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WHITMAN CENTER HONORS VETERANS WITH PRESENTATION AND DISPLAY

MONROE, Mich. – Monroe County Community College’s Whitman Center will host a presentation on Nov. 9 to honor veterans, including a ceremony to honor prisoners of war and soldiers missing in action and a discussion with historical author Andrew “Bud” Fisher.

The event will run from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The ceremony to honor POWs and MIAs – known as the Missing Man Table Ceremony – is widely done across the country will be performed by eight members of the American Legion Post 514 of Ida.

Fisher will then discuss stories and memories of several courageous local veterans he met through research for his book, “What a Time it Was: Interviews with Northwest Ohio Veterans of World War II.” The book is comprised of 80 stories selected out of interviews conducted for the Veterans History Project.

“He has conducted over 500 interviews, and he’s now writing a new book on Korean War veterans from Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan,” said Sandy Kosmyrna, director of the Whitman Center.

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In addition to Fisher's presentation, the Whitman Center has an exhibit on display through November entitled "Naval Archives." The collection includes lithographic reproductions of art depicting naval ships, personnel, and action from all eras.

Paintings from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and Desert Shield/Storm have been reproduced through the Combat Art Program and made available through the Naval Historical Foundation.

The exhibit is available for viewing Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding Thanksgiving Holiday.

For more information on the presentation or display, call 734-847-0559.

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