

# The Bruce Post G-2

The Newsletter of the Largest Post in Michigan

#### July-August 2017

#### Cpl. Walter F Bruce Post #1146 Veteran of Foreign Wars of the United States

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











#### **POST OFFICERS**

Commander	Randell Shafer
Sr. Vice Commander	Michael Raymond
Jr. Vice Commander	Bob Pelot
Quartermaster	Bernie Jarzombek
Chaplain	
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Surgeon	Dr. Seago
Adjutant	Roger Kochan
G-2 Designer	Amy Beltz













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#### COMMANDER'S COLUMN

Hello Everyone, we made it half way through 2017 and I hope you are doing well—enjoying sunshine, children, grandkids, all the graduation parties and everything else that comes with Michigan Summers.

The Bruce Post is rolling along...thanks to everybody volunteering when they can, Comrades helping Comrades, workers doing work with smiles and good attitudes. We all know that during the summer months the Clubroom patronage goes down and The Hall business picks up, but our staff and our committee members still like to see your smiling faces in the Clubroom, please make the effort to go in and watch a Tiger game or two instead of sitting home this summer to give some support to our Clubroom. Thank you!

Our Buddy Poppy fund didn't do too good this year, we only had a dozen or so members actively collecting at our designated locations this year. This fund is at it's lowest level in many years. So please, if you can send a contribution to the most important fund we maintain at The VFW; those dollars go only to needy Veterans and their families. This is our organization's main reason to exist.

I do appreciate everyone's support as I continue my days as The Commander! Almost everyday things pop up and I have to deal with situations, none are too difficult for us to get through, some could be avoided and some get pushed upon us, but either way Our VFW and The Auxiliary are doing very well.

Please attend meetings and functions, these things keep us strong and vibrant, they build camaraderie and make us feel like a family. Please keep in mind that our Hall Manager and The Clubroom Chairman are working hard and doing their best to help raise money to pay the bills and keep the building in tact, but I believe we are all part owners of the property and we are all partly responsible for its upkeep. I like that we contribute a lot to our community and I am very proud of that! Let's keep up the good work!

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

Richard A. McMahon Family Service Counselor



#### Kaul Funeral Home

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#### SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

No article submitted.

Mike Raymond, Sr Vice Commander

#### JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

Summer is here! The Post and Kaul's have agreed to plant a garden on our property. It's on the north end of the front parking lot. Come and check it out! The women from Kaul's have put it up, and are taking care of it. Come on to the grounds and relax. Come on in the clubhouse and enjoy a beverage and a burger. If you are a member, come to our monthly meetings. Stay informed about what's going at our Post.

Once again, if you know a Veteran who is interested in joining our Post, please call me at <u>586-255-6356</u>, or Bernie Jarzombek at <u>586-778-1146</u>.

**Bob Pelot, Jr Vice Commander** 

#### FROM THE SERVICE OFFICER

No article submitted.

If you need the help of a Service Officer please reach out. I will gladly help in anyway way that I can.

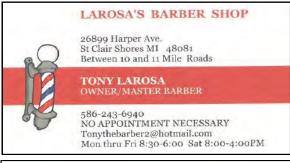
Gregg Lewandusky, Trustee/Service Officer 1146service@gmail.com/586-252-4343













#### FROM THE CLUBROOM

No article submitted.

Michael Raymond, Clubroom Chairman
Michael.raymond09@yahoo.com/219-545-3908

#### PRESIDENT—VFW AUXILIARY

No article submitted.

Diane Stanley—VFW Auxiliary President

#### Aux Officers July 2017 - June 2018:

President: Diane Stanley 586-322- 1575

Sr. Vice: Michelle Andrepont 313-717- 5956

Jr. Vice: Cheryl Alberts 586-206-8760

Treasurer: Terri McCloy 586-899- 9554

Secretary: Dee Truszkowski 586-651-8552

Chaplain: Dolly Bellamo 586-773- 9628

## 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
- ♦ 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
- ♦ Showers
- ♦ Banquets
- ♦ Graduations
- **♦** Corporate Parties
- ♦ Holiday Parties
- ♦ Reunions
- ♦ Anniversaries
- Meetings
- ♦ Bowling Parties]
- ♦ Funeral Luncheons

...and more

#### FULL SERVICE CATERING AVAILABLE

Outdoor Rental Facilities too! Ask about our;

