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TOM HARRIS
DEPT COMMANDER

Greetings
Oregon
American
Legion
Family,

Welcome
to our 2019
Centennial
Convention
in Astoria
Oregon. Our
Convention

Committee and
Post 12 Members
have done an outstanding job orga-
nizing this special event so we can all
enjoy our stay in this great City.

Our Posts, Districts and Departme-

This last year has been exciting, a
learning year and at times very re-
warding.

The year started with the 2019 Con-
vention when I was elected Depart-
ment 1st Vice Commander. I was
humbled by the support I got from my
fellow Legionnaires because I would
be working for them, the great mem-
bership of Oregon and it would be a
tremendous honor.

I had a chance to go to Indy and par-
ticipate in the membership workshop.

I had the opportunity to meet and
learn from our National Membership
Team and from Membership Chair-
man from many other Departments.
Everyone there was more than willing
to answer our questions and help us in
any way they could.

Being able to tour National HQ and
visit the many Veteran and War Me-
morials around the city was an added
treat.

I also had a chance to go on the
South Willamette Valley Honor Flight
and be in the company of some of our
great Veterans from WWII, Korea and
Vietnam. It was a very intense four
days but it was well worth it to take
the trip. We went to the WWI Memo-
rial and my thoughts went back to re-
member these were the men that were
the founders of the American Legion
and the starting of the GI Bill and
the Veterans getting Benefits. At the
WWII Memorial my thoughts went to
Pearl Harbor and David Russell a

nt efforts this year have again made a
positive impact on Veterans Services,
Children and Youth Programs and
our communities state wide. I am
very proud to have been a part of our
Oregon American Legion Family for
all that we have accomplished togeth-
er this Centennial year.

Please continue to support our
American Legion Family Officers as
they step into new positions during
convention, and we will strive to have
another successful year together as
The Oregon American Legion Fam-
ily...

"Believe and Achieve" for the next
100 years...

survivor of
the Oklaho-
ma a friend
and a Post 10
member and
a promise I
made my fa-
ther when
I was about
7 or 8 that I
would never
forget.

At the Kore-
an Memorial I
remembered Bud Stutheit a friend of
Post 10 and Past Post 10 Commander,
Stan Sayles.

At the Vietnam Memorial it was a
little harder as I found the names of
men I had gone to school with and
were friends both High School and Jr.
High. Five were from my same class
in Jr. High.

This year has rewarding by travel-
ing to Districts and Posts and meeting
many great members and participat-
ing in events such as Memorial Day,
Veterans Day, and 9/11. I came to
realize we have a lot of great District
and Post leaders and members who
are working for and promoting the
American Legion. I was also excited
to help celebrate the 100-year Centen-
nial of the American Legion and help
start the next 100 years.

I am looking forward to working
with our great membership to build
our Department in the future.



STEVE ADAMS
1ST VICE COMMANDER

As we pre-
pare for con-
vention it is
time to re-
flect on all
the activities,
we have done
this year.
Make sure
every Post
fills out their
Consolidated
Post Report
(CPR). The



DON WEBER
2ND VICE COMMANDER

CPR is how Dept. and National let the
nation know how much The Ameri-
can Legion does to support Veterans.
When you look at the combination of
the reports it is very impressive to see
how much the TAL completed.

I had the opportunity this year to
present The American Legion Awards
to both the Air Force ROTC and
Army ROTC at University of Port-
land. The AF conducted a Dining
Out on April 16. After a meal, a guest
speaker message, and some toasts
it was time to present some awards
for the year. I presented four awards
for scholastic achievement, and four
awards for military achievement. The
awards include one award for each
year of the program. After the awards,
the seniors had a family member pin
on their gold bars.

On May 3, Army conducted their
Dining Out. The American Legion
presented four scholastic awards, one
for each year of students. Students re-
ceiving this award were in the top 10%
of their military classes.

Again, I look forward to seeing ev-
eryone at Convention.





S. FLYNN PHILLIPS
DEPT HISTORIAN

happened since District 5 Roundup; Senator Brian Boquist and his assistant Peggy E. Boquist notified us that a public hearing, in part for Garry Bradbury Hodgson, recognizing his ultimate sacrifice in service to his State and Nation, serving aboard the USS Frank E Evans, the horrific Night of June 3, 1969, That ship was literally cut in half from an Australian Carrier and he was lost at sea, and the only one from the state of Oregon.

SCR 3 Recognizes and honors Radarman 2nd Class Garry Bradbury Hodgson (1937-1969) for his service to his country. An article on this was in the Legionnaire. We will be adding a Ceiling tile at Department in his honor.

The Spring DEC in La Pine was fun, being caught in the snow coming over the mountain was not. Thankfully it didn't amount to much. The National Membership Chairman Rev. Daniel J. Seehafer was the guest speaker and trainer for the session. A great speaker and motivator for sure and we all enjoyed the training and his company. Most of all was the heartwarming proclamation the post did for PDC District 5 Pat "Paddy" Cotton, honoring him by naming the Post after him. The food and hospitality from the District and Post was great.

Several Posts presented Oratorical awards, Dept. Adjutant Lou Neubecker and I drove down to meet John Lee at the Central Linn High School to present Kay-lin Lafayette her Oratorical State competition award in front of her class assembly. I think we should do more of these because it gets recognition in front of their peers. What better way to promote the Oratorical Contest for next year. ROTC and JROTC awards were also presented at several High Schools and

Colleges, 2nd Vice Commander Don Weber presented awards at a dining out hosted by the University of Portland and Portland state University. Willamette Post Commander, Edgar Mathews and myself presented JROTC awards at the Oregon City High School.

District 5, Eugene "Cougar" Greene, Sr. American Legion Post #48 Warm Springs and Auxiliary hosted a Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Parade. This parade is starting to really grow as many veteran organizations showed up to show their support. After the Parade there was a community feed which featured Bison, Elk, Salmon and Fry Bread. Excellent all around and Kudos for those that spent their time and hard work to put on the event. After the meal people were directed to the Gym for a speech by the Warm Spring's Commander and Department Commander. They also presented a Vietnam Service Challenge Coin to the veterans that served. That was a special touch.

We had two prominent Legionnaires pass away. PDC John Kalmbach and Eva Schenfeld. Services were held at Willamette Cemetery with Honor Guards from Milwaukie Post 180, and Aloha/Banks. Honors were rendered beautifully. These two Legionnaires will surely be missed and remembered.



Flag
Day
June 14th

As I sit at my desk for the first time in a month due to pneumonia.

I ponder the idea with the nice hot weather coming, we will be completing the task of retiring hundreds of our National Standards. This is not just a reminder that we at the Post level, follow a strict guideline from National on how to retire a flag.

The Ceremony for Disposal of Unserviceable Flags is outlined in Resolution No. 440, passed by the 19th National Convention of The American Legion in New York, Sept. 20-23, 1937. The ceremony has been an integral part of American Legion ritual since that date. You can find the ceremony on the National web site. We should **ALWAYS** have our Legion Cover on.

We have our Department Convention coming up in Astoria, on June 25 through the 29th. We will be electing new officers to lead us. We also will be voting on several issues that will affect some of our programs. This is very important for all Legionnaires to attend so they may cast their votes.

We have a new IT company providing the Department with customer service for our computers. The company is called **AXICOM** and has been around for over 20+ years. They are providing excellent service. I've talked to several other companies that use them and they all gave **AXICOM** high marks.

Remember our new membership year will start July 1st. We can still renew our 2018/2019 members, so **PLEASE DO NOT HOLD MEMEBRSHIP** until then.

Some important dates to remember: June 6th 75th Anniversary of **D-Day**, June 14th **FLAG DAY**, June 16th **Father's Day** June 21st **1st day of summer**, June 26th to 29th **Department Convention** in Astoria.



LOU NEUBECKER
DEPT ADJUTANT



PDC, BOB HUFF
DEPT FINANCE OFFICER

We published in our last copy of the Legionnaire our Proposed Department of Oregon 2019-2020 Budget. It was presented to the Department Executive Committee (DEC) in La Pine on Sunday April 7 for review and comment. It will be presented to the full delegate strength at our Department Convention in Astoria in June for review and comment and then will be presented for adoption as is required by our Department Constitution and By-Laws.

Please note that you have received delegate forms with the formula for your Post membership number. As your Post is holding their annual elections, the Post Delegates to your District Caucus and Department Convention need to be selected.

Per our Department By-Laws, Article V – Convention, Section 1. The several Posts of the Department shall, at least forty-five (45) days prior to the opening of the annual Department Convention elect their delegates and alternates and certify them to the Department Adjutant. The registration fee for all authorized delegates, alter-



DON WEBER
LEGIONNAIRE CHAIR

I hope you like our new format and frequency for The Legionnaire.

We are working very hard to transition to a monthly publication with relevant information.

We do not have reporters to send around the State, so we depend on your submission of articles.

We ask for your articles before the 5th of the month, so we can print by the end of the month and no later than the first of the following month.

If you have recommendations to improve the publication, please send those comments to orlegionnaire@gmail.com

nates and delegates-at-large,shall be submitted to the Department Adjutant at least thirty (30) days prior to Department Convention. The forms are in your Post packet. Please note, if your membership allows your Post 6 delegates and you only have 4, you must still send in the delegate fees for 6 delegates. Memorial Day, May 27th is 30 days prior to our Department Convention. Please note, those Posts that have not paid their delegate fees are not in good standing. Prior to your Posts Delegates attending the Department Convention, those fees and the Delegate Forms must be received by Department.

We voted in our Mid-Winter DEC to change our Tax Reporting Year from August 1 to July 31 to Tax Reporting Year October 1 to September 30 to support reporting our programs expenses that occur during the August, September time period. With a 1976 Tax ruling under our Group Exemption Number we were required to file a 1128 Form. We prepared our two month 990 Tax document and schedules and sent them out to the DEC members with fiduciary responsibility for review. With additional documents now required under the ruling as we have Posts that have filed 990T forms in the past 10 years, we were required to support our change with additional documents before we can change. We have been doing a document search at our National Organization which was required to locate some of the historical documents. The search now complete, we will submit the 1128 with our findings, which will not support changing the Tax Reporting Year (and our 10 reporting periods) until next Tax Year.

