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Notes from the Commander:

April shower WILL bring May flowers!

Elections for 2011-2012 will be held the first post meeting in April (the second Wed. of the month April 14th) This is a GREAT time to really support our post, as all positions must be filled in order for the Post to continue to exist.

The clubs new janitor is Al Thompson, welcome him in his new job.

Thanks to everyone who was a part of the Swis Steak Dinner, we couldn't have made the success without those of you who ate and those who worked!! Again, THANK YOU!!!

The Wet Burrito Dinner will help for the tribute to the Vietnam Veterans Celebration. It's Saturday, the 9th from 4:00 to 6:30 pm. Cost is \$6.50. See you there.

"In the Commanders world, the rearview mirror is always clearer than the windshield"

Don Carson

Post Commander
(231) 788-4487

Dads:

Don't forget that our meetings now start at **6:30 pm**, still on the first Wednesday of the month (April 6th) Time for elections for 2011-2012 officers.

Charlie Morpeth

Dads President



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Chaplains Corner:

Please keep the following post members and their families in your prayers, **Albert Main** recovering from pancreatic infection, **Ed Black** had heart surgery, **George Hartman** is at Knollview (room 206) recovering with leg problems, **Ron Wilcox** recovering from knee surgery, **Dale Garvey** at VA home, **Fred Nielsen** is not feeling well, **Allan Griggs** passed away 2/7/2011, **Matthew Panozzo** (87) passed away 2/20/2011, **Edwin Hodges** (80) passed away 3/10/2011, Past Commander **Wayne Sebring** passed away 3/4/2011, **Jack Sander** had open heart surgery and is home now recovering, **Robert Bendeman** had double knee surgery, **Jim Brentana** and his wife, **Reho**, and daughter all had surgery, **Bill Corning** is having surgery, our Department Commander **Lloyd Putman II** is having surgery to remove half his kidney.

ALL VIETNAM VETERANS!! If I have not called you by the time you receive this newsletter to update your mailing address, **PLEASE call me (213) 788-3125**, as there is no phone number for you on the roster.

April 9, 2011 (Saturday) 4pm - 6:30 pm, the post will be having a wet burrito dinner with a surprise Chinese auction. Price for dinner will be \$6.50.

April's member of the month is **Ronald Nas**, Navy, Vietnam. May's member of the month will be **Dave Laubach**, Army, Vietnam and Past Post Commander.

March's "Who is It?" Who is our oldest post member? Age wise? Member wise? And the answers are oldest: Don Knauf (92 years young) Longest membership: Gerrit Veldman (1943)

April's "Who is it?" What past Commander served in WWII, fought through the Siegfried Line, and was wounded several times. He received 2 Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star among other medals for his military service?

LOVE is such a nice four letter word, use it often.

Ginny McGowan

Post Chaplain/Historian
788-3125



Ladies Auxiliary News

From the President's Pen



APRIL EVENTS

- 2nd - Grand Rapids Home for Veterans Fish Fry
- 5th - Celebrate April Birthdays @ Grand Rapids Home for Veterans
- 6th - Auxiliary Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 10th - District 12 PC/PP Banquet at The William Negayke Post # 1329 in Hart.
- 15th - 17th - Testimonial Banquet/Golf Outing in Bay City
- 23rd - Easter Egg Hunt

We will be holding our annual Fish Fry for the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans on April 2nd. Anyone who would like to help please contact Bev Dykema @ 231-719-2060.

The Ladies Auxiliary Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 23rd here at the Post starting @ 11:00 am till 1:00 pm. This is open to all Post and Auxiliaries children and grandchildren. This is for babies to 10 years of age. Please sign up on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the Post. The deadline to sign up is April 16. No late sign ups will be accepted as we need to buy based on the number of children and ages attending.

Please try to attend our Auxiliary meeting on the 6th. This is the most important one of the year as we will be nominating and electing our officers for the 2011-2012 year.

On April 10th Post #1329 in Hart will be hosting the District 12 Past Commanders - Past President's Banquet. Social Hour is @ 1:00pm with Dinner at 2:00pm.

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to express their deepest sympathy to Janet Chandler's family in her recent passing. Janet was a member of the Auxiliary.

We still need recipes for the cookbook we would like to create. So if you have a favorite recipe or several please drop them off in the Ladies Auxiliary mailbox or mail them to Sandy Hutson @ 2014 E. River Rd. Muskegon, Mi 49445.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1st Loyalty Day
- 14th Vietnam Tribute Banquet
- 15th District Meeting in Manistee (nominations & elections)
- 27th Placing of flags at Sunrise Memorial Gardens
- 30th Memorial Day

TODAY AND EVERYDAY THANK A VETERAN FOR OUR FREEDOM!