- **♦** Lakefront Pavilion
- ♦ Lakefront Gazebo

For more information - Call Ann Pemberton

586-777-9265

586-778-1146

Photos available at www.vfw1146brucepost.org

#### TREASURER—VFW AUXILIARY

# Membership—Chairman Kay Eiswirth 586-413- 9934 & Co-Chairman Terri McCloy 586-899- 9554:

• Auxiliary #1146 meeting day is 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:30pm in the hall upstairs. Next meetings are 7/6/17, 8/3/17 and 9/7/17. If you did not pay your dues by June 30; your membership has lapsed and you are NO LONGER A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING – WHICH MEANS YOU ARE NO LONGER AN AUXILIARY MEMBER OR HAVE A CLUBROOM KEY CARD. These are Nationals rules. There is no more reinstatement. You now will have to submit a new application along with the DD214 and be approved.

#### Hospital Chairmanship—Cheryl Alberts 586-206-8760:

#### \*\*Special thanks for those that have donated their time & donations!

- HOMEMADE items are taken down to the John Dingell VA Hospital. Lap Robes and Ditty Bags. Donations of yarn and material are needed for these projects if have extra. Books and magazines (<3 months old) along with Puzzles and puzzle books. Always looking for small containers of toiletries (bar soap not accepted). But brushes, combs, toothbrushes/paste, shaving cream, powder, etc. is much needed. Juice boxes and individually wrapped peanut butter crackers also helpful!
- Do you volunteer at the VA Hospital, Nursing Homes or Hospitals? If so, let
  me know the hours volunteered, where you volunteered, miles driven and
  date. If you know of someone who is not a member and volunteers, let me
  know. There are awards for Auxiliary and volunteer work.

#### Card Bingo at Vet's Returning Home:

We play card bingo at Vet's Returning Home building at 11 Mile/Gratiot on 4th Saturday of the month at 12:30pm. If you would like to join us, please contact Nancy Gaglio at 586-757-4883

#### **Upcoming Events:**

NEXT 5TH DISTRICT MEETING IS ON SUN. AUG. 13, 2017 AT VFW POST #1008 – WATERFORD—Joint meeting is at 10am. Lunch following. District Meeting begins at 1pm. This meeting is open to all 5th District Post and Aux members.

- Sunday, Aug. 6, 2017 11am. Gold Star Mothers @ White Chapel Cemetery Lunch following at Post 4659
- ◆ Sunday, Aug. 6, 2017 MI Day at National Home for Children
- Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017 Camp Trotter Family Day
- ◆ Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017 11am District 5 Picnic at Oxbow Post #4156

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

Friday Night Car ShoW!

The Cruisin' at the Bruce Car Shows are back on Friday Nights in JUNE, JULY and AUGUST from 4pm-8pm weather permitting.

The grill is back too! Featuring hot dogs, brats and kielbasa, plus water and assorted pop for purchase. And DJ music by Jamie Victory too.

Lake Saint Clair is the backdrop for the most beautiful classic cars in town — COME JOIN US!!



Check out Game Night in the Bruce Post Clubroom on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the Month this summer! Featuring Corn-hole, Beer Pong, Washers, Yahtzee and more! Come support the Clubroom and have some fun too!

## 8pm -12am

#### SUPPORTING OUR POST (SOP)

Roy McCarver



#### IMPORTANT NOTICE—CHARITY MOTORS

Corporal 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, relieve a tax deduction, and designate "CORPORAL WALTER F 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 Corporal Walter F Bruce Post #1146 as your charity.





# Saturday, September 16, 2017

See Enclosed Flyer!



**Register Today!** 

Foursomes Available!

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#### **Bruce Post FUNDRAISER!**

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

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#### NEW AND DECEASED MEMBERS

New VFW Members	MADE IN	Deceased VFW Members
Justin Schmerheim     Joseph Vernengo	AMERICA	<ul> <li>Denis P. Chambers</li> <li>Thomas M. Choley</li> <li>Michael Cyrek</li> <li>Donald E. Hughes</li> <li>Walter W. Schave</li> <li>Henry J. Schneider</li> <li>Ivan W. Sims</li> </ul>
New Auxiliary Members		Deceased Auxiliary Members
None	-	None

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

Dolly Bellemo—Aux Chaplain 586-773- 9628

Chester Landis—Post Chaplain 586-778-1146

#### 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.

Name		Address	
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#### Cpl Walter F Bruce Post #1146

28404 Jefferson Ave St Clair Shores, MI 48081

Quartermaster: 586-778-1146

Clubroom: 586-772-1146

Email: 1146BruceTeam@gmail.com



#### 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 Dave Clark at 586-772-6737.



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Accepting Treasurer's Signature	Date	
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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 [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.

