

The Oregon Legionnaire

The Voice of Oregon's Veterans Since 1919 November 2022

THE AMERICAN LEGION **FAMILY**



May the *flag wave* boldly
with its *vibrant hues*...
Honoring *veterans like you*,
today, with the beautiful
red, white and blue

Notes from Commanders,
Commission Reports,
Auxiliary, SAL, Riders,
Trivia and so much more...

Thank You

Today we honor you for
serving our country and
protecting our freedom.

**HAPPY
VETERAN'S DAY**

Salute
to our
VETERANS

**VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 11TH**





LARRY WITTMAYER
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

It is a distinct pleasure to thank all of the Posts who have stepped up and contributed to the Department fund challenge. I think it should be made clear that this cam-

campaign is a three-year project. Each year, each District Committee, each post board, and each individual member will be asked to dig deep. At this

point, we are at \$14,219 raised out of a \$93,000 goal.

If our membership were to increase significantly, it would help tremendously with the continued decline. Continued declining membership is the partial reason for this deficit.

Some of the events this Department has been successfully involved in so far this year is Portland International Raceway. Suicide Prevention Awareness booth. Department of Washington Convention. The Oregon Legion College. The family team leadership meetings. Newburg Festival Parade.

The 9/11 Memorial Ceremony in Albany.

We held a couple of virtual DEC's to handle urgent business. We also represented the Department at the National Legion Convention in Milwaukee. We were awarded the William F Lenker National Service trophy.

In closing, I am grateful for the teamwork this Department is showing. Please attend the Fireside chat with the National Commander candidate Jim La Coursiere on Friday, October the 28th, from 7:00 to 8:00 PM, with Pizza and soft drinks.



CORY BROCKMANN
DEPT 1ST-VICE COMMANDER

My fellow comrades, thank you for your service! We honor more than 19 million men and women who have served in our armed forces this Veterans

Day. For many of us, the bonds of comradeship, of friendship remain to this day.

To his trusted friend, Joseph Gillespie, Abraham Lincoln wrote, *"The better part of one's life consists of his friendships."* As veterans, we can relate to this with even more special meaning. While the distance may be great between our service buddies or, sadly, acknowledging those we have lost, many of us create bonds anew within our American Legion. We are legionnaires and share a unique bond with our fellow brothers and sisters who served.

As service members, in addition to our oath of service, we were charged with upholding a culture founded upon teamwork, professionalism, dignity, and respect. It is this same culture we strive for within our organization, working together as a team to ensure our programs, members, and families remain healthy and strong.

Leadership – With the existing financial shortfall in our operating budget, we continue moving forward, today and into the future, with less administrative support in our headquarters office. Even so, we must all strive to maintain and even strengthen a culture of teamwork, professionalism, dignity, and respect. I encourage you to continue being strong leaders in your posts and districts and in serving

upon commissions and committees. In doing so, we will successfully continue our legacy of service to our veterans.

Our department leadership will continue to seek solutions to ensure a bright future for our veterans. And you are strongly urged to share your ideas with your post and district leadership as well as with any of our department officers.

"Thinking outside the box..." only becomes cliché if it isn't applied seriously, intentionally. We will continue to think outside the box, not just to be different but to seek viable solutions. The recent Commander's Challenge, seeking fundraising commitments, is one example of action being taken. I congratulate Hermiston Post 37 for their recent contribution of \$5,000 – a truly, selfless commitment to their fellow veterans. Well done, comrades.

Programs – Oratorical, Junior Shooting Sports, law enforcement, and firefighters of the year are among the programs underway and in need of your support. Creating opportunities for leadership for our youth helps build a strong future for our communities and nation, just as recognizing and honoring the service of our law enforcement and firefighters further strengthen our national security.

Additionally, supporting buddy checks and membership activities, are excellent ways to connect and ensure our veterans are in good stead. Please support these programs in your local communities and posts. If you are looking for more information, please reach out to your post commander and adjutant on how you can help.

We have much to achieve, and we will! The power of one begins with you. Thank you for all you do! **We are Veterans Strengthening America.**



DAN BURKS
2ND VICE COMMANDER

Legionnaires, as your 2nd Vice, my message will be pretty consistent. I have oversight of your Americanism programs. Your Americanism Chair is doing a great job, and we keep in regular contact. In my role, I have chosen to support the Commission and the Americanism Chair whenever and if they need me. I stay on top of the details, and the only thing that each of these committees needs is your help. They are doing a fantastic job of planning, preparing, and executing their plans for each program this year, so now all they need are participants. Boys State, Jim Willis LECC, Oratorical, etc., all need participants; that is where you come in. Go to your local high schools, talk to school boards, meet with parents, whatever, to get to these kids and get them involved in our programs. The greatest programs in the world won't do us any good if no one shows. I know there are folks out there wanting to participate. It's up to you to find them.

Department Officers

Commander	Larry Wittmayer
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Asst Sgt-At-Arms	Ward Allen

For the past eight years in all our Department Executive Committee (DEC) Meetings, all my Legionnaire Articles and Book of Reports, in all training sessions, I have emphasized, "File your Posts Taxes," and there are "no exceptions, you must file taxes each year." I continually emphasize to our District Commanders, on your visitations to your Posts and when you are doing your Post assessment, to ask and check that the Post has filed their 990 tax forms, either 990, 990EZ, or 990n (ePostcard). We also continually ask if anyone needs help, please call or email that we are here to help.

