

The Oregon Legionnaire

THE AMERICAN LEGION **FAMILY**

The Voice of Oregon's Veterans Since 1919

June 2022



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Auxiliary, SAL,
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DON WEBER
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER



DEBRA GODWIN
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT



CARL PAWLIK
DETACHMENT COMMANDER



GALE SEARS
AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

Aloha Post 104 & The Beaverton Elks Lodge
Invite you to join us for
Department Convention
June 22nd-25th 2020





LARRY WITTMAYER
DEPT 1ST-VICE COMMANDER

Commanders, Adjutants, and all interested Members, start clearing your calendars for this event.

I have attended Leadership Team meetings this past month and will be attending them in May and June.

During this past month, plans are being formalized for an on-site Oregon Legion College to be held in Lebanon on the 15th-16th

of July. District Com-

I will be swamped during May attending District Caucuses throughout the state.

I also have attended LECC and Convention Committee meetings.

I plan to attend the Boys State Graduation on 6/18 at Western Oregon University.

Please be aware that National Commander Dillard will arrive on 6/19 and will tour a few Posts and attend part of our Convention.

NOTICE:

As you may be aware, we have a large projected deficit in our projected budget for next year. We will

need to balance the budget to get it passed at Convention. There has been some consideration into selling our building and other proposed measures.

I would like to float an idea which could fix our budget problems for the next few years. I propose to hold a General Fund Campaign asking as many members who are able to donate \$100.00 on a one-time basis. If we got 5000 of our 13000+ members to donate \$100.00, the total donation would be \$500,000.00.

PLEASE TALK THIS UP, AND LET'S SEE IF IT WILL FLY.

June 14th is Flag Day



CORY BROCKMANN
DEPT 2ND-VICE COMMANDER

While my schedule would not permit me to attend all of them, it is an honor to be asked – thank you. For those I was able to attend and serve, thank you for the warm welcome and hospitality. It is a joy to slow down a bit and reconnect with veterans and posts.

The 2022 Spring Meetings of The American Legion, including those of the National Executive Committee (NEC), were held May 2-5 in Indianapolis. It was a very busy week, and I

Greetings Legionnaires,

I extend my sincere appreciation to all the posts that reached out inviting me to serve as their in-

stalling officer for their

will touch on just a few of the highlights here now. And to be clear, it was an honor representing the Department of Oregon – you – on committees and in our meetings.

Media and Communications Commission (MCC) continues to make exciting and significant advances in print, digital and audio media arenas in evolving to meet the changing information needs of our membership body. We have an extremely diverse membership and the MCC is making advances in those three media arenas to ensure our members are reached and well-versed in the actions of our organization and in the myriad programs we deliver.

The standard-bearer remains *The American Legion Magazine* which continues to implement very subtle redesign measures to ensure contemporary, pulsed newsprint is meeting the desires of its readership. It is working as the magazine ranks #19 in

circulation in the U.S. and is rated #1 in readership in 3 of 4 and 4 of 4 of the last magazines read. However, the magazine industry continues to face stiff challenges in paper supply availability, printing, mailing, and distribution cost increases, labor shortages, keen competition for new hires, inflationary pressures worldwide, and more.

Electronic media, including Legion.org, e-newsletters, and online updates, continue to grow in increase click-throughs. Social media outlets see increased activity, as is the Tango-Lima-Alpha podcast. In just its second year, Tango-Lima-Alpha continues to soar in record-setting downloads and in critical acclaim, receiving two major awards in just the past six months.

Americanism Commission has, of note, a resolution concerning the oratorical program, which is on hold for further study, that seeks to both de-

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CORY BROCKMANN increase the
DEPT 2ND-VICE COMMANDER oration
time and the number of topics.

Marketing Commission (MC) is making exciting strides in identifying member engagement and satisfaction opportunities. This includes efforts to reimagine membership to improve first-year member experience with fewer mailings and a simpler online renewal process, including auto-renewal options.

The roll-out of the American Legion brand mark continues to be well received with positive engagement and feedback. Efforts are underway by the MC to further increase brand guidelines distribution and use throughout departments and posts.

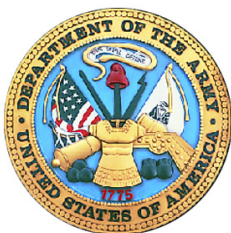
Additionally, a study is underway to further evaluate membership renewal options, including a rolling renewal based upon the date of sign-up and the possibility of multiple-year renewal options, such as three- and five-year renewal options.

Lastly, and quite fitting for June 14th, Flag Day, is the report from National Emblem Committee that first-quarter flag sales were \$898,000, which is the largest first-quarter for flags in our history!

In closing, I acknowledge our U.S. Army's 247th birthday - *Hooah!*

A heartfelt thank you to everyone supporting our American Legion, and it has been an honor to serve you as your department's 2nd vice commander.

We are *Veterans strengthening America!*



Need to Know Dates

June

Start Membership Drive
Flag Day
History of Old Glory
Boys/Girls State
Department Convention
Support Summer
Youth Programs

July

Host a community Fourth of July celebration
Certify new officers with Department Headquarters
Installation of officers (makes an impressive ceremony at a Post meeting)
Support Summer
Youth Programs

August

Begin planning a community Veterans Day observance
Boys Nation State
Baseball world Series
National Convention
Support Summer
Youth Programs

Department Officers

Commander	Don Weber
Imed. Past Cmdr	Steve Adams
1st Vice Cmdr	Larry Wittmayer
2nd Vice Cmdr	Cory Brockmann
Adjutant	S. Flynn Phillips
NECman	Kevin Owens
Alt NECman	Gene Hellickson
Finance Officer	Bob Huff
Chaplain	Steve Shollenberg
Historian	Dick Winders
Judge Advocate	Gene Hellickson
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

This month we will meet for our Department Convention in Beaverton and our Post delegates to the Department Convention will need to



PDC, **BOB HUFF** be pre- **DEPARTMENT FINANCE OFFICER** prepared for the discussion there on important topics. There has been considerable work accomplished on our Proposed 2022-2023 Department of Oregon Budget, a lot of discussion at our Spring DEC meeting as we have some big challenges for this next membership year. Some important decisions will have to be made for the future of our department. A copy of our Proposed 2022-2023 Budget was included in the May Legionnaire, we have continued to work on it, made some revisions and it is being included in this June Legionnaire, please review it. This is a living document until accepted at our Department Convention. As income has reduced with declining membership and our other sources of income have reduced and our expenses increase, we must make decisions for our future. The proposed budget will be presented to the Finance Convention Committee at our Department Convention and the Convention Committee will present their outcomes to the Convention Delegates on the floor of our Convention for discussion and acceptance.

As our Posts have held their Post Elections and have voted for Post Delegates and Alternates to attend your District Caucus and Department Convention. All Post Delegate Forms, New Officer Forms and District Forms, National Delegate Forms and instructions have been mailed to

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your PDC, BOB HUFF
Posts DEPARTMENT FINANCE OFFICER
and are also available on orlegion.org under Forms and Publications. Post Delegate Forms must be completed and sent to Department 45 days before the Department Convention with the completed Delegate Forms and \$15.00 for each Delegate and Alternate Delegate. With your Delegate Forms is the formula on a table with your authorized delegate strength for your Post membership. Your Post Forms, new officers, contact information is due at Department NLT May 15, 2022. Please verify that your Post sent in all the Post Forms. At your District Caucus you will vote on your District Officers and Delegates for our National Convention. Those forms with your new District Officers and National Delegates need to be sent to Department once your election is completed. Along with the District Forms, any new officers and delegates to National Convention that do not have their DD214 on file at Department; a copy must be sent to Department with the District Forms. All delegates attending the Department Convention must

have their Post Delegate Forms with their Adjutant certification sent to Department. Remember, Posts that do not submit their Post Delegate Forms and Delegate Fees are not in good standing and cannot be admitted to the Department Convention once it has been called to order or have a vote on the business of the Department.

All Post 990 Tax Forms were due May 16, 2022 for Posts that have a Tax Filing Period of January 1 through December 31, 21. District Commanders, this is on your Post assessment sheet. There are no exceptions. We, Department and Posts are under the National Umbrella and are under Group Exemption Number 0925, that is our 501c19. Remember, every Post is a separate corporation, it is a business, you operate under Corporate Laws of Oregon, you pay a filing fee each year to the Secretary of State, Corporation Division.

Remember the Oregon American Legion Foundation is a 501©3, contributions are tax deductible, funds are used for our programs. There is a lot of information and grant requests on our Web Site.

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2	ACCOUNT NAME	2022-2023 PROPOSED
3	Membership Budget Based On:	11,750
4	Actual Membership	
5	Dues @ \$13.50 (per member)	\$ 158,624.00
6	Department Convention Income	
7	SAL Detachment Funds (1400 x \$15)	\$ 16,500.00
8	SAL Dues (1400 x \$5.00)	\$ 5,500.00
9	SAL Charitable Donations & Pins	\$ 8,050.00
10	ALA Postage Reimbursement	\$ 600.00
11	ALA Phone Reimbursement	\$ 600.00
12	ALA Copier	\$ 3,600.00
13	Emblem Sales Royalty	\$ 1,500.00
14	Boys State Income	\$ 70,000.00
15	AL Baseball Income	\$ 11,300.00
16	Law Enforcement Career Camp	\$ 8,000.00
17	Revenue Enhancement Program	\$ 25,000.00
18	AGIA Insurance	\$ 45,000.00
19	USAA Insurance	\$ 9,000.00
20	Other Income/Pass Throughs	\$ 100,000.00
21	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 438,275.00
22		
23	Dedicated VA&R Income	
24	AGIA Insurance (Dedicated VA&R)	\$ 2,000.00
25	OALF Disbursement to VA&R/VE&E	\$ 61,398.00
26	ODVA Rehabilitation Grant	\$ 89,000.00
27	Donations	\$ 1,000.00
28	Total Dedicated VA&R Income	\$ 153,398.00
29		
30	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 591,673.00
31		
32	Boys State Expenses	\$ 70,000.00
33	Law Enforcement Career Camp	\$ 8,000.00
34	AL Baseball Expenses	\$ 11,300.00
35	Admin. Expenses - B-1	\$ 190,254.00
36	Officer & Conv Expenses - B-2	\$ 53,490.00
37	Other Activities Expenses - B-3	\$ 73,931.00
38	Rehabilitation Expenses - B-4	\$ 153,398.00
39	Publication Expenses - B-5	\$ 1,250.00
40	SAL Expenses- B-6	\$ 30,050.00
41	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 591,673.00
42		



4) In 1928 the Pact of Paris, also known as the Kellogg-Briand Pact was signed by 62 nations. What did the Pact propose?

- A. Outlaw Alcohol
- B. Legalize War
- C. Legalize Alcohol
- D. Outlaw War

HAVE
YOU



RENEWED
YET?



John Lee Legislative Chairman, and Ian Gerstel Boys State Chairman, seated photo by Kevin Owens



**PDC, KEVIN OWENS
NECMAN**
Scholarship.

The Spring National Executive Committee just concluded after two days of business in Indianapolis. During the NEC, reports were delivered by the various committees of the American Legion. With those reports, the NEC voted on the thirty-one resolutions brought to the floor. I will highlight a few that were presented.

One of my interests was to allow multi-year membership. This would allow annual membership to be paid in three or five years, which would cut down on dues, renewals, and postage savings. Resolution 4 changes some of the rules and money allocation to apply to the Legacy

Resolution 5 was the creation of the American Legion 1919 Society. Money raised from this program will support the new Veterans & Children's Foundation. I would encourage everyone in our department to become a member. The form can be downloaded from legion.org. <https://www.legion.org/publications/253393/veterans-childrens-foundation-1919-society-pledge-form>

Resolution 10 was much discussed and did pass to ensure care for the LG-BTQ+ Community once separated from service. When discussed on the NEC Floor, all felt that a Veteran is a Veteran no matter their sexual orientation. These are just a few of the resolutions that impact the American Legion.