Editors Notes

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Calendar of Events

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| June | 01 June Legionnaire 06 D -Day 08 Veteran Resource Fair 08 Lobster Fest Post 99 Seaside 14 Flag Day 16 Fathers Day 16-22 Boys State Western University 16-22 Girls State Willamette University 26-29 100th Anniversery Department Convention Astoria, OR |
| July | 01 July Legionnaire 04 Independence Day (Closed) 06 Cruise In (Estacada) 12-14 Legion Family College Training (Canby Post #122) |
| August | 01 August Legionnaire 22-29 National Convention Indianapolis, Indiana |

At Department Convention
PDC, KEVIN OWENS
FOUNDATION PRESIDENT

tion we will be holding our annual meetings. This takes place each year to elect the Officers and assign jobs to help set the agenda for the year.

If you have any items you want brought up, please feel free to send your requests to the Adjutant. The success of the Foundation really depends on the members of our Department. We depend on your ideas and local knowledge of the communities you live in to find that money to help support your programs.

We need your help by donating to The Oregon American Legion Foundation. This donation is 100% tax deductible as we are a 501(c3). Please send all donations to Department with checks made out to THE OREGON AMERICAN LEGION FOUNDATION.

All money is used to support all Legion Programs and not one dime is used for any Administrative costs. Please consider a donation you will feel better knowing you made a difference.



GREG MARVIN
DISTRICT 5 COMMANDER

lunch of Indian "Fry Bread" Tacos and Huckleberry pie. Thank you, ladies.

The meeting began at 1:00 PM with a barely a quorum of 6 Posts present with a total of 8 District members present. We were visited by Department 1st Vice Commander Steve Adams and 2nd Vice Commander Don Weber giving their Campaign speeches. Elections were held for District Officers with Vandee Mausser, Post 19, The Dalles being elected as the Commander 2020. A.J. Atencio, Post 48, Warm Springs as Vice Commander (North) as Sid Carter, Post 29, Vice Commander (South). Congratulations to the Officers willing to step up and lead our District for the coming year.

This comes to the point of this article. District 5 is a great District and I am proud to have had the opportunity to have been elected to represent it as District Commander for the past two years and have enjoyed visiting the Posts with-

District 5 held its Spring District meeting / Caucus Saturday May 4th Warm Springs, Oregon hosted by Eugene "Cougar" Greene Sr. Post and Unit 48. Thank you to the Unit 48 members for the great

in the District and meeting with the members. This brings us to the point, and I know this is not a problem unique to this area. Just within the last few years the attendance at the District meetings have declined vastly. In the last 10 to fifteen years in our District alone, attendance has dropped from 20 to 30 members to less than 15 at most meetings. It is very hard to conduct the business at hand without members voting their wishes for the direction The American Legion needs to take to continue to support the Veterans and their families have given so much to this Country to keep the freedoms that we have.

VETERANS PLEASE! I know you have heard this many times before, but it is very important to keep your membership in The American Legion and support its programs and ideals. **PLEASE!** Go out and recruit new members to continue to support The American Legion in its goal. **PLEASE!** Continue to support your Post by attending Post meetings and activities regularly. **PLEASE!** ask what you can do to help and step up and take a leadership role as we desperately need members to fill these positions. **PLEASE!** Continue to Support The American Legion by taking an active role in all levels so we can maintain for the next 100 years to do all that we do. We can only remain strong if we are active as a group.

Thank You for your service. Thank You for all that you do. Thank You for continuing actively to support The American Legion.

I visited or contacted all Posts in District 9.

They are continuing with their programs, Americanism, Boys State and veterans support.

All are having similar problems with retention. Contact information not accurate, so unable to contact for meetings. Those contacted say they will send in, but don't follow through. Some don't have money or aren't interested in continuing membership.

Installed officers of three posts that had new elections.



DON ADAMS
DISTRICT 9 COMMANDER



CORY BROCKMANN
DISTRICT 1 COMMANDER

The District 1 meeting / caucus was conducted on 11 May at Louis Larsen #68 and I am very appreciative of those who were in attendance. The district executive board

has two elected positions, commander and vice commander, and elections were conducted for 2019-2020. Elected were Cory Brockmann, Aloha #104, as Commander, and John Staub, Aloha #104, as Vice-Commander. Appointments to complete the remaining board positions are pending at this writing and will be shared when finalized. A warm thank you to Adjutant Rick Rowland, Louis Larsen #68 for handling acting-district adjutant duties, and to Chaplain John Staub, Aloha #104, for serving as acting-chaplain, as District Chaplain Dick Rye tends to his pending

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LARRY WITTMAYER
DISTRICT 8 COMMANDER

complete his visitations for this year.

The Spring DEC in La Pine was attended by many and was a successful meeting.

As a reminder to all Posts. Please submit your Post election results and minutes to Department promptly.

District Eight will hold its next meeting at Post 180 7pm. The meeting will be the annual Caucus and District Officer Election. All Convention Delegates need to be in attendance.

The District Commander will be visiting a final Post to



On June 11th, 1919 who was the first horse to claim the United States Triple Crown of Thoroughbred Racing?

- A) Sir Barton
- B) Secretariat
- C) War Animal
- D) Sea Biscuit



GREG MARVIN
NATIONAL SECURITY &
FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Good afternoon. We are rapidly coming to an end of our 2018-2019 American Legion Centennial year. It is our hope the second one-hundred years will be as successful as the first one-hundred. In looking back over the last century. I am truly amazed at the foresight of our Founding fathers and hope that the successes of The American Legion's programs are what the founders envisioned, and the second century will be a continuance of the first century.

The National Security and Foreign Relations Commission continues to support the Four Pillars of The American Legion by honoring our outstanding Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters each year. Our Department Law Enforcement Officer, Sgt. Jacob Childers of Crook County Sheriffs Office and Firefighter, Maya Gross of Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue will be honored at the Department Convention in Astoria. The Foreign Relations & ROTC Committee also honors our states four ROTC programs cadets by presenting them with medals each year. The committee is in the process of starting a program to honor the cadets of the several Junior ROTC programs.

Another program of the National Security Commission is the Blood Donor Program. Posts are judged by their participation in Blood Drives hosted or co-hosted by the Post, number of Post and Unit members that have donated and by the amount of blood that has been donated. There are four classifications in the program determined by Post size. Those classifications are Posts 1-100 members, 101-250 members, 251-500 and Posts 501 and up. The winners of Blood Do-

nor program will be recognized and presented with awards at the Department Convention.

Other Committees of the National Security Commission as prescribed by the Constitution & By-Laws of The American Legion, Law & Order Homeland Security Committee, Military Benefits and Quality of Life Committee and the National Guard and Reserve Committee. The duties of these last Committees are not as detailed as the previous Committees and act mostly when Resolutions are brought up concerning these committees.

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CORY BROCKMANN
AMERICANISM CHAIR

Scholarship programs offered by The American Legion can change lives. It's that simple. It can strengthen families and, ultimately, strengthen communities and our country. This is the third in a series of six articles reviewing National American Legion Scholarships. Last month we reviewed the Legacy Scholarship and we continue this month with the Junior Shooting Sports Scholarship.

The American Legion's Shooting Sports Scholarship provides college scholarship money annually to the competition winners in The American Legion 3-Position Junior Air Rifle Championship. The two shooting categories are Precision and Sporter, and each winner will receive a \$5,000 college scholarship.

Additionally, the winners in both Precision and Sporter categories will receive an expense paid trip to The American Legion National Convention where they will be honored as part of the Youth Champions Delegation. The scholarships for each of the first-place winners is provided in part by The American Legion and The Sons of the American Legion. Second place finishers in each category will each receive \$1,000 in college scholarships, which is generously provided by The American Legion Auxiliary.

For more information on scholarship programs make contact with your nearest American Legion post or navigate to <https://www.legion.org/scholarships>

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PDC, BOB HUFF
VEE&H CHAIRMEN

however, we can help and put our brand out there. On Wednesday July 24 we will be supporting the Veterans Stand Down, Employment and Benefits Event at the VA SORCC in White City.

On **Saturday July 27**, we will be supporting the ODVA Expo 19, scheduled, in Pendleton at the Convention Center, we will be there.

On **Tuesday August 6**, we will Celebrate Veterans Event at the Street of Dreams 2019 at the Home Builders Assn of Metro Portland.

On **Wednesday September 11**, the Portland Veterans Stand Down at the Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

Remember, we have our soldiers deploying the end of this year and yellow-ribbons are being planned before they deploy. During their deployment, there will be yellow-ribbons planned for their spouses and parents. We need to support those events, as

We are gearing up for our new events which we are part of the planning team, organizing some of the events and participating in others;

however, we can help and put our

we learn the dates that they will be held we will email blast those areas.

I have ordered TS2 Troop Support Services material from our National Organization. This has been well received by spouses and parents during yellow-ribbons while the troops are deployed and for use when our soldiers return. More to come on this.

We are also teaming up with our VA Suicide Coordinators to provide outreach during our events and bringing Suicide Prevention training to our meetings.

Remember, this is a great opportunity for the American Legion Family to support the events as a family.

The VA supports all our activity and remains a strong supporter providing staff and services for all of our events.

As new events are identified we will contact the event coordinators for information and tables; remember, we support Veterans and Veteran family specific events where Veterans are not paying a fee and where employment, Veterans/Family are paid a living wage.

As we support new events Email notice will be sent out as their location and dates are locked in.

We can always use volunteers to assist with the events we participate in and those we are not able to support with conflicting schedules.

Remember our most successful events are those with local Post participation.



Legionnaire Insurance Trust



LARRY WITTMAYER
BOY SCOUT CHAIRMEN

This reporting period brings news from Cascade Pacific Council.

Their Board has decided to not renew the lease at the Sea Scout

Base on the Columbia River. A com-

mittee has been formed to ensure that Sea Scouting continues in this Council.

The committee reviewed one candidate this Department Eagle Scout of the Year. That candidate, although qualified in many respects did not totally qualify.

The Scouting Committee continues to encourage Posts to charter (sponsor) Scout units.