Each Post is a separate corporation with an individual EIN number and is under the National Umbrella and is under the National American Legion Group Exemption Number 0925, which is our 501c19. Remember, every Post is a separate corporation. It is a business, and you operate under the Corporate Laws of Oregon. You pay a filing fee yearly to the Secretary of State, Corporation Division. When a Post has not filed their taxes in three years, they will receive a letter from the IRS **that their EIN is revoked**; warning letters are sent out prior to the revocation letter. There is a process to have your EIN reinstated. You must act **immediately** upon receiving the warning or revocation letter from the IRS.

When your EIN Number is revoked, **you are not covered under** the National American Legion Group Exemption Number 0925 and have no 501c19 Tax Exempt status. Yes, there is a reason that I am writing this message again; as I answer my phone for Posts that have received a letter from the IRS that their EIN has been revoked or they have not filed their taxes and are being warned, I wonder how the District Commanders visitations and assessments have not found this issue and assisted the Post or asked

for help. At the next DEC and following DEC's when the District Commander is presenting their District Report and reports that their re-



PDC, BOB HUFF
DEPARTMENT FINANCE OFFICER

report is in the Book of Reports and the topic of filing taxes for their Posts is not mentioned in the Book of Reports, I will be asking each of those District Commanders the Tax Filing Status of each of their posts and **do they need** help as this is a serious issue.

This is a new Department Budget Year. It started on October 1, 2022. All District Commanders and Department Officers have attended meetings on our reduced Department income with declining membership, our other sources of income have been reduced, and our expenses, as all of ours, have increased. We have held discussions and have a plan which is achievable.

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Early in 1925, the Great Serum Run (also known as the Great Race of Mercy) happened in a territory of what country?

- A. Canada
- B. USA
- C. England
- D. Australia

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PDC, BOB HUFF

DEPARTMENT FINANCE OFFICER We will continue to visit our plan; our membership has not increased, and we missed our first goal, which was achievable, but this is not positive. Information has been presented by your District Commanders at your District Meetings and from Department Officers and through this publication and our Department electronic communications. Each Post has received a flyer with the Commanders Challenge for your Post, and Members are asking for your assistance in the form of donations. The real solution is increased membership, the lifeblood of our organization.

Remember, the Oregon American Legion Foundation is a 501©3, and their contributions are tax-deductible; funds are used for our programs. There is a lot of information and grant requests on our Web Site. Department Program Chairs, there are grants available for most of our programs. All you must do is apply for them, and we have our Foundation, a 501c3 which the grants can be made out to earmarked for your Program.



PDC, GENE HELLICKSON
DEPARTMENT JUDGE ADVOCATE

ates as an organization.

Legionnaires interested in initiating such a process must file a resolution – a written description of a problem or situation, followed by a suggestion as to how it may be corrected.

A resolution may also be a statement or declaration pertaining to an issue of concern to the Legion. It consists of

As a Legionnaire you are afforded the opportunity to suggest changes to your local posts' policies, or even to the manner

in which the Legion operates

two parts: the preamble (description of the problem), and the resolve clause (how the local post, department or national organization should solve the problem or support the issue). The entire resolution should be one continuous sentence, with the preamble clause(s) preceding the resolve clause(s).

There is even a resolution guide on the National website to assist you in the proper procedures of writing a resolution. Then, after writing your resolution you can send your resolution to Department Headquarters, who will then forward to the Resolutions Committee and the Department Judge Advocate for review. A link to the Resolution guide is provided below.

https://www.legion.org/documents/pdf/resolutionbooklet_2017.pdf



Legionnaire Insurance Trust



PDC, KEVIN OWENS
NECMAN

Committees and Appointments are approved. It is also time for the National Executive Committee approves the Legislative agenda. Like our DEC, the NEC is given reports that shape

With Fall approaching, it is again time for the Fall Meetings in Indianapolis. This will be a time that the new Chairman of Com-

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the coming year and outline the programs for changes that might have been made at the National Convention. I would check with the Department Chairman after the NEC has convened to see what changes might have taken place. I will be reporting at our Fall DEC on the actions that took place. At our Fall DEC we will be hosting a candidate for National Commander, James La Coursiere from Connecticut. This is an excellent opportunity to visit with him and learn more about his vision for the American Legion. Finally, in November,

National Commander Jim Troiola will be visit-ing Oregon.

We will be spreading the word about “BE THE ONE” and passing the Coast Guard Act allowing the Coast Guard to be paid during a government shut-down. A critical resolution at the National Convention was number 3, Designating U.S. Highway 20 as the National Medal of Honor Highway from coast to coast. You might not realize this started in Oregon from an American Legion member from Bend Post 4, Dick Tobiason. As Oregonians, we should be proud of all the efforts to promote such a great cause honoring our Medal of Honor recipients.



S. FLYNN PHILLIPS
DEPT ADJUTANT

It's Buddy
Check time!
If not you,
who? If not
now, when?

Why?

- Our most sacred responsibility is to look out for each other and our fellow veterans.

- It is what we do for our battle buddies.

- We need to reconnect with veterans who may need assistance but do not know where to go or who to ask.

When?

- By resolution, at least twice a year around The American Legion's birthday (March 15) and Veterans Day (November 11).
- As a regular part of our daily routine.
- Anytime throughout the year.

How? Download the Buddy Check Toolkit to conduct a successful Buddy Check.

