

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS WHITE LAKE POST 3256

APRIL 2016 NEWSLETTER

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From the Commander

Fellow Members,

A fellow member Sievert Block has made his final march to the Lord's hand. Give support and prayers to the family.

Friday, May 6th is Michigan annual poppy day weekend. A sign up sheet is in the canteen. Please call or stop in to help with this event. All proceeds from this event are put in a fund for emergency veteran support.

On May 6th there will not be a fish dinner. Most of the volunteers for that day will be doing Poppy distribution.

The annual Salmon Assault event will be held on Saturday, May 21st. I need four Veteran members that have not participated for this event before. Call me or stop in and sign up. The Muskegon Charter Boat Association goes all out for our veterans to have a great time. Every thing is provided for this event.

Great job to our painting crew. The canteen looks great!! It needed a face lift.

Thanks to Dave Paul for the extra book case for our books. Just a reminder to everyone books are located in the back bar area. We have quite a selection for anyone to take and read.

Thank you to Ann Ward for the Reubens on St. Patrick's Day. They were wonderful and everyone enjoyed them.

The next Post meeting will be the final nomination for officers with elections to follow. Please try to attend to help elect these positions or run for one.

Our honor guard has been called upon immensely this year. They are the best. I feel honored as Commander to have them represent us. We receive a lot of compliments on our professionalism.

They make sacrifices to make sure a well deserved Veteran is given lasting tribute of respect.

The Muskegon Motorcycle Club has asked the Post to host their annual spring run.

We accepted and the event will be held Sunday, May 1st. We will be their last stop on the run. We will have food and beverages available for them. We have separate committees formed to staff this. If you would like to offer your services call me or check with the canteen to have your self added to a committee. It is a good opportunity for recognition. The Post should generate quite a bit of revenue from this event.

Nice to see our snow birds are migrating back. Spring is in the air.

Double JJ resort is having a civil service day on Saturday, April 30th. This is a family event. More details to come or you can call 231-894-4444 for more information.

Our veteran sacrifices keep us free.

Garry Armstrong
Commander VFW Post 3256

Mens Auxiliary News

Hey Guys,

Had a good meeting with eight members present. Thanks.

We are still doing Burrito Dinners and will do Burger Sundays thru April. Please help if you can.

Raffle tickets will be on sale soon for a gas grill so be ready to gobble them up.

We donated to the Coast Guard Relief Fund \$200 and Mark is to get a new camera for Historian Pictures for the club.

Next meeting, 4/14, will be nominations and elections, so please come to the meeting at 6:00. Hope to see you there.

Paul

Auxiliary News

Dear Auxiliary Sisters,

The snow banks are finally gone. I have seen spring flowers starting to poke out. Thank goodness. I am so ready. It is also nice to see to see our members starting to come back north.

We had a good meeting in March, however missed those that were unable to attend. Your suggestions and ideas can make a difference. I cannot stress enough the offer of a ride if you would like to attend. If you need help with transportation please do not hesitate to call me. I would be happy to get you there.

Thank you to all that were able to make it out for our dinners this past month. Your support is always appreciated. I cannot thank all of our volunteers enough. The proceeds from these dinners are used to maintain our Post and assist our Veterans and Veterans families. Please put the word out to family and friends.

We will not be having burger Wednesday starting with the month of April and lasting through August. We will hopefully have someone step up to chair in the fall. The Auxiliary will keep you updated later in the summer.

One of our biggest fundraisers will take place on May 6th. The Buddy Poppy proceeds represent no profit to any VFW unit. All the money contributed by the public for Buddy Poppies is used in the cause of veterans' welfare, or for the well-being of their needy dependents and the orphans of veterans. Many of us will be out collecting for this great campaign. Please come out and support this fund raiser if you can.

The Auxiliary meeting will be Wednesday, April 13th at 6:30 pm. Our nominations and elections will take place. I encourage all of you to attend. We cannot continue to think our Auxiliary will just keep going and those that are in office will just keep doing what they are doing. The meetings are low in attendance and fewer members want to (or are able) to step up and support our veterans by supporting our Auxiliary. Without committed officers and chairmen we will not meet the criterion that is required by the National Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Honoring the dead by serving the living.

Lisa Armstrong
President
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APRIL 2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Fish Fry 5:00-7:30 PM	2
3 Burger Sunday 1:00 – 5:00	4 In-House Mtg 6:00 PM	5	6 Post Meeting 7:00 PM	7	8 Shrimp/Chicken Dinner 5:00-7:30 PM	9
10 Burger Sunday 1:00 – 5:00	11	12	13 Women's Aux 6:30 PM	14 Men's Aux Meeting 6:00 PM	15 Steak Dinner 5:00-7:30 PM	16
17 Burger Sunday 1:00 – 5:00	18	19	20	21	22 Burrito/Nachos 5:00-7:30 PM Earth Day	23
24 Burger Sunday 1:00 – 5:00	25	26	27	28	29 Nothing planned yet. Watch our Facebook Page	30 Lyle Lipka 95th Birthday Party 1:00-3:00 PM.