The committee plans to have an information table at convention.

Department Officers

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Commander | Tom Harris |
| Imed. Past Cmdr | Gene Hellickson |
| 1st Vice Cmdr | Steve Adams |
| 2nd Vice Cmdr | Don Weber |
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| Historian | S. Flynn Phillips |
| Judge Advocate | Gerald Shorey |
| Service Officer | Ed Van Dyke |
| Veterans Service Officer | Jody Marsh |
| Sgt-At-Arms | Phyllis York |
| Asst Sgt-At-Arms | Mike Morris |
| Asst Sgt-At-Arms | Ward Allen |
| Aide to Cmdr | S. Flynn Phillips |



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Responsibilities of a Post PR Officer:

In many ways, the public relations function is the most important function at any level of the American Legion according to The American Legion Public Relations Toolkit. "Public relations representatives might have any number of titles in corporate and government circles. Public affairs, communications, publicity, marketing, media relations, new media and several other like titles may be used. As a Post Public Relations (PR) Officer, all these roles are combined into your job description. It is our job to inform, enlighten, persuade and convince our many publics of our beliefs, events and goals. The first responsibility should be to determine your Post's image in your community, if you don't already know. And you should constantly review your organization's standing on the image meter. Ask media representatives how they perceive your organization when you talk to them. Talk to your community leaders and to your post's neighbors. Talk to your members – not just those who are always there to help, but the members who seldom show up for meetings or events. You may find out why they don't show up so you can begin to change their perceptions about the post and get them involved. Your primary responsibility now will be to alter or maintain the image of your post and/or The American Legion and to communicate your various messages to each of your many publics. Based on your knowledge of what your image is, you can better focus your message(s) to achieve your goals, whether it is to garner support for veterans' issues or convince members to support a post function. Good public relations begin with the Post Commander establishing policies and practices that are ethical, honest and in keeping with the public interest. Then the PR Officer can take those policies and practices to the public for acclaim, understanding and, if need be, for clarifying any misconceptions. Four basic services

are expected from the Post PR Officer:

Advice and Counsel: The Post PR Officer should advise post officers of the PR impact policy decisions will have on the media, on the community and on members.

Communications Service: The process of letting American Legion Family members and the public know about events and policies via newsletters, booklets, speeches, news media, good citizenship, examples and other means.

Relations Research: Identifying, evaluating and communicating information of community or world events to the post leaders and members who would help the Post manage its affairs better.

Public Relations Promotion: Development and execution of a variety of programs and activities designed to gain acceptance for the Post among members and within the community. For years, the United States military has successfully utilized a three-tiered Public Affairs (Relations) concept. From the Pentagon down to the post/fort/base level, military public affairs offices divided the PR mission into three separate, but related, functions.

Media Relations: Outreach to the general public is crucial to the success of any corporate or private entity. Even to The American Legion. While there are varied ways to disseminate information, the media offer the best way to reach the largest number of people with your information. Why won't your local newspaper run your story about this weekend's fish fry? What is that TV reporter doing inside your Post, at the bar with a photographer interviewing your members? How did that story get printed without me (or the post commander) knowing anything about it? Effective media relations mean that you and the various media in your area have a good working relationship. It's a mutual relationship based on trust and honesty. They call you when they need answers on veterans' issues, and you know who to call to provide a local angle to a national story regarding The American Legion. Building these personal

relationships will require real time and effort but the payoff will be well worth it.

Internal Information: Don't assume that just because your members pay their dues ev-



PDC, PNC CHARLES SCHMIDT
PR CHAIRMAN

every year that they understand what The American Legion is all about. Keeping our members informed of ALL the issues is critical to keeping them motivated and active at all levels. Members who are constantly kept in the communications loop about what your post is doing are much more likely to renew their memberships. Notify your members through newsletters, the Internet, email, and social media of what is going on at your post, as well as passing on local and national policy and program issues of importance to all members.

Community/External Relations: Whether you are inviting members of your community to attend a ceremony or function at your Post, having a membership drive or conducting an area-wide information campaign, you will need to reach people who are not members of your post. This will involve coordination with not only the media, but all other elements in your community to include outreach to businesses, elected officials, schools and religious leaders as well as other civic groups in your town or neighborhood. It may involve obtaining sponsorships for post events. As good citizens of your community, your Post members should ask to be represented at various civic functions or meetings. While the Post Commander will most often be the point of contact for civic and community functions, the PR officer should be the one to advise the Post Commander on specific issues and will act as spokesperson on occasion. Good community relations

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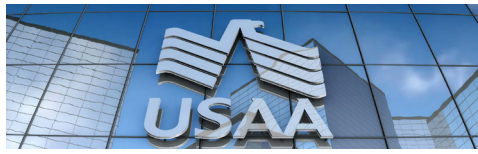
CORY BROCKMANN ORATORICAL REPORT

The 2019 winner of The American Legion's 82nd annual National Oratorical Contest, "A U.S. Constitutional Speech Contest," was high school junior Patrick Junker representing the Department of Iowa. Junker, who won an \$18,000 scholarship and beat out Department of Oregon's Anwesha Mukherjee in the national quarter-final round, was a repeat contender in the national final.

Planning work is well underway for next year's contest. The 2020 National Oratorical Contest will be held April 17-19 at the Wyndham Indianapolis West Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind. The pairing brackets for the 2020 national final has been released and Oregon will be within a quarter-final grouping with Georgia, Kentucky, Nevada and North Dakota.

The assigned oratorical topics have also been released for the 2020 contest. Topics are:

- **Amendment XII** - Electoral College
- **Amendment XXIV** - Citizens right to vote shall not be denied by the United States or any State by reason of failure to pay poll tax or other tax.
- **Amendment XXVII** - No law, varying the compensation for the services of Senators and Representatives, shall take effect, until an election of Representatives shall have intervened.
- **Amendment XX** - terms of President and Vice President. When Congress shall assemble. Articles of Presidential succession.



PDC, BOB HUFF
VA NATIONAL CEMETERY

We have had a lot of activity at our National Cemetery's in addition to performing military honors, National Cemeteries are National Shrines.

On Friday March 29th

we held "Welcome Home Vietnam Era Veterans" celebration at Eagle Point National Cemetery, made speeches and presented pins, copies of the Presidential Proclamation to participants.

On Sunday April 28th we supported the "Carry the Load" at Eagle Point National Cemetery, the 1st Stop of the 20 National Cemeteries that will be visited during their cycle trip to terminate in Houston Texas on Memorial Day. The Carry the Load is bringing awareness to Memorial Day and Veterans Suicides.

On Tuesday May 14th, we supported the Services for Unclaimed, Forgotten Veterans at Roseburg National Cemetery. Four WWI Veterans, three Army and one Navy received military honors, on Wednesday May 15th eleven Army Veterans WWII and Korea received military honors and on Thursday May 16th thirteen Veterans, nine Navy and four Air Force, WWII, Korea and Vietnam received military honors. This has been a 3-year project, thanks to Larry Hill, Past Department First Vice Commander and Post Commander of Post 16 in Roseburg and Carol Hunt and the many members of their team, too many to mention.

We had our **Memorial Day events on Monday May 27th.** The American Legion has activity and participation at Willamette, Roseburg and Eagle Point National Cemetery honoring and remembrance.

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should also include a post speaker's bureau to be able to tell The American Legion story in speeches to other community groups.

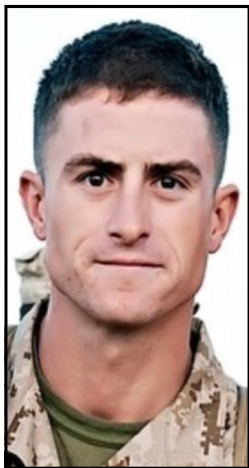


Continuity is critical: PDC, PNC CHARLES SCHMIDT
PR CHAIRMAN

Public relations require development of relationships with various officials, media representatives, and department and national staff members. It's critical to have some form of continuity in your efforts to maintain these relationships. In a volunteer organization, it's difficult to saddle one individual with this much responsibility for an extended time. As an alternative, try to spread the responsibilities to several individuals, allowing them to specialize in various areas. At the very least, maintain a comprehensive PR log or computerized spread sheet at your post, district, and department to provide continuity for each person assuming the responsibilities. The data should include contact names, deadlines for various media, submission procedures for articles or public service announcements (PSAs) and a contact history for various individuals to include what was discussed, etc."



~ Cpl. Diffie Veterans Fund ~



"The Cpl. Diffie Veterans Fund" was established in memory of Milwaukie resident – U.S. Marine Corps Combat Veteran Samuel Diffie, who served two tours in Afghanistan as a rifleman (SAW Gunner). With a family history of military service dating back to the birth and formation of our great country, Samuel felt a deep desire to continue that selfless tradition of service and joined the U.S. Marine Corps in his early twenties. After completing his training, Samuel was deployed to Afghanistan (1st tour) with 3/2 (3rd Battalion – 2nd Marines). He would return home from that deployment finding himself driven by an inner sense of duty and desire to mentor fellow Marines not yet exposed to the trials of war. Samuel would request and be granted transfer to 3/8 (3rd Battalion - 8th Marines) and was soon thereafter deployed back to Afghanistan with his new 3/8 family.

After completion of his honorable service overseas, Samuel moved to the Portland, Oregon area and settled down in the City of Milwaukie. Samuel explained his desire to live in the Northwest and his appreciation for its natural beauty stemmed from a previous fishing trip years prior. It was not uncommon for Samuel to be the first to point out the wondrous landscape and scenery that surrounds the area.

As a Combat Veteran, Samuel would experience the troublesome gap between the need for Veteran services and their ability to quickly respond with resources and solutions. It was during such a time in June of 2017, that the Milwaukie Police and the Clackamas County Fire Department would meet Samuel. In their combined effort to help, basic needs were provided to temporarily get Samuel by until Veteran resources could be obtained. However, additional follow up with Samuel and the V.A. revealed that resources he was eligible for could not react fast enough to resolve the immediate medical and lodging issues he faced. Samuel's rent was ultimately paid by a donation through the Milwaukie Police Department to curb the housing concern, but his situation exposed the desperate need for local emergency funds to assist Veterans facing dire circumstances. This is an acknowledged "gap" before Veteran services can become engaged that Samuel himself hoped for future solutions to.