I highly encourage all the members to go to the Legion website and type in the search engine resolutions. You will find the current thirty-one resolutions at the Spring NEC and all the resolutions in the digital archive that have passed since 1919. The National Executive Committee is the governing body between National Conventions like our Department Executive Committee. The role is to continue to support the Aims and Purposes of this organization and the Four Pillars.



Editors Notes

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Calendar of Events

June	Summer Youth Programs 4 District 9 Caucus 12-18 Boys State 12-18 Girls State 20 Juneteenth Day 21-26 State Convention
July	Summer is on enjoy it 4 Independence Day 22-30 Boys Nation 27-29 Dept. Service Officer School 28-30 Membership Workshop
August	Plan Community Veterans Day Observance 11-16 AL Baseball World Series Shelby, NC 26-1 103rd National Convention Milwaukee, WI



AUXILIARY NEWS



The Jerry Gibson Memorial Golf "Fore" a Vet Tournament

Buffalo Peak Golf Course
Union, OR

June 4, 2022

Sponsored by
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 43
Legion Family Post 43
La Grande, OR

4 Person Scramble
\$85 per player/
\$340 per team



Registration at
9am
Shotgun Start at
10am

Entry fee includes greens, cart, lunch, refreshments, range balls and tee prize.
 Mulligans to be sold the day of tournament
**** Silent Auction Items ****

Contact
 Kathi Karnowski
 541-963-0787
kathikk56.kk@gmail.com

A Benefit for Veteran's Programs

- Cross the Divide, Joseph
- VA Clinic Snacks, La Grande
- VA Transplant Unit, Portland
- Veterans' Home Gift Shop, The Dalles
- Eastern Oregon Military Support Fund

Fill out registration on page 7

We look forward to seeing you!

AUXILIARY NEWS

Department of Oregon ALA President
Debra Godwin 2021-2022

My motto is:
**A Year of Learning, With
Positive Communication!!!**



The
Jerry Gibson
Memorial
Tournament



GOLF "FORE" A VET TEAM REGISTRATION

hosted by American Legion Auxiliary Unit #43 & Legion Family La Grande, Oregon

June 4, 2022, at Buffalo Peak Golf Course in Union, Oregon

Benefit 4 Person Golf Scramble

(Amateurs only) for:
Divide Camp in Joseph, Oregon,
VA Transplant Unit,
The Dalles Veterans Home Gift Shop
Eastern Oregon Military Support Funds

Cost: **\$85 per player**
\$340 per team

Early Bird full Team entry
by April 30th is eligible for a cash
drawing of **\$100**

Registration starts at 9 am, Shotgun start at 10 am

*Entry fee includes greens, cart, lunch,
refreshments, range balls and tee prize.*

Mulligans to be sold the day of tournament
**** Silent Auction Items ****

Raffle prizes to be determined later

Submit payment and entry to:

ALA-GFAV Unit #43

P.O. Box 1652

La Grande, OR 97850 Or drop off at

Post #43, 301 Fir Street, La Grande **June 1st cut off**

Team Players **Team Captain** _____

Name _____
Address _____
Phone # _____
GHIN# _____ Hndcp _____

Name _____
Address _____
Phone # _____
GHIN# _____ Hndcp _____

Name _____
Address _____
Phone # _____
GHIN# _____ Hndcp _____

Name _____
Address _____
Phone # _____
GHIN# _____ Hndcp _____

Questions and info call, Kathi at 541-963-0787 or email kathikk56.kk@gmail.com

I want to start my final article as our District Commander by saying **THANK YOU** to my District Officers, Susan Hughes, David Bonger, Jim Lou Neubecker, Dick District 1 Commander, Rye, Tim Flynn, Ken Sandquist, and Dennis Allwien. For working with me and making the best District Officers, a Commander could ask for.



LOU NEUBECKER
DISTRICT 1 COMMANDER

We held our District meeting in Seaside on May 14, and we had an excellent turnout. Your new Commander for next year (2022-2023) will be Susan Hughes from Aloha Post 104, and your Vice-Commander is Tom Miller from Vernonia Post 119. I don't know who the rest of her staff is going to be currently. I'm sure in her first article she will list her staff.

This is for new and old Post Commander's one of your responsibilities is to attend ALL District meetings to keep your Post informed on the activities of the Department of Oregon and our District. That's four (4) meetings you are required to attend or have someone from your Post with a report on the Post activities for the last three months.

As for membership, we are in the middle of the pack. Please, adjutants and commanders, work your 114 lists and get them to join your Post. We are behind the curve sitting at 87.44% of the goal. We should be at 100% by the end of May if we work with our non-paid members. Talk with them, then ask to get them to renew; we can be 100% by Convention in Aloha this year.

GOD SPEED



MARC CHANEY
SAL NECMAN

It is my pleasure to announce that we will be having Michael Fox, the Sons of The American Legion National Commander in Oregon, on July 8th & July 9th.

We have two events planned where you can hear Commander Fox speak on his National Flying Flags For Hero's Program. He is a fantastic speaker, and this would be a great time to meet

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

a National Commander. I would love to see as many people as possible at one or both events.

The first event will be Friday night, July 8th, at Lebanon Squadron #51 for a Steak or Salmon Dinner. The dinner will be served from 5-7 pm. If you would like to attend, please contact Jerry Patton (541-409-5755) if you want dinner.

The second event will be a bacon-wrapped pork loin dinner at Milwaukie Squadron #180 on July 9th.

There will be a social hour from 5-6 pm with dinner being served at 6 pm. If you plan on attending this event, please give Ward A. Allen a call (503-621-7977).

If your Squadron would also like to present Michael Fox with a gift or a donation, you can do that at these events. The National Commanders' fundraising project this year is The American Legion Veterans and Children's Foundation. If you have any questions, please reach out to me. March Chaney 503-969-2597.



Sons of the American Legion
honored guest
National Commander Michael Fox



July 8, 2022
Santiam Post #51
Lebanon, OR

Steak and Salmon dinner
to be served 5:00-7:00





Sons Of The American Legion

National Commander, Michael Fox

July 9th 5-6 PM Social Hour

6 PM Dinner

Salad

Bacon Wrapped Pork Lion

Twice Baked potato

Vegetables

Dessert

\$12 Pre-Sale

\$15 at the door

Dinner at Post 180

2146 SE Monroe ST

Milwaukie OR 97222



Call Ward Allen for any pre-sale tickets 503-621-7977



MIKE SOWLES
BASEBALL CHAIR

As if this writing on May 5, 2022, we have 35 teams registered, 12 are Triple AAA, and 23 are Single-A teams.

Triple AAA

teams by area:

Area 1. No teams

Area 2: Portland Eastside, Portland Barbers Post 6, Hillsboro Digital Trends Surfers, Mt. Hood Select 1, Post 124 Beaverton Sockeyes.

Area 3: Corvallis Gerding Builders Marketmen, Salem Post 136 Withnell Dodgers, Stayton Post 58 Canyon Crushers, Dallas Post 20 Dirtbags.

Area 4: Roseburg Doc Stewarts, Medford Lithia Dodge Mustangs, Grants Pass Nuggets.

Oregon Baseball

Single-A Teams by Area:

Area 1: Redmond Sunwest Black

Area 2: Portland Eastside Franklin, Portland Eastside Roosevelt, Tigard Twins, Post 124 Beaverton Sockeyes, Mountainside Lobos, Columbia Gorge Hustlers, Portland Alpenrose Dairy.

Area 3: North Marion Berries (Aurora), Post 58 Silver Falls Bandits, Indy Blues (Dallas), Mid Valley Minute Men (Independence).

Area 4: Cascade Christian Challengers, Central Point Comets, South Coos Nooks, North Coos Waterfront, West lane Baseball Association (Florence),

Grants Pass Cavemen, Grants Pass Miners, South Medford Colts, North Medford Mavericks, Ashland Pilots, Roseburg Pepsi.

The Baseball Committee is expecting more to register before the future deadline for registration.



DAN BURKS
MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Legionnaires, membership is pushing strong, and as this article is written, we are merely 1000 members away from making our goal for

Department of

Oregon Membership. I want to appeal to everyone reading this to remember membership is not just about numbers, and it is about our members. We joined this organization for various reasons, but one common reason is to take care of our veteran brothers and sisters. For this reason, I have been pushing for "Buddy Checks" all year long.

Let's not just recruit numbers. Let's

YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

take care of the members who are already here. Subsequently, by doing this, it helps our membership numbers as well. There are about 300k veterans in the state of Oregon, imagine how strong our organization would be if we had just 10% of those as members, but a handful of people at Department and District can't do this alone. Membership is everyone's responsibility, so I ask for your assistance. Let's rebuild this Department stronger than ever together.

I would like to take a moment to talk about the word "inclusiveness." The definition of this word in the Cambridge Dictionary is as follows, "the quality of including many different types of people and treating them all

fairly and equally." We have, over the past couple of years, developed ways of creating divides within ourselves. Alienating members, and we are all guilty of it in some fashion.

These are a couple of examples of ways we might do this. When we hold events at our Posts, is every member invited? Within our Districts, do Posts help each other out? Technology is a big culprit in how we have managed to exclude, unintentionally as it may be, but exclude none the less a large portion of our membership. Some of this filters down to District Commanders and Posts. A large portion of our members no longer gets to see the Legionnaire. It is sent to the Posts hoping they pass it along.

The Legionnaire lets our membership that don't attend regular meetings be included in what our organization is doing. *Continued on page 29*

Department of Oregon 2022 Membership

as of 5/27/22

Including Encumbered HQ Transfers

OR Dist 0001 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0002	Washington	Forest Grove	2	36	69	3	110	132	83.33
OR-0006	Hillsboro Inc	Hillsboro	8	50	160	4	222	240	92.50
OR-0012	Clatsop Inc	Astoria	7	55	257	1	320	400	80.00
OR-0042	J H Wellington Inc	St Helens	1	16	77	1	95	113	84.07
OR-0047	Tillamook	Tillamook	0	2	16	0	18	15	120.00
OR-0056	Argonne Inc	Sherwood	17	30	152	1	200	225	88.89
OR-0068	T Les Galloway	Clatskanie	9	20	74	5	108	111	97.30
OR-0090	John Kalmbach	Banks	2	18	81	1	102	136	75.00
OR-0099	Seaside	Seaside	23	37	273	9	342	340	100.59
OR-0104	Aloha	Aloha	23	62	366	11	462	490	94.29
OR-0119	Vernonia Inc	Vernonia	23	2	13	3	41	28	146.43
OR-0124	Beaverton	Beaverton	1	14	74	1	90	115	78.26
OR-0126	Neill Walker	Nehalem	0	3	7	0	10	15	66.67
OR-0158	Tigard	Tigard	20	67	377	6	470	579	81.17
OR-0168	Cannon Beach	Cannon Beach	8	9	110	0	127	151	84.11
		SUM:	144	421	2,106	46	2,717	3,090	87.93

OR Dist 0002 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0007	Delbert Reeves	Silverton	0	10	13	2	25	33	75.76
OR-0009	Capital	Salem	1	36	124	7	168	190	88.42
OR-0017	Keizer	Keizer	11	3	22	4	40	32	125.00
OR-0020	Carl B Fenton	Dallas	0	16	103	5	124	129	96.12
OR-0021	Mc Minnville	Mc Minnville	46	39	340	14	439	404	108.66
OR-0033	Independence	Independence	1	4	29	2	36	42	85.71
OR-0046	Woodburn	Woodburn	0	9	41	0	50	65	76.92
OR-0057	Lester C Rees	Newberg	1	9	58	3	71	86	82.56
OR-0058	Stayton	Stayton	13	18	128	12	171	167	102.40
OR-0075	Sheridan	Sheridan	12	9	33	3	57	55	103.64
OR-0089	M T Angel	M T Angel	1	1	52	2	56	64	87.50
OR-0110	Aurora Inc	Aurora	0	3	7	1	11	19	57.89
OR-0122	Canby	Canby	14	48	204	6	272	295	92.20
OR-0136	Salem	Salem	0	31	87	4	122	155	78.71
OR-0149	Pioneer Inc	Salem	0	13	21	0	34	45	75.56
OR-0159	Mill City-Gates	Mill City	0	4	16	0	20	30	66.67
OR-0173	Carlton Memorial	Carlton	11	11	77	5	104	90	115.56
		SUM:	111	264	1,355	70	1,800	1,901	94.69

