



Voodoo News

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Message from your Commander -

Dave Martinez

Seasons Greetings from All of Us to All of You

Hello,

There are more reasons than ever to stop in at American Legion Post 4. There will be more events and weekend entertainment scheduled than in the past. Be sure to check the calendar in the Voodoo News for all upcoming events.

Thanks in part to donations received, we were able to get a portion of the work on the parking lot completed. The asphalt area in front of the dumpster that had been chewed up by the waste haulers trucks has been replaced with a cement slab. To all who mailed in donations and those who donated in the lounge, thank you very much.

To all those who help to make our events a success, a very sincere thank you. I hesitate to print a list of names, because I don't want to inadvertently omit anyone. Just know that your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

To all our members I want to wish a safe and happy holiday season.

Dave Martinez



2010-2011

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**Post Hall
Upcoming Event:
3rd Annual
Crop till you Drop**

November 13th

9am till 9pm

\$45.00 per registration

Till November 1st

Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner along with door prizes

Any questions please call 586-465-7825

Or e-mail:

alrider4@mtclemensamericanlegionpost4.com

Dates are still available for your Holiday Parties, We offer many different package deals. Hall rental with out catering is also available, you can bring in your own food already prepared as there is no kitchen available for your use.



For information please call:

586-465-7825

Sons of the American Legion



2011 Membership Cards are now available, Please be an Early Bird and pay your dues.

I would like to thank all that have donated for our parking lot project. Your generous donations are appreciated.

Check the web site and bulletin boards for any upcoming SAL Events

Steve LoCicero -Commander

From the Web Coordinator:

Please keep sending your e-mail addresses. This has helped cut the cost of our snail mailing of the Voodoo News. If you have any suggestions or idea's to improve our website please e-mail us at:

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News from the Post Adjutant/ Membership Chairperson Andrew Knapp

The new Post Constitution and By-Laws were approved by the members of Post 4 and the Department of Michigan. These are the rules which govern our Post. The standing rules will be changed shortly.

A member of Post 4 requesting a Life Membership which will be paid for by the Post must be a member in good standing for 10 consecutive years in this post and will have reached 70 years of age. A letter of requests for this type of membership will not be accepted after January 1st, 2012. Beginning January 1st 2012 this membership will be maintained only on a grandfather basis. WE have 250 Life Members in this Post costing the post \$8,000 per year. We have asked these members to please donate \$5.00 each to help defray the cost of the repairing the parking lot. We would really appreciate this help. Any questions,

please call me at 1-586-463-5462. As well as being the Adjutant I also am the Membership Director.

The 2011 Membership cards are now available. Please pay your dues early and you will receive an "Early Bird Sticker" which will entitle you to a free dinner which will be held on the first Sunday in November (November 7th) There will be Manhattans and Beer along with other beverages for no charge. We now have 1100 paid members for 2011.

Thanks to everyone who donates the aluminum tabs and also to members who donate their used medical equipment to the post which includes wheelchairs, walkers, canes, etc. A special Thank you to Art Blanock for his recent donations of this equipment.

The Veterans Affairs Dept. is offering a

Bronze Medallion to attach to privately purchased headstones to signify a veterans status. The VA operates 131 National Cemeteries in 39 states and more than 3 million American including Veterans of every war are buried in National Cemeteries on more than 19,000 acres.

We have many functions at our Post. Please come and join us for some family fun. We will be hosting a Halloween Party for the Children as well as an Evening Adult Halloween Party. Please read the newsletter that is mailed out every 3 months to keep abreast of what is happening at your post. WE also will have a Children's Christmas Party in December. " So Come On Down, Ya'll" and join your fellow Legionnaires' for the fun.

Children's Christmas Party

Santa is coming to Post 4 and we're going to celebrate!

Where: Post 4 Hall

When: 1:00 p.m. on December 12th , 2010

Who: Legion, S.A.L. and Staff Members along with their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren ONLY. Please DO NOT register nieces, nephews, neighbors, etc.

What: A light lunch will be provided by the S.A.L. The activities include making a craft, Tootsee the Balloon Artist, Story Time with Mrs. Claus (The Night Before Christmas), and a trolley ride (Voiture 1061 40/8).

Age: Please note the change This year the acceptable ages are Birth to Ten years old.

Admission will be with tickets only, both adults and children will need one. The tickets will be mailed to the FIRST 150 people to register before November 26th. Do not look for a confirmation until after December 5th. You will receive your tickets by mail the week of December 5th.