Sadly, Samuel would unexpectedly pass in January of 2018 and was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery with full honors.

In memory of Samuel's expressed desire to close the gap before Veteran services are available, and in response to the recognized lead times required and routinely experienced by Veterans seeking assistance at the County, State, and Federal levels, the *Milwaukie American Legion Post 180 partnered with the Milwaukie Police Department's Veterans Resource Team to establish the "Cpl. Diffie Veterans Fund". One-hundred percent of the profits raised and donations received for the Cpl. Diffie Veterans Fund go directly towards helping local Veterans in need. Funds which are intended to bridge the gap until Veteran resources can be procured through the County, Department of Veteran Affairs, or other Veterans resources.

The Milwaukie American Legion Post 180 and the Milwaukie Police Department sincerely thank you for any monetary donation made to the Cpl. Diffie Veterans Fund, which goes directly towards helping our local Heroes.



Donations can be hand delivered or mailed to:

AMERICAN LEGION POST 180 – Attn. Finance Officer 2146 SE Monroe Street Milwaukie, Oregon 97222

Make checks payable to: AMERICAN LEGION POST 180

In the Memo section of the check write, "CPL. DIFFIE VETERANS FUND" so that your donation is allocated to the correct account.

**The Milwaukie American Legion Post 180 is a federally chartered non-profit organization and all contributions and donations are tax deductible at the fullest extent of existing laws. The Post's federal tax identification number is 23-7026046.*



RESOLVE

**Identity
Theft**

**Resolution
Services**

ID RESOLVE

A New Program to Help Legionnaires Fight Back Against Identity Theft

Identity theft is the fastest growing crime in America and has affected more than 16.7 million victims, with Seniors being especially vulnerable targets. Data breaches are becoming more frequent and, when an identity thief strikes, most Americans are left to clean up the mess themselves, unsure of where to turn to first.

ID Resolve provides members with resolution services if they become a victim of identity theft or fraud. With a single phone call, members can activate an important set of services to fix the situation and restore their name. ID Resolve's Identity Resolution Specialists are certified in identifying and repairing any type of identity theft such as medical fraud, Social Security identity theft, and financial theft.

ID Resolve offers a competitive advantage compared to other identity theft products because it focuses solely on the aftermath of identity theft and resolving the issue. In a recent survey conducted by Worldwide Rescue & Security, when asked "How would you fix an identity theft situation?" 50% of those surveyed said they do not know how to fix identity theft issues and many reported it would be a "hassle" to resolve the issue on their own. ID Resolves focuses on this critical aspect to identity theft by making these services easily accessible.

Launch is set for May 2, 2019 and there are two annual memberships available:

Member: \$79/year
Couple: \$99/year



LEGIONNAIRE INSURANCE TRUST PROGRAM

Offered by Worldwide Rescue & Security, Inc.

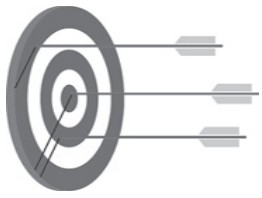


Services provided by Generali Global Assistance. Generali Global Assistance has been a leading provider of identity and digital protection solutions, travel insurance, and other assistance services for more than 35 years. Generali Global Assistance is part of the multinational Generali Group, which for over 185 years has created a presence in 60 countries with over 74,000 employees. Generali's success has been built on the foundation of trust that clients have placed in their ability to provide assistance in the most difficult of circumstances.

ID RESOLVE SERVICES

- 1. 24/7 Expertise:** ID Resolve's identity theft resolution specialists are available 24/7 to help restore the Member's identity and prevent further damage in the event of an incident. In the event of an Identity Theft, we will assign a personal case manager to assist the Member by providing the services described below.
- 2. Identity Theft Affidavit Assistance and Submission:** ID Resolve will provide the Member with an Identity Theft affidavit, used to dispute any fraudulent claims or activity. After assisting with its completion, we will submit it to the authorities, credit bureaus and creditors on the Member's behalf.
- 3. Creditor Notification, Dispute and Follow-Up:** ID Resolve will contact the Member's creditors' fraud departments to dispute each fraudulent occurrence, continue to follow-up until each matter is properly handled and notify the Member throughout the process with a weekly status report.
- 4. Inform Police/Legal Authorities:** ID Resolve will assist the Member in reporting the fraudulent activity to the local authorities and will forward a report of the fraudulent activity to creditors.
- 5. Credit Freeze:** If the Member needs to block suspicious activity occurring on the Member's account, ID Resolve will work with the credit reporting agencies to place a credit freeze on the Member's credit record(s) in states where this service is available in accordance with state law.
- 6. Lost Wallet Assistance:** ID Resolve will notify the appropriate bank or agency to assist the Member in canceling or replacing stolen or missing items such as credit/debit card, driver's license, Social Security card, or passport.
- 7. 3-Bureau Fraud Alert:** ID Resolve will enhance the Member's fraud protection by assisting the Member with placing a fraud alert on the Member's records at all three credit bureaus.
- 8. Medical Identity Theft Assistance:** In the event the Member becomes the victim of medical identity theft, ID Resolve will provide help with fraudulent medical claims placed in the Member's name and medical care that was received fraudulently by another individual in the Member's name. We will help the Member to ensure that healthcare, insurance claims and medical records are corrected and we will involve our in-house medical staff if necessary.
- 9. Translation Services:** If the Member is abroad, ID Resolve will help the Member communicate with the local authorities, including filing an identity theft incident report. It is the responsibility of the Member to pay for any cost associated with the translation services.
- 10. Emergency Cash and Travel Arrangements:** If the Member experiences Identity Theft more than 100 miles from the Member's primary place of residence, ID Resolve will provide the Member an emergency cash advance of up to \$500 and assist with emergency travel arrangements, including airline, hotel and car rental reservations. All costs associated with this Service will be the Member's responsibility. These Services must be secured by a valid credit card.

CORY BROCKMANN
JR SHOOTING SPORTS CHAIR



The 29th American Legion Junior Three Position Air Rifle National Championship will be held July 24-27, 2019, at the USA Shooting range facility located at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. This year 1,359 shooting-athletes entered the individual National Postal Match Competition and 243 teams entered the team National Postal Match Competition, as reported at the National Spring Meetings in Indianapolis, Ind., on May 6th.

Thirty high school air rifle competitors made it through two postal rounds of The American Legion's Junior 3-Position Air Rifle national tournament to earn a spot in the 29th annual Junior 3-Position Air Rifle National Championship. The top 15 shooters in each of the two categories - precision and sporter - will compete in the championships. Representing the Department of Oregon and competing in the sporter competition is Hailey Clevenger of Lebanon High School, Lebanon, Ore. Lists of the 15 finalists in each shooting category may be found at:

Precision: <https://www.legion.org/documents/legion/pdf/precision.pdf>

Sporter: <https://www.legion.org/documents/legion/pdf/sporter.pdf>

In further activity of the Youth Activities subcommittee, discussion was held on restructuring the recognition awards for The American Legion national postal tournament and The American Legion national 3-Position air rifle championship to consider providing a level of recognition commensurate to the level of achievement. And so, as air rifle is a competition of the U.S. Olympics, The American Legion's national championship would, conceivably, more closely align with the U.S. Olympic award structure. A draft proposal will be presented to department Junior Shooting Sports chairmen at their conference in September for their discussion.



The American Legion

6th Annual Cruise-In



At the

Viewpoint Restaurant

20189 South Springwater Road
Estacada, Oregon

Saturday July, 6th 2019

10 AM- 3 PM (Judging 12-2)

Join us in "The Garden" for Good Food, Raffle Prizes, Music, and raffling \$600.00 in Cash Prizes

Open to all Hot Rods, Street Rods,

Antiques, Classics, Trucks and Motor Cycles

All Proceeds go to the American Legion Carl Douglas Post 74

"Veterans helping Veterans"

Vehicle Registration \$15.00 per Vehicle

Space is limited to the first 200 cars

ONE FREE BREAKFAST BUFFET (per vehicle) FOR REGISTRATION FORMS RECEIVED BEFORE JULY 1ST

For more information and registration contact

Pete: 503-701-9093, or email - magdom@rocketmail.com

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CORY BROCKMANN
DISTRICT 1 COMMANDER

Lastly, my thanks to Commander

Jerry Simmons, Louis Larsen #68 and Post #68 Legion Family for an outstanding job hosting the district meeting and luncheon – well done!

As discussed at the District 1 meeting, the U.S. Mint has released a new American Legion 100th Anniversary 2019 Proof Silver Dollar and Medal Set. Note, this is different than the three-coin set released previously. There will only be 10,000 of these coin sets issued and they went on sale May 20th. The two-coin set includes an American Legion 100th Anniversary Proof Silver Dollar and an American Veterans Silver Medal. This medal will be available in silver in this set, however, it is expected to be available in bronze beginning sometime in 2020.

Lastly, many of our posts and units conducted National Poppy Day and Memorial Day events and, in doing so, not only honor the fallen, but in many ways help teach future generations of the sacrifices that were made. In June we look forward to Flag Day on June 14th and continue to outreach within schools and communities in honoring our Flag. Well done, District 1.



S. FLYNN PHILLIPS

Media & Communications **Key activities:** The monthly digital editions of the Oregon Legionnaire have been distributed via email and had been posted on the orlegion.org website. Printed copies are sent to the Veterans Homes in The Dalles, Lebanon, and White City as well as the Portland VA Hospital. We recently issued a special elections edition too.

There has been some confusion as to publishing due dates etc. According to the minutes of the DEC the deadline for submission for articles is

Don't forget, we are celebrating the centennial of



The American Legion until Nov of 2019.

DON WEBER

CENTENNIAL CHAIR

We have 53 actual Centennial Posts in Oregon. If you are one of those Posts, please come prepared to share some information about your Post.

National continues to update information about the first 100 years. Visit www.centennial.legion.org, to see the latest updates. While on that website, you can visit the Post history of many of the Posts that have been posting history information for the last several years. Visit <https://centennial.legion.org/histories/oregon> for a list of the 21 Posts in Oregon that have a post history online.

