



MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER

For God and Country



UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri-Sat, May 21-22, 2021

Poppy Days @ 3
Locations in Ravenna
See Page 2 for Details

Monday, May 31, 2021

Memorial Day
Parade in Ravenna
Gun Raffle Drawing

Thursday, June 3, 2021

Monthly Meeting
at Ravenna Legion Hall

FOR ZOOM MEETING

An email will be sent the day prior to each meeting with a Zoom meeting link.

SAL Membership Dues

Please contact Adjutant Les Bonter to pay your \$20 dues for this year.

Our Troops

Please keep our troops both at home and abroad in your thoughts and prayers, especially those who are away from their families.

Memorial Day Gun Raffle – Tickets on Sale Now

Tickets are now available for the SAL's Memorial Day Gun Raffle! Being raffled off this year is a 9mm pistol: Smith & Wesson M&P Shield 2.0. Tickets are being sold for \$5 a piece or 5 tickets for \$20 by Legion and SAL members, but hurry to get yours as only 400 are being sold! The drawing will take place on Memorial Day, May 31, 2021 at 1:00pm at the Ravenna American Legion Hall. Winner need not be present to win. Contact Commander Brian Bonter at 616-901-8606 for more information on how to purchase and/or sell tickets.



Legion Honor Guard

Our Honor Guard uniforms are nearly completed and ready for use. Les Bonter and Brian Bonter have been a part of the Legion Honor Guard for a few funerals over the past few weeks and have been doing a great job. If anyone from the Sons is interested in participating, please contact Commander Brian Bonter for more information.

Legion Kayak Raffle

Want a kayak for the 4th of July? If you're feeling lucky, your wish might just come true! The Legion has decided to raffle off a kayak on Monday, June 28 just in time for the winner to get out on the water for Independence Day weekend.

Memorial Day Parade

The Memorial Day parade in Ravenna will begin at 10:00am from the Legion Hall and take the usual route through town. Please note that there will be NO lunch afterward at the hall.

Legion M1 Garand Rifles – Cleaning Remains on Hold

As it has been for quite some time now, the cleaning of the Legion's rifles remains on hold. Except for the cleaning solution and oils, we have everything else that we need to complete this task once we decide when this will take place. Commander Brian Bonter is planning on getting in contact with Bill White soon to discuss setting this up and we are awaiting word from that conversation.

Care Packages

If anyone knows a member of the military that is actively deployed, please let us know. We can send care packages to those who are currently serving our country.

Flags for Sale by the Legion

There is a form that needs to be filled out at the time of purchase. Contact Mike Pierson for more info.

American Flags

3' x 5' = \$40

4' x 6' = \$50

5' x 8' = \$55

6' x 10' = \$80

POW/MIA Flags = \$40*Cemetery Flags* = \$1.25*Michigan Flags* = \$25*Service Flags* = \$25**Poppy Days: Auxiliary Needs Volunteers**

The Auxiliary is looking for volunteers from the Legion and the Sons to help with Poppy Days. The annual fundraiser will take place on Friday, May 21 and Saturday, May 22 in Ravenna at 3 different locations. Volunteers will be distributing poppies for donations at the Wesco gas station, Ravenna Foods, and Dollar General.

If you are interested in assisting the Auxiliary with this event or have any more questions, please contact Mary Bonter at 231-853-6826 (home) or 231-557-8690 (mobile).

Officer Elections Held at the April SAL Meeting

A motion was passed at the meeting last month to keep the SAL officers in their current positions apart from our Historian, where Andrew Bonter replaces Andy Snoeyink.

Commander: Brian Bonter; *Vice Commander:* Mike Ruble; *Adjutant:* Les Bonter;
Finance Officer: Austin Bonter; *Historian:* Andrew Bonter; *Chaplain:* Mike Pierson;
Sgt. At Arms: Tim Schutter

