



STEVENSVILLE, MICHIGAN
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American Legion

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March 2026

Greetings Legionnaires:

Again, it is my sad duty to report that Legionnaire **Bobby Oman** has been called from our midst and now serves the Commander of All of us in the Post Everlasting.

The next Burger night will be on Wednesday, March 4th from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. The Post 568 77th Birthday Party is March 21st. Happy Hour begins at 3:30. Dinner, drinks, and dancing to follow. Cost is \$20 per attendee. Please reserve your seat in advance at the bar.

Donation containers for Post projects will be available at the bar and during Burger Night at the cashier table.

The Benton Harbor VA Clinic is asking for donations of new clothing for Veterans in need in our area. All donations are kept in a secure room until given to the recipients, so you are assured that your donation will only go to someone in need. There is a high demand for coats and other cold weather clothing. The worst of winter weather is over, but there are still plenty of chilly days left before it stays warm.

The Post is organizing additional events. Attending these events assists in covering the fixed costs associated with The Post. Events also need volunteers. Please look at the event postings to see how and when to get involved.

We still need an **Asst. Adjutant**. Members are encouraged to attend a Legionnaire Meeting to be nominated and sworn into an available position. Members are also welcome and encouraged to come and simply participate in the meeting.

The Post still needs volunteers for assisting the Pull Tab Committee. More volunteers mean more frequent counting, therefore less time per person. If you are interested, please let any Post officer know.

The Post's Honor Guard offers military rites for deceased Legionnaires and veterans with honorable discharge. Inform your family if you want this service. If the Post cannot conduct the funeral, they will arrange a memorial service. Have the funeral home contact **Carl Krause** at 269-769-8294.

The Honor Guard is now accepting applications for new members. Participation offers flexibility to accommodate various schedules. Applicants are required to purchase black trousers and shoes; other uniform components will be provided by the Post.

Our next Legionnaire meeting will be on Monday, March 16th, 2026, at 5:30 pm.
The Executive Board Meeting will be on Monday, March 9th, 2026, at 5:30 pm.
The Bar Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 10th, 2026, at 5:30 pm.

Legionnaires, I invite you to attend meetings for input or involvement. In a good month we might have five members attend. Please come and participate. Your input will help us serve you!

To our whole Legion Family, thank you for being part of Stevensville American Legion Post 568.

Have a wonderful day.

God Bless all of you, the American Legion, and our beloved United States of America.

---- **Liam Cormier**, Commander

MESSAGE FROM THE ADJUTANT:

Welcome to the Post our new member(s): None

Transferring Member(s) None:

The 2026 membership cards are available at the Post. Please pay your membership dues promptly.

A big "Thank You" to the 247 Legionnaires that have paid your 2026 dues!

Year 2026 membership year

New Members 3

Transferred in 6

Transferred out 3

If you have not paid your 2026 dues, please do so. If you have already paid for and received your card, you can ignore any further payment reminders.

The Membership year is January 1 - Dec 31 of each year. People that pay prior to December 31 are simply paying in advance for the next year and avoiding the potential of becoming a member not in good standing.

· On January 1 of the year after the year on the members card, i.e. The card is for 2025, and it is not Jan.1, 2026. The member is no longer in good standing and cannot participate in use of the facility or vote. They are considered delinquent. Feb1 they are considered Suspended. March 1 they are no longer a member.

Post Adjutant

Carl Krause

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AUXILIARY NEWS: "In the Spirit of Service Not Self for Veterans, God and Country."

The next **AUXILIARY MEETING** will be on Tuesday, March 3rd at 6pm.

2026 **AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP DUES** are \$35 for Seniors, \$5 for Juniors. Checks payable to: Stevensville American Legion Auxiliary Unit 568. Dues can be mailed to Membership Chairman: Tammy Monte, 7129 Lincoln Avenue, Baroda, Michigan 49101. March is the last month for dues to be paid before Roster is submitted to National.

POPPY DAY is set for Friday, May 16th. Our Poppy Day Sign-up is available on the bulletin board before you enter the bar area. You can sign up for a one-hour slot or several. We need volunteers to help make this Auxiliary program a success, as we work to educate the public and our membership to the significance of the Poppy, as well as the financial impact of the Poppy distribution to our local veterans.

Remember "They" gave their all, Give all "You" can.

Stevensville American Legion Post 568's 77th **BIRTHDAY PARTY** is on Saturday, March 21st from 3:30-11:30pm. Tickets are available at the bar for \$20 and include dinner and drinks.

CHAPLAINS JOURNAL:

Death has entered out Unit ranks. **Jeanne Spitzer**, Ninety nine years of age, Charter member, first Treasurer and Past President of Unit 568, with 77 years of continuous service to our Unit and **Helen Schlitter**, ninety-seven years of age with 37 continuous years have been called to the High Command. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of Jeanne and Helen's family and friends during this difficult time. May God's healing grace be with them each day, providing cherished memories, strength and peace.

We continue to keep **Nancy Koebel** and **Joyce Zacha** in our thoughts and prayers. Wishing them strength and cheer to brighten their days.

