

# VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS WHITELAKE POST 3256

DECEMBER 2006 NEWLETTER

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## Commander's Corner

Comrades,

Have all you deer hunting widows had enough of deer season yet? I know my wife has.

Ok this will be my last reminder to all you continuous members to take advantage of the Post new life membership policy. Just check out the price increase below:

Life Membership Dues		
Age	Cost Now	1/1/2007
< 31	\$245	\$425
31-40	235	410
41-50	215	375
51-60	195	335
61-70	165	290
71-80	125	225
80 +	85	170

We were informed by District we only have until December 15th. The main topic at the District meeting December 12th was life memberships.

At our last fish fry we had the Muskegon County Health Inspector at our facility. We have some minor violations but overall we faired very well.

Don't forget the many events this month – Army Navy game party, Christmas parade – be at the Post at 12:15 PM December 2nd if you want to participate and the kids' Christmas party December 10th.

Special thanks go out this month to the retiring champ Fred Bentz for the special project that he did for the Post.

As the Holiday Season approaches it is time to stop and reflect on the many blessings we have living in this country. Remember this little proverb – If you are reading this newsletter, thank a teacher, but if you are reading it in English thank a Veteran.

Sick call goes out this month to Rickie Moneyhun and it's good to see Doug Loy back at the Post.

In closing, a special remembrance for our departed comrades Art Dahl and Richard Menger.

May God Bless our Brothers and Sisters  
Happy Holidays from our family

Vic – Post Commander

*Happy  
Holidays*

## Women's Auxiliary News

Auxiliary Sisters:

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU to all of the members that made our Thanksgiving Day Dinner happen. It was a HUGE success!!! We served 181 dinners to those with reservations, 10 dinners to go, and we had 6 walk-ins that day for a total of 197 dinners. I can't begin to express how wonderful it was to see so many happy people enjoying the Holiday together. The volunteers were amazing. The Auxiliary members that donated pies, all the members that donated Turkey's, and especially those that donated their time to pull this event together-THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving however you spent it!!

A reminder: This month's Auxiliary meeting is at 6:30 P.M. on December 13th with our annual Christmas Party to follow. It is a potluck with a \$5.00 gift exchange if you want to participate. If you choose not to be involved with the gift exchange PLEASE come and enjoy the potluck and dice games afterward.

Don't forget the Children's Christmas Party on the 10th. Contact Joyce Patton if you would like to donate cookies or help at the party.

Thanks to the hard work of Ron and Sue Falconer and many other members, we had enough money to pick approximately 26 stars from the Angel Tree at the V.A. Hospital.

As we move through this Holiday Season remember how much even the smallest act of kindness can affect someone.

Hope to see you at the Christmas Parade and the Army/Navy Game on Dec. 2nd. Upcoming events this winter include our second annual Antique Show in February. Watch for more details. Also, keep those recipes coming in!!!! To all of our members, have a Safe and Happy Holiday. Watch for information posted in the canteen regarding New Year's Eve!!!!!!!!!!

Assisting Our Veterans  
Evelyn Lovejoy  
Ladies Auxiliary President

P.S. Don't forget Rada Knives make GREAT Christmas gifts and are available at the post!!!!

## Men's Auxiliary News

Dear Membership,

Welcome new members Tom Hansen, Doug Nichols, and Mark Belinger. Speaking of membership, you can renew yours anytime in the clubroom. We're 63 members strong and growing.

We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:00 PM. Come give us your input and enjoy fellowship afterwards.

Our raffle is going great. Our last drawing for bigger bucks is December 10<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all that participated.

Our next newsletter may be after Christmas, so –I know it's early but – Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the Men's Auxiliary.

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 Fish Fry 5:00-7:30 PM Karaoke	2 Christmas Parade 2:00 PM Army/Navy Game 2:30 PM
3	4 In-house Meeting 7:00	5	6 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM Post Meeting 7:30 PM	7 Men's Aux 6:00 PM	8	9
10 Kid's Christmas Party	11	12	13 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM Women's Aux 6:30 PM	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM	21	22 Winter Solstice	23 Festivus
24	25 Christmas	26 Chanukah Kwanzaa Begins	27 Aux Bingo 10:00-2:00 PM	28	29	30
31 New Year's Eve						

- December 1<sup>st</sup>: Fish Fry, the only dinner in December
- December 2<sup>nd</sup>: Annual Whitelake Christmas Parade
- December 2<sup>nd</sup>: Army – Navy Football Game
- December 10<sup>th</sup>: Kid's Christmas Party

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