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-Chaplain's Chat

Greetings to all and I'm looking forward to getting rid of all of this snow!

Dr. Martin Luther King quoted Jesus' words from *Mark 10:43* about servant hood, he stated, "Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You don't have to know about Pluto and Aristotle to serve... you only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love."

Yes, the kind of person we are determined to be will enhance or destroy our society. We must be an inspiration in all the decisions we make." Life is not made of dreams we dream, but the decisions we make." Let's serve and inspire by building up one another in a positive way.

Let's inspire others by using the three basic principles— faith, hope and love. The bible says in 1 Corinthians 13:13, "And now abide in faith, hope, and love, these three, but the greatest of these is love." People who seek to inspire others must build up their positive faith. Much of our life boils down to our perspective on life. You can see the glass as half empty or half full.

Be caring and positive, for the sake of our veterans and their families. Let's do all we can to build faith in others so our DAV, our communities and country can continue to be great. As Paul Harvey says, "I've never seen a monument erected to a pessimist." We are Americans and we can persevere because of our veterans that sacrificed so much. Positive faith is an inspiration and faith inspires success. Jesus said in *Matthew 17:20*, "I say to you, if you have the faith of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'move from here to there', and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.

Please plan on volunteering in some way to help out our DAV 19. See you at the upcoming events. Our prayers go out to all of our sick and distressed comrades and those in harms way. May our Lord put His guardian angels around them.

For God and country,

-Chaplain Andy



Disabled American Veterans
Elkhart Chapter & Auxiliary #19

April/May 2014

Your DAV newsletter is now available online at: www.davmembersportal.org/chapters/in/19. Email dav19elkhart@netzero.net to be removed from our mailing list.

-Commander's Corner

Comrades, it is hard to believe another year has come and gone. I've enjoyed being your Commander. A big thank you to the group of Chapter Officers for all of your hard work this past year.

To the Auxiliary, your support to the Chapter means so much. Keep up the great job.

Chapter #19 has many special members that give so much and that support the mission of helping our veterans and their families. Once again a big thank you to everyone.

This month is the election of officers for 2014. Please be sure to show up to vote April 3, 2014. The Department Convention will be held June 13-14, 2014.

Yours in Comradeship,
Dave Ashe, DAV #19 Commander

-Auxiliary Happenings

I would like to thank everyone who came out and supported the Female Veterans Retreat. We raised enough funds to send seven veterans on this special retreat.

On April 19, 2014 we will be having our Easter Party for juniors! It will start at 2:00 and there will be a sign up sheet in the foyer at the DAV. I have a feeling that the Easter Bunny may show up. I hope to see everyone there!

Don't forget that nominations and elections will be held April 3 at 7 PM at the regular meeting. Please plan now to attend and vote.

God Bless our veterans,
Karla Schwartz, Auxiliary Commander

Chapter Officers

- Commander
Dave Ashe
- Sr. Vice
Ron Pressler
- 1st Jr. Vice
Jody Dodson
- 2nd Jr. Vice
Jan Zollinger
- 3rd Jr. Vice
Vern Reames
- 4th Jr. Vice
Tom Hines
- Treasurer
Larry Swartzell
- Chaplain Andy
Williams
- Sgt. At Arms
Dan Royce
- Judge Advocate
John Schultz
- Adjutant
Bill Fletcher

Auxiliary Officers


- Commander
Karla Schwartz
- Sr. Vice Allyson
Weaver-Gills
- Jr. Vice Jill Moran
- Adjutant Cindy
Fletcher
- Chaplain Judy Butler
- Treasurer
Deb Hohman
- Membership Allyson
Weaver-Gills
- Sgt at Arms
Ken Beery
- Legislation
Ester Houston
- Funeral Dinners
Jan Reames
- Hospitality
Deb Hohman
- Americanism
Cindy Fletcher

-Auxiliary Chaplain


This has been a long winter. We have lost another of our oldest members, Mary Dull, along with Lois Gardner and Donna Shoecraft.

Our oldest member, Goldie Bergman celebrated her 100th birthday, March 16th with a large party with friends and family.

Tony Osmun’s dad, Glenn is recovering at home after surgery. Bernice Mangus is now at Hubbard Hill. Thanks to all who sent cards to Maxine Hoagland on her birthday, January 28th and to Ruth Alexander as well. Maryann Baer is recovering from hip surgery. Sandy Burns is also having more surgery, please keep her in your prayers.



Goldie Bergman
Oldest member,
celebrates
100 years



Wishing everyone a great Spring and keep the cards going to our shut-ins. It means so much to them.

Judy Butler,
Auxiliary Chaplain

At left, a group of ladies gather for Maxine Hoagland’s birthday. Pictured clockwise from bottom left around Maxine are: Polly Billey, Judy Butler, Patty Ducheteau, and Bonnie Ellsworth.

April 2014

Mon: Texas Hold’em, Cash games 4PM. Tournament 6:30PM, Raffles: Sales until 6:30PM, Drawing 7PM.

Tues: Weekly Drawing 7PM

Wed: Euchre 6PM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Exe. 6 PM Reg. 7 PM Nominations & Elections	4	5 Gypsy Red
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 CMR
13 Palm Sunday	14	15	16	17	18 Good Friday	19 Steak Fry Unfinished Business Easter Party 2 PM
20 Easter	21	22	23	24	25	26 Flip Side
27	28	29	30	Saturday Band 7-11PM Thursday All Day Drink Specials Friday Crazy Bingo 7PM		

Chapter Officer Nominations:

- ♦ Commander: Dave Ashe, Bill Fletcher, Gordy Sherven and Jan Zollinger
- ♦ Sr. Vice Commander: Ron Pressler and Tom Hines
- ♦ 1st Jr. Vice Commander: Jody Dodson and Tom Hines
- ♦ 2nd Jr. Vice Commander: Jan Zollinger, Rick Neese, Wendy Metzger and Gordy Sherven
- ♦ 3rd Jr. Vice Commander: Vern Reames
- ♦ 4th Jr. Vice Commander: Bill Fletcher, Steve Trebel and Tom Hines
- ♦ Chaplain: Andy Williams
- ♦ Treasurer: Larry Swartzell
- ♦ Sergeant at Arms: Danny Royce, Wendy Metzger and Jan Zollinger
- ♦ Judge Advocate: John Schultz

Further nominations and Elections will be held April 3rd at the regular meeting.

Memorial Day Services


May 26 at 11:00am at Rice Cemetery and after the wreath throwing into the Elkhart River honoring those lost at sea.

Ham & Beans w/cornbread will be served at the DAV after services.

Come to the Parade in downtown Elkhart at 2 PM.

Volunteers are needed for the DAV float.

Contact: Karla at 574-370-0813 if you can help.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Exe. 6 PM Reg. 7 PM	2	3 Top Secret
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Gypsy Red Flag Placement 9 AM
11 Mother’s Day	12	13	14	15 Newsletter articles due	16	17 Steak Fry Unfinished Business
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 No band
25	26 Memorial Day Rice Cemetery 11, Parade 2	27 Newsletter folding noon	28	29	30	31 No band