

# VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS WHITELAKE POST 3256

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## From the Commander

Post Members,

Another successful month at our Post. The goals of our in-house committee have made outstanding differences to both the inside and outside of our facility. We can all be proud.

Unnoticed by most members who cannot attend meeting there is a special thanks to Jim Tanner, Russ McCarter, Vern Haidu and Jerry Bancroft. Your commitment to our post is appreciated.

Paul VanBeukering is in need of a few hands to finish up painting the trim and blocks of the post exterior. Please contact either him or myself.

Fall conference is at Sault Ste. Marie Oct. 8th-10th. Let Norm Mikkelsen know if you plan to attend.

The next in-house meeting is Oct. 5th.

It is time for you snowbirds to change your address to get your newsletters. Please send them to the Post address in care of Cheyney Rushing.

The "Pre-Anniversary" planning dinner is on Oct. 17th.

We are looking for PAST Commanders that have a picture of themselves during their active duty in the service. Family members are encouraged to help us find deceased commander pictures. The size of the picture is not important.

Thanks again for everyone who helped on the clean-up day. Your time and energy was very valuable and made a huge difference.

Our condolences to the family of Frank Manko on his recent passing.

Bless Our Troops and Post

Tom Lovejoy  
Post Commander

## Women's Auxiliary News

Auxiliary Sisters,

The cleaning "bee" in September was a BIG success!!! I don't think people realize sometimes all the work that goes on behind the scenes to keep our post as nice and successful as it is. Thank you so much to the members that were there and accomplished so much in a relatively short time (Although it didn't seem short at the time!!!). For those of you that couldn't make it this time--we'll catch you the next time.

Don't forget the pre-anniversary dinner on the 17th of this month. If you didn't receive your flyer about the dinner call the post (894-6064) or myself (894-8704) and we can give you the information. We are still looking for memorabilia about our Post--if you have pictures you would like to share, bring them to the dinner!!

We're planning a Halloween Party at the Post. There will be a costume contest and a potluck. It starts at 6:00 PM. Lots of fun--Be a kid again!!!!

I would like to extend a BIG THANK YOU to everyone that either helped at, or attended our Nacho Grande' dinners. Unfortunately we will not be doing them anymore due to my work schedule and other projects I am involved with at this time. If anyone would like to keep them going (they are a great money maker for the post) I would be glad to get you started. If not we may try to start up again after the first of the year. Again, thank you for making the dinners a success.

Speaking of successes--The bike-a-thon and the Buffet Breakfast were GREAT!!! Thanks go out to Sue & Ron Falconer and their crew and to Larry Painter and his crew, and Lisa Armstrong and Linda Meyer our "auctioneers". Over \$2200.00 was raised for the V.A. Hospital Christmas Gifts and the Veterans Center in Muskegon.

We would like to express our appreciation to Post #8846 for handling a recent funeral luncheon for one of our life members. We were unable to have to luncheon at our post because of a prior commitment of our hall. Until next month-

Assisting our Veterans

Ev Lovejoy  
Auxiliary President

## Men's Auxiliary News

Hey Guys,

Welcome our new members when you see them; Robert Maitner and Jerry Banecroft. The Mens Auxiliary will start doing our Sunday Burgers in January – more details later. Other projects are helping out with the cost of redoing the Women's Bathroom and helping to clean and paint the outside of the building.

Help us, if you can, with many of our ongoing projects.

For the good of all,  
Paul

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| <b>OCTOBER 2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b> |                          |     |   |                           |   |  |
|--|--------------------------|-----|---|---------------------------|---|--|
| SUN                                    | MON                      | TUE | WED   | THU                       | FRI   | SAT  |
|  |                          |     |   | 1                         | 2<br>Fish Fry<br>5:00-7:30 PM<br>Karaoke      | 3  |
| 4                                      | 5<br>In-House<br>6:00 PM | 6   | 7<br>Bingo<br>10:00-2:00 PM<br>Post Meeting<br>7:30 PM  | 8<br>Men's Aux<br>6:00 PM | 9<br>Shrimp/Chicken<br>5:00-7:30 PM           | 10   |
| 11                                     | 12                       | 13  | 14<br>Bingo<br>10:00-2:00 PM<br>Women's Aux<br>6:30 PM  | 15                        | 16<br>Steak Dinner<br>5:00-7:30 PM<br>Karaoke | 17<br>Pre-Anniversary<br>Dinner<br>(Members<br>Only) |
| 18                                     | 19                       | 20  | 21<br>Bingo<br>10:00-2:00 PM<br>Post Meeting<br>7:30 PM | 22                        | 23  | 24   |
| 25                                     | 26                       | 27  | 28<br>Bingo<br>10:00-2:00 PM                            | 29                        | 30  | 31<br>Halloween<br>Potluck<br>6:00 PM                |

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