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**WE FOUGHT TOGETHER, NOW, LET'S BUILD TOGETHER FOR A BETTER
AMERICA**

Welcome to 2016, I hope everyone's holidays were happy and healthy. I want to first start by thanking every Legion member for their service. I wish to thank those members (Legion, S.A.L, Auxiliary, and Legion Riders) who donated their time this past year in helping with all the upgrades to the post. Which has our post looking exceptional, something every member can be proud of and enjoy. I wish to thank Rivard Construction, Eagan Drywall, and B T Electric for their contributions to the post this year, which were monumental in completion of all our projects. Moving on, we experienced our first Anniversary party this year as the Post turned 70 (Chartered December 13, 1945) in which we enjoyed the company of 123 members, had great food from Achatz Catering and very good music from the group Butterhair. An excellent night had by all. I had a chance to attend the Bingo workers Christmas party and was able to convey my heartfelt thanks for all their hard work this past year, and for many who don't realize, Bingo pays a lot of the Post expenses, and for that I truly am grateful to those individuals who volunteer their time once a month to keep the program working. Looking forward were hoping to make some upgrades to the large hall (eliminate the old smoke eaters and replace the ceiling tiles and clean out the heat ducts) but as with everything it takes money and time but it's a goal we continue to work toward. As a personal goal I hope to work more with our community, as we have drifted away from that aspect of the American Legion goal over the past couple years. 2016 I hope to change that and hopefully my Officers and members will climb on board and make it another year to be proud of. I just want to say in closing I am very proud to represent this post as your Commander, and I hope that I can do this job well enough to make each and every member as proud as I am to belong to this Post. God Bless you all.

Commander Rick Semrow



Taps 2015



Kenneth Woody Michael Tovarez
Victor Frandsen Charles Horn

The 2016 cards are in, dues this year is \$45.00. If you have any questions about your membership or have a question for the commander please email either one of us at jedwardmaloreypost449@gmail.com . If you have an address change or know of a member who is deceased please notify us as soon as you can.

Yours in Service

Andie

Post Adjutant

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The Legion Times is also available on our web site at amleg449.com

Son of the Legion, Legionaries, Auxiliary, and ALR

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the participants, bakers, cooks, etc. involved in the Thanksgiving Dinner. We figured we served about 130 dinners!

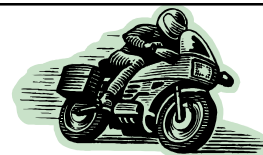
Dues are due folks! Early bird memberships end soon. The Son's were proud to be able to benefit Roof Sit again this year, and also helped a family experience a better Christmas.

Thanks to everyone involved and this year we hope to see more active SAL members.

Respectfully,
Chad R Shue



ALR NEWS



With all officers in place we hope to continue helping others. The kids Christmas party went well, the riders helped in the kitchen and any place we could help. We are currently gone dark but will continue to set dates for rides and support where we can. Thanks for everyone that helped us.

Thank You

Club 17

We would like to see you at our monthly draw. Come and join us for friendship and enjoy your favorite beverage. Drawing is second Saturday each month at 3:30pm. Dinner - Dance is May 14, 2016 at 6:30 pm.

Tickets are still available at \$100.00 each. Each ticket holder is entitled to bring 1 (one) guest to the Dinner-Dance. Hope to see you at the drawings.

Pat Beaudry

AUXILIARY UNIT 449

ANNUAL ST.PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON

SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2016

SERVING from NOON TILL 6PM, or UNTIL GONE

CORNED BEEF, CABBAGE, BAKED POTATO
AND CARROTS \$7.50 Plate, BEEF STEW \$7.00 Bowl
BOTH INCLUDING COFFEE, ROLL, BUTTER

AND DESSERT

SHARE THE WEALTH RAFFLE

The Proceeds from this Fundraiser will be donated to
Michigan American Legion, Wilwin Lodge in the UP
Free Lodging to Wounded Veterans and their Families
and Veterans Suffering from PTSD, who qualify.

Unit 449 Auxiliary Members, Legionnaires, SAL and ALR

October 17th was our annual Toys for Tots Fundraiser. A special Thank You to all my Auxiliary Sisters who volunteered and helped to make this event a success. Thank You Ladies.

In Honor of Veterans Day On November 11th Diane Heide and Vicky Jeffries represented Auxiliary Unit 449 at the Allied Veterans Cemetery. Thank You Diane and Vicky.

November 12th at our Monthly Meeting we had our Jr. Activity Night. We had 3 Junior's in attendance and they Wrote Letters and Colored Pictures for our Adopted Veterans at Marwood Nursing Home. Thank You to Leann Os-mialowski and her Daughter, Junior Member Jasmine Vicencio for taking on this task and doing such a great job.

