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UPCOMING EVENTS TO WATCH FOR

Please patronize local businesses advertised in your newsletter

Monday, September 5, 2022
Labor Day

Sunday, September 11, 2022
Patriot's day

Grandparent's day

Saturday, September 24, 2022
Annual Car Show 8am-3pm
Hosted by Optimist Club! and
After the Car Show Party 3-7p
See flyer on Pg 9

Monday, October 10, 2022
Columbus day

Saturday, October 15, 2022
Sweetest day

Saturday, October 29, 2022
Halloween Party Clubroom
6:30pm-? Prizes for scary costume, most original & more
Bring scary dish to share!
Karaoke at 8:30 pm

IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS COMING UP:

September 6, 2022
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Post & Auxiliary
Post Executive Board

September 20, 2022
September 20, 2022
Auxiliary Executive Board

September 27, 2022
September 27, 2022
SAL Membership

October 4, 2022
October 4, 2022
Post & Auxiliary
Post Executive Board

October 18, 2022
October 18, 2022
Auxiliary Executive Board

October 25, 2022
October 25, 2022
SAL Membership

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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

2022/2023 Post Officers

Commander	Greg Inman
Sr Vice	Patrick Irish
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,

Here we are at the end of summer already. Time sure passes quickly. As I'm sure you are aware, you now have the opportunity to pay your dues for the coming year. You have likely received a renewal notice from National. As always there are several options, you can stop by the clubroom and pay cash, send a check in with your renewal notice to the clubroom, or my favorite, pay online. All of these are perfectly fine options, and we will send you your new membership card in the mail. Thanks for continuing to support our organization and our mission. If you know others that might be eligible to join, please pass our information along so they can check us out.

We will resume our regular membership meetings the first Tuesday of every month beginning in September. Hope to see you there. We are always looking for our members to share their thoughts on how we might best serve our Veterans and the community. We welcome your feedback.

Our next event on the calendar is our second annual car show where we partner with the Auburn Hills Optimist club and host their event. Look for additional information in this newsletter about that event. If you would like to come out and support, we'd love any additional help for this fund raiser.

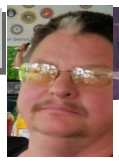
Stay tuned for additional events this fall around the club room or pavilion; and if you have ideas on how we can come together, please let us know.

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 the school year and the fall season begins, I hope all the SAL members had a safe, relaxing and healthy summer with your family and friends.

It's that time of year again, the 2023 SAL membership cards are available, so please remit your 2023 dues to SAL Membership, 96 Churchill Rd, Auburn Hills, MI 48326 or pay in person at the clubroom. The dues are $25 SAL membership, $15 SAL under 21 years and $12 Dual Post members. All SAL members who remit their 2023 dues by November 1 will be entered into the Early Bird Drawing. Three members' names will be drawn and will receive their 2024 SAL membership for free. Please remit your dues early to give yourself a chance to win.

The SAL Officers and I 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 143 events.

Steve Bliven
SAL Commander

2022/2023 SAL Officers

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

WELCOME NEW SAL MEMBERS!

Auxiliary President Update – Kelly Vondra

Tuesday, September 6, 2022, is our first meeting of the 2022-2023 membership calendar year. Come join us as we drape our charter and say a prayer for our dearly departed and one of our longest Auxiliary member, Gloria Norris. After that, we have a lot to plan and discuss for the upcoming calendar year; i.e., Christmas parties, Adopt a Family, Veterans Shelter needs, fundraisers, kitchen needs, car show, Family night, etc.

Hope to see many of you there as we need more participants and helpers. Also, don't forget to pay your dues for the 2003 year, the link is online on your account now to pay at ***alaforveterans.org.*** If you pay before November 11th , you will get an early bird sticker on your card and be put in our annual drawing for a free membership the following year.

Kelly

2022/2023 Auxiliary Officers

President	Kelly Vondra
1st Vice	open
2nd Vice	open
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!

You are perfect because of your Imperfections

Words of Wisdom for kids

WORDS OF WISDOM

A smile is a free way to brighten someone's day!