<https://www.legion.org/buddycheck/tools>

Include all your Buddy Check activities on the Consolidated Post Report and share on

<http://www.legiontown.org/share>

**FOR GOD
AND
COUNTRY!**



Need to Know Dates

November

Thanksgiving 24th
Membership Campaign
Lead Community in Veterans Day
American Education Week

December

Oregon Veerans Home
Christmas Gift Shop 3rd
Pearl Harbor 7th
Christmas Cheer
National Closed 23rd-26th
Christmas 25th
National Closed 31st
Visit Veterans who are ill or
in assisted living homes

January

New Years Day 1st
National Closed until 3rd
Martin Luther King Day 16th
Initiation ceremonies
present flags and copies of the flag
code to local schools
Check dates for Post, District and
State Oratorical contests

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WORDS OF WISDOM

"A person is but the product of their thoughts. What they think, they become."

MAHATMA GANDHI



BETTY FISH-FERGUSON
DISTRICT 2 COMMANDER

of which I have never been to before. So far, I have seen 50%. I have visited McMinnville 21, Dallas 20, Canby 122, Salem136, Salem149, Keizer 17, Woodburn 57, and Stayton 58. I also participated in a lengthy discussion

Hello
Legionnaires,

As Commander, I have been swamped. My priority has been to get out and visit the Posts in District 2. Some

with previous members of Mill City-Gates on their status and their ongoing wish to close. I am hoping to bring that issue to a close.

At each visit, I have touched upon three things:

1. To encourage the Post to make a contribution to the Budget shortfall and the role of Membership recruitment in the development of the annual budget.
2. To continue Buddy Checks on their members and its impact on membership retention.
3. A synopsis of the Be the One project from the National Commander.

Calendar of Events

November Veterans Day

11 Veterans Day (Closed)
24-25 Thanksgiving (Closed)

December Pearl Harbor Day

7 Pearl Harbor
17 District 1 Mtg
24 Christmas Eve (Closed)
25 Christmas Day (Closed)
31 New Years Eve (Closed)

January Happy New Year

1 New Year
14 DEC Virtual



PNVC, ROB LIEBENOW
DETACHMENT COMMANDER

The tickets are **6 for \$5.00**, or **30 for \$20.00** giving you an extra 6 tickets.

Please call me at **503-318-6426** if you wish to purchase some tickets.

The drawing will be held at Department Convention in June 2023



I have a POW/MIA Wooden flag, made by a fellow veteran, that I am raffling off for my Commanders Project.

We are four months into the 2023 membership year and have already passed two target dates. While it is nice to hit the national target dates, they are just a way to see how membership is coming along and where we should be at any given time. The most important date is the 100% target date, and I am sure we will be at 100% again this year. Please do not set on membership, you owe it to your members to transmit their dues on a timely manner. Constitution and by-laws state that you are to transmit at least every 30 days.

At our Fall DEC, we established a Willie Williams SAL scholarship. The scholarship is for any SAL member in good standing. That is, their current year's membership dues are paid. This is an annual scholarship and is currently worth \$1,000. The amount may change year to year, depending on the funds in the account. I am asking all squadrons to hold at least one fundraiser each year and donate the profits so we can maintain the scholarship.

Willie Williams was instrumental in the success of this Detachment.

The Detachment of Oregon has always been a leader in donating to the Child Welfare Foundation. We slipped a little last year, and it would be great if we could get back to being on top. This was one of Willies top priorities, so let us honor Willie and keep the donation coming in for that great endeavor.

Our mid-winter DEC will be January 14th. The Department is having a virtual meeting, but we have an in-person meeting at Milwaukie Post 180 at 1 pm. We are planning a fundraiser dinner that night for the Willie Williams SAL Scholarship. Marc Chaney



is working on a western-themed event, so break out your hats and boots and be ready to saddle up for a fun time. More details to come.



RICHARD RAMEY
INTERNAL AFFAIRS CHAIR

hibernation, and the weather bringing us indoors more often, it is a good time to turn our attention to what is going on in our posts. Our posts are doing great things with, it seems, fewer people participating but still accomplishing many of our programs. And one recurring appeal is for peo-

Attend- ing meetings and review- ing reports, a continuing theme, is an appeal for more mem- bers to get i n v o l v e d .

Now with the leaves raked, the gardens put in

ple just to attend the Post meetings. If we can go to the meetings, we will see what our Post is doing for veter- ans, youth, and our communities.

I was reading the report from the Oregon American Legion Riders (ALR), and they have, again, been very active in providing escorts, and flag lines, assisting veterans, and help- ing with Post building repairs. There are 23 ALR Post Chapters in Oregon. They have placed flags on streets, pro- vided color guards for ten parades and 36 flag lines, and provided an es- cort for the National Commander.

Every Post newsletter I read shows that Posts are putting their best effort forward to promote the American Le- gion and its programs. With the

school year in full swing, our Posts will be ramping up efforts to get flags into schools, promote Boys State, and en- courage High School students to par- ticipate in the High School Oratorical program. All these activities welcome your participation. Just a few hours of your time donated to help in one of these endeavors reaps huge rewards for the youth of our communities and raises public awareness of how impor- tant our American Legion is to our communities and Nation.

So let's go to our Post meet- ings, find out what is being planned, and raise our hand to volunteer for at least one of these worthwhile projects. You will feel much better after help- ing, knowing that you continue serv- ing and making our Nation better.



JOHN LEE
LEGISLATIVE CHAIR

2023 is no exception and will begin on February 17th and run for 160 days. Each legislator can submit up to eight bills for consideration and each com- mittee.

