



January 2022—March 2022

The Bruce Post G-2

The Newsletter of the Largest Post in Michigan

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Veteran of Foreign Wars of the United States
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Commander.....	Randell Shafer
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COMMANDER'S COLUMN

Greetings Everyone!

Happy New Year All! We had a good 2021 and we all can help to make it a good 2022. WE have a lot planned. Starting with Sunday, January 16th, it's our Spaghetti Lunch-Dinner, this event will benefit The National Home and OUR maintenance Fund. Then will come The Fish Fry Dinners, we will need volunteers and people to come to support everything. WE will have The Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day, Tuesday March 29th, this day is set aside to continually reunite us, it is not a day of mourning, only camaraderie. WE will have The Memorial Day Service in OUR park and the parade that afternoon. The Friday Night Car Shows and a good summer. We will get our back yard looking look for everyone to enjoy. The Commander's Ball Room will be updated with new walls and fixtures this year. WE will continue to help in our community and our comrades in distress. WE were showed on Veterans' Day how much our community is Thankful for all our service to our great Country. I want to always give back. I am very thankful to all the volunteers who make The Bruce Post successful and a fun place to belong. It belongs to all of us. Coming to meetings is important, that is where decisions are made, we must follow the national by-laws. There can be no other way. I always try, as Commander, to be open and honest, with all members and with our community. Elections are in a few months, you have to be present to accept a nomination and vote in April for any elected position.

Our Auxiliary does great work! Our Ritual Team does great work! Our employees do great work! Keep up the great work!

See you at The Post.

**God Bless You and Your Families,
Randell J Shafer, Commander**

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Greetings to all,

First, I would like to say thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered at and cooked a chili. Your support helped make our chili cook off and craft beer tasting a success and we couldn't have done it without you. Our upcoming events are a spaghetti dinner fundraiser to benefit the capital campaign fund and national home on 16 Jan, and fish fry season which will begin on 4 Mar. Until then I want to wish everyone a happy holiday's and hope to see you around the post soon.

Richard Cwik— Sr Vice Commander

Calling All Fish Fry Volunteers!



Anyone willing to volunteer for the 2022 Lenten Fish Fry Season—Please call Commander Randy Shafer at 586-524-0449

Friday Fish Fry Dates:

3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8 and 4/15

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

No article submitted.

Mike Vogel—Jr Vice Commander—Army/Air Force

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****Ask a bar committee
member about renting
Clubroom space for small
events!****

CLUBROOM COMMITTEE

Hello!

No article submitted.

Clubroom Committee Members



POST CHAPLAIN

Hello My Fellow Comrades,

Tis the time for New Beginnings, and many of our fellow comrades have fallen and as we honor those of us whom have fallen, we continue to reach out to all whom are in need.

I would like to remind all that if you know of a comrade and or a veteran that is sick, in the hospital, or who has passed, please contact me.

Guide for Life:

Your word is like a lamp for my feet and a light for my path.

Psalm 119:105

All Scripture is given by God and is useful for teaching, for showing people what is wrong in their lives, for correcting faults, and for teaching how to live right. Using the Scriptures, the person who serves God will be capable, having all what is needed to do every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

God Bless-

William Davenport, VFW Post 1146 Chaplain

(586) 306-4554 — wil-



QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE

Dear VFW and Auxiliary Members, and Friends of the Bruce Post,

It has been almost a year since your leadership team embarked on an ambitious but much needed capital campaign with the goal to generate funds for improvements to our halls and clubroom, replacement of the roof and other building upgrades. To date, through your generosity and that of the community we've received donations of approximately \$150,000 towards our goal of \$500,000. With your support, completed projects include replacement of almost half the roof with construction on the remainder to begin in a few weeks. The large hall has a new drop ceiling, lighting and sound system, with other improvements scheduled for 2022. If you haven't already done so, please come in and see for yourself. You would be proud of your POST, and we're just getting started on what will be a long journey. A famous political leader once said, regarding the change in the tide of World War II. **Now this is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning.** As our capital campaign moves into its second year and transforms into an annual giving campaign, your continued financial support is critical to our success. We believe these much-needed upgrades will increase the number of hall rentals, make the clubroom an even more appealing destination for our members and guests, and enhance revenue that will result in greater resources to support the mission of serving Veterans, their families and the community. On behalf of our Commander, Officers and leadership team, we would like to thank all the VFW and Auxiliary Members of the Bruce Post, friends, community, and businesses who have generously donated to our capital campaign. Thank you very much! For those of you who have yet to donate, please help us in this most worthy cause that will assure the viability of the Bruce Post and service to our Veterans well into the future!

