



# Post 28 Newsletter

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## POST 28 COMMANDER



Spring is right around the corner and it won't be long before we will get to use our new deck again (for a full summer

this time). We have applied for a Sunday sales license and will be trying something new, being open on Sundays. Although Ottawa County still prohibits the sale of beer and wine on Sunday, we think many members would still like to use the Post and especially the deck on Sundays.

The Legion Birthday was a big success and of course the meal was fantastic as usual. A big thanks to the Auxiliary and S.A.L. for preparing it,

especially Myrna Puse, who works so hard to plan the event. And also a big thanks to our speaker, Rev. Dan Anderson. We honored 3 members who completed 60 continuous years as a member of Post 28. They are Robert Sluka, Marvin Satter, and W.K. Bloeser. Don "Chops" Rescorla was also honored for his past service of 21 years on the dinner committee.

We have a lot of fun activities coming up which are detailed elsewhere in the newsletter. So check them out and plan on joining the fun.

Bill Kaufman  
Commander, Post 28



Post 28 Honor Guard  
December 2006

**Standing Left to Right:** David MacKellar, Doug Telegenoff, Mike Lankes, George Bennett, Perry Delille, Marvin Poel, Harld Humble, Bill Kaufman, George Bryant, Dan MacKeller, Ray Ribbink, Bob VanBurgel, Jim Walton, Howard Matson, Ed Jaworowicz, Ron Bauer, Dale Chittenden, Paul Rose, Ed DeKoekkoek, Ken Kelly. **Sitting Left to Right:** Larry Kuiper, Jacob Westra, Vince Antonich, Nino Martinez, Henry Prys, Berny Kraii, Hugh Hyde, Garrett Veihl

## PAST COMMANDERS

Friday, April 13  
at Boat & Canoe Club  
Cost is \$10.00 and must have reservations in by April 9<sup>th</sup>  
Make checks payable to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Club  
Ray Ribbink, Past Commander

## Calendar of Events

### January

Happy New Year!  
Las Vegas Night

### February

Chili Cook-Off  
Hawaiian Luau

### March

American Legion Birthday Party  
Annual Food Drive  
St. Patrick's Day Party  
Texas Hold 'Em

### April

IRSParty  
Armed Forces Day

### May

Memorial Day  
Kentucky Derby Party  
Legion Memorial Golf Outing

### June

Flag Day

### July

Auxiliary Flea Market  
Independence Day

### August

Coast Guard Festival  
Enlisted Men's Party  
BBQ Chicken

### September

American Legion Picnic

### October

Steak & Shrimp  
Oktoberfest Party

### November

Veteran's Day Dinner  
Saturday Football Parties  
Trivia Begins  
Happy Thanksgiving!

### December

Goodfellows Toy Drive  
Children's Christmas Party  
Christmas Buffet  
New Year's Eve Party  
Merry Christmas!

## Every Month

### 1st Tuesday

B & G 6pm, 1st Tuesday Only  
House 6pm, 1st Tuesday Only  
Post 7pm

### 2nd Monday

SAL Meeting 7:30pm

### 2nd Tuesday

8 & 40 Meeting 7pm

### 4th Tuesday

Auxiliary Meeting 7pm

### 1st Saturday

Karaoke

### Every Wednesday

Dinners 5-7pm

### 1st Friday

Lake Perch or TBA 5-7pm

### All Other Fridays

Burgers 6-8pm



## Andy's Draught

As part of the R & C (Research & Copy) Department here at Post #28, I had an opportunity, along with 50 other "Charter" Members of the Lush Bus, to visit some of the other Posts. As we ventured from Post to Post I compiled a list of ideas I thought would work here. Some good ideas & some not so good ideas. One of the good ideas was FREE pool on Mondays. So, starting this month, FREE pool on Mondays.

As for the rest of this month, we are having an IRS Party on Monday the 16th with 25 cent hot dogs & free popcorn. Friday the 20th we are having a benefit Chicken dinner. The proceeds from the dinner will be donated to Love Inc.. Friday the 27th Tommy "Sinatra" Patton will be performing after burgers. Tommy will be performing songs from Sinatra, Perry Como & other great artists of that era. As always dancing, food & pop are open to the public, so bring your friends & neighbors.

As for May, Bluegill will be served instead of Perch Friday May 4th & the Kentucky Derby is Saturday the 5th. We'll have mint juleps, burgoo, ladies in fancy hats & the entire 3 minute horse race. Come for the fun & stay for karaoke.

April drink specials: \$2.50 Jazz Martini & \$1 12oz can beer every Tuesday.

Cheers,

Andy

### MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Well, spring is on the way (we hope) and I'm sure all you golfers are starting to get the itch. As I sit at my computer and write this, we still have 12" - 18" of snow on the ground, but the temperature is 43 degrees and the upcoming forecast is sounding pretty good. The Legion Memorial will be once again held at West Ottawa Golf Course on Saturday, May 26th so mark that date on your calendar and start thinking about getting you foursome together. There will be an Open Division (4 players any age), Senior division (4 players 50 & older) and our new division the Couples Division ( 2 guys. 2 gals). There will be entry forms at Post 28 in the Bar area so when you get a chance, stop in and pick one up. We had a great turnout last year with all three divisions represented very well and we will only be taking the first 36 teams to get their entries in, so don't wait too loong and miss out on a great day of fun with our Legion family & friends. If you can't make it down to the Post to pick up a application, please give me a call and I'll mail one out.

