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Commanders' Corner

Commander Kim Lambouris

"We the members of Campbell-Richmond Post 63 share a common bond and a responsibility as former/active members of the United States Military. We provide programs to support a strong national security; provide for the care of veterans and their families; mentor youth; and promote patriotism and honor."

Recently some of our Legionnaires and S.A.L. members went out to visit some members who are homebound or just don't get out much. Everyone really enjoyed the visits and suggested this get done on a regular basis, perhaps monthly. So, I will be looking for volunteers for a new committee called the ***Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Committee*** (VA&R Committee). At least once a month volunteers will go out and visit our members or veterans in the area that can't get out. Just visit with them to chat, play cards, take them care packages and let them know they are not forgotten. Anyone in the post can be on this committee, if you're interested email or text me. If you know of a veteran or post member who needs some attention, contact me and provide me their information so we can set-up a visit. We'll schedule a meeting in January to get this going.

A Code of Conduct Committee was convened during the summer to create a Code of Conduct applicable to the Clubroom. They completed that task and I have attached what they submitted which was passed in the Executive Board Committee Meeting. Please look it over so we can vote on it at the next Legionnaires Membership Meeting.

The Lights Parade in Clarkston is December 8th. Color Guard members wishing to participate should meet at the Post at 5:00 p.m. for departure by 5:15 p.m. UNIFORM: Legion and S.A.L. members will be your blue nylon Legion jackets, Legion/S.A.L. hats, yellow ascots and solid gold colored braids with dark colored gloves and shoes/boots. Dark colored ear muffs may also be worn. Auxiliary members will wear pea-coats with hats if you have them – hats are available – contact Don Carter. DRIVERS NEEDED to get the marchers to and from the parade route! PARADE STARTS 6:00 p.m. Questions? Call: Don Carter (248) 563-2043.

The Army/Navy game is December 8th in the clubroom the game starts at 3 p.m.

We will be hosting an "Oratorical Contest" on January 28th in the hall starting at 6:30 p.m.

Our new jukebox is now fully up and running. There are several open slots for CDs if you want to provide one or suggest a personalized music list Dean Lambouris can make a CD. Music suggestions can be emailed to Dean at post63newsletter@comcast.net. While the jukebox looks different than the old one it operates exactly the same way. Thanks to Jay Valls, Dean Lambouris and Don Carter for their work in getting it up and running!

The Wild Game Dinner is February 9th from 5 p.m.— 9 p.m. Tickets are $25.00 for adults and $8 for children 12 and under. Tickets are available in the clubroom or contact me by email at klambo2@comcast.net or call/text at 248-910-6769.

Dwaine McCutcheon has stepped up to the plate to take on the responsibility of catering our luncheon/dinners. He is now doing our catering and just awesome at it, THANKS DWAINE!!

I look forward to seeing everyone over the next couple of months. As always if you have any questions call me at 248-910-6769 or email me at klambo2@comcast.net.

- Kim Lambouris, Commander
klambo2@comcast.net

S.A.L. Commanders' Corner

S.A.L. Commander Jim Battishill

Once again the Sons will be hosting all Veterans for the Army / Navy game on Dec. 8th. Wayne and friends will be making his famous SOS along with other favorites. Food will be served at 1pm followed by the game at 3:00 pm. All Veterans receive a free drink and a chance at a door prize. The Clarkston Christmas parade is scheduled for Dec. 8th at 6:00 pm if you are interested in marching or viewing.

Also it is time to get your dues into Brian York by the end of Dec. so your membership does not laps.

- Jim Battishill, S.A.L. Commander
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CLUB ROOM
CODE of CONDUCT

BARTENDER ON DUTY has control of the CLUB ROOM in accordance with MLCC regulations and the
CODE OF CONDUCT. Bartender has the AUTHORITY to enforce and the RESPONSIBILITY to report violations to the Club Room Manager or Commander.