November 19th VA&R Chairman, Diane Heide arranged for a visit with the Veterans at Marwood Nursing home. Each Veteran received a cupcake, a card, a 2016 calendar and a gift prepared by the Junior Members. Diane and her volunteers visited 21 veterans and thanked each one for their service. Great Job Diane, Thank You.

December 6th is the Children's Christmas Party, Also our Needy Family project is in effect until December 8th and December 10th is the Auxiliary Annual Christmas Party. Due to the time schedule of the newsletter, I can not give you a report on these events because they have not occurred yet.

Coming Events for 2016

January 10th District Meeting in Lapeer

January 14th Monthly Meeting @ 6 pm

February 11th Monthly Meeting @ 6 pm

February 12th 13th and 14th, Winter Conference in Flint

March 10th Monthly Meeting @ 6 pm

March 19th St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser, All proceeds going to The Wilwin Lodge.

March 20th District Meeting in Harbor Beach

Auxiliary Unit 449, Wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Safe, Healthy and Happy New Year,

For God and Country

Unit 449 President, Kay Fournier

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Toys for Tots 2015 got off to a good start. Our Fundraiser on March 17th raised \$2,656.32. We were able to reach this sum from generous donations from Post 449 Legionnaires, SAL, Auxiliary Unit 449, Polish American Legion Post 10, Tom Osmialowski, Lennie and Jonnie Brooks, Henry and Debbie DeKiere, Ron Gutt, Arnold Schneider, and a very generous donation of 1,500.00 from Marysville Meijer.

Auxiliary unit 449 has donated 290 Toys to the St. Clair County Distribution Center and we are not done yet. This is all possible because of the kind hearts of those members and guests who faithfully come out every year and support this campaign. This would not be a success without your continuous support. Auxiliary Unit 449 and the Needy Children of St. Clair County Thanks every one of You !!

J Edward Malloreay Post 449 American Legion 70th Anniversary Party went well. If you missed the party you missed a good night at the Post. The following were there to receive their awards:

50 year member - Joseph Pavlick

45 year member - G Fred Dill
Larry Engmann

40 year member - John Ritter
Vern Smith
Dick Stevens

25 year member - Bill Cieciek
Bob Prause
Jim Vokes

Certificate of Appreciation to John and Deborah Ritter for the work with the Young Marines.

The following are invited to attend the post meeting on Jan 7th or Feb 4th, 2016 to receive their awards:

45 year members - James Czarnecki Robert Hoffman Robert Pingley

40 year members - Lawrence Cox Dennis Fraley Steven Harmon
Edward McGraw Harry Neal Russell Penberthy
George Preston John Quinlan Larry Schwark
Dennis Wilton

35 year members - George Cleaver Edward Dudd Richard Hinkley
John Langolf Richard McDonald Richard Meadows
Eugene Mozal Douglas Murphy William Pope
Edward Wolak

30year members - Garry Black Gerald Blais William Delaney
Herbert Mertz Jr Gathel Pickering Raymond Roberts
Charles Schneider Robert Vanderscors Donald Wessel
Norman Weston

25 year members - Ronald Allen Terry Bennett Lennie Brooks
Nicholas Fisher Timothy Forys Thomas Ganley
Rick LePine Philip Smarch Lawrence Thornton
Alfred Williams

Certificate of Appreciations - Vicky Jeffries
William Talant
Darrel Nelson

Thank you,
Rick Semrow, Andie Semrow, Bill Cieciek, Jim Vokes,
Dave Robinson, Pat Schwartz, Gary Kendrick

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JANUARY 2016

4th - SAL Meeting 7pm
5th - Bingo 6:30pm
6th - Euchre 7pm
7th - Post Meeting 7pm
9th - Club 17 3:30pm
 Meat Raffle
12th - Bingo 6:30pm
13th - Euchre 7pm
14th - Aux Meeting 6pm
19th - Bingo 6:30pm
20th - Euchre 7pm
21st - House Committee
 Meeting 6pm
26th - Bingo 6:30pm
27th - Euchre 7pm

FEBRUARY 2016

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 Meat Raffle
15th - ALR Meeting 7pm
16th - Bingo 6:30pm
17th - Euchre 7pm
18th - House Committee
 Meeting 6pm
23rd - Bingo 6:30pm
24th - Euchre 7pm
28th - 40et8 White Elephant
 Sale 3pm

MARCH 2016

1st Bingo - 6:30
2nd - Euchre 7pm
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