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UPCOMING EVENTS TO WATCH FOR

Please patronize local businesses advertised in your newsletter

Masks and temperature taking no longer required. Mask Optional...Stay Safe!

Wednesday, Nov 10, 2021
Happy Birthday Marines!

Friday, Nov 12, 2021
Steak dinner—FREE for Veterans, Must reserve by calling the Clubroom

Thursday, Nov 25, 2021
Thanksgiving Day

Tuesday, December 7, 2021
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Tuesday, Dec 21, 2021
First day of Winter

Saturday, Dec 25, 2021
Christmas Day

Friday, Dec 31, 2021
New Years Eve!

IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS COMING UP:

November 2, 2021
Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm Post Executive Board

November 16, 2021
Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm

November 23, 2021
SAL Membership Meeting 7pm

December 7, 2021
Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm Post Executive Board

December 21, 2021
Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm

December 28, 2021
SAL Membership Meeting 7pm

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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

2021/2022 Post Officers

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

WELCOME NEW POST MEMBERS!

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

Post Commander Update—Greg Inman

Greetings Legionnaires,

I don't know about you but I feel like the summer went by way too fast. Hope everyone is surviving the cold spell here in SE Michigan. As we move into the fall and winter season, I ask that we all keep an eye out for our neighbors and let's work together and take care of one another. If you know of a veteran in need, please let us know. We will see what we can do to assist. Also, as we make this push into November, we are lagging behind in our membership renewals. If you haven't yet renewed, I ask you to please take a moment and do so. For those that have, thank you.

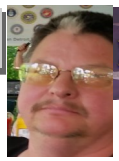
There are a number of events coming up, please look over the calendar included within this newsletter. We'd love to have you come out and join us. Right around the corner is the Detroit Veterans Parade on Sunday, November 7th, and a Veterans appreciation steak dinner at the Post on Friday night, November12th. Please sign up and pay ahead of time so we ensure we have enough food. Finally, for November we are hosting the 18th District meeting on Sunday, November 21st. All are welcome to attend.

In closing, I wanted to thank all those that support our Post and invite you all to stop in and enjoy the holiday season with us.

For God and Country
Greg

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 – Steve Bliven



As we enter the final months of the year, I want to encourage our members to renew their 2022 membership by remitting their dues ($25.00) to SAL Membership, 96 Churchill Rd, Auburn Hills 48326 or by dropping it off in the clubroom; as well as encourage family and friends to join. We have plenty of room for new members. We welcome our new members and look forward to getting to know them at the various Post 143 events and activities. Your dues, donations and participation make it possible for the SAL to serve our veterans, community, and the Post 143 family.

With the holiday months upon us, the SAL Officers and I wish you and all the Post 143 members a safe, healthy and prosperous holiday season. We look forward to meeting with you at our monthly meetings (4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm), at the clubroom, and at the various Post events. Together, I'm confident we can make a difference in the communities we serve.

Steve Bliven

2021/2022 SAL Officers

Commander	Steve Bliven
1st Vice	Allan Blascak
2nd Vice	Rick Cherry, Jr
Adjutant	Steve Bliven
Finance Officer	Al Blascak
Chaplain	Open
Historian	Open
Sgt-at-Arms	Mel Pohl
Post Advisor	Greg Inman
Service Officer	Mike Giles

WELCOME NEW SAL MEMBERS!

Auxiliary President Update – Kelly Vondra

Hope everyone's summer went well. Our auxiliary is starting to get a little better, we finally have most of our positions filled but still need a few more; .i.e., 1st vice, historian, and many little committees that would only take a minimal amount of your time. Please consider helping us help others. I do what I do because I really am proud of what we are here for. As Veterans Day approaches, I would like to say to all our veterans *"Thank You"* for caring enough about this country and our safety that you would sacrifice your own! I salute you!

Membership dues have been flowing in lately, thank you, keep them coming. Please Note our dues went up to $35.00. 18th district membership chair is having a giveaway for 100% membership paid. Please help me achieve this. They are also having a giveaway for those who recruit someone new. For every new member brought in, you receive an entry for a prize, so keep on recruiting. Also, our unit voted to give someone a free membership paid one year if three new are recruited.

We will be starting our executive board meetings again. They will be the third (3rd) Tuesday of every month at 7pm. Please try to come with your thinking caps on as this is when we get most of our work and planning done.

On November 12th at 630pm the post, SAL and auxiliary will be hosting a Veterans Steak Dinner. Veterans are FREE, the rest will pay $12.00 for steak, cole slaw, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls and dessert. Please call the clubroom to RSVP (must do) at 248-852-4880 and leave a message.

On November 21st our Post/Aux will be hosting the next 18th District meeting at 2pm, I would love to see many of you there.

Until next year, Have a Great Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas and safe New Year. I wish all of you the best.

Take Care

2021/2022 Auxiliary Officers

President	Kelly Vondra
1st Vice	open
2nd Vice	Laura Cubba
Secretary	Mari-Harvey Edwards
Sgt-at-Arms	Linda Kaarle
Treasurer	Donna Harned
Chaplain	Connie Wright
Historian	Open
Past President	Mary Becker
Poppy Chair	Mari Harvey-Edwards

WELCOME NEW 2021 AUXILIARY MEMBERS!

The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

WORDS OF WISDOM

Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.