The House Veterans and Emer- gency Management Committee and the Senate Veterans and Emergency Preparedness Committee have started having interim meetings to discuss the bills and topics for the 2023 ses- sion. ODVA Director Kelly Fitzpat- rick, and the new ODVA Legislative Director, Jay DeFilippo, were present

Oregon legislature always has a long ses- sion in odd years as this is when the budgets are voted on.

and present to the committee.

Some of the topic for the next ses- sion is the unclaimed veteran Cre- mains in various locations, aging veter- an programs, houseless veterans, educational grant programs, and the Roseburg VA. Not all subjects will be made in a bill, but most will. A Bill for the Unclaimed Veteran Cremains will most likely become a committee bill and be spearheaded by Representa- tive Christine Goodwin. This means it will go forward if a representative is not reelected or assigned to a different committee.

It is important for each of us to re- main in contact with our local legis- lator. Let them know your feeling on these topics or any other you feel are important. Oregon has now redis- tricted both the House and Senate districts, and the election is Novem-

ber 8th. Your representative may now be different. It is only through Grass- root efforts we can get our veteran's bills submitted and passed.

November 8th is election day. Ev- eryone needs to get their votes mailed in or dropped at the local drop box. Make your voice heard. We defend- ed the rights of Americans, and now you have the chance to exercise those rights. Don't waste them.

Oregon Short Session Starts February 17th

SUPPORT THE LEGION'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Use your smartphone to scan the QR code, which links to a sign-up page for American Legion Action Alerts. From there, users can contact elected officials in Washington and urge them to support legislation that helps veterans, military personnel, youth and communities.



ADAM GETTMANN

MILITARY BENEFITS AND
QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE

Train for
a New Job
with VRRAP

If you're a Veteran who lost your job due to the COVID-19 pandemic, VA may have a solution for you. The Veteran Rapid Retraining Assistance Program (**VRRAP**) offers education and training for a variety of **high-demand jobs** so you can get back to work.

Qualifying Veterans can receive up to 12 months of tuition, fees, and a monthly housing allowance. To be eligible for VRRAP, you must be between 22 and 66 years of age, unemployed due to COVID-19, able to work, and not eligible for education or unemployment benefits. If you do qualify, apply soon! They will stop accepting new VRRAP enrollments on December 11, 2022 or when we reach either the funding or participant limit, whichever comes first.

Law Enforcement and Firefighter of the year Applications are available

GREG MARVIN
NATIONAL SECURITY
COMMISSION CHAIR

The applications for the Law Enforcement Officer and Firefighter of the year have been updated and are available and ready for the Posts to start making their selections to be forwarded to the Department of the National Security Commission to make their selections. The new application and instruction forms were sent out to the Posts near the end of August.

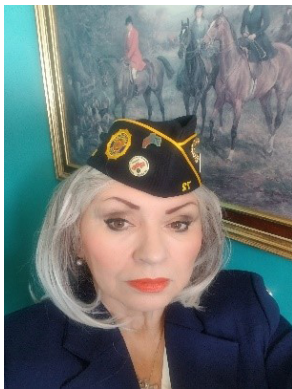
I have asked the District Commanders to forward an e-mail to all the Posts in their District with the applications with the idea that none of the Posts have been overlooked. Also, the new forms are available on the Department website under the forms and publications column.

The Law Enforcement Officer and Firefighter of the year are programs of the National Security Commission to honor the outstanding members of the Law Officers and Firefighters in the pursuit of their efforts to protect

the public. The Department of Oregon program has honored a number of outstanding police and fire officers that have gone on to be recognized by the Western Region comprised of the legion Departments.

The winners of the five regions go on to compete for the honor of being selected as the National Law Officer and Firefighter of the year to be honored at the National Convention. In 2018 Damon Faust, a Volunteer Firefighter with Estacada Rural Fire District nominated by Carl Douglas Post 74 of Estacada, was honored as the National Firefighter of the year.

There is still plenty of time for your Post to contact your Law and Fire agencies to recommend some of their outstanding officers and nominate them as Department candidates, and be honored for the work that they do. The Post candidates must be sent to Department no later than December 31, 2022, to be selected for the upcoming year.



MARIA TYE
ORATORICAL CHAIR

The American Legion High School Scholarship Program for 2022-2023 has a great Team of Committee Members this Oratorical year. They are working diligently to ensure that they assist their Oratorical Chairpersons at the post and district levels and their respective assigned District Commanders. Our Department of Oregon Americanism Chair, Lou Neubecker, is always available to provide his expertise.

We have had many questions that had not been asked before regarding the program, which our committee discusses at our meetings with great enthusiasm. The committee members hold other positions within the Department of Oregon, so our meetings provide much discussion at all levels. I look at the success of this program to our Committee Members as they organize our program and provide their organizational skills and yours also. The first step is to determine the amount of scholarship money or type of award your post and district are offering. Posts will hold their contests in December and Districts in January.

The Department contest will be held on February 18th, 2023, at the San-

tiam Post 51 in Lebanon, Oregon. The National High School Oratorical Scholarship Program Contest will be held on April 21-23 in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Oratorical Committee provided the District Commanders with a Media List to help with the local media outreach. This allows posts and districts to ensure local outreach of our American Legion High School Scholarship Program.

