



# Post 28 Newsletter

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## POST 28 COMMANDER



It's hard to believe June is here already. The Kentucky Derby party has come and gone and what a party it was! We

had 22 entries in the ladies hat contest and the Kentucky Burgoo and Mint Juleps were fantastic. A special thanks to Jack VanWeelden and Garrett Veihl for cooking up the burgoo and thanks to Chops Rescorla, Ken Ennenga and Phylis Yonker for organizing the race contests.

On May 1<sup>st</sup>, we had the election of our new officers for the upcoming year. Congratulations to all. The results are posted elsewhere in the newsletter. I would also like to thank outgoing officers George Bennett, Hugh Hyde, and Paul Rose for their many years of dedicated service to Post 28.

Induction of new officers will take place at the July 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

The 5<sup>th</sup> District meeting was held at Post 28 on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Our Post was presented with a plaque recognizing our achievement of 100% of our membership goal for the past year. This was quite an accomplishment and credit goes not only to our membership committee who do such a great job, but to all our members who have worked to bring in new people to our Post.

Once again, we have a lot of exciting activities coming up which are detailed in the newsletter. So look it over and come on down and join the fun.

Bill Kaufman  
Commander, Post 28

### 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



Kentucky Derby Party 2007

## Andy's Draught

What could be better than sipping your favorite cocktail after a stressful day in the office and taking in the views from the best deck in town? Come enjoy the deck any time the post is open! The upstairs bar will be staffed Fridays 5-10 pm & Saturdays 4-10 pm. The main lounge downstairs will be open at noon Monday – Saturday, now through Labor Day.

We have gotten many questions about our "homemade pizzas." Yes, they are homemade. We started making our own pizzas a couple of months ago & they have been a big hit. You can choose from Pepperoni, Pepperoni & Sausage, or Supreme (pepperoni, sausage, onion, green pepper & mushroom). Each pizza is \$7.00. Look for Pizza & Beer specials coming next month. The rule still stands: pizzas are not served during Wednesday or Friday dinners.

Thursday, June 21st is RACE NIGHT! Bring the kids and grandkids to have their pictures taken with the race cars from Berlin Raceway and to meet the Drivers. You can also test your skills in David Stremme's #40 Coors Light NASCAR simulator. You will be sitting in & racing in the same seat as David Stremme. We will have hot dogs and drinks as well as raffles going into the night. In keeping with the American Legion motto "Still serving America", proceeds from this event will benefit Harbor Hospice Poppen Residence. I'm sure you will all agree that there are not many organizations more deserving of support as they have shown their support for many of us.

Saturday June 23rd, come with us to Berlin Raceway to watch the drivers you met on Race Night. We have the deck reserved. \$25 per person will get you dinner and a spot on the deck to watch all the action. Contact me at the Post to get your tickets.

If you missed Tommy "Sinatra" Patton, Elvis & Johnny Cash in April, you're in luck. Tommy will be back June 22nd with his 3 piece band. As for the rest of the month keep your eye on the calendar for the dinners, bands & events.

June drink specials: \$2.00 Bacardi & Coke or Diet Rite & \$1 12oz can beer every Tuesday. (You're welcome, Dan.) For those in the know, Miller Chill will be released in Michigan the end of this month. Be watching for it at the bar.

*Cheers!  
Andy*

### RACE NIGHT NEWS

Celebrity Serve – Race Night Edition  
Thursday, June 21st 6-9pm

Bring your kids / grandkids to the Post to have their pictures taken with the drivers & their cars from Berlin Raceway, & test your skills in David Stremme's #40 Coors Light NASCAR simulator. That right. Sit in & race in the same seat as David Stremme. There will be raffles, refreshments & food. Proceeds to benefit Harbor Hospice. The bar will be open to the public.



## S.A.L.

Hello legion members:

Spring has definitely sprung and the Post is getting busier. The deck is now open and soon too will be the patio. Thank you to all who have worked on the project and to those who donated money for the patio furniture (donations were the tips collected by the SAL on burger nights and the proceeds of the Trivia Nights).

Memorial Day has come and gone and the SAL would like to thank all of the Service People past and present who have served and protected our great country and maintained our freedoms. We also remember all of our fallen soldiers and veterans and all they gave for us. Thank You.

Post 28's SAL was officially named Michigans largest squadron for 2006/07, and will be recognized for that feat at the SAL convention in early June in Houghton Lake. 3 SAL members will be attending the annual convention, they are, Mike Brown, Brad Chittenden, & Mike Mattson. Research will be done for when Post 28 hosts the 2009 convention.

Mike Brown informed us that he will be stepping down as our membership chairperson this fall, a replacement has yet to be appointed, Mike has done a fantastic job, and will difficult to replace. Thank you Mike.

The Post 28 softball team (most players are SAL members) has started the summer season playing pretty well. Upcoming games are 5/31 @ 6:15pm, 6/7 @ 8:15pm, 6/14 @ 7:15pm, 6/21 @ 8:15pm, 6/28 @ 6:15pm, 7/5 @ 7:15pm all games are over the hill at Mulligan's Hollow. Hope to see some of you there.

Thank you to all who played in and volunteered for the Memorial Golf Outing, check the Post for the winning teams.

The SAL will be cooking burgers on the grill Friday June 22nd stop down at the Post to lend a hand.

