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From Your Commander	2017-2018			
Tim Shosey	Post 4 Officers			
Happy New Year to all Post 4 Members and their families, from your Ex- ecutive Board, the Sons of the American Legion, and the Legion Riders.	<u>Commander</u> Tim Shosey (586) 808-2580 <u>Ist Vice Commander</u> Rich Poole			
I would like to give a big thank you to Sharon for volunteering over the Holiday season for the five adopt a families, many hours went into picking up food, shopping, packing and getting ready for pickup. Great job! I would also like to thank all the other volunteers, men and women who help throughout the year to make our events successful and to keep our post op- erational, my sincere thanks to one and all. The Early Bird Dinner was well attended. My thanks go out to Sharon Kas-	2nd Vice Commander Bill Cryderman Finance Officer Dave Martinez Adjutant/ Membership Chairperson August Miele (586)202-0646			
sin and her volunteers who prepared the dinner and to August Miele Post 4 Adjutant and his volunteers for organizing the event.	<u>Chaplain</u> Bill McInnis			
The Children's Christmas Party was a lot of fun. Tootsie the Clown made different balloon arrangements for the kids and keep them entertained dur- ing the lunch and while they waited for Santa. There was also face painting and different crafts that the kids had the opportunity to enjoy. A BIG thank you to Ann Robertson for chairing the event and for all her hard work. Also, a big thank you to all her helpers, the Sons of the American Legion for pro- viding the lunch, and the 40/8 crew for bringing Santa and taking the kids on a train ride.	<u>Historian</u> Joe Olson <u>Sgt. At Arms</u> Mike Parr <u>Executive Committee</u> Lee Gunter Dan Litz Art Miller Kenny Miller			
Start thinking about 2018 and how you can volunteer to make your Post better and to make the Post events successful. There are many events com- ing up in the next few months, check the calendars in this news letter and come visit your post. Looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at the Post in 2018!	Post 4 Service OfficerDoug Carignan(586) 484-4354Judge AdvocateDoug Carignan			
Tim Shosey, Commander	<u>SAL Commander</u> Steve LoCicero			
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From the Lounge Cold Beer anyone? Come check out our daily specials.

Food is available every day until 1 hour before posted close. Support your Lounge and enjoy all that it has to offer.

Tuesday: Wednesday:

Thursday: Sunday: \$1.75 Wine and Well Drinks
\$1.00 Activities Draw
Mug Day! \$2.25 for a 24oz Domestic Draft
\$1.25 Domestic Beer
\$1.75 Domestic Beer

** All functions are for members and their guests unless otherwise noted** **Stop in the lounge to see the new improvements and take advantage of our new Menu**

Post 4 Patriot Team Honor Guard Mike Parr—Commander E-mail: clinton586@aol.com

We are a volunteer group honored to give tribute to our fallen Comrades. Every Veteran is entitled to our services. While ceremonies may vary somewhat according to the needs of the loved ones, each includes prayer, the folding and presentation of the United States Flag, gun volley, and TAPS. We are flexible and will travel out of Macomb County. There is no fee for our services, but we do accept donations. We are also available for Flag Presentations and dedications. You can reach us through a funeral director or by calling Mike Parr at 586 612-9780.



Interested in becoming a member of the Patriot Team Honor Guard? Any member of Post 4 qualifies as long as you are willing and able to serve in all types of weather. All current members are trained and certified with the Department of Defense as an Authorized Provider in the Military Funeral Honors Program. We meet at Post 4 on the third Thursday of each month at 12:30 PM. We encourage you to attend a meeting for more information.

Let Post 4 be the host for your next event!

Our newly redecorated halls can accommodate from 20 to 150 people.



Call for our hall rental and catering prices - 586-840-7582





Along with Keno we now have added a State of Michigan Demo Program for Charity Slot Machines, come try your luck!



<u>News from the Post Adjutant/ Membership Chairperson</u>

2018 means a new year, new beginnings, and new members. Our future relies on increased membership. Be a recruiter and sign up a new member. Wear a cap that identifies you as a Legionnaire and someone may approach you. Always have your 2018 membership card and a membership application in your wallet or purse.

As of January 1st, staff will be "carding" <u>everyone</u> in the lounge as you will be required to have your 2018 membership card in order to be served. If you have not renewed, do it today. Department will be sending out renewal notices in January. If you get one, but, already have your 2018 membership card, please ignore the notice. If in doubt, check your records, or just simply call me. These steps will keep you from paying twice and save you and me some aggravation.