Many thanks to Charlie Schmidt, that provided this list. This was sent to all the District Commanders so they could send it to their Oratorical Chairpersons. Public Relations is crucial to ensure a steady flow of information for this program and our

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Department of Oregon 2023 Membership



as of 10/28/22

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	5	35	50	1	91	140	65.00
OR-0006	Hillsboro Inc	Hillsboro	6	55	91	4	156	245	63.67
OR-0012	Clatsop Inc	Astoria	1	56	17	0	74	410	18.05
OR-0042	J H Wellington Inc	St Helens	2	17	45	0	64	120	53.33
OR-0047	Tillamook	Tillamook	0	2	1	0	3	15	20.00
OR-0056	Argonne Inc	Sherwood	2	31	83	1	117	235	49.79
OR-0068	T Les Galloway	Clatskanie	1	20	58	0	79	120	65.83
OR-0090	John Kalmbach	Banks	3	19	53	0	75	142	52.82
OR-0099	Seaside	Seaside	16	39	129	1	185	320	57.81
OR-0104	Aloha	Aloha	9	66	193	2	270	500	54.00
OR-0119	Vernonia Inc	Vernonia	1	2	17	0	20	38	52.63
OR-0124	Beaverton	Beaverton	0	14	29	0	43	115	37.39
OR-0126	Neill Walker	Nehalem	0	3	1	0	4	15	26.67
OR-0158	Tigard	Tigard	17	68	196	3	284	584	48.63
OR-0168	Cannon Beach	Cannon Beach	0	10	59	1	70	151	46.36
SUM:			63	437	1,022	13	1,535	3,150	48.73

OR Dist 0002 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0007	Delbert Reeves	Silverton	0	9	9	1	19	27	70.37
OR-0009	Capital	Salem	0	40	61	2	103	180	57.22
OR-0017	Keizer	Keizer	0	2	27	1	30	44	68.18
OR-0020	Carl B Fenton	Dallas	0	16	48	1	65	131	49.62
OR-0021	Mc Minnville	Mc Minnville	15	46	184	5	250	449	55.68
OR-0033	Independence	Independence	0	5	20	0	25	40	62.50
OR-0046	Woodburn	Woodburn	0	10	18	1	29	53	54.72
OR-0057	Lester C Rees	Newberg	8	8	37	1	54	75	72.00
OR-0058	Stayton	Stayton	2	24	80	1	107	173	61.85
OR-0075	Sheridan	Sheridan	8	8	28	1	45	58	77.59
OR-0089	M T Angel	M T Angel	0	2	34	0	36	58	62.07
OR-0110	Aurora Inc	Aurora	0	3	2	0	5	15	33.33
OR-0122	Canby	Canby	7	49	114	3	173	300	57.67
OR-0136	Salem	Salem	0	33	11	0	44	130	33.85
OR-0149	Pioneer Inc	Salem	1	12	6	0	19	40	47.50
OR-0159	Mill City-Gates	Mill City	0	2	1	0	3	22	13.64
OR-0173	Carlton Memorial	Carlton	2	12	55	1	70	105	66.67
SUM:			43	281	735	18	1,077	1,900	56.68

OR Dist 0003 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0003	Eugene Inc	Eugene	0	17	29	0	46	65	70.77
OR-0010	Albany Inc	Albany	22	83	232	3	340	527	64.52
OR-0011	Corvallis	Corvallis	0	19	29	0	48	94	51.06
OR-0032	Calvin Funk	Cottage Grove	7	12	33	0	52	62	83.87
OR-0040	Springfield	Springfield	0	25	33	1	59	106	55.66
OR-0051	Santiam Inc	Lebanon	8	53	296	1	358	636	56.29
OR-0059	Francis M Yost	Florence	2	12	27	0	41	105	39.05
OR-0061	Tri-Counties	Junction City	0	16	32	2	50	75	66.67
OR-0064	Cascade	Oakridge	0	6	13	0	19	27	70.37
OR-0083	North Eugene-Santa Cla	Eugene	1	31	76	0	108	273	39.56
OR-0097	Lincoln City	Lincoln City	0	10	15	0	25	29	86.21
OR-0100	Mary's River	Philomath	0	1	5	0	6	15	40.00
OR-0116	Newport	Newport	23	29	124	1	177	299	59.20
OR-0133	Timber City	Sweet Home	0	8	11	0	19	29	65.52
OR-0184	Travis Moothart	Brownsville	3	13	33	0	49	58	84.48
SUM:			66	335	988	8	1,397	2,400	58.21



DAN BURKS
MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Membership is sluggish, and we just held a membership meeting at the DEC. We currently sit in 52nd place out of 55 Departments. Everyone reading this article has invested in the American Legion and in this Department. Let me ask each of you, is being in 52nd place the return on your investment you were looking for? Membership is everyone's responsibility; membership is the organization's lifeblood; everyone has heard those comments at some point.

However, they are more than comments, they are FACTS. So you might ask yourself, how do we improve our membership in our Department, our District, or our Post? The answer is simple, Buddy Checks. You can knock on doors and ask for money, call everyone, and tell them to mail in a check, but showing your members you care by contacting them and letting them know they matter builds value in YOUR organization. Members will want to ensure they are a part of an organization that cares.

