

August 2019

Commanders Comments

This year is flying by. It's the 8th month already.

We haven't had very good steak fry's the last couple of months. Everyone is enjoying the nice weather or had open houses to go to.

We would like to thank the AMVETS Riders for giving \$600 to the Post to help with an air conditioner repair bill. They also gave the Post \$1500 to upgrade our sprinkler system, which we have to have done or they will shut us down. That bill is \$3300 and \$1500 is such a big help. Again, a big thank you to the AMVET Riders.

Not much news, the steak fry is the 10th of August.

September 28 we are having a Post Appreciation open house. We will have a pig roasted. I you want you can bring a desert in a throw away container.. Steve Troyer, the one man band will be providing the entertainment..

Lloyd Fowler is still in the nursing home in Fremont. He would enjoy some company.

Everyone be safe and careful and enjoy the beautiful weather. It is coming fast.

God bless our troops, at home and deployed.

Larry Reid Commander

Presidents Corner

WOW!! What a busy July has been. Starting with the Forth of July parade at Croton. Lots of specators saluting and thanking us for our service, hope we can get more auxiliary to be in the parade next year.

The Saturday steak fry was a great success. We want to thank Gene H from the Post and Kelvin O for a great job cooking the steaks. We want to thank Jane for getting supplies at Gordon Foods, also for Jane and Charlie and Jim H for coming in early in prepping the salad bar and washing potatoes.

We also want to thank all volunteers for their help, Peggy, Jane, Charlie, Barb, Jim O, Gale, Richard, and Joe, also Jim H, and Jean H, and Pops from the Riders.

We sent four Kids to camp Trotter this month for a week, sure bet they are having a good time.

We will be having a Friday fish fry on the second of August. We want to thank Jim O for picking up the fish for the fry.

Our next meeting will be August 12. Hope to see more members there.

President Lyle Piefer

AMVETS Post 4250

Now that summer has actually arrived, I hope everyone is enjoying theirs.

It might be a month early to ask for support of an event that is happening in September, but I wanted to give everyone a chance to adjust their schedule.

On Sunday, September 22, there is a hike to raise awareness for the 22 Veteran suicides committed each day. The hike is 22 miles, from Howard City to Big Rapids. The first 20 miles is for Veterans only, but the public at large is welcome to join for the last 2 miles of the hike. Those interested can see the brochure at <u>http://www.amvetsmichigan.org/</u> <u>district-v/</u>

Even if you are not able to participate in person, donations will be welcome. I will be discussing this event more fully at our August 6 regular monthly meeting.

The August Steak Fry, on the 10^{th,} is our posts chance to make some money for our programs and, as usual, we are asking for help.

I want to thank all of you who bought tickets to our recent Sight and Sound raffle. We were able to raise \$2287 which will enable us to fund our programs more fully. Many of our members worked very hard selling tickets, so a special thanks goes to them as well

Have great month!

Dan Boutell Commander, Post 4250