



Sherman Moore Post 297

American Legion
Auxiliary
Sons of the American Legion
Legion Riders

The Bugle

May 2020

Ravenna American Legion
3590 Conklin Street
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Memorial Day Parade-Cancelled

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and the governor's orders, the 2020 Memorial Day parade has been cancelled.

Cemetery Services-Monday May 25

The Legion Honor Guard will meet at the Post 297 hall Monday May 25, 9:30 a.m. and leave at 10 a.m. for Sullivan Cemetery. Upon arrival, we will march into the cemetery, have the chaplain offer a prayer, then read the list of war veterans buried in Sullivan Township Cemetery. We then have a rifle salute and Taps.

The Honor Guard will then proceed to Moorland Cemetery, Seaman Cemetery, Hilton Cemetery and St. Catherine Cemetery with a short prayer, rifle salute and taps at each stop.

The Honor Guard will then proceed to the Ravenna Township Cemetery for the same service with the addition of a reading of the list of Ravenna area veterans killed in the great wars.

The final stop will be at the Main Street bridge where a short service will be held to include the ceremonial tossing of the wreath into Crockery Creek.

Finances

Fish Fry-for 2020 was canceled. This event was our biggest fund raiser of the year. We have also lost all our hall rentals for May 2020 with the future rentals uncertain. To conserve funds, we have stopped our garbage pickup, custodial and lawn service.

Commander Jim Redding and Dave Ruble have been keeping the grounds trimmed, but with Jim's summer job becoming more demanding, we could use some help with lawn and grounds upkeep.

Next Meeting will be Monday June 1 at the hall if the governor's restrictions allow it. If not, we will have a virtual meeting on the internet through Zoom. If you have an e-mail address and are receiving e-mail updates, you will be invited to attend the virtual meeting with an e-mail invitation.

Legion-2020-2021 Officers:

Commander-**Jim Redding** (231) 853-2416
Adjutant-**Michael Pierson** (231) 853-2065
Senior Vice Commander-**Sam Grill** (231) 853-2966
Junior Vice Commander-**Dave Ruble** (616) 307-8094
Finance Officer-**William "Bill" White** (616) 826-4262
Service Officer-**Debbie Vetter** (231) 670-1279
Judge Advocate-**Pete Sturtevant** (231) 853-2918
Chaplains-**Debbie Vetter** (231) 670-1279
Richard "Doc" Strait (231) 288-4222.
Historian-**Larry Liefers** (231) 730-9255
Sergeant-at-Arms-**Charles A. Wyant** (231) 853-6320
Legion Riders-**Terry Sabo** (231) 903-8407
Webmaster-**"Doc" Strait** (231) 288-4222.

Meetings- 1st Monday of the month, 7 p.m. at the hall.

Dues-\$40 per year.

Hall Rental-One day \$600; \$300 for a 4 hour afternoon rental; must be out by 6 p.m. Security deposit-\$250; get in hall a day early: add \$100; clean up next a.m. : add \$50. Funeral luncheons-\$200. **Contact Mike** (231) 853-2065 or **Brian** (616) 901-8606.

Health Aids-wheel chairs, crutches, canes, walkers, shower seats, etc. available for the asking.

U.S. Flags for Sale- 3'x 5" \$30, 4'x 6' \$40, 5'x 8' \$55, 6' x 10' \$80, 12" x 18" \$1.25, POW/MIA \$40, Michigan \$25, Blue Star for window \$10, Service Branch flags \$25-Army, Navy, Air Force or Marine 3' x 5'.

Amateur Radio Group...Member -National American Legion Amateur Radio Club; Classes-Call Richard "Doc" Strait at (231) 288-4222; email is KD8PGT@RavennaMILegion.Org

Meeting Minutes e-mailed-send e-mail address to Rippernews@aol.com

Recommended Dress for Honor Guard and Marching...Dark trousers, preferably blue, dark shoes, white shirt (preferably with Legion emblems, gold braid over left shoulder, blue Legion tie, formal Fort Knox style Legion hat, dark jacket, (preferably blue); Legion emblem-back and right sleeve; American Flag-left sleeve.

*If you would like to be part of the Honor Guard, please contact Mike Pierson (231) 853-2065.

For Sale-Used Legion Shirts-Cleaned and pressed-

\$20 each- 2 White short sleeved XL, like new- (new \$50);
\$10-each-2 Blue XL long sleeved; White short sleeved 16 1/2; White short sleeved medium; White 32/33 short sleeved-no insignias; White 34/35 long sleeved. *Can be seen at the hall in the meeting room.*

Memorial Day Rifle Raffle Has Been Cancelled