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I would like to thank you for the opportunity of serving Post 1008. This is my last Newsletter column as Commander. It gives me the chance to thank the following for helping me serve you over the last 5 years.

Donna Kelley, you are a true friend and devoted supporter of Post 1008. In the past 26 years you took care of the Post while others just stopped by and moved on. We had our differences but I never doubted your intent and friendship. Thank you Donna.

Steve and Dave Romeo, I would like to thank you for your support and advice. Steve you set the standard for all future commanders. Your record keeping and organization is **the** model.

Doc Maloney, you were there when I needed sound advice. I thank you for your trust in me and hope you continue as Post Chaplin.

Bill Coleman, as a service officer there is none better than you. You symbolize what a servant to a veteran does. You go way beyond the job description and reach out to all in need.

Don Roach, you are learning from the best. You will become a top notch service officer. Serve well.

Ric Coe, remember no one is perfect, but a true friend accepts a person for who he is. Thank you for your friendship and advice.

Gene Quackenbush you are one-of-a-kind. You have shown me how to serve veterans with dedication and dignity. When I asked you to do something you never said no, but answered, "Yes, Boss." You and Rosie, I will always consider special friends.

Jim "Stormy" Storm showed me that challenges are to be met and conquered. Remember the first year we were involved with Quake on the Lake? We borrowed District 5's tent as cover for our information booth. That night a violent thunderstorm with high winds blew away the tent. The next morning Stormy and I found the remains. Broken, torn and twisted Storm said to me, "Get me some Duct Tape." I watched him piece and tape their tent back together almost as good as new. At that very moment I knew I wanted him as my adjutant. He gave his heart and soul to the Post and became one of my best friends.

Brother "Bill" Storm, you are a true friend. You remind me of the men I served with in Viet Nam. I would serve with you at any time. You are a just man and I would always have your back.

As a thank you to some members I presented at my last General Meeting as Commander, Challenge Coins to those I considered essential to making Post 1008 a success. With great gratitude I thank you for your service.

I am here almost every day. I see how the Post hums with activity. The banquet hall makes us profitable. The hours staff work to accomplish this go well beyond those that they are paid for. They are caretakers in the true sense.

Finally, thank you to the person who let me play with you for the last 15 years, my wife, Kim. I am the luckiest man in the world. Kim is my strength, mentor, advisor and best friend. I love her deeply. Over the past years as Commander I often sought her insight as to what I should do in various situations. Kim has concrete perceptions when it comes to problem solving. She married me.

In closing remember this is still your Post. Stop by, say hi and volunteer.

George Navarrette

Past Commander

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DONNA SETTING US UP TO MARCH



PLEASE READ IMPORTANT POST NEWS



Deputy Bill Storm was honored at the 2016 Award Ceremony of the Oakland County Sheriff Office. Bill received a plaque and uniform ribbon for being honored as the PTNE Deputy of the year. Bill currently works in the Parks Unit of the Sheriff Office and served in New York during 9/11 and in New Orleans during hurricane Katrina. Bill has more than 28 years with the OCSO.

From your Jr. Vice Commander

I would like to thank all who helped make my first year as Jr Vice Commander a great experience and enjoyable time. Especially Commander George Navarrette for mentoring me. I enjoyed working with the members and serving our members. This is a great Post and after serving in other posts, we can all be proud of the work and Officers that make Post 1008 as successful as it is.

Retiring Jr. Vice Commander Bill Storm

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE

The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life-Waterford will take place on June 11-12, 2016, 10:00 am-10 am at Pierce Middle School, 5145 Hatchery Road. Relay is a 24 hour event, because cancer never sleeps. Family friendly-no dogs, except certified service dogs, free to attend. We Celebrate survivors, Remember those we have lost and Fight Back against cancer. VFW Post 1008 and Auxiliary have been involved with Relay For Life for eleven years, our Color Guard has opened the Waterford event since it started nine years ago. Please contact me if you would like to participate-as a survivor or by making a donation. I will have luminaria bags (\$10.00 minimum donation) available, and new this year are Raffle tickets, \$5.00 each, cash or checks made out to ACS. Winning Raffle number will be drawn at RFL at 8 pm, money paid after 1099 form is filed-have to pay Federal taxes. There will be a donation bucket and paper decorations for donations in the Clubroom for the month of June. I am honored to be Survivor speaker this year. You can check it out on-line at www.relayforlife.org/waterfordmi , on Facebook and Twitter. I participate with team Fire Walkers. If you have any questions, contact me at harleygal1@comcast.net or call (after 6 pm) or text me:[248.802.7224](tel:248.802.7224).