Arthur Ashe

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world

Anne Frank

Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood

Helen Keller

You must do the thing you think you cannot do

Eleanor Roosevelt

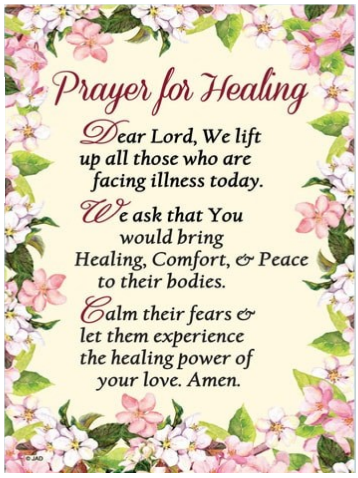
If you would like to include an article, comment, notice, or upcoming event in the newsletter, please send your request to *malpost143@yahoo.com*

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

Chaplain's Corner—Connie Wright

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

Post member Hugh MacMillan died 10/2021



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

- 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 with us!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

November Birthdays

2nd – Cherise Daniel
2nd – Ron Hoadley
8th – Pat Schmaltz
10th – Larry Harrison
11th – Steven Vondra II
14th – Ashley Popp
15th – Jean Russell
16th – Sheila Fleishans
16th – Mike Potter
18th – Sandee Giangrande
18th – Julia Lanoue
23rd – William Hall Jr
27th – Kim Whitmer
29th – Richard Greene
30th – Sandra Frisch

December Birthdays

2nd – Ellen Britches Hunkins
4th – Steve Green
6th – Elizabeth Matthes
7th – Dawn Plaggemars
10th – Todd Wade
15th – Sara Garcia
21st – Mike Hill
22nd – Marcia Cushman
22nd – Hillary Orton
30th – Robert Damron
30th – Chad Leis
31st – Joyce Teryek

November Anniversaries

11/ 22/ ? – Dave & Pat Bullis

December Anniversaries

None

The newsletter is no longer being mailed through the postal service. To ensure you receive the newsletter, be sure to forward your email address to:
malpost143@yahoo.com

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 *malpost143@yahoo.com* OR email to ***newsletter@hillgazettepost143.org***

November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Clubroom Closed	2 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	3 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Make your own Taco Night	4 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Movie at 7:30 pm Free Popcorn	5 Clubroom Opens 5 pm FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for details	6 Clubroom Opens 5 pm
7 Clubroom Closed	8 Clubroom Closed	9 Clubroom Opens 5 pm	15 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Make your own Taco Night	11 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Movie at 7:30 pm Free Popcorn	12 Clubroom Opens 5 pm STEAK dinner $12 FREE for Veterans	13 Clubroom Opens 5 pm
14 Clubroom Closed	15 Clubroom Closed	16 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Post & Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm	22 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Make your own Taco Night	18 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Movie at 7:30 pm Free Popcorn	19 Clubroom Opens 5 pm FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for details	20 Clubroom Opens 5 pm
21 Clubroom Closed	22 Clubroom Closed	23 Clubroom Opens 5 pm SAL Membership Meeting 7 pm	24 Clubroom Opens 5 pm Make your own Taco Night	25 Thanksgiving Day	26 Clubroom Opens 5 pm FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for details	27 Clubroom Opens 5 pm
28 Clubroom Closed	29 Clubroom Closed	30 Clubroom Opens 5pm pm				

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!

Friday dinners will posted on our Legion Facebook page & mine as well. Call the clubroom for update on Friday dinners.

Per Governor of Michigan, masks or temp taking no longer required.

Always 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.

Refer to newsletter for upcoming events in Clubroom!

House Chairman Update—Steve Bliven

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!

December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* Make your own Taco Night	2 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Movie at 7:30 pm*** ***Free Popcorn***	3 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for	4 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
5 *Clubroom Closed*	6 *Clubroom Closed*	7 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm***	8 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* Make your own Taco Night	9 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Movie at 7:30 pm*** ***Free Popcorn***	10 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for	11 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
12 *Clubroom Closed*	13 *Clubroom Closed*	14 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*	15 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* Make your own Taco Night	16 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Movie at 7:30 pm*** ***Free Popcorn***	17 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for	18 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
19 *Clubroom Closed*	20 *Clubroom Closed*	21 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Post & Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm*** *First day of Winter!*	22 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* Make your own Taco Night	23 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Movie at 7:30 pm*** ***Free Popcorn***	24 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for	25 **Christmas Day** **January 1, 2022**
26 *Clubroom Closed*	27 *Clubroom Closed*	28 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***SAL Membership Meeting 7 pm***	29 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* Make your own Taco Night	30 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Movie at 7:30 pm*** ***Free Popcorn***		

November 10, 2021—U. S. Marine Corp Birthday

BIRTH OF THE UNITED STATES MARINES:
The legacy of the United States Marine Corps was born on November 10, 1775, when Congress commissioned Robert Mullan, the proprietor of Tun Tavern, located on Philadelphia's historic waterfront to raise the first two battalions of Marines, under the leadership of Samuel Nicholas, the first appointed Commandant of the Continental Marines. The U.S. Marines have been the first branch of the armed forces to serve in every war since that day, and have mounted over 300 assaults on foreign shores, from the arctic to the tropics.

The Marine Corps adopted Semper Fidelis as its official motto in 1883 (Semper Fidelis is also the title of the official musical March of the Marine Corps). Translated from Latin, Semper Fidelis means "Always Faithful." U.S. Marines use an abbreviated verbal version, "Semper Fi," to voice loyalty and commitment to their Marine comrades-in-arms.