JUNIORS NEWS:

The Juniors are once again collecting cash donations to purchase **COOKIES FOR OUR TROOPS**. All funds collected will be used to buy cookies that will be sent to our troops in care packages by our local Blue Star Mothers Chapter. Deadline for donating is February 28th. Donations can be left at the bar or mailed to Stevensville American Legion Junior Auxiliary Unit 568, 3093 Johnson Road, Stevensville, MI 49127. Thank you!

Our annual **VIETNAM VETERANS' CELEBRATION** will be on Wednesday, March 25th beginning at 6pm and will include dinner, drinks and music. We request that Vietnam Veterans and their guests RSVP on the entryway signup sheet by March 15th.

BAR NEWS:

Join us for **EUCHRE SUNDAY** on March 1st. Play begins at 1pm.

Tuesday, March 17th is **ST. PATRICK'S DAY!** Stop in for a green beer and **CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER**. Dinner will be served from 5-7pm and includes corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots and a roll for \$15.

Our next **MARGARITA PARTY** will be on Friday, March 13th.

EUCHRE SUNDAY



GET READY FOR AN AFTERNOON OF
CARDS, LAUGHTER AND GOOD COMPANY!

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2026 * 1:00 PM

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WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 4TH
4:30-6:30PM

Burger Night



BURGER & FRIES \$8
DOUBLE & FRIES \$12

PUBLIC WELCOME



STEVENSVILLE AMERICAN LEGION POST 568

Margarita

party

\$5

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026

FROZEN · ON THE ROCKS



**CORNER BEEF,
CABBAGE, POTATOES,
CARROTS & ROLL**

\$15

RESERVATIONS, PLEASE
(269)429-7101

17 MARCH 2026

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

5:00 - 7:00PM

**GREEN BEER & OTHER
DRINK SPECIALS!**



SONS NEWS:



Thanks to all of those that turned out for our annual **Mid-Winter Rib and Chicken Picnic!!** We appreciate everyone's support. The SAL will use a portion of the proceeds and the 50/50 amount to present their annual donation to the **Stevensville American Legion Baseball Team!** Donations received help them with expenses incurred during the season.

We had 10 renewals this last month. There were no new applications submitted for membership this month.

With the **Legion Birthday Party** coming up on **Saturday March 21st**, we are asking if there are any SAL members that would like to help bar tend at the annual event. We have a few

volunteers to date but would love to have some of the membership step up and help during this great event.

Prayers were sent to **Derek Hines** for speedy recovery from the two bones that he broke from a fall on the ice. Cards were sent to **Arthur Stolte** (mother's passing), **Bob Oman's** daughter (Bob's passing), **Millie** (thinking of you) after her fall, **Liam Cormier** (father-in-law's passing), and **John Doyle** (grandson's passing).

Derrick Morris' name was pulled; he was not present.

Next SAL meeting is **Monday March 9, 2026, at 7 pm**, hope to see everyone there.

Respectively,

---Jeff Bradford – SAL Adjutant

BASEBALL NEWS:



We would like to say **“THANK YOU”** to everyone who supported our **BASEBALL DINNERS** this past year.

Be on the lookout for upcoming announcements regarding the 2026 Legion Baseball team schedule

LEGION RIDERS NEWS:



“Legion Family First, Riders Second”

Well, have you had enough winter yet? I thought so! For all of us **ALR Riders** we are suffering from P.M.S. (**Parked Motorcycle Syndrome**) Ha ha! There is light at the end of the tunnel. The first day of spring will be March 20th.

The ALR members are looking forward to our first dinner of the year. Held on Friday, March 13th at Post 51, Buchanan, Michigan with a dance to follow downstairs in the bar. See attached flyer for additional information.

We received correspondence from the **Blue Star Mothers** at previous meeting. They sent out 80 care packages and Valentines cards with a \$50 gift card. Postage was \$3,050.

On Saturday, March 21st at the **Chapel Hill Church** in Sodus, Michigan from 10-2 pm they will be packing Easter care packages if anyone is interested in helping.

A big thank you to all those who bought Girl Scout Cookies or donated. The Blue Star Mothers will be receiving donated cookies from Girl Scouts to ship out for Easter.

We are still looking for new ALR members. Our meetings are held on the 4th Sunday of the month. At the Buchanan Post 51, at 12 o'clock. It's \$45 for the first year with large ALR back patch, then it's \$15 yearly renewals. If you are interested, come to one of our meetings and check us out. We currently have 14 members. We put on about 5 dinners during the year and one annual benefit ride in August. We try to ride in other local benefit rides to support them. **Christian Riders Ride, Berrien County Sheriffs ride and Berrien County Riders** (The Ride to Remember 9/11). I hope to see you at one of our meetings or come out support one our dinners. The ALR is here to promote and support the values of the American Legion and to make a difference in the lives of our veterans and their families.



Don't ride faster than your Angels can fly.

**Until we meet again..." Faith, Family, Freedom"
For God & Country,**

Mike Hoover- A.L.R. Director

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