Sincerely,

Sandi Stewart

Senior Vice President





Dear VFW Post 1008

Thank you for supporting this trip! Your push of motivation helped us achieve our dreams of being leaders in another country, while also representing the United States. This was an outstanding, unforgettable experience that anyone would be lucky to have! You are highly appreciated.

This trip has shown us a part of the world that couldn't be imagined; the architecture was phenomenal, each city we visited was beautiful, we gained more knowledge about the country and we met a plethora of heart warming, welcoming, beautiful people inside and out! We will cherish this breathtaking experience and will never be able to thank you enough for contributing to this incredible, life changing opportunity.

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Memorial Day is a day when we pause to give thanks to the people who fought for the things we have.



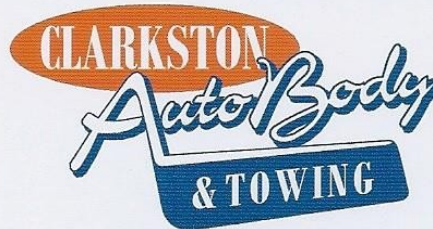
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ADJUTANT—CHRISTINA PLANTE
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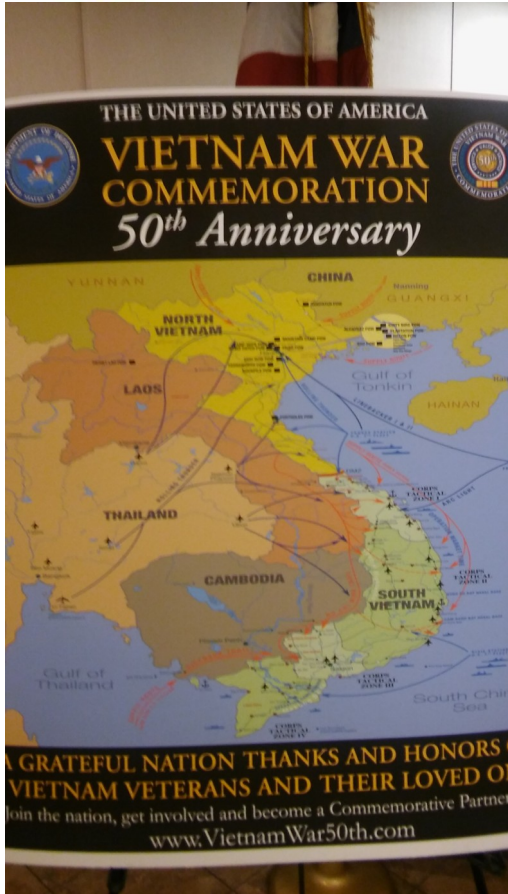
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Meetings held
third Thursday
monthly @ 7:30 PM.



Meetings held
fourth Tuesday
monthly @ 7:30 PM.



OUT-GOING OFFICERS

- COMMANDER—GEORGE NAVARRETTE
- SR. VICE COMMANDER—RICK COE
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The Marine Corps League

Meetings held second Thursday monthly @ 7:30 PM.

From Don Roach

Our most "official " gathering was attendance to the passing ceremonies for our dear member, Brian DeCorte. The VFW Honor Guard of Post 1008 did an outstanding job honoring same. The rifle salute had the civilian crowd 3" in the air with each volley.

We will be seeking to do additional fund raising jointly with Post 1008 later this year. I have been speaking with the newly elected Commander and things are shaping up. MCL members are encouraged to join with our service brothers in this effort.

The VFW Golf Outing is near, flyers are posted. Ours should be out, soon.

I recently did a Zoo Walk to support the Kidney Foundation. This was in response to a request by Mrs. Carolyn Tokarz of HAP. We share a nephew, Patrick Emberton, of O'Fallon, MO, presently on dialysis and hoping for a transplant match. His dad, a USMC S/Sgt, 2 tours in S. Vietnam, is a VFW member in MO. Prayers are welcome.

Detachment 570 meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 1930 hours. FMF Corpsmen and Marines are most welcome.

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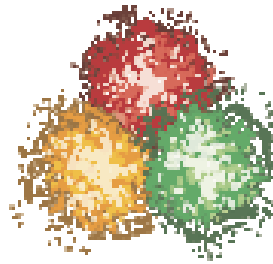


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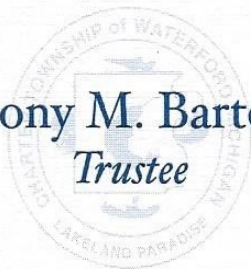
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