

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 October 2023



From Post # 269 – Captain Stephen W Frank

***Hours of Operation: Please check on-line for revised Fall Winter Hours**

***Updates:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/997959920856284>

New Website: <https://haslettpost269.org>

Officers for 2023-2025

Commander – John Meka, 1st Vice – Barney Roepcke, 2nd Vice Kent Verhougstraete, Adjutant – Randy Seida, Finance Officer – Brian Bender, Judge Advocate – Fritz Stoll, Sargent At Arms – Jim Suehr, Chaplain – Vacant, Service Officer – Dean Aronson, Historian – Kevin Shandor, Members At Large – Doug Egner, Dave Pierce, and Bob Tucker

John Meka – Post Commander Comments

We still need help getting the word out ~ As mentioned before, Our Post does many great things for many people. And, once again we are looking to our members to let us know if you have an interest in a volunteer position, i.e., marketing, public relations, writing news releases, creating community interest stories, designing promotional pieces for social media, arranging media interviews, Food Committee, Cooks, etc.

If you are interested contact:

Brian Bender: 517-881-8598

Kent Verhougstraete: 517-749-3804.

Stephen W Frank American Legion Post 269 Memorial Golf Outing 2023 – Dave Pierce

We had a very successful Stephen W Frank Memorial golf outing in September. I would like to thank Dave Pierce, Tom Szedlak, and especially the volunteers along with the golfers, door prize contributors, and the Wheatfield Valley staff. We had 35 teams and 12 volunteers. The weather was excellent for golf. We were able to amass about \$5200 for our efforts, which was a little less than last year, yet a good result!

As most may know Tom Szedlak will be heading up the Outing for next year. I have been this outing for 13-15 years, and I personally want to **Thank You For The Ride!**

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

Please check out the pictures from the outing on Facebook and the website.

Mark your calendars

October 13, at 5-8, for our Vintage Cocktail Evening. Drinks include Tom Collins, Old Fashion, Rusty Nail, and Manhattan for \$5 each (upcharge for higher-quality spirits). Sample the popular drinks of years past, prepared the same as they were 40 years ago.

Queen of Hearts – Drawing each Sunday at 3pm

Ticket sales are Wednesday through Sunday.

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

Follow the QofH's on Facebook and our website: <http://www.haslettpost269.org>

Point of contacts for the Website are Heidi Hopper or Cindi Campbell

Please remember that the Legion, Son's Auxiliary, and Riders are all part of the Website. If you, as a member, wish to have content posted please contact the Secretary of your associated membership requesting this. He or she in turn will contact Heidi. Please keep in mind that content does need to be **sent at least two weeks** before the date you wish to have it posted.

From the Chaplain

If you know of anyone who is ill, incapacitated or in a facility of any kind, please contact a member of the Executive Committee.

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.

Areas to consider/Contact Person:

Executive Committee – Executive Committee member

Liaison Committee – Michael Mitchell

Bar Committee – Kent Verhougstraete

Auxiliary - Valerie Weeks

Sons of the American Legion: Michael Mitchell

Riders: Bob Derek

Food Committee: John Meka

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

The Post General Meeting is on the 2nd Thursday of the month 1900 hours (7 p.m.)

SAL: 1st Thursday of the month 1900 hours (7 p.m.)

Auxiliary: 2nd Sunday of the month 1230 hours (12.30 p.m.)

Riders: 2nd Wednesday of the month 1900 hours (7 p.m.)

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 - Michael Mitchell, 1st Vice – Mike Peterson, 2nd Vice – Tom Szedlak, Adjutant/Membership – Michael Mitchell, Finance – Chris Guy, Sargent at Arms – Donny VanderWaals, Chaplin – Jeff Peterson, Historian – Patrick Kalil

Membership

Renewals for 2024 are available for \$25.00. There are envelopes at the bar for renewals and to sign up as a new member. Or contact me, Michael Mitchell, and I may be able to get you signed up immediately.

Monthly Meetings

The Sons General Meetings are scheduled for the first Thursday of the month. They are held at the American Legion Post #269 at 1900 hours (7:00p.m). It is a good time to meet the current and new members and renew past relationships.

eMails & Phone #

We need to have every member's email address and phone numbers so that we can contact you as things come up that you need to be aware of. Please give them to any of the officers. Or send them to me, Michael Mitchell, mdruemitchell1948@gmail.com.

Auxiliary

Officers

President - Val Weeks, 1st Vice - Linda Mitchell, 2nd Vice - Heidi Hopper, Treasurer - Kristel Weeks, Secretary - Gerre Lou Imhoff, Chaplain- Sue Savage, Historian -Sharie Day/Rhodope Martin, Sergeant at Arms - Sue Ward, Members at Large - Linda Tucker & Leigh Szedlak

From the President

* At our meeting on October 8th, in a very close vote, it was decided to keep our monthly meetings on the second Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm. Our next meeting will be November 12th.

* We have the following upcoming events.

- Halloween party - October 28th - tickets being sold at the bar.
- Veterans Day - November 11th
- Holiday Open House - December 2th 1-4 pm
- Elvis night - January 27th

We need volunteers for all of the events.

Respectfully,
Val Weeks, Auxiliary President

American Legion Riders

No updates currently.

Important Military Dates

Navy Birthday

Oct. 13, 2023

Established in 1775, the Navy is the naval warfare branch of the U.S. Armed Forces and one of the seven uniformed services of the United States. It consisted of 319,000 active-duty personnel, 282 deployable combat vessels, and more than 3,700 operational aircrafts in 2018.

National Day of the Deployed

Oct. 26, 2023

This day honors all service members who have been deployed in service of our country.

Navy Day

Oct. 27, 2023

This annual event salutes all of the women and men who have served, both past and present, in the U.S. Navy.