You will also have to submit a copy of the Eligible Veteran DD214 or Proof of Eligibility.

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:

- A copy of the DD214 IF NOT POST AFFILIATED (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: <a href="http://vetrecs.archives.gov">http://vetrecs.archives.gov</a> or fill out form 180 and mail back.
  - \*Cash or Check must be with application.
  - \*Continuous member (pays dues yearly) \$25 + \$10 Adm. Fee (1 time only) = \$35.
  - \*Life Member see application form for amount + \$10 Adm. Fee (1 time only) + \$1 Key Card for Clubroom
- 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Kay Eiswirth 586-413-9934

Treasurer Terri McCloy 586-899-9554 Auxiliary President Diane Stanley 586-322-1575

keiswirth@yahoo.com

terri\_mccloy@wowway.com

oma.stanley@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 serve, have served 30 consecutive or 60 non-consecutive days
in Korea, or have ever received hostile fire or imminent danger pay.



At the Bruce Post Clubroom

# 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the Month



8pm -12am



Bruce Post V.F.W. 1146

# Golf Outing

# Michigan Meadows Golf Course Saturday, September 16th, 2017

- 18 Holes of Golf with a Cart
- Super BBQ at the Course
- 9:00 Start 8:00 am check in



All proceeds will go to the BRUCE POST GENERAL FUND Helping Veterans Since 1934

Donation: \$85.00 per person

Make checks payable to Bruce Post VFW

Dinner only \$20.00.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL:
Dave Flansburgh (586) 634-0166
VFW 1146 (586) 772-1146

A Veteran is someone who at one point in their life wrote a blank check to "The United States of America" for an amount up to and including his or her life.

"God Bless our Veterans"





#### VFW Bruce Post #1146 Apparel Order Form





The Bruce Post "On The Lake" sailboat logo will be printed on the left chest. Color options are royal blue with white logo, navy blue with white logo, white with blue logo or black with white logo. All shirts are adult sizes only—50/50 Cotton/Polyester. If you prefer *Made in USA* products, please inquire as those items will have a slightly higher cost.

#### **Short Sleeve T-Shirt**

#### **Long Sleeve T-Shirt**

Size	QTY	Color	Cost	TOTAL	Size	QTY	Color	Cost	TOTAL
SM			\$10		SM			\$12	
MD			\$10		MD			\$12	
LG			\$10		LG			\$12	
1X			\$10		1X			\$12	
2X			\$13		2X			\$15	
3X			\$14		3X			\$16	

#### **Short Sleeve Polo**

#### **Long Sleeve Polo**

Size	QTY	Color	Cost	TOTAL	Size	QTY	Color	Cost	TOTAL
SM			\$17		SM			\$19	
MD			\$17		MD			\$19	
LG			\$17		LG			\$19	
1X			\$17		1X			\$19	
2X			\$19		2X			\$21	
3X			\$20		3X			\$22	

#### **Sweatshirts**

Size	QTY	Color	Type (circle)			Co	st (circ	le)	TOTAL
SM			Crew	Hooded	Zipper	\$13	\$20	\$25	
MD			Crew	Hooded	Zipper	\$13	\$20	\$25	
LG			Crew	Hooded	Zipper	\$13	\$20	\$25	
1X			Crew	Hooded	Zipper	\$13	\$20	\$25	
2X			Crew	Hooded	Zipper	\$15	\$22	\$27	
3X			Crew	Hooded	Zipper	\$16	\$23	\$28	

#### **QUESTIONS:**

Tim Litz 586-713-1519

Orders must be prepaid. Checks made payable to Bruce Post #1146 VFW. Print clearly below. Drop in Post mail box outside Quartermaster's office or mail to Tim Litz, 28404 Jefferson Ave, Saint Clair Shores, MI 48081.

Name:	Total Enclosed: \$
Phone:	