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UPCOMING EVENTS TO WATCH FOR

Please patronize local businesses advertised in your newsletter

Sunday, March 12, 2023
Daylight Savings Time change

Monday, March 20, 2023
First day of spring

Friday, March-3-31, 2023
(see flyer Pg 8)

Friday, April 21, 2023
Polish Dinner hosted by Trish &n Al at Post1

Sunday, April 23, 2023
SAL Annua Bowling Fundaiser at Cloverlanes, 5:30pm (see Pg 9)

Tuesday, April 25, 2023
SAL Nominations & Election of officers for 2023-2024

IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS COMING UP:

March 7, 2023
Post & Auxiliary
Post Executive Board

Maech 21, 2023
Auxiliary Executive Board

March 28, 2023
SAL Membership

April 4, 2023
Post & Auxiliary
Post Executive Board

April 18, 2023
Auxiliary Executive Board

April 25, 2023
SAL Membership
Officer Nominations & Elections

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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,

Welcome to Michigan! Ice and snow one day and sunny and 45 or 50 the next. I guess that's what it's like here in February. If you are looking to get out of the house and enjoy some company, we'd love to have you stop by the clubroom and enjoy a beverage or two.

Also, for the month of March, we will have a fish fry every Friday. Don't forget to check out the calendar at the back of this newsletter for additional things happening around the Post. SAL is hosting a family fun event at the bowling alley in April. Recommend you check it out.

Looking further ahead, be sure and mark your calendar for our annual Memorial Day parade in May. That promises to be even better this year. We love to have your support in any way you are able. Contact Mike Green for additional information.

A gentle reminder if you haven't already paid your dues, please do so. We would love to exceed our membership goals this year with new and returning members. If we hit 100% of goal, we get our District dues refunded. Let's at least shoot for that goal. If you know anyone eligible for membership, please invite them down to check us out.

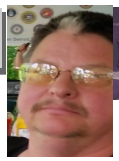
Stay tuned for additional events this spring around the club room; and if you have ideas on how we can get together, please let us know.

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

SAL Commander Update – Steve Bliven



The long-awaited SAL Bowling Fundraiser is back!!! The Family Fun event is scheduled for Sunday, April 23, at 6pm at Classic Lanes located at M-59 & Crooks Rd. The price is $25.00 per bowler which includes three hours of bowling, shoes, pizza, and soda. For non-bowlers the price is $10.00 for pizza and soda. Basket Raffles, 50/50, and more will round out the evening. Please bring your family, friends, neighbors, etc. as all are welcome to participate. This fundraiser serves as the major event which ensures the SAL's ability to continue with its mission of service to aid local veterans' needs.

If you have not paid your 2023 membership dues, I encourage you to take a moment to do so today by remitting your dues (only $25.00) to *SAL Membership, 96 Churchill Rd, Auburn Hills 48326.* It's time to share the Post fun with your friends to enrich your experiences, so sponsor them as well.

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 SAL meeting held on April 25 when the elections will be conducted. The new officers are inducted during the May 23 SAL meeting as their term is from June 1, 2023, through May 31, 2024.

See you at the Bowling Fundraiser on April 23.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

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

I will say ditto to the National News Quote of the Month:

"As ALA members, it's the absolute least we can do to always try to support military service members who are protecting our country, some of whom have come back home and others who have died for our country." Jackie Brauser, Wisconsin

I fully agree and hope we all take the time to honor those. Hope more can help and join with us in giving back. None of it is possible without the help of our awesome members. Get involved, we meet every 1st Tuesday of each month (except July and August) at 7pm.

We Need You. The veterans need you. Please join us making the world a little better.

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

WELCOME NEW 2021 AUXILIARY MEMBERS!

It's not about being the best, It's about being better than yesterday

dailyfunnyquote.com

WORDS OF WISDOM

Be kind to unkind people, they need it the most!

Sherri Renne

Do not be wise in words—be wise in deeds

Marcus Aurelius

Adopting the right attitude can convert a negative stress into a positive one!

Hans Selye

Don't follow your dreams, chase them!

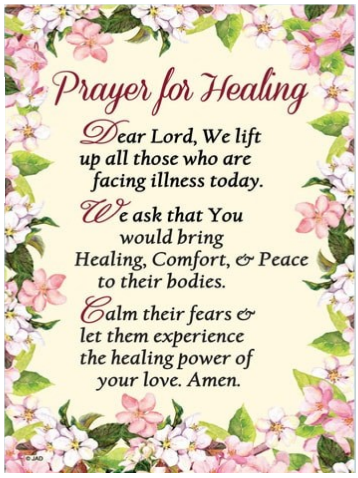
your positiveoasis.com

Chaplain's Corner—Connie Wright

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

Joe Lafnear had back surgery January 16.

Bob Ross died February 5, 2023



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

Oops, missed birthday
2nd – Theresa Monarch

March
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
13th – Gerri Lafnear
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/ 9/ 68 – Pat & Ken Boback
3/ 11/ 72 – Sandra & Terry Frisch
3/ 30/ 93 – Joyce & Al Teryek

April Anniversaries
4/?/1973 – Mike & Asalei Giles
4/ 13/ 84 – Jim & Beulah Wiles
4/ 21/ 86 – Ron & Connie Hoadley
4/ 27/ 85 – Ken & Brenda Hebel

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***

March 2023

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* ***Fish fry theu 3/31*** ***(see flyer Pg 8)***	4 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
5 *Clubroom Closed*	6 *Clubroom Closed*	7 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Post & Auxiliary*** ***Post Executive Board*** ***Meeting 7 pm***	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* ***Fish fry theu 3/31*** ***(see flyer Pg 8)***	11 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
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19 *Clubroom Closed*	20 *Clubroom Closed* ***First day of Spring!*** 	21 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm* ***Auxiliary Executive Board*** ***Meeting 7 pm***	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* ***Fish fry theu 3/31*** ***(see flyer Pg 8)***	25 *Clubroom Opens 5 pm*
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Call Clubroom for news of KARAOKE NIGHTS!

Bar Chairman Update—Steve Bliven

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 Facebook page (Steve Bliven) & Legion Facebook page for Friday dinners. Be sure to watch each week for updates!

House Chairman Update—Steve Bliven

The clubroom is getting a new addition at the bar. A black Coke Cola cooler which I'm donating personally.. It will hold all the bottled beverages.

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!

April 23
(see Pg 9)

April 2023

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American Legion Post #143 Clubroom

FRIDAY

FISH FRY

2 PIECES OF COD, FRENCH FRIES, COLESLAW, ROLLS & DESSERT

Only $10.00 per plate

Additional fish available for $2 per piece

Friday, February 24th

SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 10, 17, 24, 3

96 Churchill Road | Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 143 Auburn Hills, MI

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

BOWLING FUNDRAISER

Arrive at 5:30 PM - Bowl from 6 PM to 9 PM

Enjoy Three Hours of Bowling, Shoes, Pizza and Soda

Door Prizes | Raffles

Sunday April 23, 2023

6:00 PM | Classic Lanes

$25/Guest | $10/Non-Bowler (Pizza & Pop Included)

2145 Avon Industrial Dr. (M59 at Crooks Rd.) Rochester Hills, M

248-852-9100 • www.myclassiclanes.com

REGISTER TO ATTEND

Steve Bliven | 248-852-4880

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