The National site does have information on new promotional material, National history information, and other interesting information about our history. And for more information about Oregon, go to www.orlegion.org. Click on the About tab, and you will find a series of articles written by our Past Dept. Commander, Gene Hellickson about the early years of The American Legion in Oregon.



the 5th of the month so we can publish NLT the 1st of the following month- that is the goal. I hope this is clearer than previous stated.

A discussion with Don Weber Chair of the legionnaire and Mick Wilson Commander Post 180 Committee member said it best. I think that the key question here is "What is the goal of the Oregon Legionnaire?" It is to:

1. Provide legionnaires with news on what has taken place and what activities/events are planned.
2. Provide instruction on District and

Have you filed your taxes?

Has your budget been created for next year?

Have you setup fund raisers for your programs for the upcoming year?

PDC, KEVIN OWENS

PERMANENT FINANCE CHAIR



Have you involved all the members in your Post?

Lastly, have you met with the American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion to help the Post execute next year's plan?

If you answer no to any of these questions, you might want to take a deep look at why not. No plan is worth the paper written on if we all are not on the same page and administrative items are not complete.

The failure of many of our Post's, Unit's and Squadrons is they have no clear vision of where they want to be one week, one month, one year or five years from now.

The second killer of a group is not respecting each other, or each other's aims and goals. Like investments of money, investments in each other will build a healthier organization.

If you want help with setting your goals for financial growth we are here to help, all you need to do is ask, we are a phone call or e-mail away.

Post management/operation issues.

3. Communicate National HQ directives.

4. Promote communication between Posts/Districts by sharing ideas that improve fundraising and recruitment.

Getting a good focus on the objective(s) of the publication would help in soliciting articles and material from the membership. Perhaps getting a small survey out to the membership on what they are most interested in seeing the publication would pro-

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Greg Walden statement on Bob Maxwell

*Greg Walden presents Bob Maxwell
with American flag flown over U.S.
Capitol to honor Maxwell's 97th birth-
day in 2017 in Bend.*

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Represent-
ative Greg Walden (R-Hood River)
released the following statement on
the passing of Robert (Bob) Maxwell:

"Bob Maxwell represented the best
of what Oregon and America have to
offer. The gallantry of America's old-
est Medal of Honor recipient was well
known -- throwing his unprotected
body on a German hand grenade to
protect his comrades in WWII earned
Bob Maxwell the highest military honor,
his second Silver Star, a second Purple
Heart, and a Bronze Star. For those
who had the pleasure of knowing Bob,
they know that his bravery and heroism
were only matched by his kindness,
warmth, and sense of humor. I was
honored to call Bob Maxwell a friend.
Bob's legacy will live on in the hearts
and minds of everyone he interacted
with and will forever be cherished in
the country that he sacrificed so much
to protect. To the entire Maxwell family:
Mylene and I send our heartfelt con-
dolences and prayers during this difficult
time. To Bob Maxwell: thank you for
your friendship, and for your service to
the United States on my behalf and on
behalf of all Americans."

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A photo of a billboard installed by Carlson Sign on US Hwy 20 near Jake's
Diner, Bob Maxwell's favorite place to meet with Bend Band of Brothers. The
billboard is located on the "Oregon Medal of Honor Highway" – one of Bob's
many legacies. Bob Maxwell transferred to Post Everlasting on May 11th 2019.

Robert D. Maxwell
October 26, 1920- May 11, 2019
From Bob's family.....

With sadden hearts we would like
to announce the passing of our Dear
Father Robert Dale

Maxwell. As many have already
heard he passed away peacefully this
last Saturday evening, May11, 2019
with family members at his side in
Bend Oregon. Our Father was a very
spiritual and knew it was his time to
go home to his Heavenly Father. Dad
was such a kind, caring, full of integ-
rity, and love for all. He loved his God,
his Country, his Family and Friends.
We are very saddened and he will be
missed terribly, but at the same time
we are grateful that he is
out of pain and is where he wanted to
be, in heaven.

Thank you,
Verda, Linda, Sharon Maxwell and
Bonnie Spies

A vigil time for viewing and paying
respects will be held Thursday, May
30, 2019 from 1PM until 6PM at the
Niswonger-Reynolds Chapel 105 NW
Irving Ave., Bend, OR

The Remembrance with Honors
will be held Friday, May 31, 2019 at
12PM in the Deschutes County Fair
Grounds Main Expo Building
3800 SW Airport Way, Redmond, Or-
egon.

Intern with full military honors will
follow at Terrebonne Cemetery.

For those who wish, the family sug-
gests they honor Bob with a memorial
contributions to Boise Bible College,
Medal of Honor Scholarship 8695 W
Marigold St, Boise, ID 83714

Point of Contact:
The Daniel Family of Funeral Homes
541-382-2471

admin@niswonger-reynolds.com





**REPORT TO THE AMERICANISM COMMISSION
SPRING MEETING – May 6, 2019
Indianapolis, Indiana**

**AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL COMMITTEE
Gary Stone (MO), Chairman**



The Baseball Committee met on Monday, May 6, 2019 at the Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel, Meridian West. Those in attendance were: Gary Stone (MO), Chairman; Mark Avis (MA), Vice Chairman; Committee members John Hayes (IN); Jake Raile (ND); Mark Cauble (NC); and Committee Consultants Eddie Holbrook (NC); Don Hawkins (WI); and Frank Calandrillo (NJ). Also in attendance were Steve Cloud (IN), Program Manager, Americanism Division; and Baseball Administrative Assistant, Tina Dunn. Numerous guests were also in attendance.

Your committee received an update on the 2019 online registration status from Program Manager Steve Cloud. The Committee is pleased to report that 2,227 teams have already registered online for the 2019 season. We anticipate an additional 1000+ teams registering in the next 24 days as the high school baseball season concludes throughout the country.

Your Committee also reviewed, discussed and approved adoption of the 2019 American Legion Baseball National Tournament Rules and Policies for 2019 post season tournament play.

Requests from the Departments of Massachusetts and Virginia for changes to current district team recruiting boundaries under National Rule 3. Team Recruiting Plan "A" were presented for your committee's review. Your committee recommend and approve the amended team recruiting boundaries of the Plan "A" Zoning Requests from Massachusetts and Virginia.

Your Committee reviewed submitted bid proposals from regions 5 and 7 for consideration to host 2020 regional tournaments. Your Committee unanimously voted to pass and recommends resolution *"Addendum to American Legion Baseball Regional Tournament Sites For 2020"* be approved. Region 5 and 7 sites are awarded to:

Region 5 – Elmhurst, IL

Region 7 – Gillette, WY

Your Committee discussed the recent passing of Senate Bill 534, which amends two federal statutes: (1) the Victims of Child Abuse Act of 1990 and (2) the Amateur Sports Act of 1978. Part of the new bill includes extending reporting duties, designation of the United States Center for SafeSport, and provide consistent abuse awareness training to adult volunteers who are in contact with amateur athletes.

The current background check provider, Protect Youth Sports offers an abuse awareness training module that complies with the Senate Bill requirements and USA Baseball has also developed a baseball specific abuse awareness training module, both of these services are free. Your Committee recommends baseball staff work in collaboration with Risk Management national staff to update the risk management policies of junior and senior baseball to include abuse awareness reporting procedures, education and training, background screening and insurance requirements to present at the Fall Baseball Chairman's Conference in September.

Your Committee had follow-up discussions regarding the junior baseball program and the survey results from the fifty department chairman. There are currently forty-two departments that sanction a junior program, with 1,258 teams in 2018. Only half of the departments would commit to and participate in a national junior regional tournaments, while seventeen departments would favor a national prep division.

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**AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL COMMITTEE
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

November 8, 2018

Gary Stone (MO), Chairman

Steve Cloud (IN), Program Manager, Americanism Division

The American Legion Baseball Committee conducted a telephone conference on Thursday, November 8, 2018. Those in attendance were: Gary Stone (MO), Chairman; members Mark Avis (MA); Skip Carnes (PA); Rick Cash (AR); Mark Cauble (NC); James Grenier (VA); John Hayes (IN); Jody Moeller (NE); Jacob Raile (ND); and consultants Frank Calandrillo (NJ); Jay DeSantis (WV); and Donald Hawkins (WI). Also in attendance were Steve Cloud (IN), Program Manager Baseball; and Jeremy Field (NJ), Baseball Media and Communications. Assistant Director Cloud opened the conference with an overview of the agenda, purpose and expectations of the call and brief instructions on conference call procedures. Following Fall Meetings, five new members were appointed to the Baseball Committee, each took time to give a brief introduction and where they would like to see the program in three years.

Assistant Director Cloud provided an update regarding K&K Insurance and changes to the 2019 season. National will collect department fees, late fees, national administrative and team registration fees. Teams will be redirected to K&K Insurance's website to purchase liability and accident insurance. General Liability premium for 2019 increased \$6 for senior and junior teams, personal accident premium remained unchanged. Advance copy of 2019 national tournament staff suggestions were reviewed and discussed. Committee members recommend that the suggested tournament staff members be submitted for vetting and approval.

Members had follow-up discussion from the Fall Baseball Chairman's Conference regarding the junior program, which included an update regarding the department chairman's survey and junior regional tournaments. The Committee recommends that the working group develop a draft "white paper" based on the chairman's survey that highlights the goals, strategies, cost, and implementation of adopting junior regional tournaments for review at Spring Meetings and for presentation at the Fall Baseball Chairman's Conference.

Assistant Director Cloud provided an update of upcoming events the program will be participating in, which include our Nevada 2017 World Series champions and 2018 World Series runner-up teams assisting with MLB Play Ball event during Winter Meetings. The program will also be exhibiting at the 2019 American Baseball Coaches Association convention in Dallas on January 3-5, 2019. In conjunction with the convention, USA Baseball will be conducting their rescheduled annual national member organization meeting which was cancelled in September due to hurricane Florence.

The next scheduled phone conference will be in mid-February.



