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Commanders' Corner

Commander Kim Lambouris

Fall is here and everyone is getting busy. Unfortunately, the Fall Raffle has been cancelled due to lack of ticket sales and participation. We will have to discuss what type of fundraiser for next fall. October 6, 2018 we will have Headstone Cleaning at Great Lake National Cemetery at 9:45 am. Meet at the Post at 9:15 am and we can go together or you can go to the cemetery and meet by the sign-up tents. The sign-up sheet is in the clubroom or you can email me at klambo2@comcast.net and I will get your name on the list. You can also call me at (248) 910-6769 or simply call the clubroom during business hours and they will put your name on the sign-up sheet. We're having a Halloween Party in the clubroom on 10/26/18 at 6 pm to ? There'll be prizes for the best costume plus and there'll be plenty of food. Come on out for a Goulish Good Time!!! The Commanders Tour will be at 7 am at the post with a breakfast being made by the Auxiliary. The commanders will leave by 8 am to go to their next stop. Everyone come on out to meet our new Department and District Commanders. Also, our S.A.L. will receive their award from S.A.L. Dept. or District Commander for ***"In Appreciation of your Support of American Legion Programs in Children and Youth"***. If you have a uniform please wear it, even if you don't please come and support the post, have breakfast, and congratulate the best S.A.L. members in the state! November starts out with a Flag Retirement Ceremony Pancake Breakfast for $3.00 donation all you can eat on Nov. 3rd from 8:00 am - 9:15 am. The money for this breakfast will go to our cub scout pack for their programs this year. The Flag Retirement Ceremony will begin at 9:30 am out at the fire pit. We will need 3 volunteers to help with cooking breakfast. I will put a sign-up sheet in the clubroom. Veterans Day Ceremony and Dinner is Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 5:00 pm. 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.

- Kim Lambouris, Commander
klambo2@comcast.net

Commanders' Corner

Service Officer Gerald Grzywinski

Hello everyone,

Well we can see that fall is on its way and soon (brrr) winter will soon be upon us. Our post is always looking to support veterans and families all year long, but it gets extremely critical during the cold months and holidays that help seems to be most needed.

Our post so far have assisted in 2018 over 12 Veterans or families this year, with financial support from our coalition of Post 63 memberships almost $4000.00 all of these funds come from our post events including: poppy sales, fund raisers, post events, SAL events, Woman's Auxiliary events, and donations from individuals.

It is always very important to keep in our minds that we are a post that supports our veterans first and foremost. This is our primary purpose , also our community activities are very important and in the best interest to the American Legion locally, state and National.

I'm requesting that if you or anyone you might know has a need for help, please contact me or any of the post officers, we can determine as soon as possible if there is any assistance we can give them, even if they are not a veteran, we can maybe direct them to some group that can help them.

Regards: and thanking you all for your continuing support to our post.

- Jerry Grzywinski , Service Officer
jerryg48348@yahoo.com

S.A.L. Commander Jim Battishill

Greetings,

With summer now behind us and fall in the air it's time to get your membership dues paid for 2019. First meeting went well and new officers were sworn in. Come out and join in the fun as shuffle board will start Thursday the 27th and continue thru the winter. The Army Navy game will be Dec 9th and we invite all the Veterans to come out and enjoy some of your old favorites to eat before the game. We also donated to the Wild Game Dinner that will be on February 9th, 2019.

Please come and join us for the next meeting on Oct. 8th.

- Jim Battishill, S.A.L. Commander
Jbattishil@aol.com

Greetings Ladies and Happy Fall!

We had very productive September meeting and I'm excited to share all the things we have going on!

WE ARE COLLECTING ITEMS TO SEND TO SYRIA - a member's son is stationed there and we're packing up items to show our support! Here's how you can help: collect items to be sent and urge your friends and family to do the same. Bring your items to the Legion before Tuesday, 11/13. We will also accept money and will do shopping but we need all Cash/Check donations by Friday, 11/9!. We organize and set up the hall on Tuesday night 11/13 at 6pm and on Wednesday night 11/14 at 6pm we have our packing party! Please join us!

We are collecting donations for the National League of POW/MIA Families during our Yellow Ribbon Campaign! From 9/21 through 11/11 you can donate and display a yellow ribbon to show your support!

Let us know if you need those yummy pecans - we'll be placing our annual order soon!

We're cooking breakfast for the Commanders Tour on 10/28, help us by coming out at 6:30 am that morning to set up or help us cook! We'll be done by 9am! Please take this opportunity to come out and meet the current officers from our District.

