

The Portage



POSTER



It's not the price you pay for membership. . .
. . . It's the price you paid to become eligible.

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Commander's Corner

I would like to thank everyone at the post for their support as I have recently taken over as Commander. As John Wilson mentioned last month, there will be some changes. Rest assured every change will be looked at and approved by our current board members. Melinda Adams has done an outstanding job in reducing some costs to lower our overhead. Melinda is also working on our new menu for the kitchen, so if you folks have any special food requests please let her know.

We do have 4 events coming up in the next couple of months. July 5th there will be a Memorial Service held for Ralph Jordan at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery at 11:00 am. Linda and Ralph have done a lot for this Post and we to support Linda on this somber day. On July 6th we will be having our M.A.S.H. night here at the Post from 4 pm - ?. There will be a lot of activities so come on out and celebrate our Independence Day with your Post 496 family. Shirts will be available for purchase for this event.

On July 11th we will be having the group Box of Squirrels practicing in the Canteen from 7 pm – 9 pm and finally on Aug 17th there will be a Poker Run in memory of 1st Lieutenant Ashley White (Kent State Graduate). Our Post will be the 2nd stop for the run. There are flyers posted in the canteen if anyone wants to join the Poker Run or the other events that are being held in her Honor.

I look forward to seeing a lot of you at these events and remember we are still having Bingo every Sunday helps support our Post and the area youth sports.

Dan Nelson - Commander

As Dan mentioned there are many events going on at the post. Mash night will be our biggest event to kick off the summer, it doesn't last long here in Ohio so why not come down for some great food, giveaways, games, music and contests. Come on down on the 11th to see the box of Squirrels band. Karaoke will be on the 13th from 8:30 to 12 AM. Looking forward to next month I would like some suggestions from you as to what events, specials, and foods you would like to see come to the post. What would make you stop in on Wednesday, or any other day for that matter?

This is your post send me an email at-
kental496@yahoo.com put the word second in the subject line any ideas are welcome from food to events.

Scott Adams 2nd vice cmdr.

SAL

The new membership cards are in—so pay your dues now for your early bird sticker. We are contemplating an early bird dinner but we need SUPPORT and Volunteers. All dinners and breakfasts are put on by volunteers and need supported by the membership. Believe it or not Fish Fry's are starting again in a few months. Bingo is going well but come on down and play some Sunday it is a fun time. Please attend the meetings and show your support for the post.

Ray Oxford Jr—Commander

As the current canteen manager I am looking at the reduction of the overall costs for the business. However this is your post so if there is something that YOU as a member would like to have as a food item, liquor item, or a certain beer please let one of the bartenders know. I will bring in items to try but may not keep them due to lack of interest—Obviously I can only stock something that will continue to sell, but I am willing to listen and try new items. Jerome and I have worked on a menu that I think is quite nice— it includes salads and cold sandwich specials and moves away from everything being deep fried and onto some lighter items. We also will be changing burger night just a bit—let me know if you love the ideas or hate them. This is your post so please give your comments and suggestions, I am very open to “Positive Constructive Criticism”

Melinda

REMEMBER— Bring a friend, and promote our events! EVERYONE is welcome at POST 496 for any of our dinners and events... We are a hidden gem in the Kent area ~ why not let other people in on our secret!

Riders—Tuesday night dinner run everyone welcome we meet at post 496 at 5:30 ride at 6:00 to a different eatery every week.

Weather permitting of course :)

Legion Officers

Commander: Dan Nelson
1st Vice Commander:
Joyce Hannum
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Scott Adams
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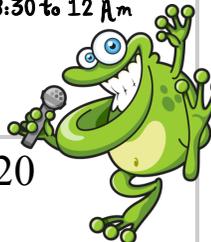
Interested in renting *Underwood Hall* ?
 Call 330-860-4496 or
 email ~ underwood.hall@yahoo.com



QUEEN OF HEARTS ~ POT over 11,000 ~ Sundays at 3! (Paid up POST 496 members only — SO PAY YOUR DUES!!!!) Ticket sales close 1/2 hr. before drawing.

Monthly drawing is roughly 2,000 ~ 1 Chance to win! 7-5-13 @ 9 pm

July 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 Hump Day Happy hour 4 'til 9	4 HAPPY 4th of July 	5 Monthly Drawing 9 pm	6 MASH Night 4 PM
7 Q of ♥s - 3 pm BINGO at 6	8 Kitchen open 5-7:30 Euchre 7 pm	9	10 Hump Day Happy hour 4 'til 9	11 1 pm - Euchre Burgers 5-7:30 6:00 pm - E-board BOX of Squirrel's 7 to 9 PM	12	13 KARAOKE 8:30 to 12 AM 
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