If you're not a golfer but would like to help out, we always need help at the golf course and afterward at Post 28 for the steak dinner. There will be a sign up sheet at the bar for anyone interested.

*"I like golf because you can be really terrible at it and still not look much dorkier than anybody else"*  
- Dave Barry

Until next month, Rich Kelly , Chairman 846-1649



## S.A.L.

Greetings Post 28:

Another month has past and Spring is in the air, it's about time, winter seemed to last forever. A recap of recent events, the Luau was another success, thank you to all of the volunteers that make it happen and to "SOUL'D OUT" for their fan base. To Andy and the bar staff, you all do a great job, especially on the busy nights like that. The end of March we had our Texas Hold'em tournament, thanks to all of the volunteers that made it work.

With warmer weather ahead the SAL will begin work on the final stages of the deck and patio, workers will be needed, a sign up list will be at the bar.

The Legion Memorial golf outing is just around the corner, get your team together and sign up early, the season is almost here. Hole sponsorship is also available for \$75.00, contact Rich Kelly or Mike Mattson

As a reminder our meetings are the 2nd Monday of each month (April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9) all meetings are at 7:30 pm, so mark your calendar. Hope to see you there. Questions or comments feel free to contact me at 616-638-2590 or email at [mike@ghgardenhouse.com](mailto:mike@ghgardenhouse.com)

See you at the Post,

Mike Mattson

SAL Commander Squadron 28



### Membership News



Please welcome

New members:

Terry Feenstra

Philip McKinstry

Nels Christopher

Robert Marshall

Dan Ryan

Dale Townsend

Gerald Fitzgerald

Don Hildebrandt

Taps were played for:

George Nelson

Milton Miller

### KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

Get ready for the fastest 2 minutes in sports, the fabulous Kentucky Derby. The party will get under way around 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 5th with the Derby race post time around 5 p.m. The Kentucky Derby may be a horse race (and what a race- it's the oldest continuously running sporting event in the U.S.), but let's be honest. Ask most people what they associate with the Derby and they'll likely say "mint juleps and hats". And we hope to have plenty of both. So ladies, find yourself the most gaudy, gorgeous hat you can find because we are going to have a "hat contest" with the best hat getting a prize. There will also be authentic Kentucky cuisine (and I'm not talking bout possum or coon). We're talking Kentucky burgoo and Derby pie. And of course the mint julep will be the drink special of the day. Here's to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, home of "fast women and beautiful horses" (or is it the other way around?). Karaoke will follow around 6 p.m.

See y'all there,  
Bill Kaufman  
Post Commander



## Auxiliary

I missed wishing everyone a Happy St. Patty's day, so belated Happy St. Patrick's day. Thanks to Jean Koehs for taking the past 2 months meetings, I hear she did a bang up job. We are now the largest Unit in the State (613) - Good going ladies - I heard that our SAL Squadron is also the largest Congratulations - Guys.

The Flag presentation at St Johns Lutheran school was very nice. A good group of Legion Honor Guard and there were 4 Auxiliary members - the Auxiliary donated the Flag.

New Members for the month of February - Pamela A. Dewilde, Lisa A. Knoll, Donna J. Lock, Pauline Niskanen and Jayne L. Ruitter - WELCOME.

In July 1862 Brig. Gen. Daniel Butterfield summoned Pvt. Oliver Wilcox Norton to his tent because he disliked the colorless "extinguish lights" call then used - he whistled a tune and after repeated trials it finally suited Butterfield. Today for a Military funeral three volleys are fired and the sounding with trumped or bugle - "Put out the lights. Go to sleep" Or as we know it "TAPS".

National Legion Commander Paul A. Morin wants to cut taxpayer funded legal fees to ACLU. They want to remove the Ten Commandments from courthouse lawns, kicking Boy Scouts off school property and out of public parks. One example the ACLU was awarded in attorneys fees in a settlement with the City of San Diego in its lawsuit to drive the Boy Scouts out of Balboa Park, the settlement was \$950,000. The bill for this is \$415 - so write to your Senator.

President Ruth

## House Committee News

Well folks, another month has come and passed. Things have been hopping at the Post. Dinner numbers are going up, bigger smiles are leaving after the meals Andy is looking into some more Pro teams coming and serving at the bar. If things work out your in for some fun times. The first Saturday in May is Kentucky Derby Day come and have some fun with us. Also in June we have the Cars and Drivers coming from Berlin Race Track. That's June 21<sup>st</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup> we have rented the deck at Berlin, Burgers & stuff more info to come later. Also it's never to early to start planning for the Halloween Party in Oct. I would like to end this with a big thank-you to all who have helped in the kitchen & around the Post.

