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Shiawassee County Veteran News

Welcome...

Vet Affairs Monthly Newsletter by Shiawassee County Veterans Affairs & Services.

Each month look for information and current events to keep you updated. All monthly newsletters will be available online and in our office. Sign up at vetaffairs@shiawassee.net to receive monthly newsletter via email.



National POW/MIA Recognition Day

The United States' National POW/MIA Recognition Day is observed across the nation on the third Friday of September each year. Many Americans take the time to remember those who were prisoners of war (POW) and those who are missing in action (MIA), as well as their families.



Calendar of Events:

- September 4 Labor Day/Office Closed
- September 11 9/11 Recognition /6pm (see page 2 for information)
- September 15 POW/MIA Recognition Day
- September 20 Michigan Veterans Trust Fund Meeting/1pm
- September 20 Veterans Relief Fund Meeting/3pm
- September 22 First Day of Autumn

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American Legion Post 502

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Elsie, MI 48831

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September 13, 2017

38th Old Time Country Jamboree

6pm-9pm

\$ donation

Anyone that plays a stringed instrument can join the player singers. Open mike MC Mr. Tim Evans; there is a sign up sheet and this determines when you sing or play at the Jamboree. Maybe you just like to sit and listen to people play. Come on out, many people do!

Location: Elsie American Legion Post
Sponsored by: American Legion Post 502

September 15, 16 & 17, 2017

3rd Annual Warrior's Appreciation Rally

Friday-Noon to 5pm

Saturday-9am to 5pm

Sunday-9am to Noon

Cost \$2.00

This is the place to see or participate in demonstrations. Demos put on by Police, Fireman, EMS, Military Units, Civil War Re-Enactors, Military Collector Museums, help for veterans, listen to music or buy food or items from vendors. If you are young and want to become a hero, here you can talk to them.

Location: Elsie American Legion Post
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Jobs for Veterans

USAJOBS

<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/unique-hiring-paths/veterans/>

Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency

<https://www.michiganveterans.com/categories/Employment>

Pure Michigan Talent Connect

<https://www.mitalent.org/>

Hire Heroes USA

<https://jobs.hireheroesusa.org/>

Helmets to HardHats

<https://www.helmetstohardhats.org/>



9/11 1st Responder Recognition

Monday, September 11, 2017

6:00pm

Location:
American Legion
201 E. Mason St.
Owosso, MI 48867

Come on out to the 9/11 1st Responders Recognition, we will be providing hamburgers and fries for a dinner to the public and at no cost to any 1st responder (police or fire fighter) who is in uniform or is recognizable and to their family.

We will be presenting honors (shooting three volleys and playing taps) in remembrance of all 1st responders past who gave their all in performance of duties to their communities.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 20, 2017

VA Launches Physician Ambassador Program

Department partners with volunteer medical professionals to improve care and services for Veterans

The Aleda E. Lutz VA Medical Center in Saginaw has launched the [Physician Ambassador Program](#), an effort to recruit volunteer medical providers.

The physician and clinician “ambassadors” are qualified, trained and licensed health providers who will meet the same requirements as VA professionals in terms of credentials, supervision and evaluation.

“Our Veterans deserve the highest quality of care — at all times,” said [Dr. Poonam L. Alaigh](#), VA’s Acting Under Secretary for Health.

“The Physician Ambassador Program is one of the many ways we are working to keep and honor our promise to care for Veterans and their families. Working with the health-care teams and staff in our VA facilities, these incredibly skilled and qualified volunteer physicians and clinicians will improve our ability to deliver great care and service.”

The Physician Ambassador Program will enhance access to urgent care, rural health care and emergency medicine for Veterans. In addition, the program will create stronger collaboration and allow both VA and community health providers to benefit from the sharing of best practices and experiences.

Physicians or health-care providers interested in volunteering as a part of the Physician Ambassador Program at the VA in Saginaw should contact the Aleda E. Lutz VA Medical Center’s Voluntary Service at 989-497-2500, Extension 13360.

The Aleda E. Lutz VAMC in Saginaw, Michigan operates an 81-bed skilled nursing and rehabilitation Community Living Center, with an additional 8-bed acute medicine and telemetry wing. It provides care to over 35,400 Veterans in a 35-county geographic area, from mid-Michigan to the Mackinac Bridge. Veterans also receive care at one of our nine VA Community Based Outpatient Clinics located throughout Michigan. More information about this VA can be found at www.saginaw.va.gov.