OR Dist 0003 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0003	Eugene Inc	Eugene	1	18	42	0	61	79	77.22
OR-0010	Albany Inc	Albany	27	73	389	10	499	583	85.59
OR-0011	Corvallis	Corvallis	0	20	71	1	92	96	95.83
OR-0032	Calvin Funk	Cottage Grove	1	9	50	1	61	78	78.21
OR-0040	Springfield	Springfield	0	25	62	9	96	126	76.19
OR-0051	Santiam Inc	Lebanon	29	51	521	5	606	725	83.59
OR-0059	Francis M Yost	Florence	24	13	60	2	99	89	111.24
OR-0061	Tri-Counties	Junction City	0	15	56	1	72	88	81.82
OR-0064	Cascade	Oakridge	0	7	18	2	27	36	75.00
OR-0083	North Eugene-Santa Cla	Eugene	33	31	179	8	251	271	92.62
OR-0097	Lincoln City	Lincoln City	0	10	19	0	29	42	69.05
OR-0100	Mary's River	Philomath	0	1	7	0	8	29	27.59
OR-0116	Newport	Newport	30	29	220	5	284	294	96.60
OR-0133	Timber City	Sweet Home	0	8	21	0	29	34	85.29
OR-0184	Travis Moothart	Brownsville	1	8	47	1	57	70	81.43
		SUM:	146	318	1,762	45	2,271	2,640	86.02

OR Dist 0004 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0008	Klamath	Klamath Falls	4	37	203	7	251	281	89.32
OR-0014	Guy T Applewhite	Ashland	0	4	20	0	24	27	88.89
OR-0015	Medford	Medford	0	38	141	2	181	232	78.02
OR-0028	Grants Pass	Grants Pass	17	31	219	5	272	288	94.44
OR-0050	Williams Valley	Williams	7	6	35	0	48	43	111.63
OR-0069	Rogue River	Rogue River	0	3	5	0	8	13	61.54
OR-0070	Glenn Morrison	Cave Junction	0	4	27	0	31	42	73.81
OR-0084	Malin Inc	Malin	2	10	44	0	56	63	88.89
OR-0129	Myers-Holland Inc	Central Point	0	4	120	1	125	132	94.70
OR-0192	White City	White City	0	5	57	1	63	84	75.00
		SUM:	30	142	871	16	1,059	1,205	87.88

OR Dist 0005 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0004	Stevens-Chute	Bend	1	24	117	4	146	140	104.29
OR-0019	The Dalles Inc	The Dalles	0	13	68	3	84	80	105.00
OR-0022	Hood River	Hood River	0	10	61	1	72	70	102.86
OR-0025	Frank Burns	Condon	0	5	22	0	27	30	90.00
OR-0029	Crook County	Prineville	16	20	189	5	230	230	100.00
OR-0044	Ray Johnson	Redmond	15	39	188	1	243	260	93.46
OR-0045	La Pine	La Pine	51	78	263	2	394	410	96.10
OR-0048	Eugene Cougar Greene,	Warm Springs	6	2	3	0	11	15	73.33
OR-0049	Sherman County	Moro	1	9	23	0	33	42	78.57
OR-0055	Mosier Inc	Mosier	0	2	18	0	20	19	105.26
OR-0073	Maupin	Maupin	0	0	7	0	7	15	46.67
OR-0086	Sisters	Sisters	11	11	118	0	140	135	103.70
OR-0125	Jefferson County Vetera	Madras	1	6	41	0	48	45	106.67
OR-0131	Deer Ridge	Madras	0	1	1	0	2	29	6.90
OR-0135	Wamic	Wamic	0	1	3	0	4	15	26.67
OR-0164	Don L Medlock	Spray	0	3	0	0	3	15	20.00
		SUM:	102	224	1,122	16	1,464	1,550	94.45

OR Dist 0006 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0023	Pendleton	Pendleton	0	8	6	0	14	37	37.84
OR-0024	Milton-Freewater	Milton-Freewater	5	11	60	1	77	85	90.59
OR-0037	Hermiston	Hermiston	24	12	72	1	109	106	102.83
OR-0041	John Noble Holcomb	Baker City	5	11	31	0	47	63	74.60
OR-0043	La Grande	La Grande	4	27	185	3	219	229	95.63
OR-0072	Kruse	Wallowa	0	2	28	0	30	29	103.45
OR-0087	Heppner	Heppner	0	4	0	0	4	39	10.26
OR-0095	Ione	Ione	1	11	47	0	59	39	151.28
OR-0130	Athena	Athena	0	2	15	0	17	17	100.00
OR-0140	George St Dennis	Mission	0	5	14	0	19	25	76.00
OR-0157	Wallowa Lake	Joseph	1	8	44	0	53	61	86.89
		SUM:	40	101	502	5	648	730	88.77

OR Dist 0007 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0030	Gresham	Gresham	3	12	61	4	80	100	80.00
OR-0074	Carl Douglas	Estacada	16	36	98	1	151	150	100.67
OR-0098	St Johns Inc	Portland	0	11	42	0	53	54	98.15
OR-0108	Corbett	Corbett	0	7	13	0	20	20	100.00
OR-0134	Frederick And John Ravi	Portland	9	23	77	2	111	157	70.70
OR-0137	Dana King	Portland	0	4	19	0	23	26	88.46
OR-0185	City Of Roses Musicians	Portland	0	3	21	0	24	24	100.00
		SUM:	28	96	331	7	462	531	87.01

OR Dist 0008 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0001	Portland	Portland	5	57	258	3	323	427	75.64
OR-0005	Willamette Falls Inc	Oregon City	0	5	57	0	62	119	52.10
OR-0065	Wilsonville	Wilsonville	3	5	42	4	54	71	76.06
OR-0127	Sandy	Sandy	0	2	12	0	14	12	116.67
OR-0150	Oregon Trail	Portland	5	22	67	1	95	130	73.08
OR-0180	Milwaukie	Milwaukie	31	36	476	30	573	591	96.95
		SUM:	44	127	912	38	1,121	1,350	83.04

OR Dist 0009 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0016	Earle B Stewart	Roseburg	3	46	137	2	188	257	73.15
OR-0026	Bandon	Bandon	3	3	44	3	53	49	108.16
OR-0034	Bay Area	North Bend	6	21	119	9	155	175	88.57
OR-0036	Coquille-Myrtle Point	Coquille	1	7	37	2	47	58	81.03
OR-0062	Reedsport	Reedsport	1	14	23	0	38	43	88.37
OR-0076	Port Orford	Port Orford	0	9	38	0	47	47	100.00
OR-0121	Sutherlin	Sutherlin	0	1	50	1	52	52	100.00
OR-0123	Fallin	Canyonville	9	6	58	3	76	77	98.70
OR-0152	Baird-Heaton	Oakland	2	5	35	0	42	42	100.00
SUM:			25	112	541	20	698	800	87.25

OR Dist 0010 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0063	Harney County	Burns	10	11	85	3	109	111	98.20
OR-0067	Ontario	Ontario	10	8	91	11	120	129	93.02
OR-0077	Ellis Tracy	John Day	1	4	32	2	39	50	78.00
OR-0079	Nyssa	Nyssa	1	3	14	2	20	27	74.07
OR-0096	Vale	Vale	0	4	45	0	49	57	85.96
OR-0106	Prairie	Prairie City	7	3	59	1	70	60	116.67
OR-0148	Monument	Monument	0	2	0	0	2		
SUM:			29	35	326	19	409	434	94.24

OR Dist 0099 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0114	Headquarters	Portland	0	74	503	0	577		
SUM:			0	74	503	0	577		

Department of Oregon Totals

	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Transfers	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
Sum:	699	1,914	10,331	282	13,226	14,230	92.94

	District	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
1	OR Dist 0001 LGN	144	421	2,106	46	2,717	3,090	87.93
2	OR Dist 0002 LGN	111	264	1,355	70	1,800	1,901	94.69
3	OR Dist 0003 LGN	146	318	1,762	45	2,271	2,640	86.02
4	OR Dist 0004 LGN	30	142	871	16	1,059	1,205	87.88
5	OR Dist 0005 LGN	102	224	1,122	16	1,464	1,550	94.45
6	OR Dist 0006 LGN	40	101	502	5	648	730	88.77
7	OR Dist 0007 LGN	28	96	331	7	462	531	87.01
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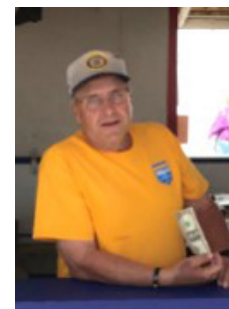


PNC, CHARLES SCHMIDT
TOALF MEMBER

One of the founding principles of The American Legion was the education of our youth. World War I veterans wanted to ensure America's next generation would be knowledgeable of our national values in hopes of preventing future conflicts

As our infant organization began to grow, so did Legion programs specifically for our youth; Baseball, Oratorical, Boys State/Nation, Scouting, Junior Shooting Sports, and Law Cadet Program.

However, in today's world, tuitions continue to rise, but Posts should not feel prohibited from offering our premier programs in their communities because of costs. The Oregon American Legion Foundation (OALF) is here to help. As a tax-exempt under IRS Code 501(c)3, the foundation provides grants to support American Legion programs.



Still today, these programs teach student youth how our government works in concert with our constitution,

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THE OREGON AMERICAN LEGION FOUNDATION RAFFLE

AMERICAN LEGION
PAID UP FOR LIFE (PUFL)
MEMBERSHIP

Drawing at 2022 Oregon Department Convention

Must be present at drawing to win.*

No cost raffle. * See official rules for details on eligibility and prize award. 0001

Please print legibly.

Name: _____

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No cost raffle. 0001





February 1, 2022

2022 DEPARTMENT OF OREGON – DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

American Legion Paid Up For Life (PUFL) Membership No Cost Raffle

OFFICIAL RULES

Prize Description: One American Legion Paid Up For Life (PUFL) membership for a current non-PUFL member that meets the eligibility criteria and is in further accordance with the details contained within this Official Rules document. The Oregon American Legion Foundation (TOALF) will pay the American Legion PUFL membership dues based upon the member's age and membership dues rate of the winning raffle member's current assigned post at the time of the raffle drawing. The Oregon American Legion department adjutant will submit the membership application and payment on behalf of the winner and TOALF.

If the raffle number drawn belongs to a current American Legion PUFL member, the winner will be awarded an in-lieu cash-value prize in the amount of 50% of the American Legion PUFL membership dues based upon the member's age and membership dues-rate of the winning raffle member's current assigned post as of the time of the raffle drawing. TOALF will make payment of the in-lieu cash-value prize.

Neither the PUFL membership nor the in-lieu cash-value prize is transferrable. The PUFL membership cannot be substituted/exchanged for an in-lieu cash-value prize.

Date of Drawing: June 24, 2022

Location of Drawing: 2022 Oregon Department Convention Banquet – Aloha, Oregon

Ticket Cost: No cost.

Odds of Winning: Dependent upon the number of participating registered attendees at the department convention.

Eligibility Criteria: Must be a current member in good standing of The American Legion Department of Oregon. Must be a registered member and participant of the 2022 Oregon Department Convention, in possession of 2022 convention credentials, and in possession of their 2022 American Legion membership identification card. Members of The Oregon American Legion Foundation (TOALF) committee are not eligible to participate.