Exhibit "A"

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL COMMITTEE
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
February 5, 2019
Gary Stone (MO), Chairman

Steve Cloud (IN), Program Manager, Americanism Division

The American Legion Baseball Committee conducted a telephone conference on Tuesday, February 5, 2019. Those in attendance were: Gary Stone (MO), Chairman; members Mark Avis (MA); Skip Carnes (PA); Rick Cash (AR); Mark Cauble (NC); James Grenier (VA); John Hayes (IN); Jody Moeller (NE); Jacob Raile (ND); and consultant Jay DeSantis (WV). Also in attendance were Steve Cloud (IN), Program Manager Baseball; and Jeremy Field (NJ), Baseball Media and Communications.

Assistant Director Cloud opened the conference with an overview of the agenda, purpose and expectations of the call and brief instructions on conference call procedures.

Jeremy Field provided an update on upcoming media and communication articles celebrating the organization's centennial and baseball. Field also brief members on the "All Centennial ALB Team" voting ballot concept through the magazine, website and in person at the ALWS.

Program Manager Cloud provided an update regarding K&K Insurance. First report of ALB team insurance purchases from K&K to department chairman was sent January 28 and will be sent every two weeks on Tuesdays. National will collect department fees, late fees, national administrative and team registration fees.

Cloud reported that there are multiple bids to host 2020 regionals in Great Lakes and Northwest. An amended resolution will need to be submitted at Spring Meetings in May. 2019 national tournament staff invites were mailed before the holidays and tournament directors are beginning to schedule site visits with their local host committees.

Members received an update from Cloud regarding the Department of Georgia not participating in the baseball program in 2019. Notification was received by department on January 3, 2019 that they would not be participating in the baseball program until someone could be appointed to run it. To date there has been not action by the Department of Georgia. It has been suggested to the National Commander's Advisory Committee, that the ALB Committee and staff assist with the team registration administration to ensure teams meet national deadline dates and to assist with soliciting previous team managers and Georgia Legionnaires through email to consider re-engaging in the program. The ALB Committee concur with the recommendations. This would be for the 2019 season only and the Department of Georgia has to conduct their state tournament also.

The next scheduled phone conference will be in late March following the World Series spring planning meetings in Shelby, North Carolina.



Exhibit "B"



**REPORT OF THE
COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN & YOUTH
TO THE
AMERICANISM COMMISSION
May 7, 2019
Herbert J. Petit, Jr. (LA), Chairman**



Your Committee on Children & Youth met at the Sheraton City Centre Hotel, Panorama A, 21st floor in Indianapolis, Indiana, on Monday, May 6, 2019. The meeting was convened at 9:50 a.m. and the roll was taken. The following committee members were present. Herbert Petit (LA), Peggy Moon (MN), Kenneth Hylton (IN), Donald Suchy (NE), John Knox (MI), John Konkol (NY), Anthony Lori (NJ), Paul Bennett (MS), Eugene Brown (ID), Timothy Van Patten (NY), Sidney Shouse (KY), Cheri Stanton (IL), and Sidney Damsgard (FL). Following opening remarks, the minutes of the fall meeting were reviewed and approved.

American Legion Child Welfare Foundation

The board of directors of the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation met on Sunday, May 5, 2019, at the Sheraton City Centre Hotel in Indianapolis, Indiana. The following officers were elected: Dennis R. Boland (FL), president; Peggy Moon (MN) vice-president; Joseph J. Frank (MO), secretary; and Robert Turner (GA), treasurer. The administrative personnel appointed by the board were George A. Buskirk, Jr. (IN), assistant treasurer and Meagen Sweet (IN), executive secretary. Year-to-date for the 2018-2019 donation year, the foundation has received over \$344,239.

Temporary Financial Assistance

The American Legion's Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) program continues to provide for the basic needs of children of eligible veterans through cash grants made possible through the generosity of the American Legion Endowment Fund Corporation. During 2018, TFA assisted 376 children of 179 veterans throughout the United States maintain shelter, utilities, food and clothing with over \$228,975 in cash grants. For the first quarter of this year, TFA has provided over \$1,054,828 to 3,163 children of 1,736 veterans' families. Included in the total grant figures, \$1,000,500 aided 3,120 children of 1,713 active duty United States Coast Guard service members who were affected by the government shutdown.

Children & Youth Conference

The 13th annual national Children & Youth Conference will be held on September 21-22, 2019, at the Sheraton City Centre Hotel in Indianapolis. This conference will educate Legion representatives from 52 departments on current children's issues and the children & youth programs of the Americanism Commission.

Conference participants will learn practical implementation strategies for conducting children & youth programs and conferences within their departments. As our children and youth programs work best due to a concerted effort from all members of the Legion family, please encourage the children & youth representatives from your Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion to consider joining us for a number of informative sessions.

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The committee considered one resolution. After review and discussion, it is the recommendation of your Committee on Children & Youth that this resolution be approved. It is intended to officially designate April As Children & Youth Month. Res. No. 537 CONV 1941, previously designated April as Child Welfare Month, and decades ago it was unofficially referred to as "Children & Youth Month", but never changed officially. This resolution will supersede Res. No. 537 CONV 1941 in order to officially bring the "April Is Children & Youth Month" up to date with the current and longstanding reference.

Mr. Chairman and members of the Americanism Commission, thank you for your support of our Children & Youth programs. By working together, we will continue to work one of The American Legion's four pillars and make a difference in the lives of the children of this great nation.

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CORY BROCKMANN
AMERICANISM CHAIR

Commission committee and program leadership. There is good information

Attached please find reports from the Americanism Commission national spring meetings held last week in Indianapolis, Ind. I share with you as our

department's

Americanism

in each of the reports - from changes to the baseball regional tournament locations next year...to oratorical pairings at the national competition.

Also, I send a gentle reminder that each of us has an obligation to communicate our program's activities. Short summaries of goings-on - of either local, regional, or of the national level - need to be shared monthly for our Oregon Legionnaire, as well as, quarterly for our DEC book of reports. Legionnaire articles should be emailed monthly to: orlegionnaire@gmail.com and DEC reports to: adjutant@orlegion.org

Thank you all for the fabulous work you do!



American Legion Baseball Committee

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Committee member Jacob Raile (ND) offered a recommendation to conduct a survey with the registered junior team managers for feedback and comparison to chairmen. Your Committee approved a motion for Mr. Raile to conduct a survey to the 2018 junior team managers and results will be discussed at the Committee's next phone conference call.

Since the beginning of the year, your committee conducted telephone conferences on November 8, 2018 and February 5, 2019; reports of those conference calls are attached to this report as Exhibits "A" and "B". The next conference call for the committee is scheduled for July 16, 2019.

Respectively Submitted,

Gary Stone, Chairman
Baseball Committee





REPORT TO THE AMERICANISM COMMISSION

SPRING MEETING – May 6, 2019

Indianapolis, Indiana

MEETING OF THE YOUTH CADET LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

On May 6, 2019, the Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Committee met at the Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel.

Members present; Committee Chairman, Larry Price (SD), Committee Vice Chair, Richard Neville (NC), Committee Member, Jim Willis (OR), Committee Member, William Feasenmyer (VA), Committee Consultant, Delmar Buske (IL), and Committee Consultant, Sgt. Jerod Keyes (OH). Guests present; National Commander Brett Reistad (VA), Americanism Commission Chairman, Richard Anderson (CT), Past National Commander, Dale Barnett (GA), NEC-man Robert Libenow (OR), NEC-man Louis Brault (MA).

Meeting topics presented and discussed included: a review of the 2018 Fall Meeting and approval of minutes by Committee Chairman, Larry Price, an update from committee members on technical assistance provided to date to departments without a Youth Cadet Law Enforcement program; an update of the Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Strategic Plan; and a discussion on the Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Department Suggested Guidelines by Americanism Program Manager, Meagen Sweet.

There was also a presentation from Chad Shrader, Exploring Director of Boy Scout Law Enforcement Exploring who provided an overview briefing of the Boy Scout Law Enforcement Exploring program (of Boy Scouts of America), involving 30,000 registered youth across the nation and Europe. His presentation included discussion of how both organizations have potential to overlay their youth law enforcement programs to identify areas for complimenting each other and reciprocally assisting in bridging gaps with finding good candidates and volunteer staff for both Youth Cadet Law Enforcement and Boy Scout Law Enforcement Exploring Programs nationwide. The Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Committee believes this idea holds merit and departments with a Youth Cadet Law Enforcement program will be put in touch with Chad for more information. All departments without a Youth Cadet Law Enforcement program are encouraged to reach out to Boy Scout Law Enforcement Explorers for candidates and volunteer staff to start a program.

Committee meetings points of emphasis:

- The need for every department to develop a Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Program.
- The need for greater Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Program awareness.
- Departments without a program should contact a Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Committee member immediately for start-up technical assistance.

The next meeting of the Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Program Committee will be on October 14, 2019.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Good morning all,

GREG MARVIN

SHERMAN COUNTY POST 49

MORO, OREGON

The
Tri-

County

Veterans Service Officer, Bryan Hunt
has asked me to help promote the up-
coming Veteran Benefit and Resource
Fair.

The attached flyer has all of the in-
formation you may need.

If you have any questions or need
more information please let me know
or contact VSO Bryan Hunt at the
website or phone number on the flyer.
The Tri-County Veteran Service Of-
fice serves Veterans in Sherman, Gil-
liam and Wheeler counties of Eastern
Oregon.



Are you moving?

We hate to have you miss the next Legionnaire Newsletter!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Please Change My Address

NAME: _____

NEW ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

Effective Date: _____

New PhoneNumber: _____

Email Address: _____

Please Email to: Office@orlegion.org

Or Mail to: The Department of Oregon

Attn: Adjutant

P.O. Box 1730

Wilsonville, OR 97070-1730



WARM SPRINGS VETERANS PARADE



S. FLYNN PHILLIPS The Warm Springs, DEPT HISTORIAN Eugene “Cougar” Greene Sr. Post 48 had their annual Veteran Parade that was attended by several Posts and veteran organizations. Commander Charles Tail Feathers was assisted by the Post and District 5 members. AJ Atencio, and Sue Guerin of the Auxiliary, seemed to be everywhere. Commander Tom Harris was interviewed on TV by Arielle Brumfield of TV Channel 5 of Central Oregon.

