



American Legion  
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**JULY NEWSLETTER—2017**



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**★★★★HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!★★★★**

**ALL MEMBERS WELCOME**

**Executive Committee Meeting:** First Thursdays July 6 Meetings @ 7:30 p.m. (Basement)  
**Regular Meeting:** Second Thursdays July 13th @ 7:30 p.m. (Basement)  
**V.F.W. Meeting:** Third Mondays July 17th Meeting at 7:30 p.m. (Up Stairs)  
**Regular Meeting:** Fourth Thursdays July 27 Meeting at 7:30 p.m. (Up Stairs)

★★★ SPECIAL DATE ★★★

**JULY 13th— NEW MEETING NIGHT FOR AUXILIARY AND SONS of the AMERICAN LEGION**  
**SOCIAL HALF HOUR: 7:00 P.M. WITH MEETINGS TO FOLLOW@ 7:30 P.M.**  
**Legion - Legion Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion will all meet on Thursday**  
**7: 30 p.m. (Social Half hour will begin at 7:00 p.m.)**

**ALL LEGION, LEGION AUXILIARY and SONS of the AMERICAN LEGION SHOULD ATTEND**

Flags are available to purchase from our post. Flags are sold \$ 5.00 over the cost of the product. Current Prices:

- 3 X 5 U.S. Nylon Flag = \$ 25.00
- 4 X 6 US = \$ 40.00
- 5 X 8 US = \$45.00
- 2 X 3 Michigan Flag = \$ 25.00
- 3 X 5 MI \$ 35.00
- 4 X 6 MI = \$ 45.00
- 2 x 3 POW-MIA Flag . \$ 22.00
- 3 X 5 = \$ 29.00
- 4 X 6 POW = \$35.00

**TRIVIA QUESTION ANSWER:** Trivia Question: In the summer of 1918, President Woodrow Wilson sent an infantry regiment to this country in hopes of them rejoining the war against Germany. What did they call themselves and where were 75% of the troops from? **ANSWER: The country was Russia and they were known as the Polar Bear Expedition and 75% were from Michigan.**

**2018 Dues** now due. Please pay your dues. Pay NOW. Dues are \$55.00. Your dues are paid if your card HAS 2018 YEAR at the top

**TRIVIA QUESTION:** What was the greatest advantage did the North have over the South in the Civil War?

**BINGO** is in dire need for a worker. If we could get a couple of people to help you would not be working every week. Please one Friday a month. Contact Betsy Peck at 270-9527.

**AUXILIARY MEETING**

**On Thursday, July 13th will be an AUXILIARY MEETING. Many have said they would like to join the Auxiliary. NOW is the time to attend. Please be at Legion Hall at 7:00 p.m. for refreshments. The meeting will be upstairs of the post home. This is a great time to rebuild.**

**ATTENTION:** If you are not registered with the Veterans Administration you should do so as soon as possible. When the medical need arises you can get medical care without going through a lengthy registration before you get help. You may be already eligible for help with medical prescriptions, glasses and hearing aids. It is a lot easier for you to register than your family doing it later.

Coming up in August will be our annual Legion, Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion picnic. Please know that Blue Star Mothers and family are also welcome. The date is Saturday, August 12th, 5 p.m.

American Legion State Convention went well this year. It has been announced that the next three American Legion, Department of Michigan Conventions will be held in Kalamazoo.

New executive order holds employees accountable. President Donald Trump on April 27 signed an executive order authorizing the formation of an Office of Accountability and Whistle-Blower Protection. The V.A. employees are now accountable for misconduct.

**MIA Update:** The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced the identification of remains of nine Americans who had been missing in action from WWII, Korea and Vietnam. They are returning home for burial with full military honors.

**Yours in comradeship, Bob Adams**