



# The Bruce Post G-2

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January—February 2016

**Cpl. Walter F Bruce Post #1146**

***Veteran of Foreign Wars of the United States***

28404 Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores, MI 48081-2570



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## COMMANDER'S COLUMN

I hope your holiday season was great! Another year is upon us, and wish you all a healthy, happy, prosperous one!

Currently, we have 109 members with unpaid dues — please submit your dues ASAP! We would like to achieve 100% status this month.

Just around the corner is Fish Fry season, our largest fundraiser of the year. Please participate as it is how we keep our Post viable.

I do want to thank all of you that do help our Post regularly; Officers, Committee Members, Volunteers, and everyone that attends meeting and functions. Let's band together and make our Post the BEST it has ever been. We have a lot to be proud of! However, we could use additional members that would like to take an active role in Veteran Services. We have lost more than 600 members over the last 6 years, which diminishes the efficiency in which are able to serve. Taking an active role on recruiting new, and active members can allow us to improve our mission significantly.

It was also great to see so many Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen entries from local students! Winners were already selected at the Post Level. On January 3, winners will be selected on the District Level. Then on to Mid-Winter Conference where winners will be selected on the State level. We wish them all the best of luck!

**Tim Litz, Post Commander**

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## SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Greetings Comrades!

I would like to express my sincerest appreciation for electing me to finish Mike McHale's term as Senior Vice Commander 2015-16; and also being re-elected as Clubroom Chairman. That said, I am open to ideas and suggestions on fundraising or any other activity that helps us serve Veterans. To accomplish this mission and purpose, it will take hard work from our Post and Auxiliary members. Our Post membership is 1,275. Post meetings are the 3rd Wednesday each month at 7:30pm. There are too many organizations closing due to lack of interest...do NOT let that happen to us. We all must put our differences aside and focus on our common goal—Veterans—by volunteering and attending Bruce Post fundraisers.

We will be holding our volunteer meeting for Fish Fry on January 7th at 5:30pm in the Clubroom. Lenten season starts 2/10/15.

**Dennis Houser, Sr Vice Commander**  
**313-790-5953/houser1946@gmail.com**

## JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

Greetings Post Members! I wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!!!!

This would like to announce Kathryn Dailey Holstein, our newest post Ritual Team member. Kathryn enjoys serving on the ritual team and knows how much it means to families of those who have served our country to have Military Honors bestowed on their loved one during funeral services. Kathryn is also a member of our post VFW Auxiliary where she is the chairperson for Veterans and Family Services. She has spent most of her life residing in St. Clair Shores, where she raised a beautiful family of four children. She is retired from the University of Detroit, having worked many years in its Law Library, helping law students who now have very successful legal careers. We are proud to have you here with us Kathryn!!

As always, we would like to encourage you to solicit new members for our post. See you at the post!

**Jim Johns, Jr Vice Commander**

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## PRESIDENT—VFW AUXILIARY

2015 Flew by! We had a great December meeting and potluck dinner. The kids Lunch with Santa on 12/19/15 was also a success thanks to Youth Activities Chairman, Nancy Gaglio and her elves.

If you haven't paid your dues, please do so ASAP to remain a member in good standing.

We will be bringing in new members to our January 7th meeting, which will include our first male members. We look forward to bringing in many more new members that now qualify for Auxiliary.

Happy New Year!!

**Diane Stanley, Auxiliary President**

## PRESIDENT—MEN'S AUXILIARY

I hope everyone had a great holiday season, I know I did! We have helped support our veterans with a few good things in life; like sponsoring a camp out day in St. Clair as well as donated money to Vet programs. We also have a fishing trip coming up in May in Manistee. Looking forward to another great year in 2016! As always, I need people to join the ritual team we are getting smaller — as you know all Vets including yourself, would love to have military honors so contact me at [\(586\) 222-7612](tel:5862227612) or at the post.

**Charlie Pegelo, President Men's Auxiliary**

## SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT—MEN'S AUXILIARY

"Give the American People a good cause, and there is nothing that can't lick."

I hope everyone had a VERY Merry Christmas with a Prosperous New Year ahead!

**Dave Borgacz, Sr Vice President Men's Auxiliary**

## PRESIDENT—DADS POST #193

*2016 Meeting Calendar –1st Quarter:*

Sunday, January 24 at 2PM

Sunday February 28 at 2PM

Sunday, March 20 at 2PM (Since Easter is the last Sunday in March

Sunday, April 24 at 2PM

**Jerry Dezenski, President DADs #193**

## 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 2016:

- ◆ 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
- ◆ Buy Queen of Diamond Raffle Tickets
- ◆ 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!!

## BANQUET RENTALS

VFW Bruce Post 1146 has 3 beautiful banquet halls for rent! Available for most occasions;

- ◆ Weddings
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## FROM THE CLUBROOM

Now that the Holiday season is over we will be starting renovations in the grill area. In addition to bar/grill modifications, we will be installing a 2-door commercial work-base refrigerator and a 1-door work-base freezer. Progress will be reported via our email blasts, our website—  
[www.VFW1146brucepost.org](http://www.VFW1146brucepost.org) and our Facebook page -  
<https://www.facebook.com/vfw1146brucepost>.

Come in and enjoy YOUR Clubroom! We have daily food specials and Happy Hour. Karaoke with Allison will continue on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month, starting at 8pm. She also plays dance music, so come on down and check it out!

