

# The Jacksonian



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News for and about Jackson-Area Retirees



## Christmas Luncheon

**Country Club of Jackson**

**December 7, 2022 - 121 in Attendance**

Thank you to Damien Wetzel from the CE Veterans Council for presenting a commemorative coin to 14 of our Jacksonian retirees. See pictures on back.

**Thank you for your service to our country!**

## Hurst Planetarium at Ella Sharp Museum - February 8, 2023

Join us for a visit to the Hurst Planetarium at Ella Sharp Museum, Located at 3225 4th Street, Jackson. Showing of the "Winter Night Sky & Auroras at **1:00pm**. Ever look up at the night sky and think to yourself, "wow, I wonder what's out there." Join us at the Hurst planetarium as we transform the dome into the winter sky. Everything in this presentation can be done simply by looking up! Limited setting available. **FREE Event!** Jacksonians will cover the cost. **First 50 people to contact Roberta Sexton by phone at 517-748-3097 or email robertasexton@comcast.net.**

**Deadline for reservations is February 1st.**



## JACKSONIANS 2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

As this year, comes to an end and we begin 2023, I thought it might be interesting to share with you some of our findings. The Jacksonians have 442 members at present. Out of the 442 members, over 140 Jacksonians have attended one or more of our events offered in 2022. That comes out to about 32% of you who have participated in one of our twelve events offered. Offerings included:

\*Spring Luncheon at Country Club of Jackson \*Wine Tasting at Chateau Aeronautique Winery, Irish Hills \*Lost Railway Museum, Grass Lake \*Herb Elfring 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration, Vista Grand Villa \*Falling Waters Trail Bike Group \*Dahlem Environmental Education Center Picnic \*Burr Oak Golf Outing \*Forerunners Reunion Golf Outing at Timber Trace, Pinckney \*Forerunners Reunion Luncheon at Firekeepers Casino & Hotel, Battle Creek \*Oktoberfest at Blue Skies Brewery, Irish Hills \*Insurance Meeting, Parnall Auditorium \*Christmas Luncheon at Country Club of Jackson \* Last but far from least over 122 homemade Condolence cards and 24 Anniversary cards sent by our "Sunshine" committee member, Jan Riede.

If you have any ideas for 2023, don't hesitate to contact one of our board members.



## Welcome new 2023 Board Members

We want to thank our past President, Bob Gilmore, for his service to the Jacksonians. Bob will stay on board as "Past President." Thank you! Voting took place at our Christmas Luncheon, and our former VP, Joe Eckert, will take the role of President. In addition, we would like to welcome Vice President Allan Hooper, Legislative representative LeRoy Reiss, and Member-at-Large Bob Smith.

Our board looks forward to working with new retirees and new ideas!



Jan. 24 - Jacksonian Board Meeting 10:00am

Feb. 8 - Hurst Planetarium at Ella Sharp Museum "Night Sky" **RSVP required!**

March TBA -Wine Tasting at Chateau Aeronautique Winery - Irish Hills

April 11 - Spring Luncheon at Country Club of Jackson



Website for retiree information: [www.consumersenergy.com/retiree](http://www.consumersenergy.com/retiree)

Online Directory password: Forerunners



Sympathy & Anniversary's

Listing of Veterans

Sympathy to the families of:

- \* Robert Biggs (ret. 1989)
- \* Carl Swenson (ret. 1985)

Sympathy to retirees/employees who have lost family members:

- \* Patricia Dubinski (ret. 1998) son  
Michael J. Dubinski
- \* Carolyn Dossey (ret. 2016) father  
Joseph John Moll

“Thank You for Your Service”

Damien Wetzel from CE Veterans Council, presented a commemorative coin to honor our Veterans: Robert Sexton (Navy), Dave Kloack (Navy), Don Frohm (Navy), Jim Schneider (National Guard Army), Phil Bickel (National Guard), Ernie Hopson (Army), Tom Heikkinen (Army), Neil Childs (Army), Ron Bulhuis (Army), Frank Zimmerman (Air Force), Sherman Smith (Air Force) & Jim Campbell (Army). Absent: Harry Rhines (Army), Paul Lynch (Coast Guard) & Hebb Elfring (Army).

Contact our Sunshine Committee Chair Jan Riede (contact info on the sidebar) with information you'd like included in the Jacksonian: **Congratulations - Sympathy - Special Event - Wedding Anniversary** (clarifying landmark anniversary dates: 25th - 50th - 55th - 60th and every year after 60).



Glen Fauser & Teri VanSummeren



Frank & Judy Zimmerman



Wayne & Linda DeVries



Gary & Terry Isham



David & Lynette Wells



Herb & Mary Kops

Booklet of pictures will be email to everyone that attended! Enjoy!