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Notes from the Commander:

I join with our chaplin in saying THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make the Vietnam party such a great success.

And now for the rest of the story: Our soon to be ex-Chaplin **Ginny McGowan** has been elected Commander of District 12, she is the first woman to ever serve in this position. District 12 is gaining a GREAT lady. Also District 12 is gaining another one of our ladies in a top position, **Beth Plont** has been elect District President of the Ladies Auxilliary. Congratulations both of you!!

We will be doing a bi-monthly newsletter as of July 2011. There will be no birthdays or anniversaries printed, however they will be shown on the electronic cowl sign at the post. So be sure to stop in to know who to wish a Happy Birthday to as well as see your name in lights. The reason for trying the bi-monthly newsletter is to cut cost. We'll see how it works out.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 4th to attend the Beef and Pork BBQ Picnic sponsored by the House Committee. Our very own Ken Bowlen is doing the cooking. The cost is only \$6.00 and it is from 4:30pm to 7:00pm. You have a choice of the kind of sandwich and side dish. SEE YOU at the BAR-B-Q!!!!

We are having a Flag Burning Ceremony at the Post on Flag Day, June 14th about 9:00am.

I would like to invite you personally to come to the yearly planning meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2011 starting at 6:00pm. We need to make some serious plans for 2011-2012. PLEASE COME !!!!

Don Carson

Post Commander
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Chaplins Corner:

Prayers are needed for the following members and their families- **Fred Nielsen** (85) passed away May 12, 2011, **Dale Broderick's** wife **Sandy** is recovering from partial hip replacement, **Bob Benderman** is recovering from shoulder surgery, **Jim Oakland** has a brain tumor, **Jim Brentana** is recovering from rotator cup surgery, Al Lemke has pancreatic cancer, **Dan Fullmers** wife **Cheryl** has had a rough year medically, **George Hartman** is home from Knollview, **Wilbur Forton** is home from Deboars, **Richard Holbrook** is at Mercy Hospital (room 429) after a fall, breaking his left leg and sprang his left arm.

This will be my last Chaplin's corner as your new Chaplin for next year will be **Ron Wilcox**. I know he will do a good job as he too cares about this post and its membership. PLEASE know if there is anything i can still do to help, just call me.

I would like to say a big thank you to the committee that honored the Vietnam Veterans at our post- **Mike and Ginny McGowan, Betty Bandt, John Gerling, Don Carson, Joe and Alta Gonzalez, John Leister, Earl (Bud) and Pam Hassett, Al and Pat Fisk**. They worked hard for the past year. We would also like to thank all those who bought candy bars and attended our burrito dinner. Thank You again.

The photographer at the Vietnam party (May 14, 2011) has put together a DVD of pictures /music and if you would like one (\$10.00) call me, 788-3125. I will bring a few to the post meeting.

This is a great post. We are the oldest post on the west side of the state and were instrumental in helping get many of the other posts chartered. Please support the post and its members.

Ginny McGowan

Post Chaplain/Historian
788-3125



Dads:

Don't forget that our meetings start at 6:30 pm, still on the first the first Wednesday of the month (June 1st)

Charlie Morpeth

Dads President

Ladies Auxiliary News

From the President's Pen



JUNE EVENTS

- 1st Ladies Auxiliary Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 7th Celebrate June Birthdays @ Grand Rapids Home for Veterans
- 9th - 12th State Convention @ Troy, MI
- 14th - Flag Day – Fly your flag proudly
- 19th - Father's Day
- 21st - Post Planning Meeting -all members of Post, Ladies Aux, Men's Aux, and Dad's are encourage to attend.

On May 15th our District 12 Meeting was held in Manistee at Post 4499. I have been given the honor to be the incoming District President and Our Post Chaplin Ginny McGowan has been elected District Commander, congratulations Ginny. We were able to have a joint installation which was very special since we both are from Post 446. The State Quartermaster Rob Weiss installed Ginny and the elected officers of the VFW and State Secretary & Past State President Jan Meyers installed myself and all the elected officers of the Ladies Auxiliary. It was a very special day and I am looking forward to the upcoming year both here at the Post as Auxiliary President and for the District.

I would like to announce that Nan Hall is now the Ladies Auxiliary Conductress for the 2011-2012 year. Congratulations Nan.

