

HASLETT AMERICAN LEGION POST 269, PO BOX 245, HASLETT, MI 48842

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American Legion---AL Auxiliary---Sons of the AL---American Legion Riders

Newsletter, Edition January-February 2023



From Post # 269 – Captain Stephen W Frank

***Hours of Operation:**

Sunday	1 PM - 8 PM
Saturday	Noon – 10 PM
Monday	3 PM – 10 PM
Tuesday	3 PM – 10 PM
Wednesday	Noon – 10 PM
Thursday	Noon – 10 PM
Friday	Noon - 10 PM

*Updates: www.facebook.com/HaslettPost269 New Website: <https://haslettpost269.org>

Officers

Commander – John Meka, 1st Vice – Jeff Ross, 2nd Vice – Vacant,
Adjutant – Bob Tucker, Asst. Adjutant – Vacant, Finance Officer – Brian Bender,
Judge Advocate – Fritz Stoll, Sargent At Arms – Jim Suehr, Chaplain – Theresa Ross,
Service Officer – Dave Pierce, Historian – Kevin Shandor, Members At Large – Doug Egner,
Dean Aronson, <Vacant>

John Meka – Post Commander Comments

As we usher in a New Year, we sadly **Salute** those members who passed away in 2022:
George Hunt, Don Passage and Mary Grinnell.

While these members are missed, we look forward to this New Year. This past year was filled with challenges, projects along with events that were enjoyed by all of our members... **let's have a Hallelujah!!**

So, let's keep the momentum going. Like me and perhaps others sometimes forget that this Post has been in existence since 1937, 86 years. Members such as yourselves are the backbone of the Post, you are the body of the Post 269. Please think about the Post as being more than four walls. Each of us have had conversations about how we grew up within these four walls. The Post contains the souls and memories that pass in and out of its doors.

The challenge, commit to be part of something within the Post; be an officer, a cook, a server, a project leader, a helper, an organizer, etc. Our Post is in a position to truly make a difference in the community, a real difference!

This difference is only achievable by having our members be part of solutions to needs identified by yourselves and others.

Please offer up your time as well as ideas.

Thanks to each and everyone for being part of Post 269, Captain Stephen W Frank, Metal of Honor.

Queen of Hearts – Starts January 29th

Here we GO! Changes are here! Exciting Stuff!

Tickets: \$5 each

Ticket drawn but not Q of H: \$50 for any other card except:

If Ticket drawn is a Joker: \$250

If Ticket drawn is an ACE: \$100

Facebook Page and Website: Really Proud – take a look

Both are now in place. What a great look for both. If you did not notice, both have been identified below our hours of operations. We strongly encourage you to go exploring both sites. The website is a “beta” in context we continue to massage it based on input from the different areas of the Post.

Point of contacts for the Website are Heidi Hopper and/or Cindi Camper

The spam issues related to the other site are now resolved. Feel free to keep us apprised if you do identify an issue.

2023 Membership

Renewal of membership is now upon us. If you have not renewed, it means that your 2022 card will likely not be accepted should you visit a Post. A valid 2023 card is required. For those who have renewed, cards have been mailed with a cover letter thanking you for your continued support.

If you do have questions send them to the Post, c/o Adjutant, Bob Tucker. Dues are \$45, the same as last year.

From the Chaplain

If you know of anyone who is ill, incapacitated or in a facility of any kind, please contact me at the Post. Thank you, Theresa Ross, Chaplain.

Donations – Tax Exempt

Post 269 is a 501(c)(19) qualified tax-exempt veterans’ organization. As such any donations made to the post are deductible for income tax purposes. Donations may be made to the Post General Fund or to other specific funds, projects or purchases. Those include the Building Fund, Scholarship Fund, Poppy Fund, or Newsletter support.

Participation

We need your help! We need members to submit their names for Officers of the Post, to be part of position within the Legion, Auxiliary, SAL, and ALR. There is no reason to wait for someone to ask you. Just let the current members of each organization know that you would like to be part of their group.

The same holds true for events where the need for help abounds for cooks, servers, people set up/take down, dishes (always glamorous yet truly needed), etc. No need to have someone ask you...please take the initiative...Sign-up! Take a minute to be part of those who are helping. Question: Be a helper or a taker?

Areas to consider/Contact Person:

Executive Committee – Executive Committee member
Liaison Committee – Michael Mitchell
Bar Committee – Jeff Ross
Auxiliary- Valerie Weeks
Sons of the American Legion: Jeff Peterson
Riders: Bob Derek
Food Committee: John Meka

Post General Meetings

Post General Meeting are at 7:00 pm, the 2nd Thursday of every month except June, July & August. The Executive Committee meets 6:00 pm, 2nd Thursday of every month. All members are welcome to the General Meetings. Concerns, issues or suggestions may be brought to any of the officers to be added to the Executive Committee meeting agenda or by attending the General meeting.

