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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!

Saturday, January 1, 2022
Happy New Year!

Sunday, January 16, 2022
Post 143 hosting Auxiliary informational training by 18th District president Alice Jackson at 1pm

Monday, January 14, 2022

Monday, February 14, 2022

IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS COMING UP:

January 4, 2022
Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm
Post Executive Board

January 18, 2022
Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm

January 25, 2022
SAL Membership Meeting 7pm

February 1, 2022
Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm
Post Executive Board

February 15, 2022
Auxiliary Executive Board Meeting 7pm

February 22, 2022
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,

It's hard to believe that it's already January 2022. At times I wonder where the time is going and at other times I wonder when some things will ever end. In any case, here we are. Winter has set in and at least this year we are not confined to the pavilion. Our club room is open, and we'd love to see you come down and enjoy a cold one or just stop in to chat.

As a reminder, our meetings are the first Tuesday of every month; and of course, we'd love to see you there as well. We have several activities just around the corner and can always use some help planning those out.

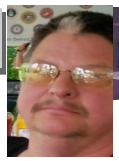
If you haven't already, here's another gentle reminder to pay your dues for the year. There are a number of ways to take care of that. If you are so inclined, you can easily renew online through the web site, and we will mail you your card. Of course, you can always mail in a check or stop down to the club room and pay in cash.

In closing, I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and is geared up to have a happy and safe new year. As we go though these often dreary winter months, reach out to your fellow Veterans just to check in and see how they are doing. In doing so, you may bring some joy into their day.

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



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

During the holiday season, the SAL donated to the Adopt-a-Family program at Selfridge Air Force base to help our service men and women.

Congratulations to Adam Blascak, Greg Inman, and Brayden Nikodemski who were all winners of the 2022 Early Bird Membership Registration drawing held last November. These gentlemen won pre-paid 2023 SAL memberships. It pays to submit your membership dues early. If you have not paid your 2022 membership dues then I encourage you to take the moment to do so today by remitting your dues (Only $25.00) to SAL Membership, 96 Churchill Rd, Auburn Hills 48326.

Please be safe, stay healthy throughout the year.

Steve Bliven
SAL Commander

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

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year!

On January 15th, the auxiliary is planning a FREE spaghetti dinner for ALL our members and their immediate families. If you would like to join in, please send a text or call me at 248-918-9130. We MUST have a number on how many attending by the 11th so we can make sure we have enough for all who wants to come. Hope to see a great turn out for this.

Also, on January 16th at 1pm our 18th District chairman Alice Jackson is having an informational training at our post hall. This is open to all and is a great way to learn more about what we do and why. Please RSVP for this, too, as we have snacks, etc. Hope to see many of you joining in.

So far, this year is going ok, but I would like to put a call out for HELP!!! I desperately need help on our membership (1st vice), and several other positions. I simply cannot do it all and really appreciate any HELP I do get but to have a great TEAM we need a few more key players/members. So, if you feel you would like to give back, contact me.

Please try to attend our monthly meetings on the first Tuesday every month at 7pm. We need your input, opinions, and creativity so we can do more things to help the veterans and community.

Thank You

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!

Everything in life is a story just waiting to be written.

M. G. Marsh

WORDS OF WISDOM

Impossible just means you haven't found a solution yet.

FunZumo,com

The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step.

Lao Tzu

When you change the ways you look at things, the things you look at change.

Wayne Dyer

Each day we are born again, what we do with today is what truly matters!

Dauntless Journey

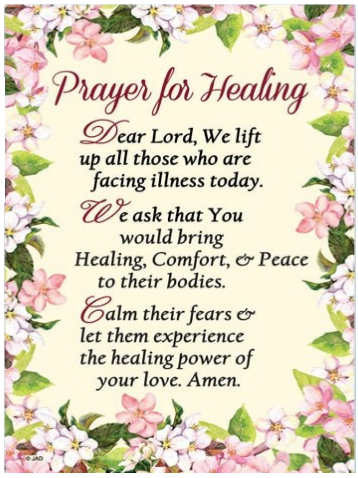
If you would like to include an article, comment, notice, or upcoming event in the newsletter, please send your request to *malpost143@yahoo.com*

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:

Hope everyone stays well!



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

January Birthdays

1st - Robert Hartbarger
2nd – Curtis B Carnes
5th – Trish Blascak
6th – Michael Giles
11th – Donna Harned
12th – Bill Davis
15th – James Jensen
16th – Glen Laursen
17th – Connie Hoadley
17th – Michele Riera
20th – Andrea Gubarieu
20th – Lori Schroader
21st – Al Blascak
24th - Robert Hill
28th – Cameron Tackett
30th – Archie Archambault
31st – John (Jack) Hunn

February Birthdays

4th – Steve Bliven
14th – Joe Ruiz
15th – Steven Wright
27th – Tammy Yennoir
29th – Robert Pearson (Leap Years)

Januiary Anniversaries

1/ 7/ 44 - Wallace & Eleanor Johnson
1/ 12/? – Sheila & Richard Fleishans
1/ 12/ 74 – Bob & Sandy Jones
1/19/90 – James &Sharon Jensen

February Anniversaries

2/14/? – Todd and Amy Wade
2/15/07 – Michael & Kathleen Modders
2/28/15 – John & Donna Stormzand

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***

January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 *Clubroom Closed*
2 *Clubroom Closed*	3 *Clubroom Closed*	4 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* *Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7pm*	5 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* Make your own Taco Night	6 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* *Movie at 7:30 pm* *Free Popcorn*	7 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* FRIDAY DINNER Call Clubroom for	8 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
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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!

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

No new updates/information at this time!

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!

February 2022

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