We are planning an evening of fun, free and patriotic minded activities for students to participate in as an alternative to Spring Break Trips. Bring your great ideas to our next meeting! We're also preparing for a season of giving, if you know of a local family that is struggling and could use some help, please let me know!

Please see the full Post lineup of fun and important activities going on!

Amy Laboissonniere
- *President Unit 63 Auxiliary*
adtdsb@gmail.com

GREAT LAKES NATIONAL CEMETERY ADVISORY COUNCIL

FALL HEADSTONE CLEANING

TO HONOR AND REMEMBER

When: Saturday, October 6, 2018

Where: Great Lakes National Cemetery
4200 Belford Rd, Holly MI 48442

Registration: 09:45 am

Instructions: 10:15 am

What To Bring: 5 Gallon Bucket, Soft Scrub Brush

**Sections will be assigned at the time of registration. If you have a loved one or friend resting at Great Lakes National Cemetery and would like to be assigned to their section, please let us know. We will do our best to accommodate you.
**There will be coffee and hot chocolate to keep you warm in the morning, and hot dogs, chips, and drink to refresh you when you are finished.

** Teri Johnson (810)338-7703 for additional information.
Pre-registration: greatlakesnationalcemeteryac@gmail.com

VETERANS...

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Wednesday, October 24, 2018

American Legion Post #63

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Dear Sons of the American Legion Squadron #63,

Thank you for participating in the **2018 Veterans Celebration during Independence Fest!** Your support helped make this year's celebration and honor ceremony one of the best yet for our area Veterans. Your sponsorship reflects your dedication and loyalty to our community and is appreciated immensely.

The day would not have been a success without your support. It certainly set the scene for a fabulous day of celebration and appreciation. Individuals and organizations like you make a genuine commitment to make the Clarkston area a better place to work, live and play! Please enjoy just a few pictures of events of the day and check out our Facebook page for the complete catalog of pictures!

Thank you again for your sponsorship, we are already looking forward to next year and hope that we can work with you again!

Sincerely,

Amy Laboissonniere
Community Relations Coordinator
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OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	Oct 1 Cub Scouts	2	3 7pm Legion Member 8pm IVMHA Meeting	4	5	6 9:30am Headstone C
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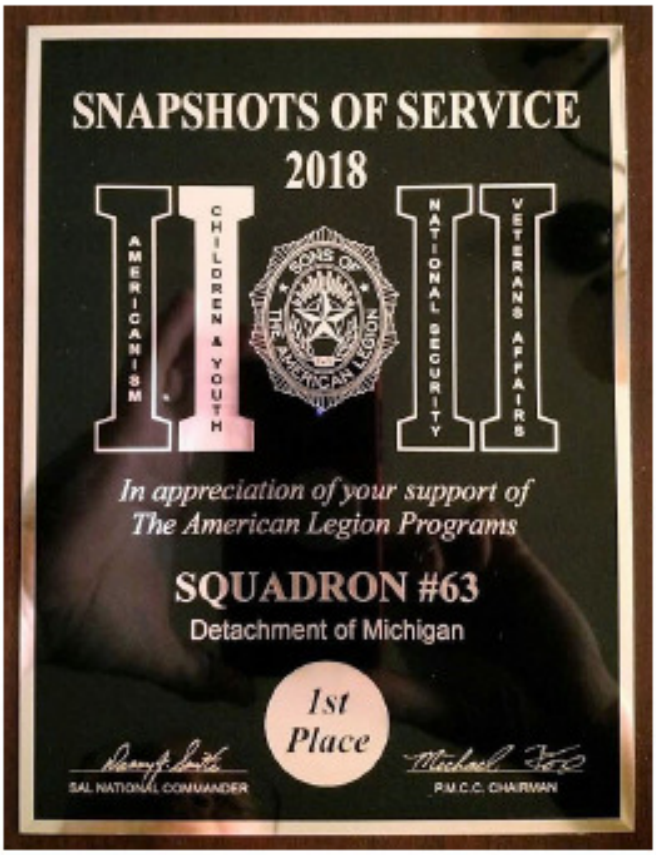
S.A.L. Squadron #63 1st Place 2018 National Award for Children and Youth for our Sponsorship of Youth Baseball



Pictured L-R: S.A.L. Central Region Commander Jay E. Marsden, Past S.A.L Detachment Commander Dominic Merlington & S.A.L. Past National Commander Danny Smith.

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Legion Family TAPS 2018

Memorial to a post #63 family member recently lost.

Earl Retzlaff

Ernest Cosma

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