Santa will arrive in the train with a gift for each child 10 and under. Santa's elves will purchase presents that are age and gender appropriate. The money to purchase the gifts is generated from donations collected in the lounge and 50/50 raffles from various functions.

We regret that our building can only accommodate 150 people. We recognize that this is a family event (and should be) but we ask that you limit the number of adults attending. Perhaps you could make this a Grandparents Day, parents could use the quiet time to prepare for Christmas without the little ones. Our goal is to have as many children as possible attend.

NOTE: Attendance is by PRE-REGISTRATION. Children from INFANT to age ten must be registered to attend and receive a gift. Please do not try to bring anyone without a ticket we just do not have the room. Anyone attending must have a ticket and will be counted in the 150 maximum. The pre-registration form **MUST** be completed with all requested information and returned to the Post by mail or bring it to the Post Lounge no later than November 26th. But, remember that the event will be closed when the registration reaches 150 People. So register as soon as you can commit to the date.

If at any time after you register and your plans change and you can not attend, please notify a chairperson. We would like to have a "full house"

We need volunteers to assist with set-up and clean-up. If you have any questions or have some time to spare during these busy days, please call one of the chairpersons.

Don't forget to bring a camera and lots of smiles!

Chairpersons: Augie and Jean Miele (586)286-2801

Diane Miller (248)680-1273



OCTOBER

6	SPAGHETTI DINNER - 11 am TO 6:30 pm \$6.00 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
11	EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - 7pm
13	VVA MEETING - 7pm
16	STEAK OUT - \$10.00 - 5pm TO 7pm - ENTERTAINMENT 7PM WITH DJ MESS OF MUSIC
18	SAL MEETING - 6:30pm IN LOUNGE
18	ALR MEETING - 7:30pm IN LOUNGE
25	MEMBERSHIP MEETING - 7pm
30	CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY - NOON TO 3pm - FREE -MEMBERS CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN ONLY! SIGN UP SHEET IN THE LOUNGE
30	ADULT HALLOWEEN PARTY - 7pm OPEN TO THE PUBLIC \$10.00 FOOD DONATION, PRIZES, 50/50 RAFFLE - ENTERTAINMENT BY THE KILLER B'S FROM 8 TO MIDNIGHT.



NOVEMBER

3	SPAGHETTI DINNER - 11am TO 6:30pm \$6.00 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
5	SLIDER FRIDAY - 3 SLIDERS AND FRIES FOR \$5.00 - 5pm TO 8pm
6	KARAOKE WITH "TOP GUN ENTERTAINMENT" FROM 7pm TO 11pm
7	EARLY BIRD DINNER - 1pm DINNER 2pm - FREE TO MEMBERS WITH 2011 CARDS (BRING YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD) \$10.00 FOR GUESTS
8	EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - 7pm
11	VETERANS DAY - 9:30am COFFEE AND DONUTS - 10am CEREMONY
13	ENTERTAINMENT TO BE DETERMINED IN THE LOUNGE 7pm to 11pm
15	SAL MEETING - 6:30pm IN THE LOUNGE
15	ALR MEETING - 7:30pm IN THE LOUNGE
20	STEAK OUT - \$10.00 - 5pm TO 7pm - ENTERTAINMENT 7pm RANDOM PLAY
22	MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7pm
25	THANKSGIVING - POST LOUNGE CLOSED
27	ENTERTAINMENT TO BE DETERMINED IN THE LOUNGE 7pm to 11pm



DECEMBER

1	SPAGHETTI DINNER - FUNDRAISER - 11 am TO 6:30 pm \$6.00 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
3	SLIDER FRIDAY - 3 SLIDERS AND FRIES FOR \$5.00 - 5pm to 8pm
4	ENTERTAINMENT TO BE DETERMINED IN THE LOUNGE 7pm to 11pm
7	PEARL HARBOR DAY
8	VVA MEETING -7pm
11	ARMY VS NAVY KICK OFF 2:30pm - RAFFLES - PRIZES -FOOD AND FUN
12	CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY - 1pm IN THE HALL - TICKETS ONLY
	ALR COOKIE BAKE - 4:30pm IN BASEMENT HALL
18	NO STEAK OUT THIS MONTH - ENTERTAINMENT IN THE LOUNGE
20	SAL MEETING - 6:30pm IN LOUNGE (Christmas Get together)
	ALR MEETING - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER
24	CHRISTMAS EVE - POST LOUNGE HOURS - NOON TO 6pm
25	CHRISTMAS DAY - LOUNGE CLOSED
31	NEW YEARS EVE - LOUNGE WILL BE OPEN - ENTERTAINMENT 8pm TO MIDNIGHT - BRING A DISH TO PASS LOUNGE WILL SUPPLY THE MAIN COURSE. SIGN UP SHEET IN THE LOUNGE.
1	NEW YEARS DAY - LOUNGE OPEN NOON TO 6:00pm



