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Commanders Report

Bruce Post Members,

By the time you receive this newsletter the annual elections will have been held. I want to congratulate all the newly elected officers. I am proud to say I will remain Commander for the 2015-16 year. I am looking forward to working with the Post and the Auxiliaries. Working in harmony we can accomplish good things for the Post.

I don't have final figures yet, but I can say our fish fry's were a huge success. I want to thank each and every volunteer. This could not happen without our volunteers. It is amazing what we can do when we band together for the good of the Post. Thank you!!!

Poppy Days are May 1, 8 and 9. Please see the Quartermaster to sign up. These funds enable us to help Veterans. This is what the VFW is about. Please volunteer to help out.

The State Convention is June 4-7. I will be attending this and hope to see many of you there. The National Convention is July 18-22. This is in Pittsburgh, Pa. I will be attending this also and I am assigned to a committee.

Our car shows start June 5 and run every Friday in June, July and August. Come out and enjoy an evening in our beautiful backyard and support your Post.

The Memorial Day Parade will be held on Sunday, May 24 at 1pm on Jefferson Avenue. But at 9am, There will be our Memorial Day ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park. Please come out and join us.

Our Queen of Diamonds raffle has started up again. Tickets are only \$1 apiece. This is a Post fundraiser. Get your tickets in the clubroom. See me or Dennis Houser if you want some tickets to sell to your family and friends.

Speak good of your Post. Be proud of your Post. You belong to a great Post.

Semper Fi

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Sr. Vice Commander**Mike McHale**

GREETINGS COMRADES:

WELL WE CAN START LOOKING TO SUMMER, ABOUT TIME. AT THE POST MEETING ALL OFFICERS STAYED THE SAME FOR ANOTHER YEAR. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO HELPING OUT ANOTHER YEAR. I ALSO GOT APPOINTED FOR SERVICE OFFICER. WE WILL BE HAVING THE CRUSING THE BRUCE CAR SHOW AGAIN, ALOT OF FUN ON FRIDAY NIGHT. COME ON DOWN AND ENJOY YOUR CLUB ROOM AND MEET OLD FRIENDS. QUEEN OF DIAMONDS IS STILL GOING. COME TO THE MEETINGS AND HELP YOUR POST. THANK YOU, SENIOR VICE COMMANDER 1146 BRUCE POST MIKEMCHALE1146@YAHOO.COM

Jr. Vice Commander VFW Post #1146**Jim Johns**

Jr. Vice Commander VFW Post #1146, Jim Johns

Hooray, Spring is here!!!! The Lenten Fish Fry is over, Easter has passed and Spring is finally here. Our Lenten Fish Fries were very successful. Dennis Houser and his crew of volunteers are to be commended for their hard work to make this fund raiser for our post a success. Thank you to all who attended. Fast forward to the Classic Car Shows that have taken place most weeks during the summer. Everyone loves old classic cars and rock and roll music. The car shows help us rekindle friendships and even start new ones. Please consider joining us weekly at the post car shows for hot dogs, brats, chips and refreshments on Friday evenings.

I have been a member of this post just about two years and I can honestly say I have met many really good people. Please consider spending more of your time with us at post events.

James Johns jaj1280s@aol.com

Men's Auxiliary – President

Greg Busch

Hello,

I guess I might apologize up front, if this article seems too personal about me, but I have some thoughts I would like to share.

First of all I would like to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers, and support that you have given me in regards to my loss. I can't even think of words that describe the feeling of losing a wife of 30 years unexpectedly and cut short at half of a lifetime. We were together for over 10,963 days, and I am so completely devastated... I thank you all for your kind words and gestures, they do mean a great deal to me. If I seem distant, or confused, or angry, please try to understand. I WILL be myself again, just give me time. Most importantly, thank you again for those of you who showed their true care and support, (all of you).

I'm sorry that I do not have the energy to talk too much about business right now, but I will mention that the Men's Auxiliary is having the **Annual Baby Back Rib Out on September 12, 2015.**

Please remember to keep recruiting memberships, not only for the Auxiliary, but for the post as well. If you know someone eligible for the Men's Auxiliary, please give them an application. Applications are on top of the mailbox in the clubroom near the Jefferson door. Otherwise have them email me at gregb@post.com and I will personally see that they get the necessary paperwork.

