of the service entry and 1/3 of the kitchen flooring. We also purchased the paint to finish the service entry.

The pavilion roof is still in the works and Tom and Betty Bloomberg have donated coils of nails and use of a nail gun for the project. We are still looking for deals on other materials needed for the job. If you can help or know of materials please contact me anytime.

For the good of all,

Paul

Women's Auxiliary News

Auxiliary Sisters-

Hope everyone is staying cool these past few days!! Remember to be careful and not overdo in the heat and drink lots of water!!!!

Hard to believe summer is flying by so fast.

Thanks to everyone that participated in the 4th of July parade. It sure was good to have the Fire truck back!

On a serious note, we really need members to step up and volunteer to keep our post functioning.

We are in desperate need of volunteers for the Bingo Kitchen. If we are unable to staff the bingo kitchen it is possible we will have to eliminate it. If you can help, contact June Russell, or leave your name and number at the Post and we will contact you.

We also need more volunteers for the dinners. If you can help, here is a list of the dinners and the chairmen.

Fish Fry- Tom Lovejoy or Linda Meier
Shrimp Dinner-Evelyn Lovejoy
Steak Fry-Delores Dehoff
Nacho Grande'- Judy Gilbertson

It takes a lot to keep a Post as nice as ours running. This year alone we have made many improvements to the Post and surrounding area. We are putting a new floor in the kitchen and updating the canteen with new ceiling tiles and a new coat of paint.

Outside we have worked on landscaping, lawn maintenance, a drain field and new Service Entry Shelter just to name a few. We are only able to do this because we have the best members any post could ever have.

There are many members that give their time over and over, you just keep going and it is appreciated!! We just need a few more members to step up and volunteer.

We need to remember the need for our Post, for our Veterans, their families and our community. Even the smallest amount of time you can spare can make a big difference.

We are putting together a list of members that would like to donate baked goods for the Fish Fry. If you are interested, please contact me.

The Auxiliary is looking for someone to take over the Banquet Chairman position. This person needs to be familiar with catering, an active member in the VFW, and willing to take on this commitment for one year. If you are interested please attend the next meeting for more information.

Until next month-Until next month-

Assisting Our Veterans

Ev Lovejoy
Ladies Auxiliary President

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AUGUST 2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 In-House Mtg 6:00 PM	2	3 Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM	4	5 Fish Fry 5:00-7:30 PM Karaoke	6
7	8	9	10 Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM Women's Aux 6:30 PM	11 Men's Aux 6:00 PM	12 Shrimp Dinner 5:00-7:00 PM	13
14	15	16	17 Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM Post Meeting 7:00 PM	18	19 Steak Dinner 5:00-7:30 PM Karaoke	20
21	22	23	24 Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM	25	26 Nacho Grande Dinner 5:00-7:00 PM	27
28	29	30	31 Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM			

---Upcoming Event---
The 10th Annual Labor Day Bike Ride on Sunday September 4th.
Come and enjoy the ride!

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