VIOLATION of the CODE OF CONDUCT
may result in
Disciplinary action by the Executive Committee

CONDUCT unbecoming a Member or guest includes, but is not limited to the following:

- *Leaving the property with Club served alcohol*
- *Bringing alcohol to the Club Room*
- *Abusive or threatening language*
- *Abusive or threatening behavior*
- *Harm, theft, destruction of Club Room property*
- *Anyone behind the bar without authorization*

Our Club Room is for Members and guests to relax, socialize, build and maintain friendships in an environment that must be safe and respectful.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 63

From The Auxiliary President

Winter greetings to you all!

I hope this finds everyone in the midst of enjoying some holiday cheer! As always, the ladies have been busy helping our veterans and we have fundraisers coming up to earn the money to do more in 2019!

MEETING CHANGE: OUR FEBRUARY MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 2/5 at 7pm.

Mark your calendars and watch for more information about these upcoming events!
THINGS WE ARE GETTING READY FOR:

- 2/23/19 - Comedy Night, $10 tickets
- 5/4/19 - Dance
- Donations for Homeless Veterans (January/February)
- Girls State Interviews (March Mtg.)
- Spring Break Camp Packing Party for Students (April)
- District President visit

FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY:
Delicious Pecans are for sale, $10 per bag - see Deanna Perysian to purchase. Get your booze basket tickets in the club room, winner to be drawn during the Club room Christmas Party on 12/21!

In November we.....
...donated $840 to the National League of Families, from our Yellow Ribbon Campaign supporting POW/MIA's.
... adopted a Veteran Family for Christmas and provided $500 for gifts and clothing and $500 for utility payments.
... held our Troop Packing Party and successfully shipped 44 boxes out to North Africa, where a Clarkston resident and solider is stationed with his platoon! We wish them a very Happy Christmas season and hope a little love from Michigan was felt halfway across the world!

Thank you for your support of our community veterans, I look forward to a long list of accomplishments for 2019!

Peace,
Amy Laboissonniere
- *President Unit 63 Auxiliary*
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DECEMBER 2019

JANUARY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	Jan 1 Flying Rhinos Meet	2 7pm Legion Member 8pm IVHHA Meeting	3 6:30pm shuffleboard	4	5
6	7 Cub Scout Pack M	8 7pm Aux. Meeting	9	10 6:30pm shuffleboard	11	12
13	14 7pm SAL Meeting	15	16 7pm E-Board Meetin	17 6:30pm shuffleboard	18	19 Coin Show
20	21 FOP	22	23	24 6:30pm shuffleboard	25	26
27 1pm Flaming Pistons 2pm Club Hall Renta	28 6:30pm Oratorical C	29	30	31 6:30pm shuffleboard	Feb 1	2 Cub Scout Blue & G

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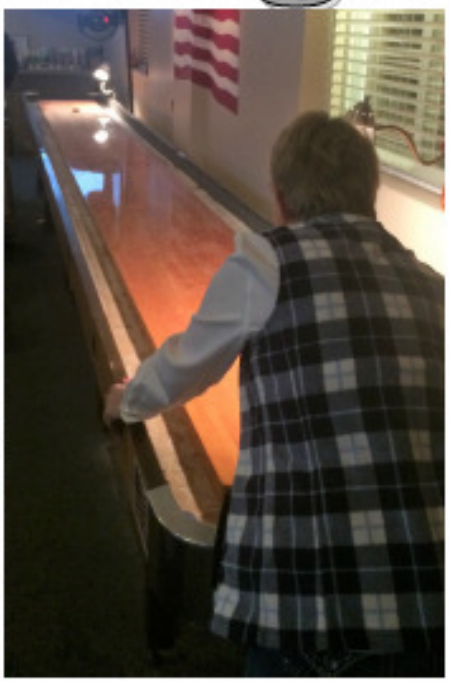