Thank You,  
Garrett Veihl, House Committee Chair

## AMERICAN LEGION POST 28 • SLATE OF OFFICERS 07-08

Commander:	Garrett Veihl	Executive Committee	
First Vice Commander:	Richard VanderStel	Members at large:	Dave MacKellar
Second Vice Commander:			
Adjutant:	Phil Slater	(Vote for two)	Ray Ribbink
Finance Officer:	Chris Whalen		Paul Rose
Service Officer:	Jim Walton/Ken Kelly		Howard Mattson
Historian:	Doug Telgenhof		
Chaplain:	Ed Jaworowicz	Anyone wishing to run for office please call Ray	
Sgt. At Arms:	Ed DeKoekkoek	Ribbink 842-1669	

## LEGION RIDERS UPDATE

An informational meeting was held on March 8th to determine whether there is enough interest to form a chapter of Legion Riders, a Legion family group of motorcycle enthusiasts. Approximately 20 showed up and the results are that we now have American Legion Rider Chapter #28 in our Post Home.

A slate of interim officers was selected pending formal elections in the near future. We have determined that our membership meetings will be held on the second Thursday at 7pm to conduct business and plan social events and activities to benefit the group and the Post. It's looking to be another fun and active summer here at Post 28 as the ALR group forms up and establishes itself as yet another part of the Legion family.

Just a reminder that any Legion, Auxilliary, and SAL member owning a motorcycle of at least 350cc or spouse of same is elegeble and welcome to check us out and join up, so, saddle up, it's going to be a great summer!

Jack



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### Post #28 American Legion Officers

William Kaufman, *Commander*  
Garrett Veihl, *1st Vice Commander*  
Dick Vanderstel, *2nd Vice Commander*  
Phil Slater, *Adjutant*  
Chris Whalen, *Finance Officer*  
George Bennett, *Chaplain*  
Don Hinds, *Judge Advocate*  
Ed Jaworowicz, *Sergeant-At-Arms*  
Jim Walton, *Service Officer*  
Doug Telgenhof, *Historian*  
Mike Zeeff, *Past Commander*

### Post #28 SAL Officers

Mike Mattson, *Commander*  
Alan VanDam, *1st Vice Commander*  
Brad Chittenden, *2nd Vice Commander*  
Rich Kelly, *Finance Officer*  
Tom Glockzin, *Chaplain*  
Charlie Yonker, *Sergeant-At-Arms*  
Jeff VanderVeen, *Historian*  
Scott Bennett, *Past Commander*  
Howard Mattson, *Post SAL Chairman*  
Michael Brown, *Membership Chair*  
Paul Kubicek, *Adjutant*

### Post #28 Auxiliary Officers

Ruth Kelly, *President*  
Barbara Kasmauski, *1st Vice President*  
Jean Koehs, *2nd Vice President*  
Norma Brazda, *Secretary*  
Romaine Althaus, *Treasurer*  
Ann Kammeraad, *Chaplain*  
Ruth Rescorla, *Historian*  
Mary Lou Zysk, *Sergeant-At-Arms*  
Myrna Puse, *Junior Past President*  
Ina Kaufman, *Parliamentarian*

### Executive Board

Jeanne Wolniakowski  
Helen Hinds  
Kathleen Jackson

### POST HOURS

Mon-Fri 2pm - 10pm+  
Sat Noon - 10pm+





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## APRIL 2007

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 <b>FREE Pool</b>	3 House Post 6pm-7pm <b>†1 Beers</b>	4 <b>SPAGHETTI DINNER 5pm</b>	5	6 <b>PERCH DINNER 5PM</b> <i>Borgie on Piano 5-7:30</i>	7 <b>Karaoke 6-11pm</b>
8	9 S.A.L. Memorial Day Committee 7:30pm VFW 7:30 <b>FREE Pool</b>	10 8 & 40 7pm <b>†1 Beers</b>	11 <b>MEATLOAF DINNER 5pm</b>	12	13 <b>BURGERS 6PM</b> <i>Steve Edge 8pm Past Commanders Dinner</i>	14 <b>S.A.L. Birthday Party</b>
15	16 <b>IRS Party</b> <b>FREE Pool</b>	17 Exec Comm 7pm <b>†1 Beers</b>	18 <b>TURKEY POT ROAST DINNER 5pm</b>	19 Trivia 7pm	20 <b>CHICKEN DINNER 6PM</b> Benefit of LOVE INC	21
22	23 Memorial Day Committee 7:30 VFW <b>FREE Pool</b>	24 Auxiliary 7pm <b>†1 Beers</b>	25 <b>SWISS STEAK &amp; LIVER &amp; ONIONS 5pm</b>	26	27 <b>BURGERS 6PM</b> <i>Tommy "Sinatra" Patton 8pm</i>	28
29	30 <b>FREE Pool</b>	1 May House Post 6pm-7pm <b>†1 Beers</b>	2 <b>HAM DINNER 5pm</b>	3	4 <b>BLUEGILL DINNER 5PM</b> <i>Borgie on Piano</i>	5 <b>Kentucky Derby Party</b> <b>Karaoke 6-11pm</b>
6	7	8 <b>†1 Beers</b>	9	10	11	12