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OR Dist 0004 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0008	Klamath	Klamath Falls	7	34	114	0	155	281	55.16
OR-0014	Guy T Applewhite	Ashland	0	4	1	0	5	24	20.83
OR-0015	Medford	Medford	0	38	79	3	120	232	51.72
OR-0028	Grants Pass	Grants Pass	3	30	114	0	147	288	51.04
OR-0050	Williams Valley	Williams	2	6	37	0	45	43	104.65
OR-0069	Rogue River	Rogue River	0	2	2	0	4	15	26.67
OR-0070	Glenn Morrison	Cave Junction	0	4	12	0	16	38	42.11
OR-0084	Malin Inc	Malin	0	10	26	0	36	63	57.14
OR-0129	Myers-Holland Inc	Central Point	0	4	113	0	117	132	88.64
OR-0192	White City	White City	0	8	39	0	47	84	55.95
SUM:			12	140	537	3	692	1,200	57.67

OR Dist 0005 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0004	Stevens-Chute	Bend	0	24	23	0	47	145	32.41
OR-0019	The Dalles Inc	The Dalles	1	13	24	0	38	84	45.24
OR-0022	Hood River	Hood River	0	10	30	0	40	73	54.79
OR-0025	Frank Burns	Condon	1	4	16	0	21	32	65.63
OR-0029	Crook County	Prineville	7	21	129	2	159	236	67.37
OR-0044	Ray Johnson	Redmond	0	41	102	4	147	266	55.26
OR-0045	La Pine	La Pine	16	80	132	1	229	416	55.05
OR-0048	Eugene Cougar Greene,	Warm Springs	0	2	0	0	2	15	13.33
OR-0049	Sherman County	Moro	0	9	12	0	21	44	47.73
OR-0055	Mosier Inc	Mosier	0	2	17	0	19	24	79.17
OR-0073	Maupin	Maupin	0	0	1	0	1	15	6.67
OR-0086	Sisters	Sisters	1	11	59	0	71	141	50.35
OR-0125	Jefferson County Vetera	Madras	0	6	19	0	25	48	52.08
OR-0131	Deer Ridge	Madras	0	1	0	0	1	31	3.23
OR-0135	Wamic	Wamic	0	1	1	0	2	15	13.33
OR-0164	Don L Medlock	Spray	0	3	0	0	3	15	20.00
SUM:			26	228	565	7	826	1,600	51.63

OR Dist 0006 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0023	Pendleton	Pendleton	0	9	3	1	13	37	35.14
OR-0024	Milton-Freewater	Milton Freewater	0	14	37	1	52	87	59.77
OR-0037	Hermiston	Hermiston	10	13	35	0	58	110	52.73
OR-0041	John Noble Holcomb	Baker City	0	10	25	1	36	65	55.38
OR-0043	La Grande	La Grande	2	35	98	1	136	233	58.37
OR-0072	Kruse	Wallowa	0	2	8	0	10	30	33.33
OR-0087	Heppner	Heppner	0	0	0	0	0	39	0.00
OR-0095	Ione	Ione	1	16	18	0	35	41	85.37
OR-0130	Athena	Athena	0	2	3	0	5	18	27.78
OR-0140	George St Dennis	Mission	0	4	2	0	6	27	22.22
OR-0129	Myers-Holland Inc	Central Point	0	4	113	0	117	132	88.64
OR-0192	White City	White City	0	8	39	0	47	84	55.95
SUM:			10	113	233	2	262	453	57.83

OR Dist 0007 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0030	Gresham	Gresham	0	15	33	3	51	130	39.23
OR-0074	Carl Douglas	Estacada	8	36	51	0	95	180	52.78
OR-0098	St Johns Inc	Portland	2	13	41	0	56	55	101.82
OR-0108	Corbett	Corbett	0	7	6	0	13	20	65.00
OR-0134	Frederick And John Ravi	Portland	5	22	41	0	68	180	37.78
OR-0137	Dana King	Portland	0	4	19	0	23	36	63.89
OR-0185	City Of Roses Musicians	Portland	0	3	2	0	5	24	20.83
SUM:			15	100	193	3	311	625	49.76

OR Dist 0008 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0001	Portland	Portland	6	59	83	2	150	425	35.29
OR-0005	Willamette Falls Inc	Oregon City	4	7	8	1	20	75	26.67
OR-0065	Wilsonville	Wilsonville	0	5	8	0	13	65	20.00
OR-0127	Sandy	Sandy	0	2	8	1	11	20	55.00
OR-0150	Oregon Trail	Portland	2	21	48	2	73	110	66.36
OR-0180	Milwaukie	Milwaukie	8	38	286	1	333	605	55.04
SUM:			20	132	441	7	600	1,300	46.15

OR Dist 0009 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0016	Earle B Stewart	Roseburg	3	48	88	2	141	256	55.08
OR-0026	Bandon	Bandon	1	5	32	0	38	60	63.33
OR-0034	Bay Area	North Bend	0	25	73	8	106	160	66.25
OR-0036	Coquille-Myrtle Point	Coquille	0	6	26	0	32	52	61.54
OR-0062	Reedsport	Reedsport	0	14	14	1	29	45	64.44
OR-0076	Port Orford	Port Orford	0	9	6	0	15	47	31.91
OR-0121	Sutherlin	Sutherlin	0	2	48	0	50	56	89.29
OR-0123	Fallin	Canyonville	4	6	35	0	45	81	55.56
OR-0152	Baird-Heaton	Oakland	0	5	14	0	19	44	43.18
SUM:			8	120	336	11	475	801	59.3

OR Dist 0010 LGN

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0063	Harney County	Burns	1	12	62	0	75	113	66.37
OR-0067	Ontario	Ontario	5	10	73	0	88	131	67.18
OR-0077	Ellis Tracy	John Day	2	5	22	0	29	53	54.72
OR-0079	Nyssa	Nyssa	0	3	10	0	13	29	44.83
OR-0096	Vale	Vale	8	4	24	1	37	59	62.71
OR-0106	Prairie	Prairie City	4	4	35	0	43	63	68.25
SUM:			20	38	226	1	285	448	63.62

