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Honored guests are treated to memorable experiences, like a ride in The Batmobile, at the 6th Annual Salute Our Warriors benefit at the Danny Kassab Estate in Rochester Hills on July 13. (Photo courtesy of Katzeyezz Photography LLC)

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Sam and Ziad Kassab, in collaboration with Senator Mat Dunaskiss, to host their "6th Annual Salute Our Warriors" benefit to honor military veterans and active service members while raising vital funds for The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund.

The benefit is from 6 to 10 p.m., Thursday, July 13, at the Danny Kassab Estate, at 3910 Coachwood Lane, in Rochester Hills.

Each year, individual veterans are selected to be honored, providing a platform to express gratitude for their invaluable contributions, while raising funds to help Michigan-based injured soldiers pay their living expenses and aid families of the fallen, according to a press release.

Each year military guests of honor are flown in by helicopter, landing in the backyard of the Kassab estate to standing ovations from hundreds of guests and supporters and are recognized with a tribute to their service and commemorative award.

"This is a really meaningful way to stand side-by-side with our veterans, honor them, thank them, and give back to soldiers and families who have served and sacrificed tremendously to protect our freedoms," said Salute Our Warriors Cohost Ziad Kassab.

"Our goal this year is to raise \$150,000 for our fallen and wounded soldiers, while providing an unforgettable experience for our honored veterans and guests, but it takes a village, and we can't do it without the generous support of local sponsors and donors."

All proceeds from the event benefit The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund. Sponsorship opportunities are available at various levels. For more information, call Eric Castiglia at 586-940-1982 as soon as possible. Ticket prices for the benefit are \$50 for veterans/\$100 for veteran couples, \$150 for individuals/\$250 for couples.

For sponsorship and ticket information, visit <u>https://salute-our-</u>warriors.cheddarup.com.

Oakland County Veterans Resource Fair is July 13 in Holly

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The Oakland County Veterans Resource Fair is from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday, July 13, at the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center, at 300 East St. in Holly. Representatives will be on site to serve all veterans, active duty, guard and reserves, and their families with resources including free nonperishable food boxes.

• Gary Burnstein Community Health Clinic: Scheduling free dental appointments.

• Detroit VA Healthcare System: Offering registration help and exams for nonenrolled veterans.

• Oakland County Health Department: COVID-19 vaccines based on CDC guidance.

• Dorsey College Cosmetology Program: Hairstylists will be on site giving free haircuts to veterans.

• Oakland County Veterans' Services: Provide information and claims assistance regarding veteran's benefits and give away \$50 Meijer gift cards. To be eligible for a gift card, must be a veteran and an Oakland County resident and must present a copy of DD214.

• Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency: Printing DD214's on site.

• Oakland County Michigan Works!: Providing veterans and their families with career planning, training programs, job search resources and the opportunity to meet with an employment specialist.

• Oakland County Neighborhood & Housing Development: Helping residents with housing counseling.

• Oakland County Parks & Recreation: Giving out free annual vehicle permits.

• Oakland Community Health Network: Addressing any behavioral health issues and concerns, including behavioral health needs for children.

• VA Suicide Prevention: Providing free gun locks.

• Ride SMART: Providing information on their veteran transportation program.

• New LED light bulb kits will also be available courtesy of DTE and SEEL, LLC.

Admission is free. Registration required at: tinyurl.com/34p4v97t. For more

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• Oxford American Legion Post 108 to host Euchre from noon to 3 p.m. Monday, July 3 and Thursday, July 6, at 130 E. Drahner Road, Oxford. For more information, call 248-628-9081.

• Clarkston American Legion Post 377 to host Bingo from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 4, at 4819 Mary Sue Ave. For more information, call 248-673-9301.

• Holly American Legion Post 149 to host American Legion Community Fun Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 8, at 408 S. Saginaw St., Holly. Bring family and friends for craft show, free games, food trucks, live music and fun. For more information, call 248-634-3822.

• Highland-White Lake-Milford VFW Post 9914 to host a Steak Dinner from 5 to 8 p.m., Friday, July 14, and a Country Breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon, Sunday, July 9, at 3200 N. Duck Lake Road in Highland Twp. The post would like to increase its membership. For more information, call 248-887-9914.

The Oakland Press is interested in all veterans events in Oakland County. Please send info. in the body of an email with subject line "Veterans Affairs" to Sharon Longman at sslstart@aol.com. Allow two weeks' notice for scheduled events and include a phone number for readers to call for more information.

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