



Keeping In Touch "Veterans serving Veterans"

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2010 Membership Information

Membership Rally/Round-Up for Legion Family (Legion, Auxiliary, SAL and American Legion Riders) will be held at St. Helen Post 416 on Saturday, April 24th at 9:30 a.m. with a nominal fee for lunch. Don't hold your membership keep sending it in but if you have any membership on April 24 turn it in at the rally.

Congratulations to all Posts; we made our 90% goal. Our next membership target date is April 12th to reach 95%. The processing of membership cards will **not be changing**; therefore, keep sending your membership to Barb at Dept. HQ.

CPR Reporting Incentive

CPR forms were sent to Posts March 5th. This form is to report all a Post's yearly activities and assists in vying for veterans legislation in congress. Deadline date to send them to Dept. HQ is June 14, 2010.

2010 Student Trooper & 2010 Boys State Programs

We are offering 2 Student Trooper Programs this year and the cost per student (male or female) is \$300, application, brochure and other information online at www.michiganlegion.org.

This year's Boys State Program is \$310 per boy, application, brochure and other information online at www.michiganboysstate.org.

See Page 2 for deadline dates to Dept. HQ.

Post Service Officer Award Form

P.S.O. Award form will arrive shortly to all Post Service Officers. Send completed form to your District Service Officer by April 30th. All D.S.O.s submit their candidate's form to the State VA&R Chairman by May 14th. The VA&R Committee will select the winners at Department Convention

2010 Michigan Legion Baseball

2010 Michigan Legion baseball registration is going on right now at www.legion.org/baseball. Deadline for completed registration is 5 p.m., June 23, 2010. Any questions, contact your Zone Baseball Chairman as listed on the Department website www.michiganlegion.org.

April is "Children & Youth" Month

April is the time of the month to help out all the children in your communities. Contact Deanna at 517-371-4720 x11 or email programs@michiganlegion.org for quantities of the April is brochure (fees only apply to postage).

2010 MI Leadership College

2010 MI Leadership College will be held April 17, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lansing Headquarters Office with a continental breakfast and lunch served free of charge to attendees. For more details, form and flyer available online at www.michiganlegion.org and for any questions, contact Jan Roy at 616-530-0142.

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Mid-Michigan Job Fairs

Midland

Valley Plaza Inn
April 7 - Noon to 3 p.m.
More info., contact
Jim Garrison @
989-233-5824

Howell

Crystal Gardens
Banquet Center
April 21 - 11:30 a.m.
to 4:30 p.m.
More inf., contact
Fred Pittman @
517-552-2119

Dundee

Dundee Veterans
Memorial
May 20 - 10 a.m.
to 3 p.m.
More info., contact
Mick Albig @
734-240-7970

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District Meetings

1st District / Apr. 5, 7 p.m. @ VA Medical Center in Detroit

2nd District / May 16, after 12:30 p.m. @ Ida Post 514

3rd District / May 2, 1:30 p.m. @ Bellevue Post 280

4th District / May 2, 2 p.m. @ Bridgman Post 331

5th District / May 13, 7 p.m. @ Grand Haven Post 26

6th District / May 16, 1 p.m. @ Flint Council

7th District / Apr. 18, 2 p.m. @ Caro Post 7

8th District / May 2, 3 p.m. @ Stanton Post 452

9th District / May 8, 2 p.m. @ Whitehall Post 69

10th District / May 2, 1 p.m. @ Oscoda Post 274

11th /12th District Spring Mtg. / Apr., 9 a.m. @ Gladstone
Post 71

16th District / Apr. 13, 7:30 p.m. @ Allen Park Post 409

17th District / Apr. 21, 7 p.m. @ Livonia Post 32

18th District / Apr. 2, 8 p.m. @ Holly Post 149

CALENDAR OF FUTURE EVENTS

2010 Year

2010 Dept. Leadership College — April 17, Dept. HQs,
Lansing, MI (Attendees - free continental breakfast / lunch)

Membership Rally/Round-Up — April 24, St. Helen Post 416,
at 9:30 a.m., lunch provided with nominal fee

Dept. Convention — June 17-20, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Dear-
born, MI

Contest Supervisory

Now is the time to gear up for our annual Contest Supervisory
competition for your color guard, drill team, flag retirement
group and more. The registration entry form will be online at
our website very soon - www.michiganlegion.org. For more
information, contact Rhonda at 517-371-4720 ext. 17 or fi-
nance@michiganlegion.org.

2010 Department Testimonials

Department Commander

Saturday, April 10th
Walter Frazer Post 108
130 E. Drahner Rd.
Oxford, MI 48371
Cash Bar 5 p.m./Dinner 6 p.m.
Roast 7:30 p.m.
More info., contact
Shannon Wawruck @
248-625-8393

Department Auxiliary President

Saturday, March 27th
Chip-In Island Resort
W399 US Hwy 2 & 41
Harris, MI 49845
Cash Bar 5:30 p.m./Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Roast 7:30 p.m.
More info., contact
Kim Raboin @
906-753-6637

Detachment Commander

Saturday, April 17
Caledonia Post 305
9548 Cherry Valley Ave.
Caledonia, MI 49316
Cash Bar 5 p.m./Dinner 6 p.m.
Roast 7:30 p.m.
More info., contact
Patrick Pustay @
616-260-8229



**LEGION YOUTH &
ADULT PROGRAMS**

(applications online at
www.michiganlegion.org)

Student Trooper Programs

Registration fee \$300 and applica-
tion deadlines to Dept. May 3, 2010
and June 15, 2010.

Boys State Program— Registra-
tion fee \$310 per boy and send ap-
plications to Dept. by May 31 or
A.S.A.P.