Sincerely,

Greg Busch

President

Men's Auxiliary to the VFW 1146

Men's auxiliary – Sr. Vice VFW Post #1146

Charles Pegelo

Greetings all

Hello everyone

We are finally past winter looking forward to warmer weather. Hopefully this is the year to get this post and members together this post does not belong to just certain people it is our post not "mine" like I here all the time lets work together to make it a post we all loved before we went separate ways

Charlie Pegelo

Men's auxiliary – Jr. Vice VFW Post #1146

David Borgacz

Hello Ladies and Gentlemen of The Bruce Post 1146.

Know someone interested in becoming a member of VFW Bruce Post #1146? Have them contact me and I will see to it that they get taken care of.

Dave Borgacz, Jr Vice, Mens Auxilliary 1146

Meetings

Reminder: Ladies Auxiliary #1146 meeting day is 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30pm in the hall upstairs.

Next meeting is May 7, 2015. June meeting date and time to be voted on at May meeting. (Officers will be in

Flint for Department meetings Thursday - Sunday).

Installation

Installation will be Saturday May 9, 2015 at 6:00pm. This year each group will be doing their own installation.

The Ladies Auxiliary will have a pot luck dinner, installation and music in the larger hall upstairs.

You may

bring your spouse. Please come out and support incoming Ladies Auxiliary President Diane Stanley and her line officers get sworn in for the upcoming 2015-2016 year.

Contact incoming Ladies Auxiliary President Diane Stanley 586-322-1575 to advise her that you will attend and what you will be bringing. Please no jeans or shorts. **Hope to see a lot of you there!**

2015-2016 Officers

Elections were held at our April 2, 2015 meeting. New officers for the 2015-2016 year are as follows:

President: Diane Stanley Secretary: Dolores Truskowski

Sr. Vice: Cheryl Alberts Chaplain: Naomi Tosto

Jr. Vice: Kathy Socha Guard: Cindy Sedrowski

Treasurer: Terri McCloy 3 Year Trustee: Nancy Gaglio

Membership

There are still ladies that have not paid their 2015 dues. If you are reading this and you are one of these ladies,

you are not a member in good standing. The 2015 dues were due December 31, 2014. A final postcard was sent out. You will need to pay your dues to receive your new keycard for the clubroom. You will not be able to purchase drinks either until paid. A copy of the unpaid roster will be kept at the bar. Upon receipt of your payment, your 2015 membership card and 2015 clubroom key card will be mailed to you. Dues are \$25/year.

Don't forget, you can convert to become a life member. If you do not plan on renewing your dues. National needs you to write a note with your name and phone number stating you do not want to renew. If Department does not received your 2015 dues by June and you want to continue to be a member, you can no longer be reinstated. That means you come in as a new member and your eligibility will have to be checked. **MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 31, 2015!!!**

Contact: Kay Eiswirth (membership chairman) 586-413-9934 or Terri McCloy (Treasurer) 586-899-9554 with any questions you may have.

Checks payable to: Ladies Auxiliary VFW 1146 & mail: Terri McCloy 22105 Colony SCS, MI 48080.

Do you know someone who would like to join? Ask for an application. Always are looking for new members.

Remember, RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT! Let's all try to recruit one new member.

Hospital Chairmanship Special thanks for those that have donated their time & donations!

HOMEMADE items are taken down to the John Dingell VA Hospital.

* If you like to crochet, how about making some lap robes so we can take down to the VA Hospital.

Call me and I can make arrangements to pick them up.

* Do you volunteer your time 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. *Books and magazines-not more than 3 months old can be brought in to be taken to John Dingell VA Hospital.

Contact Terri McCloy 586-899-9554 for arrangements.

* Collecting new toothbrushes and toothpaste to be taken to John Dingell VA Hospital. Watch for a box in the clubroom to put them in or you can bring to our meetings.

Cell Phones for Soldiers

Thanks to everyone who has donated used cell phones. So far our post has collected over 800 phones. For every phone that is turned in, a 100 minute calling card is sent to the troops. The ladies auxiliary adopted a Cub Scout troop that are now Boy Scouts and have assisted them with their worthwhile project. There is a box in the clubroom marked "Cell Phone for Soldiers". Keep the phones coming!

National Home

Joyce Tomaskovic from the Ladies Auxiliary is collecting Campbell's Labels for National Home. Bring to a meeting or look for the box in the clubroom to put them in.

