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FROM THE COMMANDER: Timothy S. Hastings Post Commander

Now that we have officially sprung forward, I can only guess that you, like me, are welcoming the start of spring. In a few short days the Boys of Summer (Tigers) will be taking the field to kick off a new hopefully successful season.

★ Also with spring we will have to start planning on opening the cabin for another season of summer fun. (Do we have any volunteers?)

★ "War is hell" in more ways that one. As I'm sure you are all aware U.S. Navy Seal Christopher "Chris" Kyle (April 8, 1974 -February 2, 2013) is known as the most lethal sniper in American Military history. After four tours of duty being twice wounded and caught up in six separate IED explosions, Mr. Kyle left the Navy in 2009 andmoved to Texas with his wife and two young children. He worked in private security and protection.

In 2012 Harper Collins released Mr. Kyle's autobiographical book American Sniper. On Saturday, February 2, 2013, Kyle and a friend, Chad Littlefield, were shot and killed at a local shooting range by a twenty five year old fellow veteran. Kyle and Littlefield had taken the fellow veteran to the range in an effort to help him with his post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Eddie Ray Routh was arrested the same day. County Sheriffs said the motive for the killing was unclear. Routh was arraigned on two counts of capital murder.

Why bring up a story with such an unhappy ending? Simple. When our returning veterans rotate back to the world our prayers should continue in hope of a successful readjustment back here at home for the vets and their families. The battle continues...

"Veterans still serving America" <u>AUXILIARY NEWS:</u> Delores Carlson Unit President

There is a saying that goes "April showers bring May flowers." I, for one, am looking forward to that happening. Where has the last year gone? We are busy now filling out end of-the-year reports and making final plans for this year before we stop our meetings for the summer.

The Euchre Tournaments are getting popular and growing. Many thanks to **Marge Reinhardt** for chairing these tournaments for us. We appreciate her



hard work. Marge would like to thank all of you who were gracious enough to help in these fund-raisers. The next Euchre Tournament will

be on **April 28**th so mark your calendars. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. and the games begin at 2:00 p.m. Beverages and a light luncheon will be provided. Tell your family and friends and we hope to see you there.

We will have a special guest at our April 2nd meeting. She is Janice Hodges, our 6th District President. Please come to this meeting to meet and greet her.

It's still not too late to pay your dues for 2013. Your dues play a vital part in helping us continue to help our veterans and their families. Please consider paying them before it is too late. Send your check, made payable to: American Legion Aux. #267 and mail to:

Carol McWilliams 9635 Hamill Rd. Otisville, MI 48463.

You are appreciated.



Dispatch 2012 Membership: 221 Member of M.A.L.P.A.

> <u>SAL UPDATE:</u> Gary G. Minto Squadron Commander

Please HELP! Ok, now the push is on!! As of this writing we still have 10 members who haven't claimed their 2013 membership card. Please check your card and make sure it says 2013, if it doesn't please get your dues sent in as soon as possible!! 2013 dues are \$25.00 for 18 and over and \$10.00 for 17 and under. Please keep showing your continued support for our Veterans.

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You missed it! – If you weren't at the March meeting you missed a great pot luck dinner and some delicious cake. A very happy birthday was celebrated by all three groups.

<u>Thank YOU</u> – To everyone who supported the SAL 2013 Country



Breakfasts! Without you we wouldn't have been able to fund some very important projects. THANK YOU!!!

<u>Thank You</u> – The Breakfast Committee would like to thank the following people for all the help this year with our breakfasts. Each and everyone contributed something

to make these events a success! Brian McClellan, Ted Miles, Robert



Young, Jake Young, Jeremy Kroninger, Gary Minto, and Tom Miles, Mike Write, Mike LaLonde, Tim Henandez, Ken Reinhardt; Thanks again!

<u>Just a piece of Info</u> – I try to post this every year or so for our new members as well as an update for everyone!

"The mission of the Sons is to support Veterans and their families and the policies of our parent organization, The American Legion. Virtually everything that involves

★ Post 267 would like to congratulate Sandy Redmond for being our \$100.00 March 2013 raffle winner.

★ If you are having trouble getting your monthly newsletter delivered on time by



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to receive your newsletter via email and we will add you to the list. You also have the option of going to the Post 267 web site at www.davisonlegion.weebly.com and you can download the latest edition in the form of a pdf file.

★ If you know of any high school juniors who may be interested in attending American Legion

Boys' State or Girls' State please contact the Post at 653-2330 ASAP.



SICK CALL

Please remember in your prayers these and all of our members and their families who are in need of our intercession for healing, comfort and the return of their good health: Jack Buysse, Vic Donnelly, Bill Garrow, Tim Hernandez, Richard Hohn, Joe Mason and Ted Misiak.

Please keep the following ladies in your prayers: Joanne Wright, Patti Rowe, Marge Reinhardt, Ruth Potter and Charlotte Oesterman. I know they would all appreciate a card, too.

See you all at the April 2nd meeting at 7:00 p.m. We need your input.

★ The deadline for deposits on the cabin is April 15. Please submit your deposit soon or you may lose your reservation. There are no exceptions!

COMING EVENTS

April 1 - April Fools's Day. April 1 - Genesee County Council meets at the Flushing Depot at 7:30 PM, hosted by the Flushing American Legion Post 283. April 2 - Post, Auxiliary & SAL meets at 7PM. April 4 - Post Honor Guard duty at GLNC. April 6 - US Army Day.

April 8 - Holocaust Remembrance Day. April 13 - 2013 Combined Department Testimonial Dinner hosted by Oscoda Post 274. \$20.00 per person steak dinner. April 15 - US Income Tax Day.

April 20 - Sixth District Past Commander/ Past President Honors Dinner hosted by Howell Post 141. Social hour at 2PM, dinner at 3PM and program at 4PM. \$8.00 each. April 22 - Earth Day.

April 24 - Administrative Professionals Day. April 26 - Arbor Day.

the Sons could be grouped under three areas: 1) support for Veterans and their families, 2) promoting patriotism and Americanism and 3) promoting programs which benefit the youth of our country."

Our Next Meeting - April 2nd, 7:00PM lower level of the hall. Hope to see you there!!

VG's RECEIPTS -SEND THEM-"THANK YOU"



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"HAVE A SUPER MONTH!"



To Re-new Your Membership!



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