Rules: Must be present to win. One American Legion Paid Up For Life (PUFL) Membership numbered raffle ticket will be provided to each eligible member, at no cost, as described in this Official Rules document. A PUFL Membership numbered raffle ticket, herein referred to as 'numbered raffle ticket', will be provided to the member during his/her convention registration during convention registration hours; registration hours will be as published in the convention program and/or as posted at the registration table; if registration hours change, updated hours posted at the registration table take precedent. Member must legibly complete the numbered raffle ticket stub, remove the raffle ticket stub from the raffle ticket, deposit the completed stub in the receptacle provided, and maintain possession of the numbered raffle ticket for the drawing. Participating convention-registered members should only be in possession of one numbered raffle ticket; one member, one numbered raffle ticket. The Raffle Judges must be able to legibly read the name and phone number of the numbered raffle ticket stub; otherwise, the stub is disqualified, and another stub will be drawn. At the time of the drawing, upon announcement of the winning raffle number, the convention-registered member must provide proof of his/her 2022 American Legion membership identification card and the numbered raffle ticket with the corresponding matching number for verification by the Raffle Judges. The winner will complete the winner certification/verification form for the Raffle Judges at the conclusion of the drawing. Verification of member 2022 American Legion membership identification card, winning numbered raffle ticket, and online membership verification shall be completed by the Raffle Judges within 72 hours, and the raffle officially closed. The Oregon American Legion department adjutant will submit the PUFL membership application and payment on behalf of the winner if a non-PUFL member. TOALF will remit an in-lieu cash-value prize if the winner is already a PUFL member. Members of The TOALF committee are not eligible to participate. All decisions rendered by the Raffle Judges are final.

Raffle Judges: The Oregon American Legion Foundation (TOALF) committee



THE OREGON AMERICAN LEGION FOUNDATION

American Legion Paid Up For Life (PUFL)

Membership Raffle

In support of our Department of Oregon membership, The Oregon American Legion Foundation is proudly offering a no cost Paid Up For Life (PUFL) membership raffle, which will be conducted at the 2022 Oregon Department Convention!

Raffle Prize: One American Legion Paid Up For Life (PUFL) membership*
(* An in-lieu cash-value prize will be awarded if already a PUFL member.)

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be a current member in good standing of The American Legion Department of Oregon.
- Be a registered member and participant of the 2022 Oregon Department Convention.
- Be in possession of 2022 convention credentials.
- Be in possession of his/her 2022 American Legion membership identification card.

Official Rules: Must be present to win. See official rules for details.



THE OREGON AMERICAN LEGION FOUNDATION FUNRAISING RAFFLE

Help support our American Legion Veteran and Youth programs by purchasing raffle tickets!

Raffle Prize: "Legacy & Vision" The American Legion 100th Anniversary lithograph print, wood-framed and matted with the American Legion Centennial Silver Dollar

Ticket Price: \$10 each (Limited ticket availability.)

Contact: Department Headquarters or members of the TOALF committee



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PNC, CHARLES SCHMIDT sportsman-
TOALF MEMBER ship, public safety awareness, and self-confidence building while helping mold our youth to become role model citizens. It is the responsibility of every Post to make program opportunities available to youth in their community.

A grant request form is available at www.orlegion.org/foundation that a Post can apply for financial assistance to provide Legion program opportunities to youth in their community. It is donations from American Legion Family members, Posts, Units, Squadrons, and Chapters that enable OALF to provide financial assistance for our youth programs.

Online donations in support of OALF are accepted at www.orlegion.org/foundation. Keeping the OALF strong creates more opportunities for more youths. Through the Oregon American Legion Foundation, WE can make something good happen for The American Legion and our youth, the future of our country.



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1st Place; Aliza Saunders



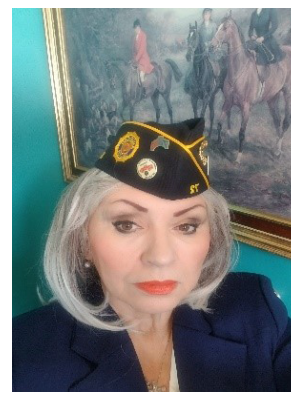
2nd Place Mrinmayee Kulkarni



3rd Place Tanner Stenkamp



4th Place Tyler Tadema



MARIA TYE
ORATORICAL CHAIR

The Oratorical Scholarship Program Contest was hosted at Santiam Post 51 in Lebanon, Oregon on March 12th, 2022.

It was an exciting day for our Oregon youth once again. A world renowned event held everywhere on behalf of our American Legion. It is a staple of our commitment to ensure our youth are provided a chance for not just earning scholarship monies, but that our youth learn the 2nd most important source of reading. Department Commander Don Weber presented the Oratorical Scholarship awards to the following Oregon Winners.

The contestants were enthusiastic and well-read compared to many of our citizens. They displayed their understanding of The Constitution of our United States of America. They were so inspirational, and we all felt a sense of pride in the articulation of their words and the love of country they displayed. They were wonderful and we hope they will come back again.

The 1st Place Champion for Department of Oregon is Aliza Saunders. She is the recipient of a \$5,000 Scholarship. She will now go on to the American Legion National Competition the 22 thru 24 of April, 2022. The National Oratorical Contest winner receive \$25,000. Other place winners from \$22,500 and \$20,000

The 2nd Place Position is Mrinmayee Kulkarni, and she is a recipient of \$4,000 scholarship. . In the 3rd place Position is Tanner Stenkamp recipient

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MARIA TYE of \$3,000, the 4th **ORATORICAL CHAIR** Place Position is Tyler Tadema for a \$2,500 and our 5th Place Position is Katlynn Strickler recipient of \$1500.

The American Legion in Oregon had many volunteers that brought this endeavor to fruition. Our Department Officers are leaders that guided this successful program despite the covid restrictions that deterred many people from participating.

Commander Don Weber
1st Vice Larry Wittmayer
2nd Vice Cory Brockmann
Adjutant Flynn Phillips (the person that makes everything possible)

Our judges

Robin Nygren, Robin Whitney, Dale Jenkins, Jay Thornhill and Scott McDowell

Tabulators

Linda Presley-Schmidt, Kevin Owens and Bob Huff

Escorts

Debra Jacobson, Jim Jerome, Charles Schmidt, Randy Tye and Charles V. Wilson

Room Monitor/Monitor

Debra Jacobson

Timers

Cory Brockmann and Daniel Burks

Chaplain

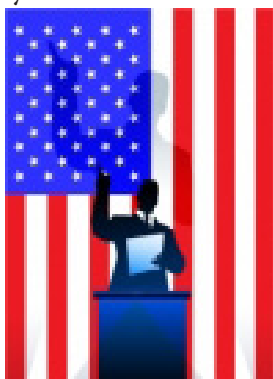
John F. Staub

Committee Members

Debra Jacobson, Charles Schmidt, Charles V. Wilson and Steve Bergadine

Chair Maria D. Tye

These are the people that made the Department of Oregon Scholarship Program a success for the 2021-2022 year!



5th Place Katlynn Strickler



Committee; Debra Jacobson, Charles Schmidt, Charles V. Wilson and Steve Bergadine



Judges; Robin Nygren, Robin Whitney, Dale Jenkins, Jay Thornhill and Scott McDowell



Dept Officers: Don Weber, Larry Wittmayer, Cory Brockmann, and Flynn Phillips



Escorts; Debra Jacobson, Jim Jerome, Charles Schmidt, Randy Tye, and Charles V. Wilson



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PDC, GENE HELLICKSON
DEPT JUDGE ADVOCATE

*The American Legion's
responsibilities.*

The National Headquarters of The American Legion has no control over the day-to-day operations of Department Headquarters.

It does no good to call, write, or e-mail National Headquarters about problems within a Post or about anything to do with

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PDC, GENE HELLICKSON membership. DEPT JUDGE ADVOCATE They simply refer said correspondence/calls back to Department Headquarters and, if it is anything other than membership, Department Headquarters refers the same back to the Post.

Department Headquarters has no control over the day-to-day operations of Posts. There is a chain of command for complaints regarding officers or members of a Post, beginning with the Commander of the Post. If the Commander is the problem or fails to solve the problem, the next step is to go to the Post Judge Advocate, then the District Judge Advocate, and THEN the Department Judge Advocate.

Failure to follow this chain of command will only slow or impede an issue you wish to resolve.

If you have an issue with a Program of The Oregon American Legion, refer your questions to the appropriate Committee Chair and then that committee's Commission Chair if the further resolution is needed. Again, calling the Department of Oregon Headquarters will only slow down the proper response to your issue at hand.

The Department Headquarters staff is there to provide support for the functioning of the Department, not as the place to ask questions concerning items in your Post's Constitution and By-laws, then as specified above.



Spring Meetings and Early to Work

PNC, CHARLES SCHMIDT

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR

Well before the gavel opens the 2022 Spring National Executive Committee (NEC) meeting, Oregon's NEC Kevin Owens, and Alternate NEC Gene Hellickson are at the desk reviewing action items that will be in the agenda. Proud of Who Oregon had sitting at the Oregon desk, representing US.

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for Legionnaires

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True Compass Designs is a digital development company that has been in business for more than 17 years. Certified in 11 different Adobe programs, Mick Bird of Camas, Wash., builds websites for clients while working from the comfort of his home. Mick is The American Legion Department's Web Designer.

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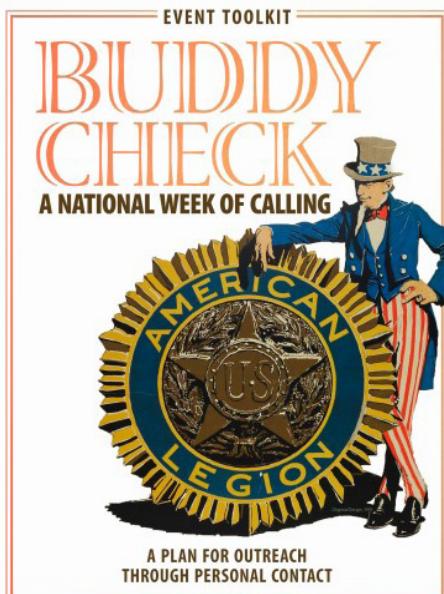
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PNC, CHARLES SCHMIDT
PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR

The month of June supplies several Public Relations opportunities for Posts to inform Legion Family and community members of Legion programs, activities, and observances. A Legion Americanism calendar published in the January 1942 edition of *The National Legionnaire* gave readers some suggestions for June that are still customary today. “FLAG DAY is observed on June 14 and, as a part of this observance, all posts should see that Old Glory is properly displayed on every business house and home in the community. Pageants and playlets showing the history of the Flag should be a part of such programs.” The June calendar also suggests visiting Boys’ State. Make a final check-up on the eligibility of all boys enrolled in the Junior Baseball program and see that every boy in the community who wants to play baseball is given an opportunity to enroll. Start your plans for a huge Fourth of July celebration.”



The U.S. flag is the symbol of our patriotism. Ronald Reagan said, “When we honor our flag, we honor what we stand for as a Nation -- freedom, equality, justice, and hope.” As we observe Flag Day 2022, the U.S. Flag Code provides guidelines to follow when displaying our nation’s Flag. The origin of the U.S. Flag Code dates back to June 14, 1923, when the National Flag Code was created by representatives of over sixty-eight organizations under the auspices of the National Americanism Commission of the American Legion. Congress adopted the code in 1942. More flag protocol can be found in *Let’s Be Right*

on *Flag Etiquette* booklet at www.legion.org/media/publications.

