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UPCOMING EVENTS TO WATCH FOR

Please patronize local businesses advertised in your newsletter

DUE TO VIRUS THREAT
Social distancing and masks for all events is in effect until further notice.

Lent Friday Night Fish Dinners available through April 2nd

AUXILIARY BLOOD DRIVE
12 noon-6pm
January 7, 2021
February 18, 2021
March 4, 2021
April 15, 2021
Sign up to Save a Life!

Thursday, March 4, 2021
Blood Donation at Post

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

Thursday, April 1, 2021

Friday, April 2, 2021

Sunday, April 4, 2021

Be sure to check out the amazing pictures on the last page of the newsletter!

IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS COMING UP:

March 5, 2021
Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm
Post Executive Board

March 16, 2021
Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm

March 23, 2021
SAL Membership Meeting 7pm

April 6, 2021
Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm
Post Executive Board

April 20, 2021
Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm

April 27, 2021
SAL Membership Meeting 7pm

It's not the amount you pay to be a member but the price you pay to be eligible!

Post 143 needs and requests the support and attendance of all Post, SAL, and Auxiliary members at Post-sanctioned functions.

Be sure to review the new website for Post 143 at *hillgazettepost143.org* for any upcoming events and other pertinent updates

2020/2021 Post Officers

Commander	Greg Inman
Sr Vice	Bob Schmaltz
Jr Vice	Mike Green
Adjutant	Mike Green
Finance Officer	Terry Mazzarese
Judge Advocate	Mike Green
Chaplain	Doug Elgie
Historian	John Stormzand
Sgt-at-Arms	Bill Davis
Service Officer	Open
Color Guard Chairperson	Open

Post Commander Update—Greg Inman

Fellow Legionnaires,

The Post is returning to our normal, in-person meetings at the March 2nd meeting.

Please note that elections for officers will be coming soon. We will hold our annual elections at our May monthly meeting. Meetings of the Post are held on the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7pm.

Once again, thank you to all the volunteers that help support the Hill-Gazette family, including the officers, volunteer bartenders, clubroom chairman, kitchen crew, house chairman, the volunteer coordinator, Friday night dinner crews, and all the people that keep the facility and grounds clean and presentable.

We hope to return to normal soon.

Stay safe!

For God and Country,
Greg

WELCOME NEW POST MEMBERS!

Robert Rousch

Your Post thanks and appreciates all those who help in our efforts to assist our veterans.

Unserviceable, used and/or torn American Flags can be dropped off at any time by the Post 143 hall door or Clubroom door for proper ceremonial disposal. The purpose of The American Legion in adopting this ceremony is to encourage proper respect for the Flag of the United States and to provide for disposal of unserviceable flags in a dignified manner. The flag is a precious symbol of all that we and our comrades have worked for, lived for, and died for a free Nation of free men, true to the faith of the past, devoted to the ideals and practice of Justice, Freedom and Democracy.

SAL Commander Update – Dan Becker

The SAL Officers and I thank all the members for their generosity and support provided throughout the year which benefit our community.

Congratulations to Michael Hill, Brett Johnson and Michael Wells who were all winners of the 2021 Early Bird Membership Registration drawing held last November. These gentlemen won pre-paid 2022 SAL memberships. It pays to submit your membership dues early.

If you have not paid your 2021 membership dues then I encourage you to take the moment to do so today by remitting your dues (Only $22.00) to SAL Membership, 96 Churchill Rd, Auburn Hills 48326.

We are still in need of a few good men to join the SAL officer ranks. As an SAL Officer, it gives you the opportunity to meet and make friends with the Post 143 members and to directly impact how we execute our mission of service. Nominations for the various SAL officer positions will be accepted up to the April SAL meeting when the elections will be conducted. The new officers are inducted during the May SAL meeting as their term is from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022.

Please be safe, stay healthy, and be kind to one another.