One final note, the Bruce Post is proud to announce that we've partnered with Marchiori Catering to provide food services for your special gathering at the Post. Marchiori is a premier caterer on the eastside with a reputation for delicious, high-quality food, and we're excited to offer this to our members and the community. Please consider the Post for your next event.

Jeff Kohlitz, Assistant Quartermaster



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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Hello Aux Brothers and Sisters;

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Thank you Terri McCloy, Kay Eiswirth, Pam Croyle, Joyce Fulghum, Commander Shafer and Sr. Vice Commander Richard Cwik for attending the 2021 Fall Conference in Boyne Highlands this past October. It was a great event. Most of the meetings were joint; including both Post and Auxiliary Members. We learned so much about what the Post does and the Post learned so much about what the Auxiliary does — how we do it and why we do it!

I also want to thank all the participants and volunteers for the Kid's Halloween Party and Lunch with Santa!

Additionally, we were able to have our first Feather Party/Meat Raffle in a couple years last November and it was great to have it back! The next one is planned for April 2, 2022!!

Nancy Gaglio, VFW Auxiliary President



LENTEN FISH FRY SEASON 2022

This is our largest Fundraiser of the year!! Help promote it for a successful season!

Friday, March 4—Kick Off Fish Fry—4pm-8pm

Friday, March 11—4pm-8pm

Friday, March 18—4pm-8pm

Friday, March 25—4pm-8pm

Friday, April 1—4pm-8pm

Friday, April 8—4pm-8pm

Friday April 15—Good Friday—Final Fish Fry—4pm-8pm

We need volunteers to make this event work! Anyone who would like to be a Fish Fry Volunteer should contact Commander Randy Shafer at 586-524-0449. There will be a volunteer meeting in February (TBA) that all Fish Fry volunteers should attend.

TREASURER—VFW AUXILIARY

Happy New Year 2022 to EVERYONE! I can't believe 2021 is behind us—it sure went fast. Even though the holidays came and went, Post business never ends. The Fall Conference in Boyne Highlands in October was a great success.

Meetings:

Auxiliary #1146 meeting day is the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30pm in the hall upstairs. The next meetings are 1/6/22, 2/3/2022, 3/3/2022. Please try to attend the meetings. We would like to see you and hear your ideas.

Membership - Chairman Kay Eiswirth 586-413-9934 keiswirth@yahoo.com

We ended the 2020 - 2021 membership year with 674 members. 101.35%. Great job!

Our new year of 2021-2022 started July 1, 2021. We are currently at 645 paid members (45 continuous and 600 Life) That is 95.7%. There are still quite a few members whom have not paid. If you have not paid YOUR dues, you are no longer a member in good standing. You will not be able to receive cancer grants or have access to the Clubroom. GET THOSE DUES IN!!

New Key Cards:

The new key cards have been out for at least 6 month now. Please come to a meeting to get your card. You can also put \$1 in an envelope with your name on it and drop it in the Auxiliary mailbox in the Clubroom (by Pool Tables). I will check the mailbox once a week and will leave your key card in an envelope behind the bar. Please do not leave me a voicemail for key cards. The Purple/Yellow cards will be good thru 2022 (regardless of 2021 date on them).

Media Relations:

Kevin Wofford (Auxiliary Member) has taken over our Facebook page and is doing a wonderful job. You can follow at: VFW Auxiliary Bruce Post 1146. If you have any pictures of Auxiliary events, please email to Kevin-- kevntracy2005@yahoo.com.

Dates to Remember:

1/6/22—Aux Meeting at 7:30pm
1/26/22—HAPPY BIRTHDAY COMMANDER RANDY SHAFER!
2/3/22—Aux Meeting at 7:30pm
2/20/22—5th District Meeting at Post #6691 Fraser
3/4/22—Lenten Fish Fry Starts 4-8pm (3/4,3/11/13/18,3/25,4/1,4/8,4/15)
4/2/22—Feather Party/Meat Raffle 7pm (doors open at 6pm)
4/7—Aux Meeting at 7:30pm
4/16/22—Kid's Easter Party, 12pm-2pm

Terri McCloy, Treasurer—VFW Auxiliary
586-899-9554/terri_mccloy@wowway.com

PLEASE PARTICIPATE!



Your Post NEEDS your participation! While we appreciate every membership, we require every member to participate in our mission in some way. It's the only way we can expect to keep the doors open and our mission to "honor the dead, by serving the living" progressing forward!

Please consider participating in 2 or more of the options below in near future:

- ◆ Pay your dues on time
- ◆ Attend Meetings
- ◆ Run for an officer position
- ◆ Upgrade to Lifetime Membership
- ◆ Rent a hall for an event
- ◆ Attend Post Fundraising activities
- ◆ Make a donation to "Save Our Post"

This request does not come lightly, it is crucial! We NEED our members to take a more active role in 2016...our survival and our mission depend on it!!