Post Commander Chief Tail Feathers invited the attendees to the community center where they put on a spread of Bison, Elk and Salmon along with some Fry bread, think elephant ears at the fair and you would be close, very good. After that great meal we were invited to the Gym where the chief and Post pasted out Vietnam service “Thank you” Challenge coins to those Veterans that served. If you stayed after the ceremony you would have seen some Cultural dancing and drum beat songs.

The Parade was a success and the participants keep getting bigger every year. I was glad I attended and plan to be there next year. So, mark your calendar for April next year.

Kudos go out to the Warm Springs Nation, District 5 and Post folks worked and planned all year to put this on. Well Done.



Bill Stam All Nation Native American Veterans Memorial Jefferson, OR



Dept. Commander Tom Harris with first lady Judy Harris



Warm Springs American Legion Post #48 Carrying Flags



Welcome Home Vietnam Veteran Banner



Dist. 5 Adjutant Eva Summers, Dist 5 VC Vandee Mauser & Dept VP Gea Clausier



National Association for Black Veterans Portland Chapter #0032



Vietnam Veterans Float with Smokey the Bear



Arielle, Uncle Sam and Cheif

WARM SPRINGS WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS PARADE



Parade Registration, All hands on deck, Thank you to all who helped



Betty Fish-Ferguson, Gea Clausier, Susan Guerin Aux #48 and Ann Evers ladies who are cool being dual



Arielle Brumfield, Dept Commander Harris with Post Commander of #48



Arielle Brumfield, Dept Commander Harris with Chief in the background



WARM SPRINGS WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS PARADE



AJ is a Legionnaire from Post #48
and Chief



Dept Commander Tom Harris



Susan Guerin ALA #48



Dept ALA VP and TAL Gea Clausier



TAL Post #48 Commander, Charlie
Tailfeathers shaking hands
of vietnam veterans



TAL Post #48 Commander, Charlie
Tailfeathers and TAL Ann Evers



TAL Post #48 Commander, Charlie
Tailfeathers and TAL Betty Fish-
Ferguson



ALA Members of Unit #48



Doctor Prescott and DOC Flynn
Phillips



ALA Office Manager Andrew
and Denise



Yakama Chief Honoring Yakama
Nation Women Veterans

Capt J.T. Rodriguez of USS Portland returns to Portland, Ore.

CORY BROCKMANN
AMERICANISM CHAIR

A few members of District 1 attended the Navy League Portland Council spring meeting and were treated to updates on both the USS



Oregon (SSN-793) and USS Portland (LPD-27). Attending were District Commander Cory Brockmann, Aloha #104, Bob Dean, Washington #2, and Bill Bennett, Aloha #104.

The USS Oregon (SSN-793) is a Virginia-class, nuclear-powered fast attack submarine, that is currently under construction by General Dynamics Electric Boat in Groton, Conn. The Virginia-class attack submarine is the U.S. Navy's latest undersea warfare platform and incorporates the latest in stealth, intelligence gathering and weapons systems technology. Meeting attendees were told construction is on track and a christening is planned for later this fall. USS Oregon is the first submarine and second naval ship named after the state.



The evening's keynote speaker was Captain Jesus Antonio (Tony) Rodriguez, the captain of USS Portland (LPD-27). The USS Port-

land is a San Antonio-class amphibious transport dock ship of the United States Navy, and named after the U.S. city of Portland, Oregon.

CAPT Rodriguez was named captain of USS Portland at a change of command ceremony last September in San Diego, Calif., taking command from Captain Jeremy R. Hill. CAPT Hill was the inaugural captain of USS Portland and was present with the ship in Portland, Ore. during commissioning ceremonies in April 2018.

At the time of commissioning, CAPT Rodriguez was also serving on the USS Portland as executive officer.

CAPT Rodriguez provided a presentation that included highlights of his current tenure as captain, including the USS Portland's



passage through the Panama Canal. He stated that nearly the entire crew has been replaced since USS Portland's trip to her namesake city just 13 months ago for commissioning. At present, the ship continues training exercises as it prepares for deployment-readiness, and, perhaps the most exciting news of the evening was the possibility of USS Portland returning to Portland for the 2020 Rose Festival's fleet week. While he makes no guarantees, CAPT Rodriguez stated he is currently taking the steps necessary with fleet leadership to arrange for it to happen.



Oregon City JROTC

S. FLYNN PHILLIPS
DEPT HISTORIAN

Willamette Falls
Post #5 Commander

Edgar Mathews assists Department Historian S. Flynn Phillips in presenting The American Legion General Military Excellence Award to C/SGM Isaac Hix, C/SSG Matthias Armstrong and C/PVT Alex Bell, and Scholastics Excellence Awards to C/1st SG Christopher Nita, C/SGT Heidi Gerhke and C/CPT Mark Aldrich. There were several Veteran Organizations there presenting Awards.



Flynn presenting the General Military excellent Award to C/SSG Matthias Armstrong



L-R Post 5 Commander Edgar Mathews, C/SGM Isaac Hix, C/SSG Matthias Armstrong and C/PVT Alex Bell, C/1st SG Christopher Nita, C/SGT Heidi Gerhke and C/CPT Mark Aldrich, Historian S. Flynn Phillips

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Legionnaire Betty-Fish Ferguson representing the Reserve Officers Association presented their award to C/SFC Kaylee Falaschetti



Betty (Rt) and I (S. Flynn Phillips lft) had heard through other presentations that Senior Cadet Jane Fraley (center) was awarded a Naval Academy appointment for her Athletic Marksmanship in the Shooting Program. Since both of us are retired Navy we wanted to highlight her achievements. As you can see by the number of ribbons and medals on her uniform "Chesty Puller would be proud". We wish her all the best.



ROTC Awards Dinner Senior Class Cadets

S. FLYNN PHILLIPS Don Weber attended the University of Portland and Portland State University's ROTC program Dining Out and awards Ceremony held on May 3rd at the Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel. Several veteran organizations were on hand to give their awards and Don represented The American Legion Department of Oregon. The American

n Legion Award is presented to one Cadet from each class for being in the top 10% of academic subject classes and have demonstrated qualities of leadership and have actively participated in school organizations.

I went along to take pictures of course and we were seated with Angus Roeper and his family. Angus will be commissioned as a Civil Engineer in The Army National Guard.



Divya Sai Tanguturu



Jacob Walwovicz



Cole Berge



Nathaniel E. Sherman



Angus Roeper and fiancée



Angus Roeper and parents

A new computer laptop was in the process to be ordered for Jody Marsh, VSO but she has asked to hold off to see if she can rule out operator frustration. The Adjutant's Laptop is on order and should be in operation before the Convention for use at the Convention.

The new Technology Company, Axiom Technology Solutions is doing a great job. We are on track with getting the Department server and systems compliant with best practices. They have already removed a lot of Malware and cleaned up the server and several desktops getting ready for the next phases as listed in the Road Map below:

1. ***Fine tune/expand the data redundancy options and disaster recovery scenarios of ALDO's core information; holding true to Axiom's 4-level data protection goals.*** The summary of tasks for that would be:

a. Centralize important collaborative data on the main server with the use of "mapped drives" automatically assigned based on a specific user's level of access at login.

b. Enable and/or verify that user folder synchronization is on and working. This centralizes private user data in secure folders on the server and provides the "roaming" ability to use any network computer and have access to your core private and important files

c. Enable and verify that "Shadow Copy" is on and functioning on the data stores on the main server

d. Virtualize the main ALDO essential server onto the main physical server already there. This would allow for automated off site sever replication ability every 15 minutes (to Axiom's office). This is a true automatic and offsite disaster recovery solution option. It is covered and planned right down to the "loaner" server provided by Axiom in the event of immediate need. **This portion is scheduled for June 7th and June 14th**

• Main Goal: ***Data Redundancy and Productivity***

2. ***Validate needs, utilization, and training of remote access services as already available via the Server 2016 environment.*** The main three ways of remotely accessing data on a domain network (like ALDO):

a. Remote Desktop Protocol Connection (or "RDP" connection) – Single icon connection to an "always on" physical desktop or virtual desktop that allows functions just like sitting in front of the computer in the office.

b. Virtual Private Network Connection (or "VPN" connection) – Single icon connection to establishing a secure and virtual connection tunnel to the main server. This is most functional with remote laptops that need file and printing services that are on the internal ALDO network.

c. Outlook Web Access Email ("OWA" web email) or Outlook Anywhere connections. This allows the review of anything in your Office365 portal/account via remote tools or computers. The main use of this is for work email review remotely.

d. Bob's (Finance Officer) QB access and file access on the server

QB QuickBooks 2018 Accountant Edition – 2x user concurrent licensing (Completed)

• Main Goal: ***Productivity***

3. ***Migrate email and account services from G-Suite (Google Cloud Services) to Office365 (Microsoft Cloud Services).*** There is a wealth of synergy advantages to doing this with your already existing Microsoft Server 2016 Essentials server environment. In doing this migration, you have a single authentication point (your server's network account) at which point you have access to:

a. Synced information across all needed "smart" devices and computers.

b. IM – Skype important

c. Quick access to dedicated shared resources such as schedules, contacts, global address lists; and even the ability to share each other's calendars, contacts, etc.

d. Centralized user control and access from one dashboard, along Office product licensing and distribution (each user can install Office software on up to 5x work-type devices)

e. Expandability into advanced cloud services such as organized external file sharing, Intranets, and a whole host of cloud based application offerings (like Teams, Delve, Planner, etc.)

• Main Goal: ***Productivity***

4. ***Update or replace client Windows 7 Pro systems to Windows10 Pro systems.*** This is mainly due to Microsoft's "End of Life" for Windows 7 security patching and support, scheduled for Jan 14th, 2020.

• Main Goal: ***Security***

vide some insight. MW

With the above goals in mind you are invited to send your suggestions to help better communicate to the Legionnaires. So far we are getting great complements. We look forward to making your post stand out, but we need input from all of you, everyone can be a reporter for your post or district. When you send articles remember if you send a PDF, send only single page PDF's, and if it's a PDF we can't edit it. So if there are mistakes we can't make you look any better. Other than that you are doing a great job sending, just send more.