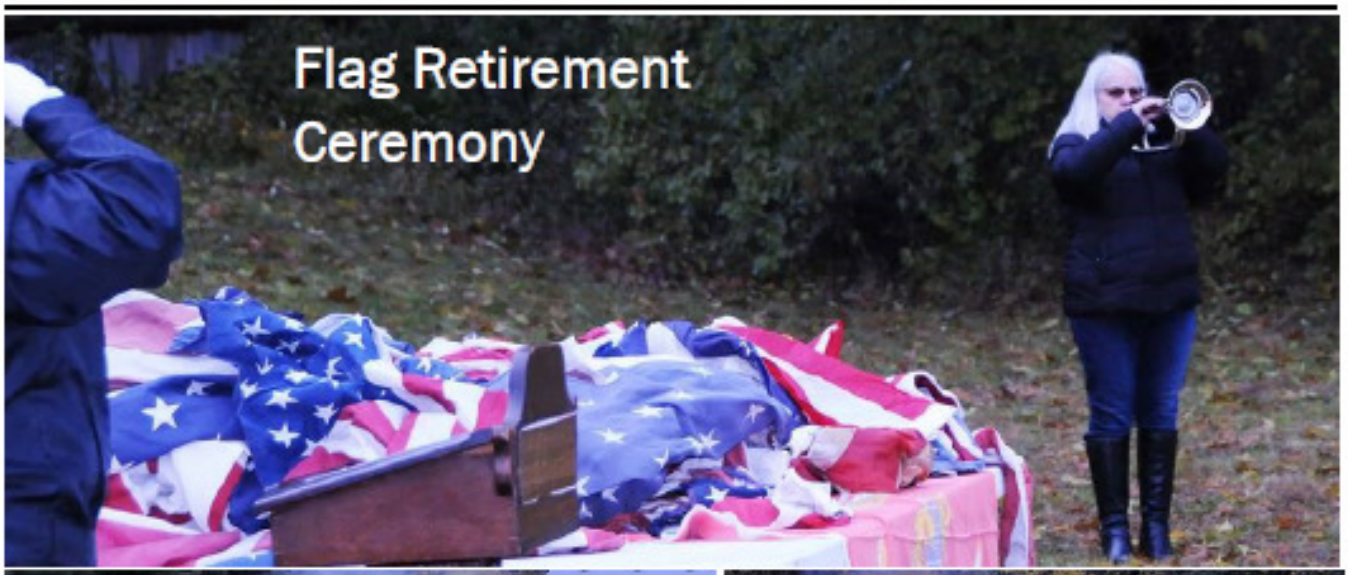

Oldest surviving veteran of Pearl Harbor dies at 106

By Frank Miles

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In this Dec. 5, 2016, photo, Ray Chavez, a Pearl Harbor survivor from Poway, California, pauses while eating breakfast in Honolulu. Chavez was out on a minesweeper, the Condor, before the attack. Chavez is among a few dozen survivors of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor who planned to gather at the Hawaii naval base two days later to remember those killed 75 years earlier. (AP Photo/Audrey McAvoy)

Ray Chavez, the oldest surviving veteran of Pearl Harbor, died Wednesday in California at the age of 106.

"Ray was the epitome of the greatest generation," said Richard Rovsek, a trustee of the nonprofit Spirit of Liberty Foundation in Rancho Santa Fe, The San Diego Union-Tribune reported. "He was always proud to be an American and proud of the military."

Kathleen Chavez, who had been her father's live-in caregiver for more than 20 years, said Ray who'd been in hospice care, asked to be buried at Miramar National Cemetery in San Diego.

He was born in San Bernardino in 1911 and grew up in San Diego's Old Town and Logan Heights communities; his large family ran a wholesale flower business, the news outlet said.

At 27, in 1938, he joined the Navy and was stationed with the minesweeper Condor at Pearl Harbor. On Dec. 7, 1941, he was a seaman first class; after the attack, he spent the next nine days on continuous duty in and around Pearl Harbor, the paper said.

He once said the horrors he saw at Pearl Harbor left deep trauma.

His daughter, who was adopted in a San Diego orphanage in 1957, added that "he never saw himself as any different from the other men he served with. He'd always say, 'I'm no hero. I just did my job.'"

She told The Union-Tribune her father was the child of Mexican immigrants, and although he experienced racism and discrimination in childhood and in the Navy, he remained a proud American.

Chavez, who loved nonfiction books and was into travel, spent 30 years as a groundskeeper at the University of California, San Diego, and then ran his own landscaping and grounds keeping business in the Poway area until he retired at 96.

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