In partnership with the United Methodist Church Care Network

GREATER LANSING
foodbank



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Is distributing **FREE** - fresh & non-perishable food items at a
MOBILE FOOD PANTRY for Shiawassee County Residents

If you or someone you know must choose between buying food, filling prescriptions or having a tough time putting food on their table, please tell them about this important program.

When:

Saturday September 16th

Registration at 9am

Food Distribution until noon or until all the food is distributed

Where:

Comstock Parking Lot

Behind the Bowling Alley off of Jerome Ave.

Parking in the lot near Owosso Cinemas

Who can participate?

- Senior citizens on fixed incomes
- Families/individuals with limited or low income jobs
- Only open to residents in Shiawassee County

What you need to bring

- Proof of residency in Shiawassee County – valid driver's license or Michigan ID and one piece of mail from where you live in Shiawassee County
- **Participants MUST bring boxes, bags or containers to carry food**

For more information about the mobile pantry,
call the Greater Lansing Food Bank at (517) 908-3680

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.



3rd Annual W.A.R.



Open to the Public - Everyone Welcome - rain or shine

Warriors Appreciation Rally

Rally Location
Elsie, Michigan Village Park

Starting Time
9:00 AM

Concluding at
5:00 PM

Group Demonstrations
All Day Long

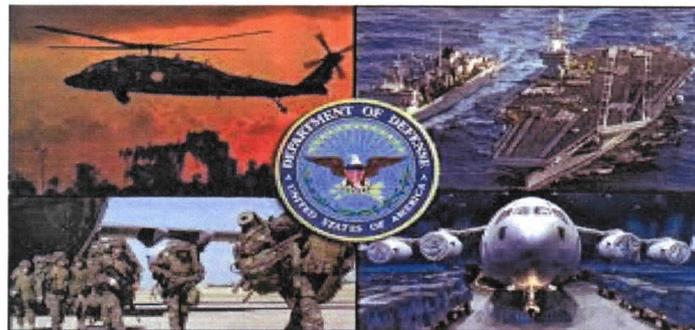
This will be a chance for everyone to thank people that are or have put their life on the line for you



September 15, 2017

Saturday, September 16, 2017

September 17, 2017



Police Demonstrations
Civil War Reenactors Demonstrations
Vietnam Traveling Wall
Static Military Displays from around the State
Buddy to Buddy Help for disabled Veterans
VA & R Assistance for Vets Assistance
Emergency Medical Services Demonstrations
Active Military Demonstrations
U. S. Air Force Fly Over



Food Vendors
Military, Police, Fire & EMS Vendors
Hunting Vendors
Collector Items From **WAR**
Music
Hands on parts for crowd in Demos
Vietnam War Lapel Pins
Michigan State Police
Lots More

Want to Thank Heroes for what they do?
We are raising funds to assist veterans that are disabled or homeless

See the latest process that the people that do the demonstrations have learned.

Come out, participate and make a difference in someones life or your own.



Looking for a chance to talk to someone that is out there putting their life on the line for you.
Maybe you could become someone doing this.

For More Information Go To

<http://elsiewar2017.webs.com>



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WARRIOR'S WEEKEND

**September 9th & 10th
Shiawassee Fair Grounds
2900 E. Hibbard Rd. Corunna, Mi 58817**

**Flag Raising - 9:00 am
Welcome Home Vietnam Ceremony - 11:30 am
Lunch in a Canteen - 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

**All Veterans Appreciation Ceremony -
7:30 pm
Followed by Candle Light Remeberence
of our Fallen Heroes**

**Activities Include:
Euchre Tournament
Corn Hole Contest
Shopping with Local Vendor
Tables
VA and Service Reps
Light Luncheon - 6:00 pm
And More!**

**For Information call Debbie Gorte at
(989) 729-2136 or email gorted89@gmail.com**

CARRY ON!

JOIN THE



We meet every
Friday at Hardees
Owosso 0800

Harold R Cooley
Detachment #841
Owosso Michigan

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...but the Corps will NEVER
leave the Marine!*

**ONCE A MARINE,
ALWAYS A MARINE**

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL: _____



VA

U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

Detroit VA Healthcare System 2017 Mental Health Summit

***Wednesday, September 13, 2017,
7:30am - 1:00pm***

Location: John D. Dingell Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 4646 John R St., Detroit, MI 48201

Veterans, Staff and Community Stakeholders Welcome!

Join us for refreshments, networking and discussions
on *Detroit VA Services including Suicide Prevention*

Medical Center Auditorium, Lower Level,
Yellow Section

Please park in the visitor "Blue" Parking Deck.

Questions? Please contact Summit Coordinators:

Contact (313)576-1000 then one of the extensions below:

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