Bingo

Don't forget Bingo is held in the large hall on Monday nights. Doors open at 5:00pm. Early bird game starts at 6:15pm. Come out for a night of fun!

5th District Meeting

Next 5th District Meeting is Sunday, May 3, 2015 at the White Lake Post. All are invited to attend.

Department Convention

Department Convention is Thursday June 4 to Sunday June 7, 2015 at the Holiday Inn Flint Gateway Center.

All are invited to attend. Hoping to bring back awards for all we have done this year.

Happy Mother's Day to all!

Save Our Post – SOP Donations....

March 2015

Roy McCarver

April 2015

Roy McCarver

This guy is an asset to our POST

DAD'S POST #193 DAD'S DOINGS GERALD S DEZENSKI SECT'Y/ TREASURER

Greetings Dad's,

Hello once again Dad's

Welcome to spring Michigan style, here's a little update on things happening at Post #193, the attendance at our meetings have been a little low and we sure would like to see more Dad's coming down to the post to get more information on what's happening around here , The bingo nights have been a little slow the last couple months but with good weather coming we are looking for better turnouts in the future , Dept. of Mich. Convention Charlotte , Mich. June 12th,13th&14th. Check out the web site at www.NationalDads of FSV of America for more information.

A couple things to remember for the coming months, our meeting in May will be a week earlier on the 17 th. of May at our regular meeting time of 2 pm this is due to the Memorial Day weekend the following week also this will be our last meeting for Spring/Summer time, we will meet again in Sept on the 27 th. please keep this in mind. We can still use help on our bingo nights come on down and get involved if nothing else play bingo. The bingo committee wants to thank all post members for coming down and supporting us and in turn helping support Post # 1146. I can be contacted at (313) 527-6571 or E-mail at gdezenski@comcast.net.

Yours in comradeship Gerald S Dezenski

NEWS FROM THE CLUB ROOM

Dennis

NEWS FROM THE CLUBROOM

Hello everyone! Come in and enjoy your clubroom. We have "Happy Hour" and daily food specials on our menu. KARAOKE IS BACK BY ALLISON - ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH - FRIDAY OF THE MONTH STARTING AT 8 PM UNTIL? COME ON DOWN AND SUPPORT HER AS SHE IS ALSO PLAYING D. J. MUSIC

There have been a group of people coming to the clubroom on Sunday around one pm to play darts if interested come on down and talk to Rob or Sue Adkins. The fish fry's were a great success and I would like to thank the great volunteers we had working all of them. STEVE BARBANE, JANICE BARBANE, MAUREEN BELECK, DAVE BORGACZ, BRIANNA BOWRING, KAILA BOWRING, DEVLYN BROWN, GREG BUSCH, GLEN CORCORAN, AL COUCK JULIE DEBOER, KEN DEBOER, DENNIS DEWULF, PAUL DHOUDT, DOMINIC, SHELBY GRIENER, JANICE HEINS, JIM HEINS, JUSTINE HERNANDEZ, ISIAH HOBAN, KATHY DAILEY H0LSTE1N, BONNIE HOUSER, LORI HOUSER, DOLLY HOUTH, ALLEN HOUTH, JEFF HUETTER, LIZ HUETTER, JOHN JAISSE, MARGE JARZOMBK, CHRIS JENSON, JAMES A JOHNS, STEVEN ST JOHN, DARLENE KOCHAN, RODGER KOCHAN, CHESTER LANDIS, JERI LANDIS, RIC LAWLESS, JIM LITZ, DENNIS MCDONNELU, SUE MCDONNELU, MIKE MC HALE, GEORGE METCALFE, LINDA METCALFE, PAUL NADON, JIM NEVILLE, CHARLIE PEGELO, BOB PELO, J ANNE PEMBERTON, JOHN D ROMANOWSKI, JOE SANT, GLENDA SUTHERLAND, CHUCK THOMAS, KEN TOMIDAJEWICZ, MATTIEW TOWNS, NAOMI TOSTO, PAUL G TRIGLIA, LINDA VENDITTELLI, DOROTHY WARNER, NELSON WHITE, CHARLES WIECZOREK.

Please be patient and remember our Keno and Pull Tabs are the last order of business for our bartenders. Bruce Post and

Auxiliaries please use your club room key cards as our employees have other duties to perform.