NEW AND DECEASED MEMBERS

New VFW Members		Deceased VFW Members
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carmen Brancato 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • George V Garza • Paul A Gagne • Gerald T Jaques • Kenneth C Liederman • Kenneth F Kotarski • John M Podplesky
New Auxiliary Members		Deceased Auxiliary Members
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Lou Barry • Joseph N Batory • James Browe • Kathleen Evans • James Fulghum • Steven Hattey • Robert Mackool • Angie D'Aleo Morelli • Brenda Rector • Carroll Rogers • Kevin Scanlon 		

If you know of a Post or Auxiliary member sick, in the hospital, or recently deceased—please let our respective Chaplains know;

Marrisa Schnitz—Aux Chaplain
405-436-8905

William Davenport—Post Chaplain
586-306-4554



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ORDER YOUR BRUCE POST MEMORIAL BRICK

The Bruce Post Memorial is giving everyone the opportunity to participate in a historical project. The personalized brick may be ordered by mail. Orders are restricted to an individual or family (i.e. John Jones, John and Mary Jones, John Jones Family, John Jones, Miami FL). A separate order form is required for each brick. Additional order forms are available in the Bruce Post Clubroom.

Personalized Bricks are ONLY \$75.00 each!

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All orders are final. No cancellations/refunds can be accepted. Name must fit on 3 lines of 12 spaces each.

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Make check or money order payable to Bruce Post 1146 Memorial Fund and mail to Bruce Monument at 28404 E Jefferson Ave, St Clair Shores, MI 48081-2570. **Please print clearly and leave a space in between names.**

Bernie Jarzombek: 586-778-1146

JOIN OUR RITUAL TEAM

**Cpl Walter F Bruce Post
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 28404 Jefferson Ave
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Quartermaster:
586-778-1146

Clubroom:
586-772-1146

Email:
1146BruceTeam@gmail.com



We want to be able to continue providing the proper Ritual Services to which our deceased comrades are entitled...so we NEED MORE Ritual Team Members!

It is truly an honor to be part of the team that delivers military honors to a fallen comrade. A final tribute in ceremonial fashion!

If you are interested in joining one of the Best Ritual Teams in Michigan, please contact Commander Shafer at 586-524-0449. It is simple training and takes very little of your time.



JANUARY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
					Stars & Stripes DJ in Clubroom for NYE 7pm	New Year's Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	82nd Airborne Meeting 7pm	NO MCC Meeting \$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom		Auxiliary Meeting 7:30pm Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom	VVA #154 Meeting 7pm	Clubroom Committee Meeting 6pm Taco Thursday in Clubroom	Stars & Stripes DJ in Clubroom, 7pm	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Post Spaghetti Fundraiser 1pm-6pm	ML King Day	Executive Board Meeting, 7pm \$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom	Post Member Meeting, 7:30pm	Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
				VFW Dept of MI Mid Winter Conference - Kalamazoo, MI		
	SOA Meeting at Post #1008, 7:30pm	\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom		Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

FEBRUARY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
		MCC Meeting Post 6802 Richmond, 7:30pm		Auxiliary Meeting 7:30pm		
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom		Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	82nd Airborne Meeting 7pm			Clubroom Committee Meeting 6pm		
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom	VVA #154 Meeting 7pm	Taco Thursday in Clubroom	Stars & Stripes DJ in Clubroom, 7pm	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Valentine's Day	Executive Board Meeting, 7pm				
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom	Post Member Meeting, 7:30pm	Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
5th District Meeting, 10am at Post #6691 Fraser	Presidents' Day					
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom		Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
27	28	1	2	3	4	5

MARCH 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	1	2	3	4	5
		MCC Meeting Post 4659 Shelby, 7:30pm	Ash wednesday	Auxiliary Meeting 7:30pm	1ST LENTEN FISH FRY 4-8pm	
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom		Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	82nd Airborne Meeting 7pm			Clubroom Committee Meeting 6pm	Lenten Fish Fry 4- 8pm	
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom	VVA #154 Meeting 7pm	Taco Thursday in Clubroom	Stars & Stripes DJ in Clubroom, 7pm	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Executive Board Meeting, 7pm			Lenten Fish Fry 4- 8pm	
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom	Post Member Meeting, 7:30pm	Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
					Lenten Fish Fry 4- 8pm	
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom		Taco Thursday in Clubroom		
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
		\$3 Pulled Pork in Clubroom		Taco Thursday in Clubroom		

Rentals

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Clubroom

The carpeted area of the Clubroom can also be utilized for small events. To learn more about this option, contact a Bar Committee Representative at 586-772-1146.