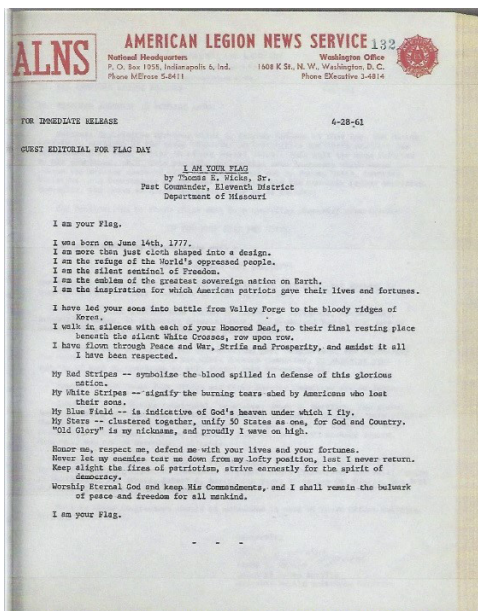


Americanism is one of the Legion’s 4-Pillars. Together we recite the Legion preamble during official gathers that reminds us all “... to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism...” Today, The American Legion is one of 140 member organizations that formed the Citizens Flag Alliance (CFA), a broad-based, non-partisan, nonprofit organization to persuade Congress to pass a constitutional amendment that would return to the American people the right to protect their Flag.

The *Let the People Decide* booklet found at www.legion.org/media/publications documents CFA efforts to secure a flag amendment. Previous Legion efforts on Capitol Hill have yet to produce bi-partisan support for a constitutional amendment protecting our national treasure, but we cannot, and must not, be deterred in our quest to ensure Old Glory will always wave high and freely without fear of physical discretion.

On June 14, 2022, let’s show our pride, patriotism, and Americanism by displaying our Stars and Strips throughout our communities. Hopefully, Flag Day 2022 will also bring renewed bi-partisan sponsorships to introduce a constitutional amendment to protect our Flag during the 118th session of the United States Legionnaires to support.





This is an American Legion News Service (ALNS) guest editorial from April 28, 1961, entitled "I Am Your Flag," written by Commander Thomas E. Wicks, Jr. of the Department of Missouri. Commander Wicks echoes the words of "Old Glory" in relative today. Right words to share as we honor our nation's colors on Flag Day, Sunday, June 14, 2020. For God and Country.

Chairman E. Schmidt, Chairman
Public Relations Committee
The American Legion
Department of Oregon



PDC, BOB HUFF
VA&R CHAIRPERSON

Our Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) Commission, members PDC Jon Marsh, Ann Everetts and PDC Bob Huff (Chair) have oversight over VA&R activities for our department. If interested in joining this elite team and being part of our future, please submit your name to our First Vice Commander Larry Wittmayer at Department Headquarters for consideration. Repeating some important information and lots of new information. Our Department Veterans Service Officers hands down do an excellent job. They work virtually and in-person and support our Veterans and their families. During this Pandemic over the past two years they have adapted, adjusted to support our family of veterans during this critical time. They continue to support the Veterans Benefit Administration (VBA) Traveling Boards and fill a void



LARRY WITTMAYER
SCOUTING CHAIR

we received. This committee will implement new procedures to elicit applications.

This past year brought changes to the Department Eagle Scout of the Year. No applicants



We also had poor participation in the Trophy and Awards program. That program will be looked at. Scouting in our Councils has weathered the COVID storm, as is shown by the promotion of Scout summer camp and Cub Scout Day Camp. The Scout articles in the Legionnaire continue to keep our Scouters informed on Council events.

It has been a pleasure to serve this committee and the Department of Oregon.

VA & R

when our Veterans with appeals need computers and support that we can support that need. When you see one of them, Ed VanDyke and Jody Marsh, thank them, they are our first team. The Commission also has oversight of our Department VAVS Program which has representatives at our VA Facilities in Oregon, which all need more volunteers desperately. With changes in our Veterans Health Administration (VHA), here in the Department of Oregon that is our Portland VA, Roseburg VA and White City VA SORCC and all our Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC). With recommendations for the ten-year plan for the Missions Act, The Asset and Infrastructure Review (AIR) Commission, which some recommendations are taking place now, realigning the CBOC's to VA's that are closer to the rural communities, closing Compensation and Pension in Roseburg and White City with staffing issues and reassigning clinical staff to higher priority assignments and moving patient needs to commu-

nity care. The VHA is working very hard to support Veteran's needs. The VAVS is in desperate need of more volunteers to support needs. If interested, if you have some extra time and want to help and support veteran's needs, please contact your local VA or CBOC as there are lots of vacancies. You will meet new people, help veterans and their families, our first pillar, and make a difference. As with all Medical Care, staffing is an issue. Issues which are being discussed and worked are transportation, rural area support and an aging Veteran population. As recommendations are approved and planned, we will forward the information to our members. The VA will not allow anyone to fill volunteer positions without being complete on their COVID shoots, by Federal direction. Face mask requirements continue at all Federal facilities. If going to a VA or Federal Building, you are required to wear a face mask. We are currently participating in meetings with recommendations to start the VA&R Meetings at our Department Convention to include speakers from our National Organization. Our National VA&R Chair has accepted

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PDC, BOB HUFF
VA&R CHAIRPERSON

our invitation to speak at our Department Convention this year and recognize our VSO and Volunteers that do so much in our Department of Oregon Legion Family. We will have a VA&R Presentation directly after the Memorial Service Thursday morning at Convention with speakers and presentations. After the VA&R Presentation we will have a VA&R Lunch outside the Convention Hall and the speakers will be at the lunch to answer your questions. Please bring a sack lunch or order from Aloha Post 104 for this event. Volunteers will be recognized, please attend. The VAVS arm also supports the National Cemetery Administration (NCS) with activity at our National Cemeteries. We have additional responsibility at the VA SORCC and Eagle Point National Cemetery as we have more face-to-face contact, Employment and Education and VSO activity at these facili-

ties. The Commission also represents our department along with the Veterans Employment, Education and Homelessness (VE&E) Commission at Veterans Stand-Downs, Benefit and Employment and Education Events, Woman Veterans Events, Mobilization and Yellow Ribbon Events in The Department of Oregon. If your District is holding their meeting and would like more information or support with our Pillar I Veterans activities, please contact me and we will be happy to support.

Thank you



Can you Identify the Make and model of this car?



S. FLYNN PHILLIPS
DEPT ADJUTANT

hours and thought they were visiting a post. After some discussion, they asked me to stop at the Hotel and autograph their vintage car. They were traveling back to California and stop

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VETERANS EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION and HOMELESSNESS



PDC, BOB HUFF
VEE & H CHAIRPERSON

has supported two in-person Employment Events both at the VA SORCC this year. The demand for critical clinical needs to support the Veteran population is crucial and the demand continues to grow. We are still having some COV

The Veterans Employment, Education and Homelessness Commission and Committees is a Commission and Committee of one. The

Commission has supported

ID protocols which has impacted our holding events; but not planning events. We are currently planning our first Veterans Stand Down, Employment and Benefits Event which is still a go. As more is defined and event restrictions for in-person events are allowed we will publish dates and times and location on flyers and place them in this Legionnaire and circulate them through our department email chain. Each event will still require complying with that area rules and VA rules for number of participants, all rules are followed for everyone's safety. We are currently held to a maximum of 50 participants unless OK is given by the VA in DC. All our partners are participating. Face-to-face Veteran

Stand Downs has become more critical and is needed. We have more planning meetings and strategy sessions then events with the protocols in place. We are gathering equipment, clothing, and have met with the VA Directors for a venue. We are getting closer with in-person events starting. If you are interested in being a member of this Commission or Committee, very rewarding and good development and helping Veterans and their families, please forward your name and contact information to our First Vice Commander Larry Wittmayer through our Department Headquarters. We are looking for interest from members in all areas of our Department.

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S. FLYNN PHILLIPS ping into as many **DEPT ADJUTANT** American Legion posts along the way to have veterans sign his car. They had an entourage of about four vintage automobiles. They were Legionnaires as well, and I asked them if they knew Jim Higuera, our National Vice Commander, and they were astonished that I knew who he was. In July, I invited them to POST 74's Car Cruise-in, but they could not make it back here then. I wished them a safe trip home.

Interesting things to make you say Hmmm.....



The (Modern) Conversation: Betty White is older than sliced bread. Betty White was born in 1922 and sliced bread was introduced in 1928.



OREGON INTERNATIONAL AIR SHOW RETURNS



CORY BROCKMANN
DEPT 2ND-VICE COMMANDER

22nd to large crowds.

The 2022 Oregon International Air Show returned to Hillsboro after a two-year absence and was welcomed back to Hillsboro Airport May 20-

eran benefits and resources, veteran suicide awareness, and youth outreach and programs.

During the event Saturday, many of the booth visitors' needs weighed more toward questions about veteran benefits. To that end, Jody Marsh, Department Assistant Veteran Service Officer, along with Deanna Levinson and Kelly Gladden, veteran service officers with Washington County Veteran Service Office, provided a vital source of support, including several contacts to follow up with.

Conversely, Sunday experienced a large swell of booth guests inquiring about "who we are" and 'what we do' and ensuing membership discussions. The day sped along very quickly as detailed information was relayed on membership in The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary, and Sons of The American Legion. Many inquiries included specific details of where to reach out to a local Post.

Alis Volat Propriis. The theme for this year's event was "She Flies With Her Own Wings," the Oregon state motto, and featured an all-female cast of performers, air bosses, and announcers.



Clouds dissipated Friday evening in time for the fireworks display, and Saturday and Sunday were filled with plenty of blue skies and sunshine. The delightful weather helped bring out large crowds of fans and aircraft enthusiasts alike, enjoying acrobatic performances, static aircraft displays, and an array of air show vendors.

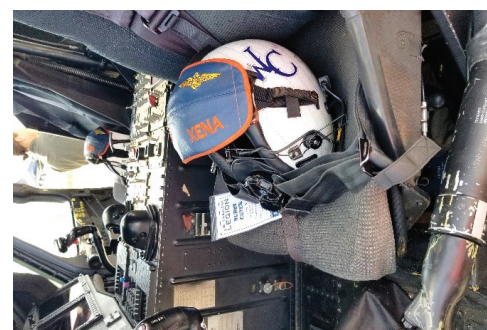
The American Legion Family of the Department of Oregon hosted an outreach booth for the entire three-day event and experienced significant foot traffic, particularly Saturday and Sunday, in welcoming and supporting guests of the air show.

The booth was established to support American Legion Family membership and programs, including Vet-

And throughout the air show, many of the younger visitors took pleasure in receiving a U.S. flag and 'poppy' coloring sheets for stopping by.

While there were plenty of guests at the booth, 'Buddy Checks' also was occurring all along the tarmac, as many of the static display aircraft, pilots and aircrews were contacted and given bracelet packs.

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For Department Commander



My name is Larry Wittmayer. I am an- of Department Commander for the Department my eligibility as a member of our American United States Navy and retired as a Chief

I am a member of the Fleet Reserve Association, the 40/8, and 60 +year members of the Boy Scouts of America. As a Paid-up for Life (PUFL) member, I have served my home post, Wilsonville Post 65, as the co-founder, Post Commander, and presently Post Adjutant.

My District and Department service include District 8 Commander, Department membership chair - 2 years, Department Scouting Committee chair, and presently Department 2nd vice commander - 2 years Department 1st Vice Commander. Currently, my American Legion education includes certificates from the American Legion extension institute. The Department of Oregon Legion College, the American Legion National Basic Training Course, The American Legion National legion College, Class of 2020

I know we are all aware of the dire condition of our department with regards to membership engagement, poor communication, leadership accountability, and extreme fiscal status. My goal for the next year will be to help this department to start working together as a team, and with that effort as a team, we will be successful.

As Henry Ford said, "coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is a success. From the top-down, we must start with accountability in our leadership which is the commitment we make when we accept a position and change our hats.

Training is an essential part of being accountable in our position. I am committed to providing quality on-site Oregon Legion College. One that will make our members proud to attend. The Chairs of our commissions and committees must hold regular meetings and report the results of those meetings in the form of Minutes and Legionnaire Articles. Communication is our tool to shout out our successes.