God Bless our troops and country,

Beth Plont
Ladies Auxiliary President
231-788-4095

Men's Auxiliary News



A reminder that the Men's Auxiliary meeting is the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Post hall. Please try to attend.

Have a great month!
Jim Vaandering
Men's Auxiliary President
231-737-4871

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VFW Post 446 - April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Club Hours For Sundays: Noon to 6:00/8:00pm					1 Fish Fry-Dad's 4:30-7:00pm Music	2 GR Vets Home Residents - Fish Fry
3 Bloody Marys \$1	4 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm 75¢ Draft Beer	5 Birthdy Party GR Vet's Home NALC Mtg. 6:45 \$1.25 Beer Night	6 Dad's 6:30pm Ladies 7:00pm \$1.25 Well Drinks	7 \$1.00 Beer/Well Drinks	8	9 Wet Burrito Dinner - \$6.50 4:00 - 6:30pm fund raiser
10 Dist. 12 PC/PP Banquet - Post #1329 Hart Bloody Marys \$1	11 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm 75¢ Draft Beer	12 \$1.25 Beer Night	13 Post Meeting 7:00 pm \$1.25 Well Drinks	14 \$1.00 Beer/Well Drinks Marine Corp. League 7:00pm	15 Fish Fry- Men's 4:30-7:00pm Music	16
17 Bloody Marys \$1 Palm Sunday	18 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm 75¢ Draft Beer	19 \$1.25 Beer Night	20 Men's Aux 7:00 pm \$1.25 Well Drinks	21 1.00 Beer/ Well Drinks	22 Good FridY	23 Easter Egg Hunt- 11:00am to 1:00pm Guest infant to 10 yrs of age
24 Bloody Marys \$1 Easter Sunday	25 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm 75¢ Draft Beer	26 \$1.25 Beer Night	27 Post Meeting 7:00 pm \$1.25 Well Drinks	28 1.00 Beer/ Well Drinks	29	30 Steak Fry 5:00-7:00pm Music for Dancing

April Birthdays

- 1st John Geerling
- 7th Bill Eaton- Max Anderson
- 9th Dave Laubach- Thoran Wood
- 13th Tim Snider
- 15th Bob Versaw- Ernest Alderink- Don Knauf
- 18th Edward Baker
- 19th Bob Faucher
- 22nd Carl Laubach- James Anderson
- 25th April Bouwman
- 26th Virginia Hill
- 30th Randy White

Wet Burrito Dinner

Fund Raiser

Join us for a dinner of a Wet Burrito on Saturday, April 9th from 4:00pm to 6:30 pm at VFW Post # 446. The cost is ONLY \$6.50. Oh! Don't forget the Chinese auction. Invite the whole family, friends from across town, and that old best friend!!! See you the 9th.

April Anniversaries

12th Bill & Sandra Coming

Easter Egg Hunt

Children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren of members of the post and auxiliaries are invite to the annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 23rd from 11:00am to 1:00 pm. Those that are age, infant to 10 years of age are invited to participate. If we are not in this age range, we will have the privilege to cheer and get excited watching them. Pre- registration is requested NO later than April 16th.

Hospital / Nursing Care

- Dale Garvey - VA Home
- Wilbur Forton - DeBoers
- Ginny Laubach
- Clarabell Huston
- Gilbert Peary Sr. - Seminole Shores
- Al Perri - Brookhaven
- John Gerard - Brookhaven
- Budd Swainston- Northcrest
- George Hartman - Knollview

Looking for Correct Telephone Numbers

On May 14th we will be hosting a tribune to post members who serviced in the Vietnam War. However we have ran into a small snag, we DO NOT have correct telephone numbers for these personal. If Ginny has NOT call you please CALL her 231-788-3125.

HAPPY EASTER

- April 02** Grand Rapids Home for Veterans Fish Fry at post 446
- April 09** Wet Burrito Dinner 4pm to 6:30pm fund raiser
- April 17** Palm Sunday
- April 22** Good Friday
- April 23** Easter Egg Hunt 11:00am to 1:00 pm pre-register 4/16
- April 24** Easter Sunday Happy Egg Hunting
- May 14** Vietnam Tribune Banquet
- May 27** Placing of flags at Sunrise Gardens
- May 30** Memorial Day Parade at downtown Muskegon
- May 30** Memorial Day Military Ceremony @ Sunrise Gardens