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VFW Bruce Post #1146

Spaghetti Fundraiser

Sunday, January 16, 2022 – 1pm-6pm

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VFW Bruce Post #1146

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VFW AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP / MEMBER TRANSFER APPLICATION

Recruited/Recommended by: Recruiter Member ID

Auxiliary No. City State Member ID (If already a member)

Annual Membership Life Membership

Rejoin Membership Rejoined Previous Member ID No. Previous Auxiliary

Member at Large in Department of Member at Large - VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

Name Date of Birth
 Address Male Female
 City State ZIP
 Phone Email

POST-AFFILIATED (*Must be a member to the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)
 Relationship to Eligible Veteran* VFW Membership ID
 LIFE MEMBER TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary
 ANNUAL TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary Paying Nonpaying
 ANNUAL TRANSFER CONVERTING TO LIFE (Fill out Life Membership information below.) Previous Auxiliary

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

NON-AFFILIATED (*Veteran is not a member of the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)
 Relationship to Eligible Veteran* VFW Post (If applicable)
 Name of campaign ribbons or medals:
 Dates of Service: to Location:

Investigating Committee Signatures

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61-65	\$161
66-70	\$150
71-75	\$132
76-80	\$109
81-85	\$86
86-90	\$69
91 and over	\$58

OBLIGATION In the presence of Almighty God and the members of this organization here assembled, I do of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise that I will never wrong or defraud this organization nor a member thereof nor permit either to be wronged if in my power to prevent it. I will never propose for membership any person not eligible, according to our Bylaws. I further state that I believe in God. I will be faithful to the United States of America, obedient to the laws and loyal to the Flag. Should my membership with this organization cease in any way, I will consider this obligation as binding outside of the organization as though I had remained a member. I do so promise.
 I attest that I am a citizen of the United States or a U.S. National, and am at least 16 years of age. I further state that I believe in God. I pledge to comply with the National Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary. I attest I am not eligible for membership in the VFW. I further attest that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, including my stated relationship to the Veteran.

Signature (Must be signed by all members.)

Cpl. Walter F. Bruce VFW Post #1146
AUXILIARY APPLICATION

28404 Jefferson St. Clair Shores, MI 48081

Thank you for your interest in joining the Auxiliary. Attached is a membership form you will need to complete. Please make sure you fill out and sign in both **areas.

Post Affiliated: (Must be a current member to the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary you are applying). You will NEED the Eligible Veteran name & VFW Membership ID # and your relationship to Eligible Veteran. This information then will be given to the Quartermaster to confirm the Veteran is a member.

Non-Affiliated: (Veteran is not a member of the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying). You will NEED the Eligible Veteran name, the VFW Post # (if applicable) and your relationship to Eligible Veteran. **You will also have to submit a copy of the Eligible Veteran DD214 or Proof of Eligibility.**

Along with the membership form, you will need:

1. A copy of the DD214 - (Certificate of release or Discharge from Active Duty) attached to the membership form. If you need a copy of the DD214, you can go online to: <http://vetrecs.archives.gov> or fill out form 180 and mail back.
*Cash or Check must be with application.
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*Life Member – see application form for amount + \$10 Adm. Fee (1 time only) + \$1 Key Card for Clubroom
2. Mail application to: Kay Eiswirth 25578 Island View Dr. Harrison Township, MI 48045 or to the above Bruce Post address marked Auxiliary Application. You can drop off at the Quartermaster station or you can put in the Auxiliary box by the pool table in the Club Room marked Auxiliary Application.

The application must be approved and voted on the floor of our meeting. We meet the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30pm. Once application has been accepted, you will receive a call from the secretary. Please be patient. Until approved on floor at meeting there is nothing we can do to expedite.

If you have any questions, you may contact:

Membership	Treasurer	Auxiliary President
Kay Eiswirth	Terri McCloy	Nancy Gaglio
586-413-9934	586-899-9554	586-757-4883
keiswirth@yahoo.com	terri_mccloy@wowway.com	nancygaglio17@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN JOINING THE VFW AUXILIARY!

Eligibility to the VFW Auxiliary:

*Must be at least 16 years old and a citizen of the United States

***Those eligible:**

Husband/Wife, Widower/Widow, Father/Mother, Grandfathers/Grandmothers, Sons/Daughters, Grandsons/Granddaughters, Brothers/Sisters

Of persons who were or are eligible for membership in the VFW of the United States

*Must have received a campaign medal for overseas service, have served 30 consecutive or 60 non-consecutive days in Korea, or have ever received hostile fire or imminent danger pay.