



## Mark Your Calendars for the Groundbreaking

Even though we are in the depth of winter, we are busy planning for the groundbreaking of Phase 1 of The Michigan WWII Legacy Memorial.

Join dignitaries from around the state as well as WWII veterans and supporters as we gather on;

**Thursday, April 7, 2022**  
**2:00 PM**  
**Memorial Park**  
**31100 Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak**

Click on the button to download an event flier and help us get the word out!

All are invited.



[Groundbreaking Event Flier](#)

## Officers Elected at Annual Meeting

In compliance with our governance documents, the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, February 2 at 6:30 PM. Due to the inclement weather, the event was held on Zoom.

Officers for 2022-2025 were elected and are as follows:

President: John Maten  
Vice-president: Chris Graveline  
Secretary: Kim Jones  
Treasurer: Mike Mastantuono

Additional board members serving include Debi Hollis, Russell Levine, Ryan Friederichs, Molly Gale, and Judy Maten.



### Thank You Molly Gale

We want to thank board member Molly Gale, who announced she will be stepping down from the board after the Groundbreaking Ceremony in April. In addition to her board duties, Molly serves as the chair of the Education Coalition. Under her leadership, the Education Coalition wrote lesson plans focusing on major elements of the memorial. Molly will still be a familiar face as a volunteer and supporter.

Thank you, Molly, for your dedication and service!

## Board Members Needed

As we move towards construction of Phase 1, the Board of Directors is seeking additional members to serve on the Board. Those with experience in grant writing, donor solicitation, social media expertise, databasing and education are especially encouraged to apply.

For more information on the Board of Directors, visit our website.

If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors, please contact us through the website.



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## Happy Birthday Art Fishman!

Happy 95th birthday to WWII Navy veteran, Fireman First Class Art Fishman!

Art has been a steady presence with the memorial for years now. He was a Victory Award recipient in 2016 at our annual gala, Art is a member of our Veteran Advisory Council. He is always ready to lend hand and wants to be

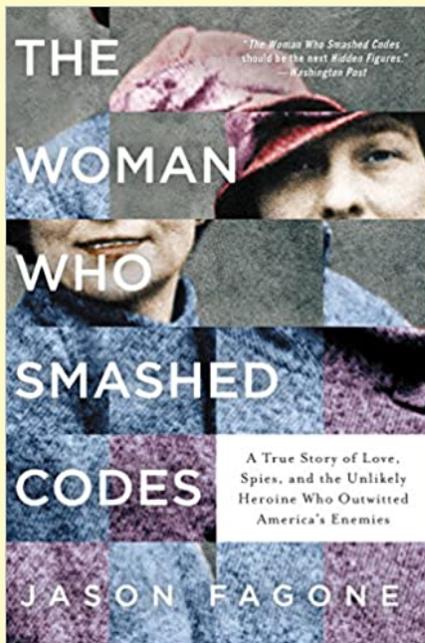


involved. If you see American flags flying in the flowerbed at the 13 and Woodward sign, that is thanks to Art.

Art - we wish you the best and can't wait to see you at the groundbreaking!



## Book of the Month



**The Woman Who Smashed Codes: A True Story of Love, Spies, and the Unlikely Heroine Who Outwitted America's Enemies**  
by Jason Fagone

This is the incredible true story of an American woman and her husband, who were the greatest codebreaking duo that ever lived. Together, they invented the modern science of cryptology and used it to confront the evils of their time, solving puzzles that unmasked Nazi spies and helped win World War II. The story starts in 1916, and follows the life of Elizabeth Friedman, a woman who played an integral role in our nation's history for forty years. Prepare to be enthralled at her life story as she takes us from WWI to WWII and how her codebreaking skills were unmatched.

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