From the Lounge:

The Lounge is collecting E-Mail Addresses please send your e-mail address to:
arider4@mtclemensamericanlegionpost4.com

We have been e-mailing everyone about our upcoming Lounge Events: If you haven't been in the lounge in awhile you need to stop in.

Our kitchen is open

Chicken Wings
Chicken Strips
Mini Tacos
French Fries
Onion Rings
Poppers
Cheese Sticks
Hotdogs
Brats
Shrimp Basket
Small and Large Pizza

We even offer carry out!

Check out the calendar for our daily and weekend specials.

We will be having our 4th Annual Army VS Navy Party on December 11th—Kickoff 2:30—come and root for your team .We have lot's of prizes—great food and a great time!

Darts start in October sign up sheet will be posted in the lounge we have openings for Wednesday Evenings.

WE WILL BE HAVING A NEW YEARS EVE PARTY!

Lounge will supply the main dish and we are asking for everyone to bring a dish to pass. Sign up sheet will be posted in the lounge. We will also have entertainment that evening. 8pm to ? We will have a champagne toast at Mid-night along with party favors and lot's of fun. Cash Bar! Members and their Guests only!



American Legion Riders:

We have had a very good riding season hope that everyone was safe and put on lot's of miles on their bikes.

Some of our member's attended the Legion Rider Romp in Wisconsin we are looking forward to next years romp.

Our Legion Rider Picnic was a lot of fun! We enjoy getting together for a fun afternoon of laugh's good food and just plain old fun...

Make sure and stop into the post and support all the upcoming functions going on! I would like to thank the membership of our ALR who have been supporting the Sunday Lunch's in the Lounge.

We will be hosting another Christmas Caroling Event at Martha T. Berry Hospital in December check the website for times and dates.

Our Annual Cookie Bake will also be held in December. The local police Department and Fire Departments sure do appreciate all the cookies that our Legion Rider Men bake.

If you have any suggestions for rides or events please don't hesitate to let us know.

Have a Safe Holiday Season—Steve LoCicero



I was very impressed by the team effort and team spirit exhibited by the American Legion Riders, Sons of the American Legion and American Legion and Community Volunteers who helped to make our Spaghetti and Steak Out Dinners a success

Sincerely, Cliff Dotterer
2nd Vice Commander

2010 Golf Outing:

I would like to take a moment to thank everyone that helped me on this fundraiser. What a great turnout. A 100% success. Thank you goes out to all my hole sponsors. Also, to everyone that donated stuff. You know who you are. There are too many to mention by name. A big thank you goes to all that helped make this a success: Sheri Bieri, Diane Miller, Art Miller, Al & Linda Brookins, Duke & Kathy, P.K., B.Y., Bill Stacy & Steve Loyalvo. A thank you to my sister, Loretta and Good Friend Ray. Looking forward to next year! Sharon



CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

(AGES 10 AND UNDER)

Sunday, December 12th at the Post Hall
Time 1pm

Please fill out the following form and return it to the Post Lounge or mail it to the Post by November 26th. All children must be ten (10) and under and able to attend the party. Remember that the children **MUST** be a child, grandchild or great grandchild or a member (Legion ,S.A.L., or Staff)

Name:	Male
Age:	Female
Relationship:	

Name:	Male
Age:	Female
Relationship:	

Name:	Male
Age:	Female
Relationship:	

Name:	Male
Age:	Female
Relationship:	

How Many ADULTS attending	#
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CONTACT PERSON TO MAIL TICKETS TO:

Name:	
Address:	
City/Zip:	
Phone:	
Membership:	
	Legion
	Sal
	Staff

Drop off your registration at the Post
Or mail to:
AMERICAN LEGION POST 4
401 N. GROESBECK HWY
Mt. Clemens, MI 48043

American Legion
Harry Ollrich Post #4
401 North Groesbeck Hwy.



And or Occupant: