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<u>FROM THE COMMANDER:</u> Timothy S. Hastings Post Commander

Ay is a Patriotic month. Armed Forces Day is the 3rd Saturday in May. Memorial Day is Monday, May 27th. The Memorial Day Parade is due to kick off at 10:30am so we need to meet at the fire station at about 10:00am to prepare. I hope many of you will be marching on this special day. Also



this month we will be placing our Nation's Flag on local Veteran's graves. It's the least we can do to keep our warriors memories alive. After the parade our Post will be hosting

an open house and will be serving hot dogs and refreshments to our guests.

May 1st our Post will be hosting a networking meeting put on by the Davison Chamber of Commerce. This meeting will give us the opportunity to share with other businesses what we have to offer as the American Legion. This luncheon is sponsored by **Karl Rehschuh** of *Signs Direct*. I encourage all our members to drop on by, times are 11:30am – 1:00pm.

We have been invited to participate in a Motorcycle Tour hosted by the Ernest Peterson Post 228 Boyne City, MI. *"Memorials and Monuments on Motorcycles"*, will be held on May 25, 2013, to benefit the American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund. Registration: single



\$20.00 and double \$30.00. A poker run type of motorcycle rally is open to all motorcycle riders. The ride starts at Boyne City's Veterans Memorial

Park on Lake Charlevoix. Riders depart in groups of ten and the route is designed to visit Memorials and Monuments in several cities and villages. Registered Riders will receive a commemorative patch. For more information visit the website at: BoyneLegionPost228.org or email: Rally@BoyneLegionPost 228.org

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

hile we patiently wait for the May flowers to appear, we remain busy with several activities as our year draws to a close.



Euchre Tournament Fundraisers: We have had success with our 4 Euchre tournaments and will revisit continuing

with them in the Fall. Many thanks to those of you who helped make it happen. Special thanks to **Marge Reinhardt** for spearheading this fundraiser!

Poppy Days: May 16th, 17th & 18th have been the days

selected for our Poppy Campaign. This is our major fundraiser which enables us to help local area veterans.

A sign-up sheet is available at the Legion Hall. Please sign up and lend your support.

Higgins Lake Cabin Cleaning: The cleaning crew will be working their magic, scheduled



for May 20th,21st & 22nd. This is always an enjoyable time which includes deep cleaning, great snacks, much laughter, small game hunting and a trip to Traverse City. Please sign up

at the May meeting if you plan on going. It's always an adventure to remember!

2013-2014: **Mary Pavelock** will be presenting a slate of officers for the upcoming year. Nominations will also be taken from the floor. Again, we need you and your vote!

Memorial Day Parade: This will be held Monday, May 27th. This is our year to host the luncheon following the parade. We need not only

helpers in the kitchen, but marchers for the parade as well.

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

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

ur next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 7th, 2013! We will be selecting our scholarship recipient, wrapping up loose ends from the year and closing up the files until September. This will be our last official



meeting before our 3 month summer break. There will still be the annual June cookout/ meeting on June 4th, but the SAL will not hold a meeting

or conduct any official business that day! Please come out and support your Squadron!

It's that time again! - Officers and chairpersons needed! It is the time of the year to make these decisions, your squadron needs new leaders, new ideas, it needs YOU! Please consider becoming an active member and filling one of these positions. Contact Gary Minto at 653-0416 or Tom Miles at 964-5300 with any questions!

Busy Month – Lots of things happening

in May! Here are a few to remember – meeting night, Mothers Day, flags at cemetery, Memorial Day, Memorial Day Parade! Volunteers



needed for many of these things, please help if you can! For information about helping place flags at the Cemetery, Friday night May 24th, call Tom Miles @ 810-964-5300 or for info on the Saturday flag placement, May 25^{th,} call the hall 810-653-2330. Memorial Day Parade, info please call the hall 810-653-2330. Thanks for your support!

DON'T DO IT!!! – We still have a couple members that have not paid their 2013 membership dues yet! Please don't put you SAL membership in jeopardy of being canceled! Take a look in your pocket and make sure you have the correct card; it should say 2013 on it. If it doesn't, then you need to get your dues sent in ASAP, and keep your membership current! Thank you

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At April's meeting it was decided that our Post Officers will stay on and serve for the 2013-2014 year. Each of my officers has my sincere thanks. With that said we will have one vacancy. We have the position of Post Service Officer available. Any of our members in good standing are eligible for this position. It is a one-year term starting in September 2013. Training is available and mentoring is offered by our former Service Officer. Those interested in working with us please attend our May meeting and we'll put your hat in the ring. Thanks for your consideration.

Golf - In hopes of continuing to grow our Annual Davison Post 267 Golf Outing I

would like to encourage all of our members to participate in soliciting our local businesses for prizes of all types. Of course if we start now it should assure we have plenty of "goodies" to give out. And let's not forget our raffle table. The more items we have, the more money we can make for our Post. The date of our outing is Saturday, September 14, 2013, with check-in at 8:00am and the usual shotgun start at 9:00am. Let's have a great time and much success. Flyers will be available soon.

We are coming to the end of this Legion Membership year and it is very important for all of our members to have a current Please attend the May 7th meeting and make your voice and vote count. See you at 7pm in the lower level. A scrumptious dessert will be provided so consider going light on dinner that night! See you then.

2013 membership card. If you are one of the remaining few who still have a 2012 card then please know that it is not too late to remit your \$35.00 membership dues. Please do it today and maintain your continous membership years.

Congratulations to **Gene Baldwin**, the April \$100.00 winner of our **2013 Post 267 Monthly Raffle.**

SICK CALL

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

NOTEWORTHY UPCOMING DATES May 1 - May Day. May 1 - Law Day. May 2 - Post Honor Guard Duty at GLNC. May 2 - National Day of Prayer. May 5 - Cinco de Mayo. May 5 - Sixth District Memorial Service at 1100, lunch at noon and Meetings at 1300 in advance for your support of our Veterans! Our 2013 dues are \$25.00 for 18 and older and \$10.00 for 17 and under.

<u>VG's Food Center receipts</u> – Yes, we are still collecting them and we certainly do appreciate your participation. Drop them off at the Post or mail them to our address below.

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~~~~REMEMBER~~~~~ MOM - May 12<sup>th</sup>! Our HERO'S - May 27<sup>th</sup>! "HAVE A SUPER MONTH"

hosted by Jesse B. Cooley Post 235 in Brighton. May 7 - Post, Aux & SAL meetings at 7PM. May 7 - National Teacher's Day. May 8 - VE Day. (1945) May 11 - Blue Star Mother's Monument Dedication at GLNC. May 12 - Mother's Day. God bless all Mom's. May 12 - Nurse's Day. May 15 - Peace Officer's Memorial Day. May 18 - Armed Forces Day. May 22 - National Maritime Day. May 24 - SAL Flag Placing Detail. May 25 - Legion Flag Placing Detail, meet at the hall at 0900. May 27 - Memorial Day.



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