



APRIL 2021 NEWSLETTER

For God and Country



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, April 10, 2021
COVID-19 Vaccinations @
Ravenna Legion Hall

Thursday, May 6, 2021
Monthly Meeting @
Legion Hall

Monday, May 31, 2021
Memorial Day
Parade in Ravenna
Gun Raffle Drawing

FOR ZOOM MEETING

An email will be sent the day prior to each meeting with a Zoom meeting link.

SAL Membership Dues

Please contact Adjutant Les Bonter to pay your \$20 dues for this year.

Our Troops

Please keep our troops both at home and abroad in your thoughts and prayers, especially those who are away from their families.

Memorial Day Gun Raffle – Tickets on Sale Now

Tickets are now available for the SAL's Memorial Day Gun Raffle! Being auctioned off this year is a 9mm pistol: Smith & Wesson M&P Shield 2.0. Tickets are being sold for \$5 a piece or 5 tickets for \$20 by Legion and SAL members, but hurry to get yours as only 400 are being sold! The drawing will take place on Memorial Day, May 31, 2021 at 1:00pm at the Ravenna American Legion Hall. Winner need not be present to win. Contact Commander Brian Bonter for more information on how to purchase and/or sell tickets.



April 10: COVID-19 Vaccinations Available at Legion Hall

This Saturday, April 10, the Ravenna Legion Hall will be used to administer 200 COVID-19 vaccinations to any adult aged 18 years or older on a first-come, first-served basis. The doors will open at the hall at 10am and remain open until 2pm. On May 8th, the hall will again be used to administer the second round of vaccinations.

St. Catherine's Fish Fry Successful

Despite the ongoing pandemic, St. Catherine's successfully hosted their Lenten Fish Fry each Friday throughout the Lenten season in 2021. Though it was forced to take place in a take-out only format, St. Catherine's is proud to report that sales were near normal levels! Thank you to everyone in the Ravenna area for your support and thank you St. Catherine's for the generous donations to both the Legion and the Fire Department this year.

Legion M1 Garand Rifles – Cleaning Remains on Hold

As it has been for quite some time now, the cleaning of the Legion’s rifles remains on hold. Except for the cleaning solution and oils, we have everything else that we need to complete this task once we decide when this will take place. Commander Brian Bonter is planning on getting in contact with Bill White soon to discuss setting this up and we are awaiting word from that conversation.

SAL Summer Sports Sponsorship

A motion was passed at this month’s meeting to pay \$200 to the Ravenna youth sports program to sponsor one of the local youth teams.

Flags for Sale by the Legion

There is a form that needs to be filled out at the time of purchase. Contact Mike Pierson for more info.

American Flags

3’ x 5’ = \$40

4’ x 6’ = \$50

5’ x 8’ = \$55

6’ x 10’ = \$80

POW/MIA Flags = \$40

Cemetery Flags = \$1.25

Michigan Flags = \$25

Service Flags = \$25

Health Updates on Local Veterans:

Gene Helsen & Ross Gilbert

Unfortunately, Gene Helsen is not doing very well currently, according to his wife. He is at Fountain View, an assisted living home in Coopersville. Please keep Gene in your thoughts and prayers in the coming weeks.

In better news, we are glad to share that Ross Gilbert is out of the hospital and back at home!

Purchase the Old Honor Guard Rifles

You can still purchase one of the old Legion Honor Guard rifles! Contact Jim Redding for more info.

Officer Elections Held at the April SAL Meeting

A motion was passed at the meeting last week to keep the SAL officers in their current positions apart from our Historian, where Andrew Bonter replaces Andy Snoeyink.

Commander: Brian Bonter; *Vice Commander:* Mike Ruble; *Adjutant:* Les Bonter;

Finance Officer: Austin Bonter; *Historian:* Andrew Bonter; *Chaplain:* Mike Pierson;

Sgt. At Arms: Tim Schutter