Post	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0114	Headquarters	Portland	0	74	279	0	353		
SUM:			0	74	279	0	353		

	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Transfers	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
Sum:	286	1,997	5,578	75	7,936	14,174	55.99

	District	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
1	OR Dist 0001 LGN	63	437	1,022	13	1,535	3,150	48.73
2	OR Dist 0002 LGN	43	281	735	18	1,077	1,900	56.68
3	OR Dist 0003 LGN	66	335	988	8	1,397	2,400	58.21
4	OR Dist 0004 LGN	12	140	537	3	692	1,200	57.67
5	OR Dist 0005 LGN	26	228	565	7	826	1,600	51.63
6	OR Dist 0006 LGN	13	112	256	4	385	750	51.33
7	OR Dist 0007 LGN	15	100	193	3	311	625	49.76
8	OR Dist 0008 LGN	20	132	441	7	600	1,300	46.15
9	OR Dist 0009 LGN	8	120	336	11	475	801	59.30
10	OR Dist 0010 LGN	20	38	226	1	285	448	63.62
11	OR Dist 0099 LGN	0	74	279	0	353		
SUM:		286	1,997	5,578	75	7,936	14,174	55.99

	District	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
1		286	1,997	5,578	75	7,936	14,174	55.99
SUM:		286	1,997	5,578	75	7,936	14,174	55.99

**YOUR
MEMBERSHIP
MATTERS**



Detachment Of Oregon 2023 Membership as of 10/28/22

Squadron	Name	Location	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
OR-0001	Portland	Portland	1	0	10	0	11	44	25.00
OR-0006	Hillsboro	Hillsboro	1	0	18	0	19	22	86.36
OR-0008	Klamath	Klamath Falls	1	0	4	0	5	16	31.25
OR-0009	Capital	Salem	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-0010	Albany	Albany	3	0	5	0	8	20	40.00
OR-0012	Clatsop	Astoria	9	0	31	0	40	75	53.33
OR-0015	Medford	Medford	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-0019	The Dalles	The Dalles	0	0	6	0	6	10	60.00
OR-0021	Mc Minnville	Mc Minnville	2	0	14	0	16	54	29.63
OR-0022	Hood River	Hood River	0	0	0	0	0	10	0.00
OR-0024	Milton-Freewater	Milton-Freewater	0	0	0	0	0	14	0.00
OR-0028	Grants Pass	Grants Pass	0	0	0	0	0	23	0.00
OR-0029	Crook County	Prineville	1	0	25	0	26	79	32.91
OR-0032	Calvin Funk	Cottage Grove	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-0034	Bay Area	North Bend	0	0	22	0	22	21	104.76
OR-0041	John Noble Holcomb	Baker City	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-0043	La Grande	La Grande	0	0	0	0	0	32	0.00
OR-0044	Ray Johnson	Redmond	0	0	6	0	6	23	26.09
OR-0045	La Pine	La Pine	0	0	5	0	5	61	8.20
OR-0048	Eugene Cougar Greene,	Warm Springs	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-0051	Santiam	Lebanon	4	0	25	0	29	94	30.85
OR-0056	Argonne	Sherwood	3	0	3	0	6	59	10.17
OR-0058	Stayton	Stayton	5	0	12	0	17	23	73.91
OR-0061	Tri-Counties	Junction City	1	0	8	0	9	10	90.00
OR-0067	Ontario	Ontario	0	0	13	0	13	14	92.86
OR-0075	Sheridan	Sheridan	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-0083	North Eugene-Santa Cla	Eugene	0	0	16	0	16	44	36.36
OR-0095	Ione	Ione	0	0	13	0	13	21	61.90
OR-0099	Seaside	Seaside	21	0	23	0	44	115	38.26
OR-0104	Aloha	Aloha	14	0	18	0	32	120	26.67
OR-0110	Aurora	Aurora	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-0116	Newport	Newport	0	0	0	0	0	67	0.00
OR-0173	Carlton Memorial	Carlton	2	0	11	0	13	24	54.17
OR-0180	Milwaukie	Milwaukie	19	0	41	0	60	87	68.97
OR-0184	Travis Moothart	Brownsville	0	0	0	0	0		
OR-9999	Sal Holding Sqdn	Tigard	0	0	0	0	0		
SUM:			101	0	359	0	460	1,416	32.49

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DAN BURKS

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Do you care about your veterans enough to check on them? When we speak to our members, are we talking to them about being a PUFL? How about auto-renewal, available on mylegion.org? Do we educate them about when our membership year kicks off? Not every solution works for every member. However, one may work for many of them. If we do our part about informing our membership, that could be that many

fewer members you have to “chase” each year. There are around 300,000 veterans in the state of Oregon.

We should not rest until every single one has been offered the opportunity to have a voice, and not just a voice but a strong voice that can be heard throughout the country, membership in the world’s greatest veterans organization, to be a part of our family, where we can take care of each other, and all through joining OUR American Legion, Department of Oregon.