Our District Commanders have made a commitment to their posts. In our team, they are the coach. Your team will gain strength and success while visiting and communicating with your posts. You will report your visits regularly and let our overall membership know how successful your district is through regular Legionnaire articles. I am proposing bi-monthly meetings to include the Department Commander and the District Commanders.

I will hold a quarterly 'fireside chat' virtually where any legion member can give their views, ideas and complaints. I am sure the membership team will be holding monthly meetings to include the department commander and the district commanders to discuss the progress of the membership campaign.

Finally, success will come as our team works together, working the Four Pillars. It will come in the form of healthy programs and increased, engaged membership, which will grow. That growth will also help with fiscal stability.

As your Department Commander, I will commit to supporting this department and its executive committee, and our Legion Family. With that promise of commitment, I am asking for your support and vote for the high office as your Department Commander for 2022-2023. Thank you for your consideration.

Greetings, fellow Legionnaires!

My name is Cory Brockmann, and I am a candidate for the high office of Department 1st Vice Commander, 2022-2023.

I earned my eligibility for membership within The American Legion with nearly seven years of honorable active-duty service during the Cold War and Lebanon/Grenada eras.

My home post is Aloha #104, where I am a nine-year, Paid Up For Life member. And I am proud to have received the endorsements of both Aloha #104 and District 1's general memberships for the high office I seek.

I have held numerous officer and leadership positions at the post-, district-, and department levels. And in addition to serving as your Department's 2nd Vice Commander this year, I also serve on the Permanent Finance Commission and The Oregon American Legion Foundation.

Previously, I have chaired the Americanism Commission and the Media and Communications Commission, and I have served on numerous committees, all of which further strengthen my qualifications to serve you as Department 1st Vice Commander.

I have completed the American Legion Extension Institute Course, the Basic Training course, and Oregon Legion College. I am a graduate of the National American Legion College – (Rohan) Class of 2017.

In addition to The American Legion, I am a member of ANAVICUS - the Army, Navy, and Air Force Veterans in Canada - United States Unit. I am also a Lifetime Member of the Air Force Association and a member of their Wings Society, which provides aid and support to airmen and their families. I am a member of the U.S. Air Force Academy Foundation's Sabre Society, whose mission includes developing innovative leaders of character for the nation, supporting graduate programs and services, and other operational strategies.

In looking to the 2022-2023 year ahead...and beyond that...

My friends, we are at a critical crossroads within our Department of Oregon. The pandemic caused a significant impact on our lives and a huge disruption in the delivery of our Legion programs, no doubt. But, to be honest, and direct...*our Department* has been experiencing a decline in membership numbers, in participation, and in support of many of our programs for quite some time.

We must look strategically at how we can position our Department to support our members – and all Oregonian veterans – in the years to come. And most importantly, we must then be decisive in taking the strategic steps necessary to improve and ensure our ability to deliver on our four pillars of service.

There is serious work to be done in our Department. Having said that, let me be clear...in no way do I believe our best days are behind us. Not at all. We do, however, need to critically address how we are organized and function.

I see five critical areas needing attention; those are leadership accountability, improved communications, membership engagement, fiscal resourcefulness, and a strategic plan for organizational change.

Latent leadership is deteriorating our organization. It proliferates throughout, from elected officers at all levels, to appointed positions, to individual members.

As just one example, we began this past year with greater than 25% vacancies on our commissions and committees' roster. And beyond that, many roster members are cross-listed on multiple committees. We must strive for better accountability when taking on a position, regardless of the position.



Foundationally, it begins with an improved Oregon Legion College framework that gets back to teaching the basics of how we are organized and function, roles and responsibilities, and rebuild our foundation.

Good **communication** doesn't just happen. It's intentional, and there is a framework to it regardless of the medium. Good communication applies to each of us, be it establishing meeting dates and times, sending errant emails, accuracy in messages or letters, or taking up inordinate staff time in the office – we all must strive to communicate more thoroughly, more transparently, and more effectively. Effective communication also leads to *positive visibility*.

As for **membership** – it's not just a numbers game, it's also a matter of caring for our members, for each other. However, the added challenges of a decreasing membership further compound the diminishing effect on our ability to successfully deliver our programs.

Buddy Checks aren't really new nor is renewing members. However, we do need to better educate posts on the 'how-to' of developing a systematic framework for conducting 'Buddy Checks' which support renewals. Again, foundationally, an Oregon Legion College that gets back to the basics can help improve resources for members.

Our **fiscal resourcefulness** is linked to our need for a **strategic plan**...one that gets implemented. We can no longer put off making changes within our organization in hopes of magically making membership goals. Change is inevitable. If we continue to do nothing, the resultant 'change' will continue – membership will keep dropping, participation will keep diminishing, and support will squander. Our membership numbers have a direct impact and consequence – decreasing membership equates to decreased budgets, it is that simple.

As example, at this time, our Permanent Finance Commission is working to address a projected **\$93,000 budget-deficit** for operating next year, which begins 1-October. Work continues and it's not easy. The Administration & Advisory Commission, along with our department leadership, has extremely difficult decisions to make but, together, we will seek the means to provide a zero-deficit budget to our membership at convention. And, frankly, it may be a short-term fix over a long-term solution.

Thus, we need a **strategic plan** that will address organizational and functional utility that strives to realistically meet our ability to deliver on our four pillars. It requires significant changes to how we have historically functioned. In a broader vision, as a department, we need to develop the means to further minimize nearly all paper processes. This includes membership cards. And, it includes using technologies available for Department to conduct *direct renewal solicitation* to members throughout the Department in further supporting posts.

We must improve efficiencies by leveraging the investments on technology, and drive overhead and routine business costs down. This includes actions such as: increased virtual meetings; shorter headquarters' office hours; teleworking; web-serviced business center operations; substantially decreasing travel budgets or shifting to stipend-only; significantly cutting down copy and print services; reorganizing downward from 10 districts; and, more. While some of these actions may seem new, they really are not. They are industry standards in the private sector and in government.

I will support the department commander and will work to achieve strategic leadership improvements that strengthen our Department. I look forward to working with our Department and American Legion Family leadership, and with *you*, in moving our Department forward.

As a Legionnaire I serve *as one of you!* I ask for your support – **and vote** – in electing me to the high office of Department 1st Vice Commander, 2022-2023.

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District 1 proudly endorses Cory E. Brockmann for the high office of Department 1st Vice Commander, 2022-2023.

- Commander Brockmann leads by example.
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- The American Legion - and all veterans - are better served by his leadership.

Elect a leader. Elect Commander Brockmann!



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2nd Vice Commander Candidacy Announcement

Legionnaires, I respectfully announce my candidacy for the high office of 2nd Vice Commander within the Department of Oregon.

My eligibility comes from my honorable service in the world's greatest Navy from January 2001 until July 2007, serving in both Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom Campaigns.

I am a five-year Paid Up For Life member in the American Legion and have held a number of leadership positions within the Post, District, Department, and National Organization. This includes but is not limited to National Veterans Preference Committee, National Legislative Council, Department Membership and Post Activities Commission Chair, Department Sons of the American Legion Committee Chair, Department Vice-Chair for the Internal Affairs Commission, and I have served as an Officer for five years in District 10, four of which as District 10 Commander, and five years as Post Commander of Ontario Post 67.

I have completed the American Legion Education Institute Basic Training Course as well as numerous other training sessions conducted by the Department of Oregon and virtually by National Staff.

As a member of this great organization, I believe our greatest asset is our membership, and I make it my mission to reach out and assist as many



members – *and veterans* – as possible. With this position, that mindset does not falter, but rather, it will amplify. Additionally, as Department 2nd Vice Commander, I will have oversight of your Department's programs. We must continue to work together in order to rebound from the pandemic and develop our next generation of member-volunteers who will follow on behind us. Our programs are vital to a healthy America and our youth and can only be successful with our continued teamwork and dedication.

I am a dual member of the Sons of the American Legion, a life member of the VFW, and a member of the Army, Navy, and Air Force Veterans in Canada-United States Unit (ANAVICUS) proudly support educational

opportunities for the youth of veterans. I am a supporter of veteran advocacy and other patriotic endeavors that embrace a strong America. I routinely teach U.S. Flag history and etiquette to elementary-age school children and recently supported our District's first oratorical contest in well over a decade.

I hold a Bachelor's degree in Business Management and an Associate's degree in Computer Networking. I have owned and operated a small business since 2018 and have managed several other companies, including national companies that achieved honors in Forbes Fortune 5000. I have a consistent history since I was eighteen years old of responsibility, leadership, and accomplishments, both in my personal growth and business.

As Legionnaires, we have a visibility that allows us to reach out to other Veterans and our communities. I desire to do so across the Department of Oregon.

With that, I ask that you join me on my mission to grow our Department reach out to our members, veterans, our communities, and our youth across the state. I ask for your support– *and your vote* – in electing me to the high office of 2nd Vice Commander, Department of Oregon, 2022-2023.



HOW DID IT DO?



We are excited to report that the Emergency Assistance Plus campaign we mailed in February brought in over 1,900 new members!



Here's what it will look like to most people who receive it.

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The next mailing is Hospital Help on July 6th.

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We are mailing Travel Accident on June 22nd.

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It was a hugely successful event for our American Legion Family, and our gratitude goes out to all who helped in making it happen. Additional volunteers supporting the endeavor were Flynn Phillips, Department Adjutant; Dick Winders, Department Historian; Catherine Brockmann, District 1 President; Marc Chaney, Sons of The American Legion NEC; and Cory Brockmann, Department 2nd Vice Commander.



American Legion calls PACT Act agreement 'historically impactful' for generations of vets

WASHINGTON (May 18, 2022) –

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The head of the nation's largest veterans

organization is calling the bipartisan agreement by Senate leaders to assist veterans who have been exposed to environmental toxins "historically impactful."

"The work is still not yet complete, but the agreement between Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee Chairman Jon Tester, D-Mont., and ranking member Jerry Moran, R-Kan., is proof that Democrats and Republicans can achieve great things for veterans when they work to put country ahead of partisanship," American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard said. "The Honoring Our PACT Act would deliver needed benefits for up to 3.5 million veterans who were exposed to the poisons of war due to the prevalence of burn pits, radiation, contaminated water, Agent Orange and other toxicants during deployments and military assignments. The House of Representatives deserves great credit for passing this legislation, and I am confident that with the continued support of The American Legion, the Senate will now follow suit. This is an historic opportunity for the 117th Congress to pass the most meaningful veterans legislation in a generation. I am asking all Americans to tell their senators to vote for the Honoring Our PACT Act."

The American Legion is dedicated to the motto of "Veterans Strengthening America." Chartered by Congress in 1919, The American Legion is com-

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JIM WAGGONER In October of 2021, **Post 158** opportunity knocked. Post 158 answered. A new member of our post approached me with several innovative ideas to better community relations and do things a little differently, so we began to think out of the box.

We found many of our ideas were heading in the same direction, one of which was how to use perishable food that at the time was, for the most part, was going to the landfill. We both decided at that time to find a way to stop this tremendous waste. We approached Safeway, and after a few meetings with different executives, an agreement was reached, and Vittles from Veterans was started with one pick up a week; after a few short weeks, it became three pickups a

week.

Today we have expanded and are acting as a distribution center. We pick up products or products that are donated and delivered to us. We sort and are able to distribute food to several food banks, homeless shelters, and church food banks as well as some of our food-challenged members and neighbors. At this time, we are assisting other posts in starting their chap-

ter of Vittles from Veterans.

This is a tremendous opportunity to serve the community by directly helping the needy and becoming a center of goodwill and a bigger part of your local community.

We are expanding and will keep reporting on our progress while assisting other posts and the community.

Veterans & Children Foundation

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Our Impact

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You see it in the news right now – toxic exposure to Agent Orange or burn pits, invisible wounds of war, unexplained illnesses and other conditions related to military service. These veterans who fought for our country now fight for care and accountability from the government they swore with their lives to defend. Navigating the VA benefits system can be complex. Veterans often give up, leaving them with debilitating conditions; or worse, they die before their claims applications are decided. This is where more than 3,000 American Legion service officers make all the difference.

