



G. Chandler Bond Post 275

FEBRUARY 2024 Newsletter

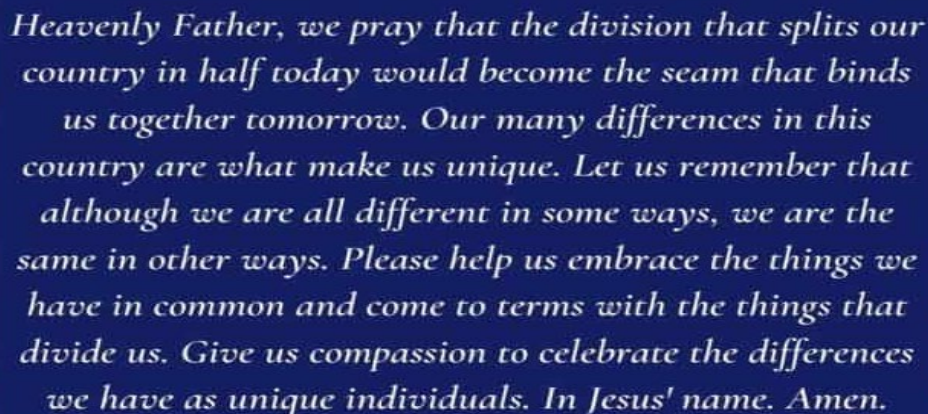
*“There is a certain enthusiasm in liberty, that makes human nature rise above itself, in acts of bravery and heroism.”
Alexander Hamilton.*

Welcome to 2024,

A new year brings new chances to change things and new chances to better ourselves and our lives. 2024 needs to be a starting point for all of us to find new members and younger members to ensure that G. Chandler Bond post 275 can continue to survive. I challenge every member to find one new prospect. The ability for all service members to have a funeral with military honors is important. The continuance of our baseball program is important. The need for veterans to have sources of assistance from fellow veterans is essential and the strength of the Legion to fight for our rights depends on new members. Life is busy and we are all getting older so there is no time to waste and no reason we shouldn't find among our friends and acquaintances a fellow veteran to ask to join Post 275. Consider transfers also, if someone isn't active in the Post they are in, ask them to join ours. We aren't demanding, we do not need workers for a ton of projects, but we do need a steady and growing core of people to share in the work we do. The first part of the year is relatively quiet so spend some time and Ask, don't hesitate and let's grow this year.

We will have a meeting on the 21st and one of the topics for discussion will be planning for the Memorial Day and Veterans Day ceremonies this year. Have some ideas for the Adrian ceremonies on Veterans Day? Bring ideas please and I will find help to give the community a good service.

Thank you,
Angela Verner
Commander



Heavenly Father, we pray that the division that splits our country in half today would become the seam that binds us together tomorrow. Our many differences in this country are what make us unique. Let us remember that although we are all different in some ways, we are the same in other ways. Please help us embrace the things we have in common and come to terms with the things that divide us. Give us compassion to celebrate the differences we have as unique individuals. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Service Officer



VETERANS
AND THEIR LOVED ONES

Join **ERIKA BEHM**,
Lenawee's **VETERANS' NAVIGATOR**
for **Veteran Updates, Q&A**
and a **Complimentary Meal**

BREAKFAST at **08:30** a.m.

HUDSON first **TUESDAY** of the month
at **Uptown Kafe**, 314 W Main Street

BROOKLYN first **WEDNESDAY** of the month
at **Big Boy**, 329 S Main Street

TECUMSEH first **THURSDAY** of the month
at **Tuckey's Big Boy**, 2701 E Monroe

LUNCH at **1:00** p.m.

ADRIAN
first **WEDNESDAY** of the month
at **Family Kitchen**, 2984 Treat Street

Veteran Navigators
Walking with Warriors

Supporting Michigan Veterans, Military members
and their families one by one



Monthly breakfast with **Erika Behm** -
Lenawee's **Veteran Navigator** for **Veteran**
Updates, Q & A, and a complimentary
breakfast.

Service Officer
Kimberly Martin



Gone, but not forgotten.

2ND DISTRICT
POST EVERLASTING
MEMORIAL SERVICE

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH, 2024
ROSE CITY POST 324
1190 FALAHEE RD.
JACKSON, MI 49203

POST REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVE AT 3:30 PM
SERVICE BEGINS AT 4:00 PM

INFORMATION: CHAPLAIN NORM SOLI 517-812-1312

Members transferred to Post Perpetual Peace



Ellsworth Lee Stout
January 20, 1942 - January 2, 2024

Robert Joseph Welke
March 18, 1926 - January 10, 2024



Adjutant's Corner

Goal: Recruit new members we could use new participants!!!

Remember membership is open to anyone who served honorably in the service including N.G. troops. No dates or active war time qualifications.

Membership is now \$45.00.

SAL Dues is \$15.00

Send Membership payment and DD214 to: Adjutant Roger Emmons

11716 Canandaigua Rd. Morenci, MI 49256-9746

E-Mail to: rke11716@gmail.com

Hi Angela and Roger,

Congratulations on Post 275 meeting and exceeding your membership goal for December. I know that takes a lot of hard work and it's never an easy one to make. You are setting the example for the rest of the district to follow. Well done and please pass on my thanks to your members and post leadership.

Sincerely,

Scott Nichols, Assistant Membership Director

American Legion Department of Michigan

Membership Update as of 1/26/2024

Post Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
G.Chandler Bond	Adrian	0	15	21	0	36	42	85.71

District Happenings

Hello Everyone,

Attached are two resolutions I've written. I will be presenting both to my next post meeting which I hope will be forward to the district for consideration.

The first requires districts to offer remote meeting options (conference call and online platforms) for all district meetings. The rationale is:

1. The Department is still operating as it did over 100 years ago by requiring in person meetings.
2. Some districts encompass up to 8 counties requiring members to travel long distances to attend meetings.
3. Requires an aging membership to travel often at night and during inclement weather
4. Districts all have the capability to offer conference calling or online meetings.
5. Will allow the Department to function during a national emergency or pandemic.

The second requires posts to attend at least 80% of district meetings or face possible sanctions. The rationale is:

1. Districts cannot function without a post quorum.
2. Department incentives alone have not worked to increase post participation.
3. Post members and veterans are hurt by posts not participating in district meetings.

If you have any questions or concerns let me know.

Thanks, Scott Nichols

Camp Liberty Open House

Saturday, Feb. 24 starting @ 9 am.

7044 Kappler Drive, Brooklyn, MI.



Camp Liberty Open House

Saturday Feb. 24 starting @ 9 am

- Tour
- Join a committee.
- Sign up to Volunteer.
- or just hang out.

Coffee & donuts in the am and chili & cornbread in the pm

RSVP to: Development@CampLibertyMichigan.org 7044 Kappler Drive
Brooklyn, MI 49230

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Fade and wind resistant. Good quality flags.
What a neat Gift to give.
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Have information for the newsletter contact
Angie Verner at 517-404-9973 or e-mail to
angieverner@gmail.com

COMING UP:

February 21st – Regular meeting 6:30pm @ armory
February 24th – Camp Liberty open House Brooklyn 9-1
March 20th - Regular meeting 6:30pm @ armory