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# AMVETS

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## FROM THE COMMANDER

To our AMVETS Family and friends,

Just like last month, September was very busy for the Post and makes me proud just to know I'm associated with such a great group of people. I would like highlight some of the events that transpired:

- I would like start with our **COLOR GUARD**. They proudly showed our Post colors and participated in the following:
  - o Pal Guerrero's fundraising event in Blissfield, in support of refurbishing the Vietnam War Monument.
  - o The POW/MIA ceremonies held at Monument Park
  - o The Adrian College ceremony and parade celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary
- The Annual Post Picnic held September 5 was a super success and so much fun that people didn't want to leave. I can't wait to see what Aaron Ricketts, Bob Whipple, and the Posse of volunteers will dream up next year. It's going to be tough to outdo the frozen margarita machine.
- The Riders went crazy on the 19<sup>th</sup> and had the "Mother of all Parties." It was supporting the local Eagle Riders' poker run raising funds for the DAV. The event ended at our Post with a great band keeping the place crowded 'til closing.
- Check out the new blinds on the front windows. Bob Whipple did a great job sorting out the quotes and overseeing the installation.

**Did you know that the Post purchased a bus?** How about that! We are in the process of finalizing a committee to make recommendations and remodel the interior to make it comfortable for future trips. (If you attended the membership meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup>, you would have known all about it.)

The Post is investigating ways to address smoke at the bar. You can attend the membership meeting held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month for updates.

**THE POST NEEDS YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS.** It is the quickest way to learn about breaking news that may not be in the newsletter. The email blast is also a great reminder of current events going on at the Post for those who suffer from poor memory (me).

**Thank** you, as always, for supporting the AMVETS family. The fundraising efforts of the Auxiliary, the Sons, and the Riders help make our Post the great place that it is.

**Attending** your respective monthly membership meeting is greatly appreciated. That is how new ideas are brought up.

**Our** thoughts and prayers go out to Auxiliary member Pat Gilbert who is at Toledo Hospital as a result of a stroke. All those great cakes that mysteriously appeared at Post functions were baked by Pat.

"We wish a speedy recovery to our Son's Commander Carl Meddick who had a hip replacement". See all the trouble he created!!!!!!!

**God** Bless all the people who are in our armed forces today and the veterans who served our wonderful country.

Rob Hosken  
Commander

AMVETS Bingo is held every Wednesday and Friday at the Fairground Merchants Building. Speed starts @ 6:30 p.m. with regular bingo starting @ approximately 7:30p.m. Pull tabs, regular Jackpot and games available.  
Bingo will not start at the UAW Hall October 7 due to a delay in the licensing process. Approximate start date TBA, please contact the Post for further updates.



## **LADIES AUXILIARY**

Well that was a fast summer! Of course, fall is a great time also: falling leaves, cool nights, and Michigan football ("Go Blue"!).

The Auxiliary has five members attending the fall conference who will give a report at the October meeting.

The Auxiliary is having a spaghetti dinner on October 24, 6-8:00 p.m. at our Post. Flyers will be out shortly to give all the details. Hope to see ya'll down here because we would like to give out three scholarships next year. We can with your help on our projects. Thank you.

Also, as I stated in last month's newsletter, if you, or someone you know who belongs to our AMVETS family, need help this year with Christmas, please call me at 423-7957 and let me know. As always, this is very discreet. I will need the families' names on or before November 4. After that date, I will go the Adrian Veterans Affairs for names. Thank you.

Pat Miller  
Auxiliary President

## **SONS OF AMVETS**

I'd like to remind everyone about the second annual Sons Golf Scramble at Woodlawn Golf Course on October 10. We still need your support by either participating in the event or helping out at the golf course. This is a good opportunity to show your support for the Squadron. Registration forms are available at the Post. Contact either Josh at 517-605-5255 or myself at 517-270-0557 for more information or to sign up to volunteer.