At the Early Bird dinner, Commander Shosey was privileged to Initiate 5 members. If you are a member and have never taken the Membership Oath, we would like to make you official. Come to a General Membership Meeting (the fourth Monday) and tell us you would like to do that. We will initiate you then and there.

Coming soon, your chance to make a difference at the Post. Nominations for Post 4 Officers for the year 2018-2019 begin at the General Membership meeting February 26. Nominations and acceptance will be March 26. Elections will be April 23rd from noon until 7:00 P.M. We want a full ballet with some choices. A member in good standing and willing to give their best effort is eligible to run for office. Also a member in good standing is eligible to nominate and vote. So come and be a part of it. We have 1011, paid members; we are at 81.53% renewal. I have been working on getting the membership list current. I have sent letters and made phone calls to anyone that has not paid dues in the past two years. The results so far: 22 are deceased, 49 dropped for various reasons, and 56 have not yet responded. "No response", costs the Post money, if you know of a member who has passed away or moved or transferred, please tell me.

Semper Fi, Adjutant Augie Miele

From the Web Coordinator:

Please keep sending your e-mail addresses. This has helped cut the cost of our snail mailing of the Voodoo News.

The new website is up and available, please visit the site for all information and events happening at the Post. The Website Address is:

www.americanlegionpost4mi.com

If you have any suggestions for the new site, please e-mail us at:

Info@americanlegionpost4mi.com

Please Note that the Calendars in this News Letter are subject to change due to conflicts and scheduling changes. For the most up to date calendars, visit the website and view the event calendar page or call the post at 586-469-9271.



Sons of the American Legion

If you haven't paid your 2018 Squadron Dues please make sure and pay them ASAP, if not paid by December 31st you will be delinquent and your lounge privileges will be revoked. Please don't let your dues lapse.

I would like to encourage all the SAL members of Squadron 4 to support the Post / Lounge and participate in the events of the American Legion and Squadron 4.

Upcoming Event:

We will be hosting our Annual Mexican dinner / Euchre Night February 24th Check in 5pm for Euchre – Card playing starts at 5:30pm \$5.00 to play cards \$9.00 for dinner Dinner will be served around 6pm

I would like to say thank you to all that helped with the Children's Christmas Party, without your help this yearly event wouldn't be the success it is.

Have a safe and healthy winter.

Steve LoCicero—Squadron 4 Commander 586-419-3048



American Legion Riders

The American Legion Riders are having membership drive and are looking for members who ride. If you or a family member that qualifies to be a Legionnaire or a Son of the legion, please contact the Post at (586) 469-9271 or attend the monthly meeting.

Our meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 7:30pm.

Thanks,

Mark Kolatski—Director



American Legion Amendment to be voted on by Membership at the February Membership meeting. **Post Standing Rules ARTICLE V - ELECTIONS** SECTION 1: Any Post 4 member in good standing interested in becoming a Post officer and is unable to be present on the nomination/acceptance night must write a letter to the Post Commander requesting to be nominated for the office of his/her choice. No name shall be placed in nomination without the consent of the nominee. This prevents promiscuous nomination and withdrawals. Amendment In the event of a tie vote for any Post Office, resolution shall be made by a toss of a coin by the Chairman of the Election Committee. The concerned Legionnaire's, whose surname proceeds alphabetically, shall make the call.



January 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Spaghetti Dinner 11 to 6:30 pm Activities Draw 7pm	4 1pm Euchre 7pm Euchre	5	6
7	8 Executive Board meeting 7pm	9	10 Activities Draw 7pm	11 1pm Euchre 7pm Euchre	12 Slider Friday 5-7pm Karaoke 7- 11PM	13
14	15 SAL Meet- ing 6:30pm ALR Meet- ing 7:30pm	16	17 Activities Draw 7pm	18 Honor Guard Meeting 12:30 1 & 7pm Euchre	19 7pm Euchre	20 Post 4 STEAK- OUT 5PM
21	22 General Member- ship Meet- ing 7pm	23	24 Lounge Com- mittee Meet- ing 5:30pm Activities Draw 7pm	25 1pm Euchre 7pm Euchre	26	27
28 Legion Breakfast 9AM—1PM	29	30	31 Activities Draw 7pm			

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