

2019 Muskegon River Cleanup
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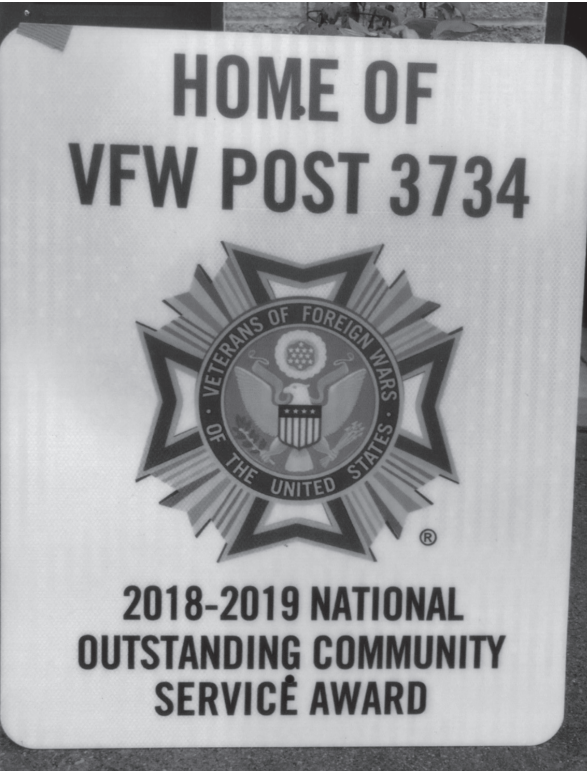


Thanks for helping us make the 8th annual Muskegon River Cleanup a big success again this year. Our 356 volunteers removed 3026 beverage containers, 3 tires, 14 pairs of sunglasses, 76 flip flops from the river. They also removed over 25 glass bottles, approximately 450 pounds of wood, 80 pounds of steel, a tricycle and approximately 350 pounds general trash. The strangest find this year was a toilet seat and we don't know the story on that. Thanks to everyone that helped from the ground crew to all of us unfortunate ones that had to float down this beautiful river and clean up the trash. Please remember that a glass bottle, at the bottom of the river, can be there anywhere from 500-800 years before it turns back to sand. Next year the Muskegon River Clean-up, sponsored by Muskegon River Clean-up Company, LLC, will be on Saturday August 1, 2020. Please mark your calendars.

Fruitport VFW Receives National Award



Fruitport, Michigan VFW Post 3734 Commander, LTC (Ret) Max Riekse, receiving plaque for : “2018 National Outstanding Community Service Post Award” from Veterans of Foreign Wars national commander, B.J. Lawrence at the 120th VFW National Convention, Orlando, Florida in July, 2019. One of only two VFW posts in the state of Michigan to receive this award for 2018-2019. Max Riekse is a life long resident of Fruitport; attended K-12 Fruitport schools and is both a Vietnam War and Iraq War veteran and retired LTC U.S. Army; 32 years.



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