Carl Meddick  
Sons Commander

## **AMVETS RIDERS**

If you missed the D.A.V. benefit, you missed an amazing band, wonderful food, and the opportunity to watch one of our AMVETS members donate a powered wheelchair to a disabled veteran. All in all, the Riders and the Eagle Riders raised \$1985 for the D.A.V., and we also raised \$300 for a wheelchair lift. The Riders can't thank everyone enough for participating. I would also like to mention a few people who went the extra mile to make sure this event happened. Rob and Eloise Hosken, Aaron Ricketts, Jason Carr, Patty Cook (Eagle Riders), Genie Busse, Greg Vessel, and Terri Spicer. I'm sure that I have missed someone, but I really appreciate you all. If you see these people, let them know how much they mean to our Post.

The Riders were represented at the Big Rapids post in their poker run. We were also represented at Durand for the Department Riders meeting. My wife and I will be attending the fall S.E.C. this weekend. long with other representatives of our post, we will bring back all of the info we glean from our Dept. officers.

This past month our color guard took part in the ceremony remembering and honoring our P.O.W.s and M.I.A.s. I have attended this ceremony for the past two years, and I have been disappointed at the attendance. I would like to praise one person for his attendance though: Doug Spade. If you haven't been able to personally meet Doug, he is a true friend of veterans and Lenawee county. Doug did not wish to be recognized for attending, but I feel that we have a duty to praise the people who support our veterans. I can't tell you how great a ceremony you missed. Have You Forgotten?

The Riders will meet on October 10th at noon. I hope to see you there.

Josh Feltman  
Riders President

## **AMVETS OFFICERS**

Commander	Robert Hosken
1st Vice Commander	Aaron Ricketts
2nd Vice Commander	Glenn "Chip" Kiest
Adjutant	Robert Irish
Finance Officer	James Naismyth
Judge Advocate	Larry Meredith
Provost Marshal	Greg Vessel
Service Officer	John Rottman
Chaplain	James Naismyth
Trustee	Robert Whipple
Trustee	Robert Perez
Trustee	Rod Sanford
Trustee	Danny Johns
Trustee	Rex Lewis

## **AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

President	Pat Miller
1st Vice President	Liz Feltman
2nd Vice President	Carol Lemle
Secretary	Kim Lemle
Treasurer	Rhonda Clark
Chaplain	Cathy Sliker
Sgt. at Arms	Sue King
Americanism	Cathy Sliker
Liaison	Genie Busse
Parliamentarian	Cheryl Bilyou
Historian	Lori Caza

## **SONS OFFICERS**

Commander	Carl Meddick
1st Vice Commander	Kim Shaffer
2nd Vice Commander	Josh Feltman
Finance Officer	Bill Brown Sr.
Adjutant	Shane Griewahn
Chaplain	Kim Shaffer
Judge Advocate	Josh Feltman
Provost Marshal	Tom Howard Jr.

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President	Josh Feltman
1st Vice President	Rod Sanford
2nd Vice President	Deryl Clark
Treasurer	Lori Denig
Parliamentarian	Penny Garver
Sgt. at Arms	Greg Vessel
Chaplain	Beverly Sanford
PR Officer	Teresa Brazee

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

### Life Member Luncheon

All Life Members of our Post (AMVETS, Auxiliary, and Sons) are invited to our annual Life Member Luncheon at noon on Sunday, November 8. Come for a hot meal, cheap drinks and a little socializing! The dress is casual. Your host, Aaron Ricketts, will provide some entertainment - if you want to call it that. You may bring a guest, and you must RSVP to Gina at 264-5555. You can also leave a message. If you have any questions, please call Gina.

Thank you for your commitment to AMVETS Post 1957.

Aaron Ricketts  
AMVETS Membership Chair

## **HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES TO ALL!!!**

## **THINGS TO REMEMBER**

- ~Friday Night Pool Tournaments held every Friday
- ~Sons Golf Outing October 10
- ~Pool Tournament October 31
- ~Spaghetti Dinner October 24

## **September Coupon winners**

Harold Holland, Larry Bilyou, Denise King-Elliott, Robert Lopez,  
and Don Quigley

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