A new computer laptop was in the process to be ordered for Jody Marsh, DSO but she has asked to hold off to see if she can rule out operator frustration. The Adjutant's Laptop is on order and should be in operation before the Convention for use at the Convention.

Public Relations; PDC Charlie Schmidt has another great article outlining what we need to be doing. Take the time to read his article in the Legionnaire and the Book of Reports. Thanks to all that send me Facebook items to repost. We get a lot of traffic and response. The OR Legion website will be redone in the very near future, hopefully post-Convention time as we are stretched pretty thin getting ready for the convention at Department. We will take all comers that have some time to volunteer. We will put you to work if that doesn't scare you.

As we approach Department Convention, it is also the season for filing reports, submitting for awards, and completing the end of fiscal year requirements. Yes, we still have many events, programs, and activities to conduct through the summer, but we also need to complete those requirements which mark the end of one administration of our Posts, Districts, Committees, Commissions, and Department.

At every level of administration throughout our Department, we need to make sure we have the minutes of meetings on file. Each of these minutes should also include an attachment of the current financial reports. The minutes should also include the number of members present, that a quorum to conduct business was achieved, and a description of business accomplished.

Reports are necessary, and they are an opportunity to describe the accomplishments of the year.

Reports that need to be filed are:

Post Elections, with the new officers sent to Department.

District Elections with the new officers sent to Department.

District delegates to convention (sent to Department).

Consolidated Post Reports. (These can be accomplished on-line.)

Annual Book of Reports for Convention from all Department officers, Commissions, and Committees.

Awards need to be submitted. This is an opportunity to get the credit due for programs successfully accomplished. Be sure to provide written justification and photographs whenever possible. We short-change our members when we don't submit the results of their hard efforts for recognition. So, take the time to recognize your Post for the hard work completed. When you do get the award, be sure to let your post and community know so they can receive the accolades due to them.

2019 OSU Awards Ceremony

CINDY ROSSI
ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAM ASSISTANT
MILITARY SCIENCE – ARMY ROTC
OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY
200 McALEXANDER FIELDHOUSE
CORVALLIS, OR 97331-4901



Presented by District 3 North Vice-Commander, John W. Lee to CDT Alea R. Pena



Presented by District 3 North Vice-Commander, John W. Lee to CDT Bryan R. Valtierra and CDT Austin B. Root

Definition of D-Day

D-Day

[ˈdē.dā] NOUN

D-Days (plural noun)

1. the day (June 6, 1944) in World War II on which Allied forces invaded northern France by means of beach landings in Normandy.
 - the day on which an important operation is to begin or a change to take effect.

Disabled Veterans Park Free at PDX

LARRY WITTMAYER
DISTRICT 8 COMMANDER
Marked disabled parking spaces are located on each floor of the parking garage near the elevators. Disabled parking spaces are located next to the bus shelters in both the red and blue economy lots.

Disabled parking is offered at a discounted daily maximum parking rate of \$12 per day for vehicles displaying a valid state-issued disabled permit, placard or license plate. The disabled parking rate is available in the short-term garage, long-term garage or economy lot.

Disabled veterans of the United States Armed Forces can park without charge in the Economy Lot for up to a maximum of fourteen (14) consecutive days, upon meeting the requirements below. The established parking fee for the Economy Lot will be applied for any stay beyond the fourteen (14) days.

To receive the validated parking, ***a disabled veteran must present, at the time of exiting the Economy Lot, their valid, state issued driver's license and vehicle registration in addition to one of the five approved credentials that reflect that the disability was service-related or service-connected:***

1. A valid, state issued, Disabled Veterans license plate;
2. A valid Veteran Health Identification Card with the designation 'service-connected' on the Card identifying a service-connected disability
3. A Form DD214 showing release from duty due to a disability;
4. Military ID (DD Form 2765/1173) with a "DAVPRM" or "DAVTMP" code on the form; or
5. Department of Veterans Affairs Benefits Summary Letter summarizing current benefits received from the VA for service-related disability. Please note, all other forms of military or veteran status, such as a Veteran

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Disabled Veterans Park Free at PDX

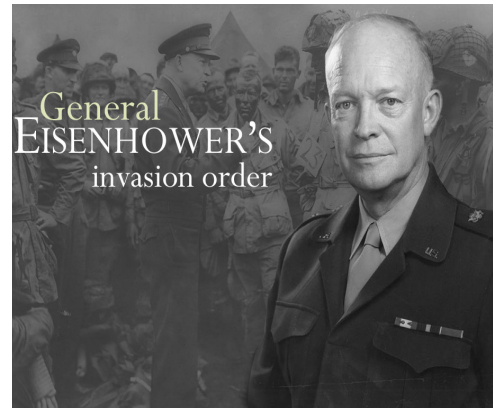
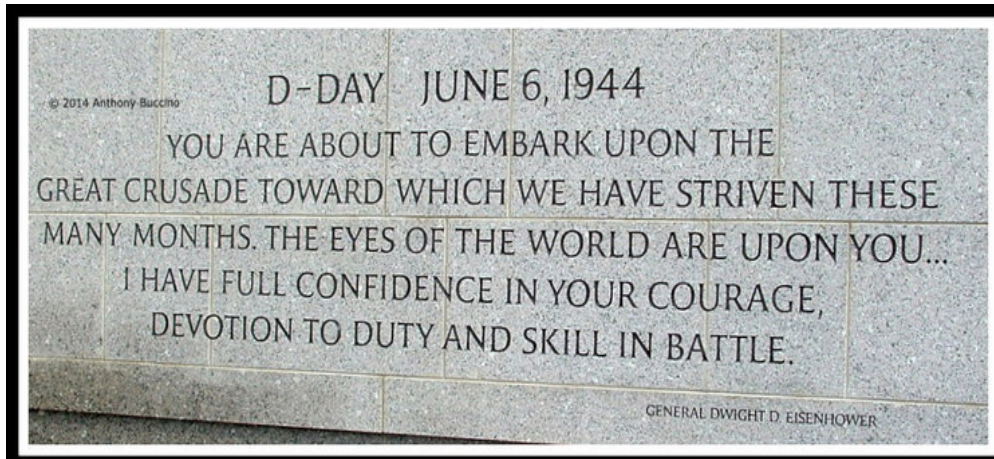
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Health Identification Card, that do not have 'service-connected' printed on the card, are not accepted to receive the validated parking.

To receive the disabled parking discount, the cashier will require the appropriate disabled parking credential upon processing your payment. Payment needs to be made at one of the open cashier booths at the exit plaza. Disabled parking discounts will not be processed at the automated Quick Pay machines in the garage.

Remembering D-Day 75 years later June 6, 1944





THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____
First Initial Last Phone _____

Address _____
Street City State ZIP _____

Membership ID# former member _____ Email _____ Post # _____ Date _____

Please check appropriate eligibility dates and branch of service below:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War/War on Terrorism (8/2/90 until cessation of hostilities) | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90) | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada (8/24/82-7/31/84) | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam (2/28/61-5/7/75) | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Korea (6/25/50-1/31/55) | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWII (12/7/41-12/31/46) | <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (12/7/41-12/31/46 - only eligibility) |

I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Signed by applicant _____ Name of recruiter _____

If you are a new member, send this completed application with annual dues to The American Legion, Attn: Membership, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206 (check www.legion.org/join for dues amount), or take it to a local post. To locate a post near you, click on "Find a Post" at www.legion.org.

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DUES RECEIPT (please print)

_____ Date _____

Received from _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ dues

Recruiter's name _____

Recruiter's signature _____

Recruiter's phone # _____



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date _____

Detachment of _____ Squadron No. _____ Birth date _____

Name _____ Recruited by _____
First Initial Last Initial Last

Address _____
Street City State ZIP Phone _____

Veteran through whom eligibility is established _____

(a) Above is a member in good standing of Post No. _____ Department of _____

OR (b) Above is a deceased veteran who served honorably from _____ to _____

(c) Relationship of applicant to veteran _____

Has applicant previously been a member of the SAL? _____ Where? _____

I hereby subscribe to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion and apply for membership.

Email _____ Transmit \$ _____ for 20 _____ annual membership dues

Signed by applicant (or legal guardian if under 18) _____ Eligibility certified by _____

Mail completed application to Sons of The American Legion department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current detachment address, go to The American Legion department/state headquarters, or visit www.legion.org.

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DUES RECEIPT (please print)

_____ Date _____

Received from _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ dues

Squadron No. _____

Department of _____



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____
First Initial Last

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email _____ Unit # and Location _____

/ / Birth - 17 18 and older
Date of Birth (Required)

Have you been a member previously? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature of Applicant (or legal guardian if under 18) _____ Date _____

Mail completed application to American Legion Auxiliary department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current department address go to: www.ALAforVeterans.org/contact/state_headquarters. Dues include a yearly non-refundable allocation of \$3.40 for American Legion Auxiliary magazine. **Membership pending approval of application.**

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

☐ Living ☐ Deceased

Eligible Through-Name of Veteran (if living, must be American Legion member) _____

American Legion Member ID Number _____

Veteran's American Legion Post Name _____ Post # _____ City _____ State _____

Veteran served: (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> WWI (4/6/17-11/11/18) | <input type="checkbox"/> WWII (12/7/41-12/31/46) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (12/7/41-12/31/46) | <input type="checkbox"/> Korea (6/25/50-1/31/55) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam (2/28/61-5/7/75) | <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada (8/24/82-7/31/84) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90) | <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War/War on Terrorism (8/2/90 until cessation of hostilities) |

Applicant's relationship to the veteran:

☐ Mother ☐ Wife ☐ Grandmother ☐ Sister ☐ Self

☐ Direct Descendant (daughter, granddaughter, great granddaughter, etc.)

I certify that the above named individual served at least one day of active duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or is still serving honorably.

Post Adjutant/Officer Membership Verification _____ Date _____

ALA 07/2016



DUES RECEIPT (please print)

_____ Date _____

Received from _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ dues

Recruiter's name _____

Recruiter's signature _____

Recruiter's phone # _____