Accredited American Legion service officers receive special training to provide expert assistance, free of charge, to any veteran or family member of a veteran looking for answers. They help veterans apply for VA disability benefits and assist with critical information, referrals and resources on education, training, employment, business, death benefits and more.

American Legion representatives secured an estimated \$14.25 billion in VA disability compensation and other benefits for veterans and their families in 2020 alone. Without service officers, these benefits would have gone unrealized.



\$500K-\$1M distributed annually in Temporary Financial Assistance



The American Legion Temporary Financial Assistance program awards hundreds of cash grants a year to help minor children of military personnel and qualified veterans. These grants help families in crisis with needs like food, shelter, utilities and medical costs, to stabilize homes.

During the 2019 federal government shutdown, members of the U.S. Coast Guard went over a month without paychecks. The American Legion stepped in, delivering over \$1 million

in Temporary Financial Assistance to more than 1,700 junior enlisted personnel who had young children at home.

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- Grants that help active-duty military and veteran families with children during their time of need.
- Hope when it seems there is nowhere else to turn.

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About the Foundation

The American Legion Veterans & Children Foundation funds a vast network of service officers who provide free assistance to veterans applying for disability benefits they earned through military service. The foundation also extends a financial safety net for military and veteran families with children, who are facing unexpected financial hardships that threaten the stability of their homes.

*The American Legion
delivers more than hope
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Cases in Point

Tennessee Legionnaire Walter Culberson lost his job when the pandemic hit.

The American Legion responded by providing him with a one-time grant that paid for two months of utilities, food and gas. It was the lifeline he needed until he got a new job and could provide for his family once again.

From June 2020 to April 2021, Oklahoma American Legion Post 88 anticipated the need for benefits assistance during the pandemic.

The post's team of service officers maintained regular socially distanced office hours and worked tirelessly from home on claims.

The result: nearly \$1.1 million in benefits for disabled veterans and their families in the local community.



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Robert Liebenow has given 49 years to The American Legion at all levels, post, district, department, and national. Rob has been

Commander of Hillsboro Squadron #6 for the past 12 years and now has taken over as squadron adjutant.

At present, Detachment Commander Carl Pawlik does not plan to serve a 4th term. The 1st Vice has no plans to move up, and they do not have a 2nd Vice that intends to stay on. Rob does not see anyone coming forward to lead the SAL. After talking to the current leadership of the SAL and seeing no movement in the membership or

For Detachment Commander

interest from anyone in becoming a detachment officer, at this time, Rob is announcing his candidacy for Commander of The Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Oregon.

Rob has the support of his wife Linda and Squadron #6. Rob also has the support of Marc Chaney, Ward Allen, and Carl Pawlik, among others. Rob looks forward to your support at our Department Convention in Aloha in June.

If there is anyone that would like to step forward and help lead this great organization, now is the time to do so. Rob knows that many capable SAL members can fill the detachment positions.

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Frank B. Kellogg was U.S. Secretary of State and Aristide Briand was French Foreign Minister. Kellogg was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1929.

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DAN BURKS making our **MEMBERSHIP CHAIR** card-carrying members feel included and connected. The world and our Department are, without a doubt, advancing in our technology, and over time we will very likely be able to do nearly everything online, but why do we alienate those who are not technologically advanced.

Remember, some people live in this state for the simplicity, for the opportunity to live in areas where technology hasn't quite reached out and taken a foothold, and many of these members have been Legionnaires for decades. They are the backbone of our organization, and instead of a consistent barrage of complaints geared towards them, let's include them by offering our assistance. Let's include ALL Legionnaires in our mission to move forward, rebuild, and strengthen this Department.



DAN BURKS
DISTRICT 10 COMMANDER

worked together, assisting each other and showing what true Legionnaires stand for.

District 10 spans Three of the largest chunks of land in Oregon, while the populations remain low and our Posts remain small. A couple of hours of travel each way between Posts is not uncommon. Yet, these Legionnaires will make the trip to help out with things like flag-raising ceremonies, graveside honors, membership, and

District 10 pushes forward, ramping up on all fronts to ensure we accomplish our goals by year's end. Each of my Posts has worked hard this year, and many have

assistance with any other ceremonies not listed.

As District 10 Commander, it has been my honor to assist and continue to assist as the District grows not just in membership but in comradery. Posts like Prairie City 106 who has nearly doubled in size over the last five years. Posts like 96 have some new life and upcoming leadership for the first time in nearly two decades. Nyssa 79 has a new Commander for the first time since 2008, Ontario 67 has some new rising stars in leadership positions, Harney County 63 has some fantastic leadership and always developing, and Ellis Tracy 77 is beginning to rebuild as we speak. While the year won't be quite over yet when you read this, I know District 10 will not give up or give in. We fight and help each other out until the very last day. I thank each of you for everything you have done.

General James N. Mattis, United States Marine Corps (Ret.) Addresses Gala Event



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to *"honor those who sacrificed everything."* Hosted by the Vietnam War Memorial Fund, the event was held at NW Events in Hillsboro.

Moreover, the event seeks to jumpstart efforts underway by Vietnam Memorial Fund to raise the necessary funds to place a Vietnam War Memorial on the Oregon State Capitol grounds in Salem.

Fund-raising was slowed during the recent pandemic but is now back on course and pressing onward. Event coordinator Dan Mason stated that \$80,000 was raised during the evening dinner program, and more donations were still being tallied. In addition to those in attendance at NW Events, the program was also live-streamed to support donors who could not attend the event in person.

HILLSBORO, Ore. – On Saturday, May 7, 2022, veterans and supporters joined together for a special evening for the Vietnam War Memorial Gala Event

The full course dinner, featuring Cornish game hen and salmon steak, was followed by a brief welcome from Hillsboro Mayor Steve Callaway.

The evening's program featured reflections of war experiences encountered by a slate of Vietnam veteran speakers, which included: Commander Douglas Sheehan, United States Coast Guard (Ret.), Captain Greg Wooldridge, United States Navy (Ret.) and Captain Steven J. Ahlberg, United States Navy (Ret.).

The keynote address followed and was given by General James N. Mattis, United States Marine Corps (Ret.), who also served as the 26th U.S. Secretary of Defense under then-president Donald J. Trump.

General Mattis' address focused on the sacrifices made by soldiers, sailors, airmen, and Marines during the war, which sought to halt the domination of communism in Southeast Asia. In doing so, he also shared how families and loved ones at home were also encumbered with sacrifices, which are often overlooked.

Noted during the evening was the presence of Gold Star families in attendance at the event.

Mattis, born in Pullman, Wash, graduated from Richland High School and attended Central Washington University. He shared that he declines 98% of the speaking engagement requests he receives but that returning to the Pacific Northwest for this cause was more than worthy.

Members of The American Legion Family from the Department of Oregon as well as the Department of North Carolina were in attendance and sponsored a table to support the cause, further creating a legacy of remembrance for Oregon's Vietnam Veterans.

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 **AMERICAN
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Pictured (l. to r.): Kevin Owens, Bay Area Post 34 (North Bend); Larry Cline, Lincolnton Post 30 (Lincolnton, NC); Mary Laudon, Hillsboro Unit 6; Adam Gettmann, Aloha Post 104; Bill Rouse, Aloha Post 104; Catherine Brockmann, Aloha Unit 104; Cory Brockmann, Aloha Post 104; Bev Neubecker, Seaside Unit 99; Lou Neubecker, Seaside Post 99; and, Chris Mann, Aloha Post 104.

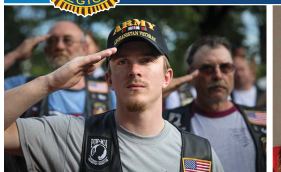
Not pictured: Flynn Phillips, Carl Douglas Post 74 (Estacada).



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Nearly 2 million wartime veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces are members of The American Legion. Joining them are nearly 1 million members of the American Legion Auxiliary, the nation's largest patriotic women's association, and more than 375,000 Sons of The American Legion, male descendants of U.S. wartime veterans. They work as one great American Legion Family of shared values, at more than 12,000 local posts worldwide, in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Caribbean, Europe, Latin America and Asia.

As a federally chartered organization, The American Legion upholds a sacred duty to provide free expert assistance for all who have served our country in the U.S. Armed Forces, as well as their families.

The American Legion is at work today in rural towns, urban neighborhoods, military installations and college campuses everywhere.

Each local post has its own unique identity, but they are all connected by common core values. A post in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, for instance, provides care for children with cerebral palsy, Down Syndrome and other serious diseases. The American Legion in Wyoming coordinates the state high school rodeo championships. An American Legion post in central

California operates a multi-county ambulance service. Another, in Alabama, offers after-school mentorship for students seeking direction. A post in Connecticut built, owns and operates a housing facility to help homeless veterans restart their lives. Local examples of The American Legion's highest values are found worldwide, where differences are made daily for individuals, communities, states and the nation.

The Legion's fastest-growing membership segment is the post-9/11 generation. More than 100,000 strong and increasing, these young veterans join hundreds of thousands more who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces since World War II. No matter the era, our members are indelibly connected through love of country, hope for the future, remembrance of the fallen and duty above self.

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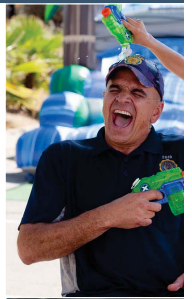
Americanism.

Memories of the Great Wars.

Individual obligation.

Peace, good will, prosperity, justice, freedom and devotion to mutual helpfulness.

Such values are embedded in the language of the Preamble to The American Legion Constitution. Generation after generation, one century to the next, the words have come to define a purpose as meaningful today as ever before.



A legacy of American Legion accomplishments and impact

- Consolidation of multiple disconnected federal offices, agencies and bureaus into one Veterans Administration in 1930
- Formulating, drafting and fighting for passage of the GI Bill of Rights in 1944, which educated millions, triggered a half-century of U.S. prosperity, revolutionized higher education and made home ownership possible for average Americans
- Establishment of a U.S. Flag Code and standard rules of respect and display
- Collaborated with Columbia University to prove that exposure to the defoliant Agent Orange caused deadly diseases and adverse health conditions among veterans
- Introduction, growth and continued administration of unparalleled youth programs in government (Boys State and Boys Nation); constitutional understanding and public speaking (American Legion Oratorical Contests); healthy competition (American Legion Baseball and Junior Shooting Sports); and more
- National leadership to 1 of Veterans Affairs impr care accessibility, acc processing, update ed and achieve employee accountability
- Leadership in veteran c including employer-app, a successful business t representation in Wash the military-to-civilian c



Services that make differences

Representing at no cost more than 700,000 veterans and their families seeking VA disability and medical benefits every day.

Participating in more than 1,000 job fairs and other career events for veterans and their families every year nationwide.

Fighting for fair conversion of military experience into credit hours for civilian careers in specialized fields such as emergency medicine, commercial driving, civil engineering and hazardous materials handling.

Providing comfort items for hospitalized military personnel recovering from wounds and illnesses.

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Spending millions of volunteer hours at VA medical facilities at an estimated annual value of \$20 million.

Supporting veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury.

Addressing and lobbying Congress and the White House to provide timely VA health care, efficient benefits processing, effective GI Bill education provisions, a decent quality of life for active-duty military personnel and other issues important to Americans.

Assisting during natural disasters, from converting local posts into clinics after hurricanes and tornadoes, to providing food, relief items and other needs to displaced citizens.

Providing financial assistance to needy military and veteran families with young children at home.

Awarding grants to organizations that provide support for children in need.

Awarding college scholarships to children of U.S. servicemembers killed or disabled while on active duty since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Mentoring youth through American Legion Boys State and Boys Nation, as well as local, state and national American Legion Oratorical Contests.