2020/2021 SAL Officers

Commander	Daniel Becker
1st Vice	Allan Blascak
2nd Vice	William Hall Jr
Adjutant	Steve Bliven
Finance Officer	Al Blascak
Chaplain	Open
Historian	Open
Sgt-at-Arms	Mel Pohl
Post Advisor	Greg Inman

WELCOME NEW SAL MEMBERS!

Auxiliary President Update – Mary Becker

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As many of you may have heard, our unit president, Mary Becker, has moved out of state. As the vice president, I have taken on her responsibilities and will be doing the newsletter articles for the remainder of this term. Starting in March, we will be going back to our normal, in-person meetings. Elections are coming in May. At our May monthly meeting (1st Tuesday of every month at 7pm) we will hold our annual election, there are many positions needing to be filled. There is a nomination sheet in the clubroom. You must be present to vote so I hope to see many of you there and volunteering to help. For a list of committees and description of the responsibilities go to https://member.legion-aux.org/member/guides/unit-guide-book. Keep your eyes open for upcoming outdoor events that we as a family (Aux, Post and SAL) will be hosting.

Also, make sure you like our Facebook Post 143 page at https://www.facebook.com/hillgazette so you can get important announcements. Also, we have an auxiliary page that I would like to start using as a way to communicate amongst our unit here's the link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/americanlegionauxunit143. No matter how big or small you volunteer though, every bit of it is a blessing; and I personally appreciate you. Also, thank you to everyone for renewing your membership, helping a committee, chair a position and just being you. Thank you and Stay Safe,

Kelly Vondra
Vice President

Blood Drive

March 4 & April 15

Please note:
Contact me if you would like to be included in any virtual monthly meetings. My email address is kvondra@yahoo.com

2020/2021 Auxiliary Officers

President	Mary Becker
1st Vice	Kelly Vondra
2nd Vice	Michelle Riera
Secretary	Mari-Harvey Edwards (temp)
Sgt-at-Arms	Marlene Makuch
Treasurer	Donna Harned
Chaplain	Open
Historian	Open
Past President	Dorothy Johnson
Poppy Chair	Mari Harvey-Edwards

WELCOME NEW AUXILIARY MEMBERS!

Wishing that each day brings you renewed strength, brighter times and a healthier, happier you.

Author unknown

WORDS OF WISDOM

As you rest and heal, know that you are thought of warmly and wished a quick recovery

QotesToShine.com

In the middle of every difficulty lies opportunity

Albert Einstein

Never give up. There is no such thing as an end-ing. Just a new beginning

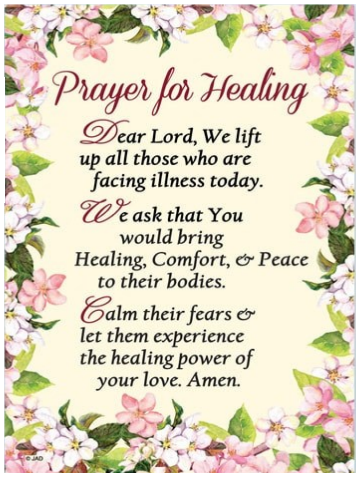
KeepInspring.me

Chaplain's Corner

PRAYERS REQUESTED for good health for all of our Post, SAL, and Auxiliary Members!
Prayers requested for families of:

Auxiliary member Elvy Flum hospitalized in December and receiving chemo treatments now

Auxiliary member Kitty Dault's husband, Roger Dault, passed 2/12/2021



Post 143 Hall & Pavilion Rentals

- Ample lighted parking
- Hall Capacity up to 230
- Funeral luncheons
- Bridal Showers, Weddings
- Quinceaneras
- Qualified Bartenders
- Outdoor Pavilion for outdoor parties (availability subject to state's orders)
- Member's Discount Available
- Class Reunions
- Graduations
- Birthday Celebrations & more!