See you at the Post,  
Mike Mattson  
SAL Commander Squadron 28



## Membership News



Please welcome

New members:

Larry Galombeck  
Donald Goetzinger  
Gerald Kooistra

Robert McAlpine

Roger Nelson

Roy Schmidt

William Sharp

Richard Swain

Robert Goodwin

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Richard Swain

Robert Goodwin

## AMERICAN LEGION POST 28 OFFICERS 07-08

Commander:	Garrett Veihl
First Vice Commander:	Richard Vanderstel
Second Vice Commander:	Dale Chittendon
Adjutant:	Phil Slater
Finance Officer:	Chris Whalen
Service Officer:	Jim Walton/ Ken Kelly
Historian:	Doug Telgenhof
Chaplain:	Ed Jaworowicz
Sgt. At Arms:	Ed DeKoekKoek
Executive Committee:	Dave MacKellar
(Members at Large):	Ray Ribbink



## Auxiliary

To bring you up to date; at our April meeting, Jody Herrelko, Director of the Little Red House in Spring lake gave an interesting talk with pictures telling about the adult foster care work they do there.

In May, we enjoyed our semi-annual potluck supper, followed by our regular meeting. At that time many members were initiated and received their pins. This month 3 of our members will attend the convention for the American Legion, Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion in Dearborn. They will report back at our June 26th meeting. Also at that meeting we will have installation of officers. Plan to join us to welcome them and enjoy dessert following the meeting.

The 8&40 members will have a meeting on June 12, at 7:00PM. Plans will be finalized for the Flea Market to be held on July 13. Table rentals are available for \$10 each if you want to sell your own things. No clothing or large items such as furniture. Otherwise save your "fleas" to donate to the 8&40 table. For table rentals call Ann Kammeraad at 616-842-6541. Limit of 2 tables per person.

We started a new year for collection Community Service hours so please keep track of them & turn them in to Ann Kammeraad of leave them at the Post. We reported over 7 thousand hours last year, so keep up the good work. A narrative went in with our report and it is one of 23 being considered for an award at the Department level.

The Poppy letters were mailed and many donations received. If you haven't sent in your donation, there is still time. You can mail it or leave it at the bar.

Congratulations to Garret and all the new officers of the American Legion.

Ann Kammeraad, Secretary Elect  
Substituting for Ruth Kelly,

## House Committee News

The Snow Birds have returned and we are serving larger numbers for Dinners. Hope everyone is enjoying our meals. There is going to be a price increase on Burgers, singles will still be \$2.50, Doubles will now be \$4.00. This increase is because of beef prices going up.

### LEGION RIDERS UPDATE

Well, nobody can say that the A.L.R. isn't on the move. In three months time we've grown to almost 30 members. Our Chapter and Post home is also involved in the first annual Coast Guard Festival Thunder Run, a motorcycle poker run that will originate and finish at our Post on Saturday, June 30th. This should promise to be a fun event and a good profit maker for our Post, as well as a high visibility day for us, the American Legion, and the Coast Guard Festival. Our meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., with our June meeting on the 14th. All members of the Legion family owning a cycle of at least 350cc's or larger are invited to join the American Legion Riders & see what we're all about.

See ya at the Post... Jack

### OUR MILITARY FAMILY

We are still in need of pictures for the "Our Military Family" display. If you have a son, daughter or grandchild serving in the military, we would like to add it to the display we have started. Just drop off or mail a wallet size photo (preferably in uniform) along with the name, branch of service and parents/ grandparents names.

### WEST MICHIGAN FALLEN HEROES GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2007, 8:30 A.M.  
GRAND HAVEN GOLF CLUB  
4 PERSON SCRAMBLE  
REGISTER BY JUNE 5TH  
CONTACT: RAY SWANSON (616)842-1187

### 8&40 FLEA MARKET

Friday, July 13, 2007  
9 am - 3 pm



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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*  
Romayne 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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## JUNE 2007

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Drink Special</b> Bacardi & Coke or Diet Rite <b>\$2.00</b>					<b>1 PERCH DINNER 5PM</b> <i>Borgie on Piano 5-7:30</i>	<b>2 Karaoke 6-11pm</b>
	<b>4 FREE Pool</b>	<b>5 House Post 6pm 7pm</b> <b>‡1 Beers</b>	<b>6 PORK CHOPS 5pm</b>		<b>8 BURGERS 6PM</b> <i>Silvertones 8pm</i>	
	<b>10 S.A.L. 7:30pm</b> <b>FREE Pool</b>	<b>12 8&amp;40 7pm</b> <b>‡1 Beers</b>	<b>13 SPAGHETTI 5pm</b>	<b>14 FLAG DAY</b> <i>Legion Riders 7pm</i>	<b>15 BURGERS 6PM</b> <i>Steve Edge 8pm</i>	
	<b>17 FREE Pool</b>	<b>19 Exec Comm 7pm</b> <b>‡1 Beers</b>	<b>20 SWISS STEAK 5pm</b>	<b>21 Celebrity Serve Race Night</b>	<b>22 BURGERS 6PM</b> <i>Tommy "Sinatra" Patton 8pm</i>	
	<b>24 FREE Pool</b>	<b>26 Auxilliary 7pm</b> <b>‡1 Beers</b>	<b>27 GERMAN FRANKS &amp; ALL BEEF HOT DOGS w/ KRAUT 5pm</b>		<b>29 BURGERS 6PM</b>	
<b>1 July</b>	<b>2 FREE Pool</b>	<b>3 House Post 6pm 7pm</b> <b>‡1 Beers</b>	<b>4 Independence Day Open 12 Noon PORK BARBEQUE</b>		<b>6 PERCH 5PM</b> <i>Borgie on Piano</i>	<b>7 Karaoke 6-11pm</b>