If you have any suggestions or complaints about the club room contact Dennis at 1-586-772-1146.

Clubroom 1-586-772-1146

Dennis Houser Bar Chairman

May 2015



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday



						1 Loyalty day	2
3 District 5 Meeting Post 4156	4 82nd Airborne Meeting 8 pm Bingo Doors open 5 pm	5 MCC Meeting Post 7573 7:30 pm	6 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm	7 Poppy Days Bar Committee Meeting 7 pm Ladies Aux. Meeting 7:30 pm	8 Poppy Days	9 Poppy Days	
10 Mothers Day	11 Bingo Doors open 5 pm	12 Men's Aux. Meeting 7pm	13 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm	14	15	16 Armed Forces Day	
17 Dads Post Meeting 2 pm	18 Bingo Doors open 5 pm	19 Exec. Board Meeting 7 pm	20 Post Meeting and Installation 7:30 pm Ritual Team Practice 10am	21 DAV Meeting 5 pm	22	23	
24 SCS Service in the Park 9 am Parade at 1 pm	25 <u>NO BINGO</u> MEMORIAL DAY Club room CLOSED	26	27 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30pm	28	29	30	
31							

June 2015



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	1 82nd Airborne Meeting 8 pm Bingo Doors open 5 pm	2 MCC Meeting Post 7573 7:30 pm	3 Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30 pm	4 Department Convention	5 Department Convention Car Show 4 - 8 pm	6 Department Convention
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14 Flag Day Randy's Hot Rods & Hot Cakes Happy Birthday US Army	15 Bingo Doors open 5 pm	16 Exec. Board Meeting 7 pm	17 Post Meeting 7:30pm Ritual Team Practice 10am	18 DAV Meeting 5 pm	19 Car Show 4 - 8 pm	20
21 Fathers Day G - 2 Deadline 1 pm	22 SOA Meeting Post 9021 Bingo Doors open 5 pm	23	24 Planning Meeting 6:30 pm Ritual Team Practice 10am & 7:30 pm	25	26 Car Show 4 - 8 pm	27
28	29 Bingo Doors open 5 pm	30				

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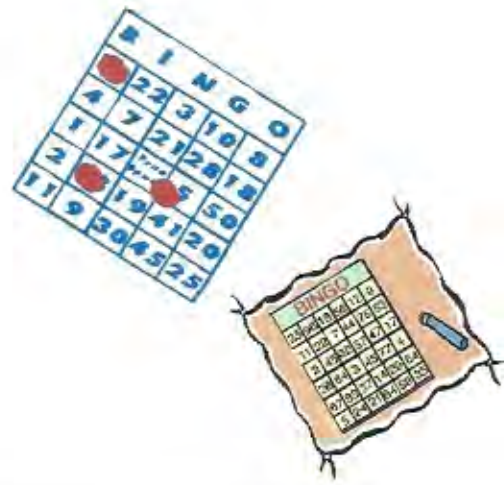
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New VFW Members	Deceased VFW Members
<p>William H. Basden</p>	<p>Ronald N. Berkau James J. Brown Lewis C. Huff Michael J. Jaissle Eugene M. Kosniewski Lewis D. Merrell Amerigo R. Miotto Le Roy T. Nicholson Roy A. Prior Harvey R. Tessman William A. Vallier Joseph A. Wright Richard J. Zettel</p>
New Ladies Auxiliary Members	Deceased Ladies Auxiliary Members
<p>Julianne Nowak Julia Lanoue Angeline Rudolph Pamela Croyle Sarah Karpuk Cathy Francis Mary Patrick</p>	<p>Jacqueline L. Brewer</p>

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Suggestion, submissions, comments may be submitted to the Editor
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Attention
All Bruce Post 1146
Members and Auxiliaries



The Ritual Team Is In Need of Members !

If we are to continue to provide the proper Ritual Service that our deceased comrades are entitled to, we must increase our ritual team ranks. There have been times in the past that we have struggled to muster up enough members to bury our dead. Now that is a SHAME ! Anyone that would be interested in joining us for the morning or evening services can contact Charlie Pegelo at 586-778-7156 or call the Post at 586-778-1146 and leave your name and phone number. You will surely be contacted

Yours in Comradeship

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Bernie Jarzombek : 586-778-1146