Call for Availability & Reservations:
Call Post 248-852-4880 (leave message)

Be sure to consider booking your next Party (limited to 25 due to Covid) with us!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

March Birthdays

3rd – Rob Drew
13th–Linda Polasek Hall
16th – Ray Flum
20th – Kelly Vondra
21st – Keith Galbraith
28th – Harold Tackett

April Birthdays

1st – Dawn Cooper
5th – Jack Kettler
7th – Ken Hebel
8th – Linda Hill
10th – Mary Becker
17th – Mario Pelka
17th – Diana Matthes
17th – Gloria Norris
17th – Thomas Cavalier
19th – Larry Evon
20th – Linda Kaarle
25th – Roger Hill
26th – Anne M Tomshoen
26th – Cassandra Hill
27th – Sandy Jones

March Anniversaries

3/4/88 – Beverly & Charlie Green
3/9/68 – Pat & Ken Boback
3/11/72 – Sandra & Terry Frisch
3/30/93 – Joyce & Al Teryek

April Anniversaries

4/13/84 – Jim & Beulah Wiles
4/21/86 – Ron & Connie Hoadley
4/27/85 – Ken & Brenda Hebel
4/29/? – Mike & Glenda Windels

If you would like to include an article, comment, notice, or upcoming event in the newsletter, please send your request to ***malpost143@yahoo.com***

State your request and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

The **birthday, anniversary, email, and address** lists are always in need of updating. Any member who does not see their birthday or anniversary listed is asked to send your information to the Post either by mail to PO Box 214183, Auburn Hills, MI 48321 Attn: Newsletter Editor OR email to ***newsletter@hillgazettepost143.org***

March 2021

BLOOD DRIVE
12 NOON–6PM
March4

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Bar Chairman Update—Steve Bliven

Call Clubroom for news of KARAOKE NIGHTS!

YOUR OLD KEYS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED, aluminum can tabs, door knobs, brass, miscellaneous steel! The Clubroom continues to collect old keys, brass, miscellaneous steel and/or locks to use for raising funds for medical dialysis machines in local hospitals for children. Keys, old door knobs, locks, miscellaneous metal pieces, etc., can be dropped off outside the clubroom door.

Clubroom/Post Phone No. 248-852-4880

CLUBROOM ACTIVITIES/VOLUNTEERS

Post, Auxiliary, and SAL members can be volunteer bartenders and are always needed for the Clubroom! Call Steve at 248-852-4880 if you have any questions or would like to volunteer!

Movie Night

Popcorn provided free to all! Be sure to make a request for a movie you want to see!

We are practicing Covid-19 safety guidelines while inside and outside the building. Please be sure to bring a mask to cover your mouth and nose. Sign in sheet and wall mounted forehead thermometer is located just inside the entrance door.

Still accepting your worn or ripped American flags for proper ceremonial disposal. They can be dropped off anytime. Just place in a bag and leave outside our hall or clubroom door.

Many games in clubroom…pool table, dart board, bowling video game. Also pull tabs, internet jukebox, and ATM located inside the clubroom with inexpensive service fee.

House Chairman Update—Steve Bliven

The hall stage walls were taken down to the studs and insulation was added on back wall, outside wall, and ceiling. Stage area is now larger and the ceiling is six inches higher. New electrical wiring also added with dedicated outlets and circuit breakers for the stage.

Donations to our post of scrap copper, metal, and brass door hardware can be accepted and left on the front porch by the hall door. Money from the materials is donated to local hospitals to help pay for children's medical treatments.

Local American Legion News

- Volunteers are always needed.
- Please contact Post 143 at 248-852-4880 to advise when you are able to help!

A Salute to all our veterans for their service to our great country!

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Auxiliary members Kelly Vondra and Linda Janssen visited the Michigan Veterans Foundation (MVF) in Detroit. The MVF is a veterans homeless shelter. The Auxiliary donated and delivered much needed new clothing, new wash cloths/towels, bedding, shampoo, body soap and more for the veterans.

PLEASE PROMOTE YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES:

Contact American Legion at 248.852.4880 to be added to our growing list!

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