Words of Wisdom for kids

I do not think much of a man who is not wiser today than he was yesterday

Abraham Lincoln

A loving heart is the truest wisdom

Charles Dickens

Happiness comes when your work and words are of benefit to yourself and others

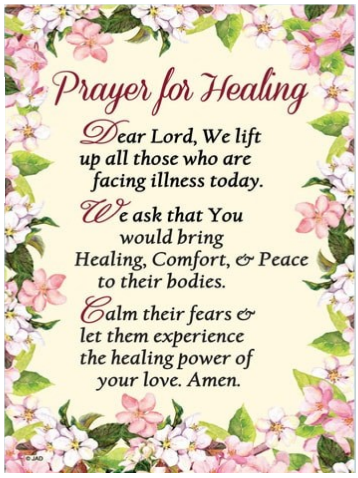
Buddha

Chaplain's Corner—Connie Wright

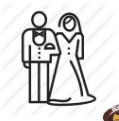
PRAYERS REQUESTED for good health for all of our Post, SAL, and Auxiliary Members!
Prayers requested for families of:

Gloria Norris passed August 16, 2022

Kelly Vondra quit smoking over one year now!



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

September Birthdays

1st – Dawn Modders
9th – Lisa Green
13th – Mike Hilborn
23rd – Laura Cubba
25th – Greg Inman
25th – Leonard Kosnik
27th – Emily Sharick
28th – Robert F. Miller
30th – Beth Green

October Birthdays

1st – Ronald Moniz
2nd – Danielle Vondra
4th – Twanisha Potter
5th – Bob Schmaltz
6th – Lisa Inman
10th – Paul Monarch
12th – Robert Roush
18th – Michelle Pate
25th - Leonard Kyllonen
26th – Mike Moss
28th – Phil Harrison
30th – Glenda Windels

September Anniversaries

9/16/83 – Ray & Elvy Flum
9/21/19 – Tricia & Joe Ruiz
9/24/83 – Mike & Lisa Green
9/27/? – Bill & Mary Ann Davis
9/30/96 – Bob & Marie Hill

October Anniversaries

10/ 7/ 72 – Joe & Gerri Lafnear
10/ 8/70 – Curtis & wife
10/ 11/ 68 – Diana & Bob Matthes
10/ 17/ 93 – Bob & Barb Miller
10/ 22/ 88 – Dan & Mary Becker

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*

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

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Movie at 7:30 pm*** ***Free Popcorn*** 	2 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* *Call Clubroom for meal option*	3 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
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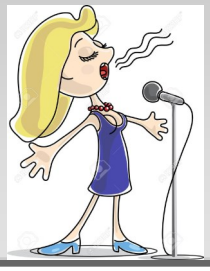
Bar Chairman Update—Steve Bliven

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!

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. BALDWIN SPINET PIANO now in clubroom

Clubroom meals

Meals will be posted on my (Steve Bliven) Facebook page & Legion Facebook page for Friday dinners. Be sure to watch each week for updates!

House Chairman Update—Steve Bliven

We now have a beautiful donation of a Baldwin spinet piano in the Clubroom. It was picked up by our own members and placed in clubroom. On our taco Wednesdays, we will have a sing-along with Mary Spicer playing the piano accompanied by a friend playing guitar. Come and enjoy the music with us and good times!

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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30 *Clubroom Closed*	31 *Clubroom Closed* ***Happy Halloween***					

Be sure to visit the Post trails behind the Pavilion and enjoy a beautiful walk through the woods

EVENING BONFIRES – CALL CLUBROOM FOR DETAILS. COME JOIN FELLOW MEMBERS FOR AN EVENING OF FUN!

TRIBUTE

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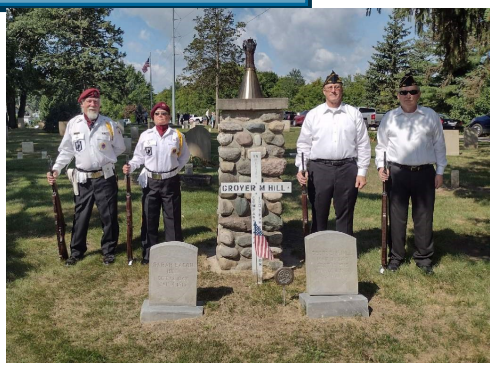
One of our oldest members