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Fall Fundraiser

Commanders' Corner

Commander Keith Marbutt:

It has been a sad few weeks at our Post where we have lost several our long term members.

Maxium Morrow and David Buesching were Legion members, John Marbutt (Uni and my son) was a dual member of our Legion and SAL, and Norma Ortman was an Auxiliary member. Uni, Kit and I would like to say thank you to everyone for the prayers, sympathies, support, and contributions. It has all been so very important to us. We would also like to extend our heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of all of these members. They will be greatly missed.

Ann Germic volunteered to chair our Yellow Ribbon campaign this year and we raised $361. Our Squadron 63 SAL added an additional $400 and we will present a check to the National League of POW/MIA Families in December for $761.

The American Legion Post 63 Coin Show Fundraiser was a great success. We had 28 people attend the Free Coin Appraisal Night and including the money made from the coin raffles, we raised a total of $755. The Ladies Auxiliary raised an additional $215 for providing the lunches.

It's not too early to start thinking about our post elections that will be held in May 2017. If you have any interest in running for an office, be sure to attend the meetings and stay in tune to the things that we are involved. At this time, I do not plan to seek an additional term as Commander. I would like to see us get other qualified members involved that can bring in new energy and ideas.

We have an electric hospital bed and a hydraulic patient lift available for anyone that needs them. We also have bedside potty, shower chairs, wheelchairs, crutches and walkers. For information call me our Service officer Kim Lambouris at 248 910-6769.

If you have suggestions or ideas on how to improve our Post, or of event/fundraising ideas, please send them to me via email, kmarbutt@comcast.net, or call me at 248 425-4410. I look forward to seeing you at the Legion, Post 63.

- Keith Marbutt, Commander
  kmarbutt@comcast.net

1st Vice Commander T J Phipps:

Many of you have sent in your renewals getting you're membership card before the dues are raised on Jan. 1st. We are at about 60% membership and re-ups are slowing down so please send in your renewals if you haven't already. **Dues will automatically go up to $45.00 on Jan. 1st**. Please make sure to send them to the Post and not Lansing, your renewal notice indicates where to send it. Thanks again and have a great Christmas.

- T J Phipps, 1st Vice Commander
  tjphipps@hotmail.com

2nd Vice Commander / Service Officer Kim Lambouris:

Merry Christmas!! The Holidays are here and in full swing with lots of fun things going on at the post! With so many things going on we decided to combine the birthday party with the Christmas party (White Elephant) December 17, 2016 with a potluck dinner that will start at 6:30 pm. If you want to participate in the White Elephant bring a gift of $15.00 or more in value. Re-gifting or gently used items are OK if item is like new. Please bring something you would like to receive, no broken or unusable items. January…The first birthday party of 2017 is January 13th at 7:00 pm in the clubroom. We will be having an "Ugly Sweater Contest". So, pull out those hideous sweaters that you are not allowed to wear in public and see if you can win something for it! We will have soup, salad, sandwiches and don't forget birthday cake! If you'd like to bring a dish to pass that would be great. January 17, 2017 we will have a Red Cross Blood Drive. Come out, donate blood and help save a life. Send me a list of music you would like to hear in the Jukebox and we will get it in there! I can be reached via email at kmlambou@oaklandcc.edu or 248-910-6769 (phone and text). You can even drop a note off in my mailbox at the Post.

- Kim Lambouris, 2nd Vice Commander / Service Officer
  kmlambou@oaklandcc.edu

From The Auxiliary President

Snow has fallen and many of our "Snow-Birds" have already flown down to Florida…I guess it is safe to say that winter is officially here at Post 63. With that in mind, make sure you put down the Legion's Christmas Party on your calendar. It will be a fun night filled with friends, food, and stealing gifts! The date is Sat, Dec 17th and the fun starts at 6 PM. Bring a dish to pass and a gift (like one that you would like to receive), if you would like to participate.

Need a great Christmas gift idea? Our Auxiliary is selling Mascot Chocolate Covered Pecans. These fine candies are $10.00 a bag & sell out quickly! They come in caramel clusters, milk & dark chocolate. See Deanna Perysian to get yours! (Thanks Deanna for chairing this fundraiser yet again!!!).

Do you collect coins??? On Sat. Jan 21, 2017 there will be another great Clarkston Coin Show in our Legion's Hall. Doors open at 9:00 AM & our Auxiliary will be selling lunch & desserts again. We need a few crock pots of Chili, Chicken noodle soup, crackers, sandwich makings, chips, pop, water &, desserts. Volunteers are also needed to work the kitchen.

Another fun night that our Post is already getting ready for is our Wild Game Dinner on February 18. Again, I am asking our Auxiliary Members to donate items for a "Hunting Widow's Basket". Items needed are gift cards, spa items, rice bag, nail polish, manicure items, candles, candle holder, books, throws, liquor, wine, wine glasses, gourmet coffee, teas, cocoa, candy, DVDs, CDs…etc. Items can be dropped off in the Club Room when open.

Our Auxiliary meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 PM...Please attend if you can!

As most of you know, this past summer and fall has been a very difficult time for my family and I. Thank you all for your prayers, kind thoughts, words of advice, cards and support. Our Legion Family helped us get through it. Our son, SGT John K. Marbutt is now stationed in Heaven, watching over us all.

Uni Marbutt
President Unit 63 Auxiliary
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December 2016 ►►► EVENT CALENDAR ◄◄◄ January 2017

Thursday night Shuffleboard has resumed at 7pm / Check-In at 6:30pm!!

- Wednesday, December 7 - Pearl Harbor Day
- Wednesday, December 7 - General Membership Meeting 7pm
- Thursday, December 8 - Redwood Christmas Party
- Friday, December 9 - Celebration of Life for Rick Allen 1pm
- Saturday, December 10 - Army/Navy Game Brunch 11am
- Saturday, December 10 - SAL Army/Navy Game Day 2-6pm
- Saturday, December 10 - Holiday Lights Parade 5-10pm
- Monday, December 12 - SAL Meeting
- Tuesday, December 13 - Auxiliary Meeting
- Saturday, December 17 - Legion Christmas Party 6:30pm
- Saturday, December 17 - Wreaths Across America 11am-2pm
- Wednesday, December 21 - Executive Board Meeting 7pm
- Saturday, December 24 - CLUB ROOM CLOSED
- Sunday, December 25 - CLUB ROOM CLOSED
- Saturday, December 31 - Club Room Open til 8pm
- Sunday, January 1 - CLUB ROOM CLOSED
- Wednesday, January 4 - General Membership Meeting 7pm
- Wednesday, January 4 - IVHMA Meeting 8pm
- Monday, January 9 - SAL Meeting 7pm
- Tuesday, January 10 - Auxiliary Meeting 7pm
- Friday, January 13 - Post Birthday 7pm
- Tuesday, January 17 - Red Cross Blood Drive
- Wednesday, January 18 - Executive Board Meeting 7pm
- Friday, January 20 - SDCS Coin Show Setup
- Saturday, January 21 - SDCS Coin Show

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