Running hundreds of youth programs, including more than 3,000 Scouting units, nearly 4,000 American Legion Baseball teams, dozens of Junior Shooting Sports clubs, Junior ROTC and Junior Law Cadet programs.



Providing citizenship and naturalization education and support for legal immigrants seeking to become Americans.

Serving as the nation's foremost authority on U.S. flag respect, procedures and code.

Educating school children on such topics as flag respect, military service, history and patriotism.

Providing and distributing U.S. flags for the graves of American military personnel laid to rest at overseas cemeteries.

Demanding full accounting and repatriation, when possible, of all U.S. military personnel listed as prisoners of war or missing in action.

Participating at thousands of patriotic observances and events around the world each year at the local, state, national and international levels.

Handling honor guard services and memorial tributes for fallen military personnel and veterans, from individual funerals to memorial dedications.

Help us help others. Join now.



Anyone who has served federal active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces since Dec. 7, 1941, and has been honorably discharged or is still serving, is eligible for membership in The American Legion.

Because eligibility dates remain open, all active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible to join The American Legion at this time, until the date of the end of hostilities as determined by the government of the United States.

U.S. Merchant Marines are eligible for membership but only if they served from Dec. 7, 1941, to Dec. 31, 1946 (WWII).

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Get involved

Sons of The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary offer membership opportunities to the families of Legion-eligible veterans, and The American Legion Riders offers additional opportunities to members of all three organizations.



alaforveterans.org



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Support

Tax-deductible donations help support the many American Legion programs serving veterans, youth, families and communities across the United States.

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- American Legion Baseball
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- Flag education programs
- Oratorical competitions
- American Legion Junior Shooting Sports
- Youth Cadet Law Enforcement program
- Boys State and Boys Nation
- Junior ROTC
- Scouting

DEFENSE

- Cash grants for military families who have temporary financial needs
- Comfort items for hospitalized military personnel
- Advocacy for fair military retirement benefits
- Family Support Network of volunteers to help military families
- Representation in Washington to support proper DoD funding
- Assistance in cases before military discharge review boards

AMERICANISM

- National leadership in U.S. flag protection and respect
- Services to help legal immigrants become U.S. citizens
- Support for public expression of the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem

COMMUNITY

- Honor and remembrance of those who served and sacrificed
- Emergency relief in times of natural disaster
- Leadership at patriotic ceremonies and special events
- Connections with local schools and home-school students
- Numerous local programs and initiatives, tailored to each community's needs

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Mr. Steve

DEPT 2ND-VICE COMMANDER Bates, President of the Vietnam War Memorial Fund, thanks those participating in the Vietnam War Memorial Gala Event for their support.

To date, just under one million dollars has been raised, which is approximately one-quarter of the funds needed to complete the memorial.

The Vietnam War Memorial Fund is a non-profit charitable organization.

To learn more about Vietnam War Memorial Fund, memorial designs, and to make a donation, please visit vietnamwarmemorialfund.org/.

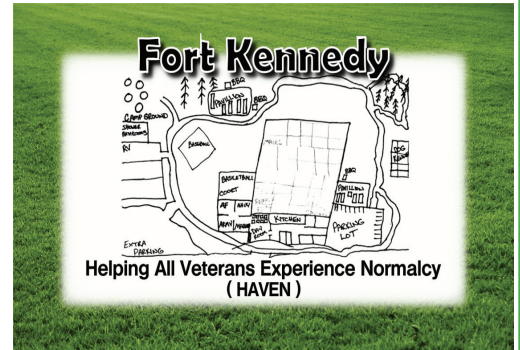
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The Trust has been so successful in its over fifty years that today over 500,000 Legionnaires in 50 participating Departments are enrolled in this unique program.

Also, in the same period of time, almost \$1 billion dollars in claim benefits have been paid to Legionnaires and their families through the LIT; and over \$100 million in allocations have been paid to participating Legion Departments. The first Trust insurance plan to be offered was the Hospital Income Protection plan, a program designed to pay fixed dollar amounts for periods of hospital confinement. Over the years, other insurance coverage offered included: Cancer, Accidental Death, Critical Illness, Disability Income, Emergency Assistance, Long Term Care, Medicare Supplement, Discount Cards, Dental, Whole Life, Auto, Homeowners, Identity Theft, and Home Health Care.

Since its creation, AGIA has worked closely with the Trust to develop insurance programs especially designed for Department members and their families. We are proud to serve you through the Trust and invite your inquiries and suggestions on any aspect of our activities.

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The American Legion 103rd Department of Oregon Convention

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

3:00 – 6:00 PM Registration at Aloha Post 104

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

7:00 AM Golf Forest Hills Golf Course 36260 SW Tongue Ln Cornelius, OR 97113
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Registration at Aloha Post 104 20325 SW Alexander St Aloha, OR 97003
12:30 – 4:00 PM Registration at Beaverton Elks Lodge 3464 SW 106th Ave Beaverton, OR 97005

All Convention sessions are being held at The Beaverton Elks Lodge

12:00 PM Lunch
1:30 PM American Legion Auxiliary Pre-Convention Meeting
3:00 PM American Legion Pre-Convention DEC Meeting
5:00 PM **Past Department Commanders and Presidents, District Commanders and Presidents, Legion and Auxiliary Officers, and SAL PDCs** need to find their assigned seats. Goal Post and Unit color-bearers need to be lined up for the processional.
5:30 PM **Joint Opening of the 103rd American Legion, 101st American Legion Auxiliary, 50th Sons of The American Legion and ALR Annual Department Convention**
7:30 PM Past Department Commanders Meeting

Thursday, June 23, 2022

7:00 – 3:00 PM Registration at Beaverton Elks Lodge
8:00 AM **Joint Memorial Service of The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, & the Sons of the American Legion** conducted by Department Chaplain Steve Shollenburg and Auxiliary Chaplain pro tem, Gregoria Hernandez
9:15 AM **Joint Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R) Presentation**
This Presentation will Feature National VA&R Chairman, Ralph Bozella. Every member is

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4:00 PM 103rd Department Convention is in recess until 9:00 AM Saturday.
5:00 PM Social Hour
6:00 PM-8:00 PM President and Commander's Banquet held at The Beaverton Elks Lodge
(Dress code is Coat & Tie, Dresses, etc... Raffle and awards to be presented)

Saturday, June 25, 2022

6:30 AM GNUTS Breakfast at Aloha Post 104
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM Registration at Beaverton Elks Lodge
9:00 AM **103rd Department Convention Reconvene**
Joint Installation of The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary and The Sons of the American Legion Officers for 2022 – 2023
Department Officers, District Officers, National Committee Members, Delegates, and Alternates to National Convention
Exchange of Department Commander Banners

Following Installation

Unfinished Business and Announcements
Benediction / Retire the Colors
Adjournment by Junior Past Department Commander, Don Weber

Convention Closed

1:00 PM (Approx) Post-Convention D.E.C. Meeting
3:00 PM Legion Riders Convention Beaverton Elks Lodge
5:00 PM Victory Party for newly elected officers held at Aloha Post 104

For additional information contact:

Legion Adam Gettmann 425-791-6473
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Sons Carl Pawlik, 608-628-9592

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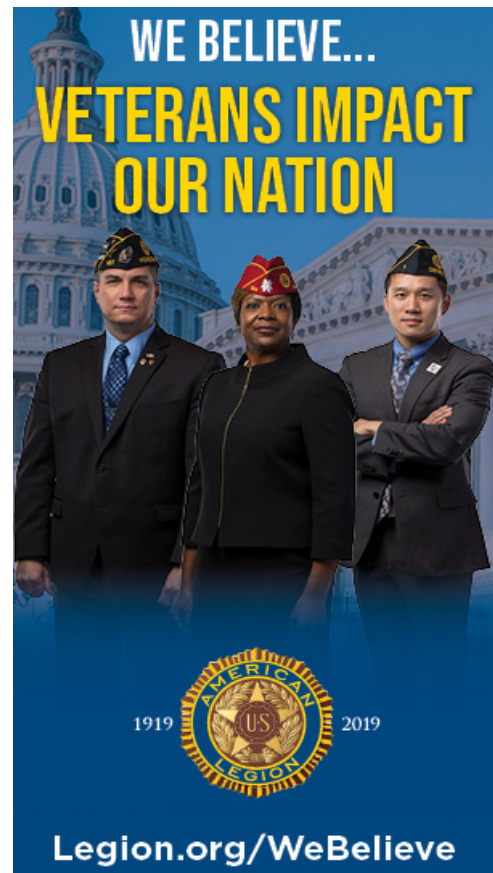
highly encouraged to attend and learn what The American Legion Family is working on for veterans and renew your commitment to the founding principles of the Legion, Auxiliary, Sons, and Riders. An invitation has also been extended to The Central Oregon Veterans Village, President Debra's project.

11:30 AM-12:30 PM VA&R Luncheon
12:45 PM **Department Convention Opening Business Session**
4:00 PM 103rd Department Convention is in recess until 8:30 AM Friday morning.
5:00 – 8:00 pm Mix & Mingle – All welcome – Live Music, No Host Bar, Snacks, Bean Bag Toss, and Silent Auction to benefit The Oregon American Legion Foundation at Post 104 in Aloha

Friday, June 24, 2022

6:30 AM White Tops Breakfast at Aloha Post 104
7:30 AM – 4:00 PM Registration at Beaverton Elks Lodge
8:30 AM-4:00 PM **103rd Department Convention Reconvene**
8:30 AM **Reports from Committee-on-Committee meeting**
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM **SAL Convention Meeting at Aloha Post 104**
9:00 AM Pre-DEC
1:00 PM Convention
Post DEC to Follow
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM Americanism/ Boys & Girls State/ Children & Youth Luncheon
12:45 PM **103rd Department Convention Reconvene**
1:35 PM Final presentation of Constitution and By-Laws changes – Vote
1:45 PM Nomination of Candidates
2:00 PM Candidate Town Hall - Question & Answer
2:30 PM Report of Credentials Committees
Election Rules – Department Judge Advocate – Eugene Hellickson
Nominations and Election of Department Officers for 2022-2023
Department Commander
Department First Vice Commander
Department Second Vice Commander
Department Finance Officer

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THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Name _____ (First) _____ (Initial) _____ (Last) _____ (Date of Birth) _____

Mailing Address _____ (Street) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (ZIP) _____

(Phone) _____ (Email) _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female (Gender) _____ (Post #) _____ (Dues)

☐ I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941 and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Please check appropriate eligibility era and branch of service below:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Global War on Terror | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (WWII only) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWII | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts | |

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____ Name of Recruiter _____

Mail completed application to The American Legion National Headquarters, Attn: Internal Affairs. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current department/state address, go to www.legion.org.

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Date

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Recruiter's Name

Recruiter's Signature

Recruiter's Phone #



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Date _____

Detachment of _____ Squadron No. _____ Birth Date _____

Name _____ (First) _____ (Initial) _____ (Last) _____ Recruited by _____ (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, apply for membership, and

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

Signed By Applicant (or Parent) _____ 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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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____ Unit # and Location (if known) _____

Date of Birth (Required) ☐ Birth - 17 ☐ 18 and over

Have you been a member previously? ☐ Yes ☐ No (If yes, fill in below, if known.)

Previous Unit City/State: _____ ALA ID#: _____

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

Submit this application to the ALA unit you wish to join. If unit is unknown, contact National Headquarters at (317) 569-4500 for assistance.

Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due.

Membership pending approval of application.

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Eligible Through—Name of Veteran (Female Veterans: List Your Own Name) _____

If Living: American Legion Member ID # _____ Post # _____ City _____ State _____

☐ Deceased (If veteran is deceased, contact ALA unit about the necessary military records.)

Veteran Served:

☐ WWI (4/6/1917-11/11/1918)

☐ Anytime After 12/7/1941 (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War | <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts |
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Applicant's Relationship to the Veteran:

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To Be Completed By The American Legion Post Adjutant/Officer

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 _____

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