



# AMVETS

## RANDY P. HILL POST 1957

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## FROM THE COMMANDER

To our AMVETS Family and friends,

August was a busy month for the Post and in particular for the Color Guard. Our Color Guard raised the flag at the opening ceremonies of the Relay for Life. The following day, they marched in the rain at the Clayton Summerfest. On the 24th, they led the parade at the Lenawee Medical Center, which honors the in-patient residents of the facility. It was a very gratifying experience.

I would like to highlight some of the wonderful events, in addition to the Color Guard, that transpired at our Post in August:

- The Post donated \$300 to the Auxiliary in support of their Relay for Life fundraising activity.
- The Auxiliary and Bob Whipple hosted the pancake breakfast at the Relay for Life.
- The Riders hosted The Paul Hill Challenge Poker Run on August 8 (in the rain) and had a good turnout.
- The Friday night pool tournaments (members only) have started again, and the number of players has risen steadily.
- The Nintendo Wii has been a welcomed addition to the fun at the Post. You must try it if you haven't already.
- Oakshade Raceway trip number two took place on the 22nd. The 40&8 train was packed, and a goodtime was had by all. This trip had many new participants attending (it sold out quickly), and they are pushing for a third trip to watch Bill Brown race his AMVETS sponsored car.
- The Post sponsored a table at the annual fundraiser held for the Associated Charities of Lenawee County on the 22nd. I was very proud that our members filled the available seating at the table and contributed to the success of the event.

You must plan to attend the Post picnic on Saturday, September 5, at Bob and Terri Whipple's home. This event gets bigger and better every year. If you have any questions, call, or better yet, stop down and talk to the members present at the Post. You won't be disappointed.

There is still time to be part of the fun going up to the **AMVETS Higgins Lake Lodge**, September 11-13. We have rented cabins to keep costs at a minimum. Stop by the Post to get all the info on what will be a good time. Deadline for signup is September 6.

Vietnam Memorial Refurbishing Fundraiser is September 17 at Emilio's Tex-Mex Cafe in Blissfield, hosted by Pal Guerrero. AMVETS will be donating an American Flag to each customer served at the restaurant. Bike and car show will start at 5:00p.m. and a Military service will be at 6:00p.m. Pat needs volunteers during the day and the Color Guard present for the service. Call the Post for more details.

Adrian College is celebrating 150 years on September 26. This anniversary celebration includes a parade from the Old Country Market building to the College. **COLOR GUARD NEEDED.** The college supports the Bring up Operation Education by providing four years of tuition, room/board and books for three veterans.

The best way to learn about all the exciting future events planned at the Post is to attend our monthly membership meeting. Your ideas are always welcome. Believe it or not, our meetings are not painful and are usually fun.

God Bless all the people who are in our armed forces today and the veterans who have already 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. Please note that starting October 7 bingo will be held at the UAW Hall. Same time, different location.



## **LADIES AUXILIARY**

Thanks to all who helped make the Relay for Life a great event. The Whipple family (Bob, Dorman, and Lois), along with Kim Lemle cooked hundreds of pancakes for all the hungry Relay people. Thanks also go to Carol Lemle and Cathy Sliker, our sausage gals, and Elaine Langenderfer and Katherine Easley who helped get the kitchen back in order. We all thank Bob Evans and McDonald's for all the food they donated for the cause. Between the Auxiliary and the AMVETS, we donated \$1,120 to the American Cancer Society. Finally, thank you AMVETS for your \$300 donation; it is so appreciated.

It's fundraising time for the Auxiliary. Dining to Donate will be taking place at Applebee's on September 8, 15, 22, and 29 @ 11:00a.m.-8:00p.m. Dine at Applebee's and 15% of your bill will be donated to our Ladies. You must present the flyer provided for your donation to be counted. Please come enjoy a meal and help support your Auxiliary.

We are getting ready for the Christmas family baskets, so if you know of any of AMVETS families who may need help this year, please call me at 423-7957. We want to help our own before we go to the Veterans Affairs for names.

Have a great Labor Day weekend! The next Auxiliary meeting is September 21 at 7:00p.m.

Pat Miller  
Auxiliary President

## **SONS OF AMVETS**

Welcome to September and the end of summer. Don't forget the family picnic at the Whipple's on September 5.

We will be having a major fundraising event on October 10. It is the second annual Sons Golf Scramble at Woodlawn Golf Course. We 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.

Keep in mind that school will be open soon, so be extra careful in school zones, and please do not hit the crossing guards.

"When you have confidence, you can have a lot of fun. And when you have fun, you can do amazing things."  
Joe Namath

Carl Meddick  
Sons Commander

## **AMVETS RIDERS**

The Riders hosted the annual Paul Hill Challenge in August. Even though it rained, we managed to raise some needed money and still have a good time. The Riders were able to raise \$777 for the scholarship fund through your support. We would also like to thank Aaron Ricketts for supplying and cooking the food; he is up for supporter of the year! The ride for the D.A.V. is September 19, and the Riders hope to see you there. We will rock the night away with two bands starting around 7:00p.m.

As always, I hope you decide to attend our functions and have as much fun as possible as we raise money!

Josh Feltman  
Riders President



September 18 is National POW/MIA Recognition Day

### **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

### **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.

### **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

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2nd Vice President	Deryl Clark
Treasurer	Lori Denig
Parliamentarian	Penny Garver
Sgt. at Arms	Greg Vessel
Chaplain	Beverly Sanford

#### **AMVETS Higgins Lake Lodge & Cabins**

Did you know that AMVETS has little cabins in the woods? Yep, we sure do! These cabins are located on Higgins Lake in Roscommon, Michigan, and we have booked three for the weekend of September 11-13. Each cabin has 4 bedrooms and the cost is \$45.00 per bedroom/night, plus tax.

If you would like more information you can visit their website at [www.amvets1941.com/higginslake102307.htm](http://www.amvets1941.com/higginslake102307.htm). Check 'em out and check in! Sign-up sheet is posted at the bar. Dead line is September 6.

### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

A name will be drawn each Wednesday from the membership database to receive a \$5 coupon to use at the Post. This coupon is a thank you for your membership and commitment to AMVETS Post 1957. August winners were: Carlene Gentz, Robert Metcalf Jr., Tammy Bristol, Maliea Joughnin, and the first September winner was Harold Holland.

Membership renewal notices have been sent from the National AMVETS office for our veteran members. If you have questions or have not received your notice, please call Gina at the Post weekdays before noon. Also, if you have been an annual renewing member in good standing for three years, you have the opportunity to purchase a life membership at a discounted rate of \$125. Simply send in a check for that amount with your renewal notice, or call Gina if you have questions. Regular Life membership is \$150 and is set to increase next year.

Auxiliary and Sons renewal forms are also being sent. If you have questions, please call Gina (Sons) or Liz (Aux).

Thank you for your commitment to AMVETS Post 1957.

Aaron Ricketts  
AMVETS Membership Chair

**HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES TO ALL!!!**

