Faith Smith Post 484 Commander

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AMERICAN LEGION

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OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER



COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Greetings 484 family, Thank you members and family that were able to attend the clean up day.

The month of October brings the beginning of monthly euchre tournaments to gather funds for building and grounds.

Over this past year, we have used buildings and grounds funds to repair and or replace broken equipment, lawn mowing, snow removal, etc. We have also held special larger raffles to raise more money to paint and replace carpet at the post. This month we were able to repair the gas oven, gas flat top and air conditioning units. Please continue to join in and help us continue making repairs and maintaining our post.

At the 484 Veterans Club, we have brought in seasonal Ale's and are continuing to work hard to keep a low cost, good meal options for our members and the community.

AMERICAN LEGION POST

Greetings Post 484 Legioneers. 2026 dues are payable by mail at the club or online at mylegion.org. If you or someone you know is deciding to not renew due to health or financial reasons, please reach out. We have set funds aside to assist our members with this.

Reminder Monthly Post Meetings are the 3rd Mondays each month at 6:30pm. We are still in need of a service officer and someone who is computer savvy to assist.

Next 4th District meeting is Nov 2 at Benton Harbor Post 105. AL, SAL, AUX business meeting at noon. Lunch will be served after the meeting. Cost \$6. Please remember that we have the ability to attend remotely at the Post. Reach out if this is something you are interested in.

AUXILIARY

Fall is right around the corner and hope everyone enjoyed their summer.

Along with the fall season comes our Steak Fry's. Our first Steak Fry will be Saturday, October 18. We will serve from 5:00-7:30. Due to the ever-growing price increases, we will need to raise our prices from \$15 per dinner (steak or chicken) to \$16. We hope everyone understands and will still support our Steak Fry's. All dinners will be held the third Saturday of the month, through March. A Clip and Save ad will be coming out in the Reminder. We hope to see you there!

We are also hosting a Veterans Dinner at our Post on Monday, September 29. We provide a great meal and bingo for a group of Veterans from the Battle Creek VA. This is always a fun event for our Veterans and they go home with full bellies and lots of Bingo prizes!

The next ladies Auxiliary will be Monday, October 6. We would love to see more Auxiliary members attend this meeting and we hope you will join us.

Chris Reed President - American Legion Auxiliary

SAL

Hope all enjoyed summer 2025, as it flew by into fall. Sal Breakfasts are getting ready to start another season. We are looking forward to seeing everyone.

2025

October 12th, November 9th, December 14th

2026

January 11th, February 8th, March 8th, April 12th, and May 10th.

Breakfast is served buffet style. AYCE Breakfast served 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Donation Suggestion:

Adults \$12.00 Children (under 12) \$6.00

A Clip and Save ad will be coming out in the Reminder.

Prices and Dates subject to change. Donations appreciated

We had our 1st SAL new term meeting on September 16th. Check out what we are about and give your input on how to support our Veterans, and community.

SAL participated in the Post clean-up on Sept 15th with all departments engaged. Thanks to all the volunteers. We got a lot of clean up and organizing accomplished and a couple of trailer loads to the dump.



Checkout the POST calendar for activities. There is a lot of fun stuff happening.

The next Sons of the American Legion meeting will be October 21, 2025 6:00pm.

Steve Kelly
Commander - Sons of the American Legion

EVENTS

September was a busy month. Thank you to all who came and supported AACORN Farms during their bingo game. It was a fantastic way to give back to our community.

We hosted our first euchre tournament of the fall. It was a small group, but everyone had a good time. Going forward, the tournaments will be on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 5:30pm. We play a round robin style tournament, so you don't need a partner. The cost is \$25 per person or \$40 per couple. We would love to have you join us.

Sept 27, we had our Quarter Auction. A very special thank you to Missey & Paula for collecting and packaging all of the donations. The Quarter Auction was an overwhelming success! Thank you to everyone who came out. With your help, we raised over \$3600 for Cadwallader Park.

Pictures from Quarter Action.





UPCOMING EVENTS

There will be plenty to do in October and going forward at the Post.

Sat., Oct. 4 from 10-2pm, Kathy Uecker will be having a 'Refuse to be a Victim' class. This class is for women only. If you're interested in more information, please see the flyers at the bar.

<u>Sat., Oct 11</u> is Oktoberfest in Delton. Every year they donate their proceeds to an area 501(c) and this year they have chosen Cadwallader Park! The event is being held at the park from 3-9pm.

Also on the <u>11th</u>, will be our next euchre tournament. We will start at 5:30pm. Please sign up at the bar.

Sat., Oct 25th, Vinny the Crafty Michigander will be back doing a Crushed Glass Resin craft from 5-8pm. If you weren't here for the beach glass craft, you are in for a treat! The sign up is on Facebook, under the Crafty Michigander. If you have any questions, please see Lori Anhalt. It will be held from 5-8pm.

Fri., Oct. 31, we will be having our annual Trick or Treating from 5-8pm. This is a great time for the kids. They get to Trick-or-Treat inside, out of the rain, in a safe, friendly environment. We will have prizes for the best decorated tables, as well. There will be a sign up at the post if you would like a table.

Sat., Nov. 1 is our 2nd Annual Arts & Craft Show. We still have a few vendor spots available.

<u>Sat., Nov. 8</u>, Chili Cook Off. Sign up to participate and bring it on! Sign up sheets posted at the Legion. Prizes and Fun.

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY - Post 484 is hosting another NYE party on **December 31**, **2025**. Tickets are on sale **NOW**. Inquire at the Bar to purchase your tickets. (Cash or Check). Food, Desserts, Dancing, DJ will be from Wiser Productions, Snacks, Speciality Drinks and MORE! Seats are limited so GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!!!!!!

We hold regular Events Committee Meetings. If you are interested in being in on the planning of these amazing events, please see Todd or Lori Anhalt.