Please be patient with our bartenders and remember that keno and pull tabs are last order of business. Also, use your key cards - our bartenders have many other duties to perform.

If you have any questions/concerns, please contact me at 586-772-1146.

### **Upcoming Clubroom Events:**

*Sat, Feb 6—8:30am: Ladies District Doubles Pool Tournament*

*Sun, Feb 7—TBD: Super Bowl Party (more details to follow)*

### **Dennis Houser, Clubroom Chairman**

## SAVE OUR POST (SOP) DONATIONS

- ◆ Roy McCarver

## BINGO—EVERY MONDAY NIGHT

DADs Post #193 hosts Bingo every Monday night in the Big Hall.

⇒ **DOORS at 5pm**

⇒ **STARTS at 6:15pm**

Come support DADs Post and enjoy a few rounds of Bingo! Also, spread the word to your friends, family and neighbors. Bingo is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!



### **NOTICE TO OFFICERS—NEW G-2 SUBMISSION PROCESS:**

*Please send all G-2 submissions to [1146FBteam@gmail.com](mailto:1146FBteam@gmail.com) in email or Word format.*

## IMPORTANT NOTICE—CHARITY MOTORS

Cpl. Walter F Bruce Post is now one of the charitable organizations participating in the Charity Motors, Inc. Car Donation Program. People can donate a car they no longer need or want, receive a tax deduction, and designate “BRUCE POST” to receive the proceeds from the sale of their car!

If you are interested in participating in this program, please call Charity motors, Inc at 888-908-CARS (2277) and designate Cpl Walter F Bruce Post #1146 as your charity.



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*"Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it; it flies with the last breath of every soldier who died defending it."* *Unknown*

## NEW AND DECEASED MEMBERS



New VFW Members	Deceased VFW Members
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John P Kavanagh</li> <li>• James D Lynn</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michael L <u>Delibera</u></li> <li>• Richard <u>Kriss</u></li> <li>• Roy W Lozon</li> <li>• Matthew <u>Lupo</u></li> <li>• Lloyd McDonald Jr</li> <li>• Wilbur Nelson</li> <li>• George M <u>Olshove</u></li> </ul>

New Auxiliary Members	Deceased Auxiliary Members
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lucy Gentry</li> <li>• Hope <u>Karschnia</u></li> <li>• Patricia Girardi</li> <li>• Melissa Gaglio</li> <li>• Beatrice <u>Haxer</u></li> <li>• Barbara <u>Ternan-Vallier</u></li> <li>• Patricia Virga</li> <li>• Michelle M. Miller</li> <li>• Suzanne Johnston</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Justine Hernandez</li> <li>• Bonnie Woodley</li> <li>• Rachel Mazzola</li> </ul>

## 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!**

***PLEASE HURRY AND PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW!***

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

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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.**

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Bernie Jarzombek: 586-778-1146

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## JOIN OUR RITUAL TEAM

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 Charlie Pegelo at 586-778-7156.



# January 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day	2
3 VOD/PP Banquet at Post 7573 - 1:30pm	4 82 <sup>nd</sup> Airborne Meeting 8pm  Bingo - Doors at 5pm	5 MCC Meeting Post 6802 (Richmond) 7:30pm	6 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm	7 Fish Fry Volunteer Meeting 5:30pm  Bar Committee Meeting 7:30pm  VFW Aux Meeting 7:30pm	8 Karaoke with Allison 8pm	9
10	11 OCC Meeting 7:30  Bingo - Doors at 5pm	12 Men's Aux Meeting 7pm	13 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm  Youth Group 6-7:30pm	14	15	16
17	18 <b>ML King Day</b>  Bingo - Doors at 5pm	19 Exec. Bard Meeting 7pm	20 Ritual Team Practice 10am  Post Meeting 7:30pm	21 DAV Meeting 5pm  MidWinter Conference	22 Karaoke with Allison 8pm  MidWinter Conference	23  MidWinter Conference
24 DADs Meeting 2pm  MidWinter Conference	25 SOA Meeting Post 9021 7:30pm  Bingo - Doors at 5pm	26	27 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm	28	29	30
31						



## February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 82 <sup>nd</sup> Airborne Meeting 8pm  Bingo – Doors at 5pm	2 MCC Meeting Post 7573 7:30pm	3 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm	4 Bar Committee Meeting 7:30pm  VFW Aux Meeting 7:30pm	5	6 Ladies Pool – Double Tourney 8am
7 Super Bowl Party in Clubroom TBD	8 OCC Meeting 7:30  Bingo – Doors at 5pm	9 Men's Aux Meeting 7pm	10 <b>Ash Wed.</b>  Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm  Youth Group 6-7:30pm	11	12 <b>Lent Begins – Fish Fry 4-8pm</b>  Karaoke with Allison 8pm	13
14 <b>Valentine's Day</b>	15 <b>Presidents' Day</b>  Bingo – Doors at 5pm	16 Exec. Board Meeting 7pm	17 Ritual Team Practice 10am  Post Meeting 7:30pm	18 DAV Meeting 5pm	19 Fish Fry 4-8pm	20
21 G-2 Deadline at 1pm  District 5 Meeting at Post 1008 10am	22 SOA Meeting Post 9021 7:30pm  Bingo – Doors at 5pm	23	24 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm	25	26 Fish Fry 4-8pm  Karaoke with Allison 8pm	27
28 DADs Meeting 2pm	29 Bingo – Doors at 5pm					