June 21st we will be having the Post planning meeting. All members are encourage to attend and to give us your ideas.

If you know of any member who is ill, in the hospital or has passed away please let our Auxiliary Chaplin Lynn Samuels know @ 231-773-4048.

the bowling banquets & streak fry's. To Steve, Clyde, Jimmy, Tom and Charlie, can't forget Ken. To the great kitchen crew, Joni, Bev, Sue, Linda, Laura and Nan. A very special thanks to Mary Ann and Big Sam. It takes team work and effort to work these dinners and thanks to the crew at 446 it worked.

Thank-you,
Irene Sander

Upcoming Events July

- 4th – Independence Day
- 5th – Celebrate **July Birthdays** @ GRHV
- 6th – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 31st – Michigan Day @ VFW National Home for Children

Today and everyday thank a Veteran for our Freedom!

GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS AND COUNTRY!

Beth Plont

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 – June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 Dad's 6:30 Ladies 7:00 ----- \$1.25 Well Drinks	2 \$1.00 Beer/Well Drinks	3	4 Pork & Beef B.B.Q. Picnic 4:30-7:00pm "Chef Ken Bowlen"
5 Bloody Marys \$1	6 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm ----- 75¢ Draft Beer	7 Birthdays @ GR Veterans Home ----- \$1.25 Beer Night	8 Post Meeting 7:00 pm ----- \$1.25 Well Drinks	9 \$1.00 Beer/Well Drinks ----- Marine Corp. League 7:00pm	10	11
12 Bloody Marys \$1	13 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm ----- 75¢ Draft Beer	14 Flag Day ----- Planning Mtg 6:00pm ----- \$1.25 Beer Night	15 Men's Aux 7:00 pm ----- \$1.25 Well Drinks	16 \$1.00 Beer/ Well Drinks	17	18
FathersDay19 Bloody Marys \$1	20 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm ----- 75¢ Draft Beer	21 Summer \$1.25 Beer Night	22 Post Meeting 7:00 pm ----- \$1.25 Well Drinks	23 \$1.00 Beer/ Well Drinks	24	25 Steak Fry 5pm-7pm Music for Dancing
26 Bloody Marys \$1	27 Hamburg Night 5-7 pm ----- 75¢ Draft Beer	28 \$1.25 Beer Night	29 \$1.25 Well Drinks	30 \$1.00 Beer/ Well Drinks		

Belated Birthday Wishes- Ed Hvizdos ^{4/28} As of July 2011 "the Beal Broadcaster" will NO longer publish Birthdays & Anniv.

June Birthdays
4 th Terry Hyde
5 th Marton Clark
6 th Steve Allen- Linda Mayo- Whitney Dahlstedt
8 th Brad Buchan
9 th Jim Mayo
12 th Michael Baier
16 th Mike McGowan- Tom Sherwood
19 th Charlie Morpeth

June Anniversaries
2 nd Jack & Irene Sander
14 th Terry & Sharon Kroll
17 th Tony & Diane Leitgeb
20 th Mike & Mo Scharlow
23 rd Kevin & Charlotte Clements
26 th Terry & Carol Hyde

Hospital / Nursing Homes
Clarabell Huston – Lakewoods the Cove
Ginny Laubach
Al Perri- Brookhaven
John Gerard- Brookhaven
Budd Swainston- Northcrest
Gilbert Peary Sr.- Semonole Shores

BAR-B-Q PICNIC

Pork or Beef BBQ Picnic
at Post 446
165 S. Getty Street- Muskegon
Saturday, June 4th, 2011
4:30pm to 7:00pm
cost: \$6.00
choice of Sandwich
and Sides
Prepared by **KEN BOWLEN**

**"THE BEAL BROADCASTER"
BULLETIN**

The newsletter is going bi-monthly in hopes
of cutting back on cost.
Please! make sure we have your name and
address correct. Jim Brentana is doing a
great job with updates to the mailing list.

HAPPY Father's Day & A Great Summer !

- June 4 House Committee's Beef & Pork B.B.Q. Picnic Dinner**
- June 9-10-11&12 State Convention- Troy, MI**
- June 14 Flag Day- burning used flags @ post 446**
- June 14 Post 446 Planning Meeting 6:00pm**
- June 19 Father's Day**
- June 21 First Day of Summer**
- June 25 Steak Fry**