Sons of the American Legion

Officers

Commander – Jeff Peterson, First Vice – Mike Peterson, 2nd Vice – Tom Szedlak, Adjutant Michael Mitchell Adjutant/Membership, Finance – Chris Guy, Sgt. At Arms – Donny Vander Waff, Chaplin – Patrick Kalil, Historian – Patrick Halil

Membership

Renewals for 2023 are available for \$25.00. Envelops are at the bar for renewals and to sign up as a new member. The bar staff will pass along your information to Michael Mitchell, Adjutant SAL, who will contact you.

Monthly Post Meetings: It is a good time to stop into the Post

General Meeting: 2nd Thursday of the month 7 p.m.

SAL: 1st Thursday of the month 7 p.m.

Auxiliary: 2nd Sunday of the month 12:30 p.m.

Riders: 2nd Wednesday of the month 7 p.m.

Women's Auxiliary

Officers

President: Val Weeks, 1st Vice: Linda Mitchell, 2nd Vice: Heidi Hopper, Treasurer: Kristel Weeks, Secretary: Gerre Lou Imhoff, Chaplin: Dixie Bender, Historian: Sue Savage, Sgt. at Arms: Sue Ward, Members at Large: Sharie Day

Upcoming meeting

Our next meeting will be Sunday, February 12th at 12:30 p.m.

Upcoming event

Elvis Impersonator February 25th 7 p.m. \$16.00 each. Tickets can be purchased from the bartender. Only 85 tickets are available, so purchase soon!

Message from the President

After our regularly scheduled meeting in October, a Legion member complained to two of the officers about being asked to be quieter so that we could hear in our meeting. The Legion member then went to the Executive board and asked if we could change our meeting time so as not to interfere with any activities (football games, queen of hearts) that would be going on at the same time. The Executive board agreed that we could change our meeting time to any time we wished. At our November meeting, we voted to change our meeting time to 12:30 pm, still on the second Sunday of the month.

We have a full agenda for various projects coming up so please consider being part of these important projects. They are a success because of your participation.

Yours truly,
Val Weeks

Membership

If you have not already paid your dues for 2023, you are currently delinquent and are not eligible to vote at meetings or to participate in lounge activities. Please see Patti Bolle to bring your membership current.

Respectfully,
Val Weeks
Auxiliary President

American Legion Riders

Riders Events

Our annual Chili Cook-Off is April 23rd from 3 p.m.-5 p.m. Chili entry is free. The charge to taste and vote is \$5. There is a Silent Auction and 50/50 as part of the event.

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JANUARY EVENTS 2023

Sun. Jan 1st – New Year's Day

Mon. Jan 2nd – Liaison 5:30 & Bar Lounge 6:00p meetings

Tues. Jan 3rd – MSU vs Nebraska 7:00p BIG Network

Wed. Jan 4th – Trivia 7:00p

Thurs. Jan 5th – SON'S General Meeting 7:00p

Sat. Jan 7th – MSU vs UM 2:30p FOX

Sun. Jan 8th – Auxiliary Meeting 12:30p

Mon & Tues - Jan 9th & 10th – Shuffleboard 6-10p

Tues. Jan 10th – MSU at Wisconsin 7:00p ESPN2

Wed. Jan 11th – American Legion Riders Meeting 7:00p

Thurs. Jan 12th – Legion Executive Meeting 6:00p

Thurs. Jan 12th – Legion General Meeting 7:00p

Fri. Jan 13th – ALR Hot/ Dogs & Sloppy Joes 5-7p

Fri. Jan 13th – MSU at Illinois 9:00p FS1

Sat. Jan 14th – Winter Blues Party 6-11p

Sun. Jan. 15th – Putter Ball Tournament

Mon & Tues – Jan 16th & 17th Shuffleboard 6-10p

Mon. Jan 16th – MSU vs Purdue 2:30p FOX

*Wed, Jan 18th – SONs Make up Jan. General Meeting 6:00p

Wed. Jan 18th – Euchre 6:30p

Thurs. Jan 19th – BINGO 700p

Thurs. Jan 19th – MSU vs Rutgers 6:30p FS1

*Sun. Jan 22nd – Mary Grinnell Service 12:00p

Sun. Jan 22nd – MSU at Indiana 12/1p CBS

Mon & Tues – Jan 23rd & 24th Shuffleboard 6-10p

Thurs. Jan 26th – MSU vs Iowa 7:00p FS1

*Sun. Jan. 29th – Queen of Hearts 50/50 Progressive Raffle
Drawing 3:00p



Sun. Jan 29th – MSU at Purdue 12:15p CBS

Mon & Tues – Jan 30th & 31st – Shuffleboard 6-10p