Detachment Of Oregon 2023 Membership as of 10/28/22

Detachment of Oregon Totals

	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Transfers	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
Sum:	101	0	359	0	460	1,414	32.53

District Summary Including Encumbered HQ Transfers

District	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
0	101	0	359	0	460	1,416	32.49
SUM:	101	0	359	0	460	1,414	32.53

County Summary Including Encumbered HQ Transfers

District	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
0	101	0	359	0	460	1,416	32.49
SUM:	101	0	359	0	460	1,414	32.53



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MARIA TYE

ORATORICAL CHAIR

Posts. When done, our membership can flourish. Local newspapers are a vital source of our organization. Local radio stations always want to interview people, and we need to contact them. I realize that many of our post members hold more than one position, so posts can ask the Post Service Officers to assist in handling this outreach beautifully and promote programs alongside the benefits information.

Your second step is contacting local schools, homeschooling organizations, etc., with high school-age youth. A date, time, and place to hold this event must be included. Look for your judges, tabulators, escorts, time-keepers, etc. Your Oratorical Handbook provides this information and the forms you will need. Please don’t hesitate to call the Oratorical Committee Members.

Now the third step is to follow up on your progress. Contact your District Commanders and District Oratorical Chairs to find out when they will hold their contest. **Please don’t hesitate to delegate. Please contact your District Commanders and then contact the Oratorical Committee Member. You can find out who they are from your District Commanders and the orlegion.org website.**

Your High School Oratorical Scholarship Program success will be rewarding to our youth and our future leaders in our country.





CORY BROCKMANN
PERMANENT FINANCE MEMBER

Challenging and compelling times call for innovative and adaptive measures necessary to succeed.

We experience changes throughout our lives. Some are expected, some not. Yet, we make the decisions needed to address the issues and move onward. What we don't do is quit.

In my ten years of serving within our Department of Oregon, I don't recall when we began our fiscal year with a staff vacancy in our headquarters of

fice and had no intention to fill it.

Is that ideal? No, it's reality. The scope of our 'ideal' isn't defined by fantasy or perfection but rather by situational circumstances.

The present circumstance of declining membership is not new. It hasn't been 'new' for several decades, as American Legion departments across the country have been experiencing declining membership for many years. Ours is no different. However, with each passing year, the challenge of overcoming the financial shortfall is increasingly more complex. You might even say it is now severe.

Our elected and appointed leaders are faced with extremely difficult decisions. Noteworthy is that not all actions are solutions. The decision not

to fill an administrative position was an action, not a solution. An action that is more a sad, necessary response to our financial status than it was difficult. Sad, in that the department has seen declining membership for years and has not yet, overcome it.

But we don't quit. We must adapt. We must become innovative in leading our department. Our veterans and their families need us.

Membership remains the lifeblood of our organization. Want to help make a positive difference? Contact your post leadership and let them know you want to be a team member that helps make regularly scheduled buddy checks and helps work on membership renewal contacts. Be the difference!



LARRY WITTMAYER
SCOUTING CHAIR

With summer camp and Cub Day camp over, this past summer was a huge success. Many councils are planning for the 2023 National

Jamboree. Presently, this chair is working with the CPC Council Commissioner to develop a plan to involve more Posts in scouting.

10 -5 College of Youth Leadership
11-5 University of Scouting

Oregon Trail Council **541-485-4433**

10- 1- 2 MB Fall Camp
10- 8 Outdoor adventure day
10-14-16 Annual fellowship
10- 15. Jamboree on the air
10- 28 -30th Cub. Haunted trails

Blue Mountain Council **509-735-7306**

10- 8. Automotive maintenance MB

10- 14 NRA Basic rifle shoot Course
10- 14 WEBELOS-REE
10-15 Jamboree on air
11-20. Ham Radio Testing



Mountain West Council **208-376-4411**

10-8 -9 Wilderness First Aid
10- 29 OA Fall fellowship
11-5 and 12 Scouting for food

The council agendas:

Cascade, Pacific Council **503-225-5777**

10- 1—3rd Bigfoot search
10- 1 NRA basic range safety
10- 7 - 9 OA Fall Rendezvous
10- 22-23 Wilderness First Aid



PDC, BOB HUFF
VA&R CHAIRPERSON

Our Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) Commission members for the 2022-2023 membership year are IPDC Don Weber, Department

2nd Vice Commander Dan Burks, Ann Everetts, and PDC Bob Huff, Chair. The focus of the Commission is oversight over VA&R activities for our Department. We still have an opportunity for another Legionnaire in good standing an opportunity, if interested in joining or participating with this elite team and being part of our future supporting Veterans and families in our Department. The Commission has oversight of our Department Service Office and activities of the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and our Department VAVS Program, which has representatives at our VA Facilities in Oregon, which all need more volunteers desperately. Our VAVS community at Portland, VA, and Roseburg, VA, has been significantly impacted by volunteer positions with COVID protocols. VA SORCC in White City has an American Legion presence which has increased with COVID to support this facility with the closing of Compensation and Pension (C&P) activities in Roseburg and White City with staffing issues and reassigning clinical staff to higher priority assignments and moving patient needs to community care.

Both Roseburg and White City are also currently changing over to CERNER, the new computer program supporting the VA, which has been slow but is progressing. Portland, VA, will start the changeover to CERNER

VA & R

on March 7. The VHA is working very hard to support Veteran's needs with changes and challenges facing them in this transition of Computer Systems. We are meeting with the Director of Portland VA and White City VA SORCC on a venue to hold events at their facilities to support our mission and the new PACT activity. Volunteer Drivers are desperately needed and in critical need with some services moving to Portland and veterans in need of transportation from rural and other areas of our Department and with C&P moved to Portland.

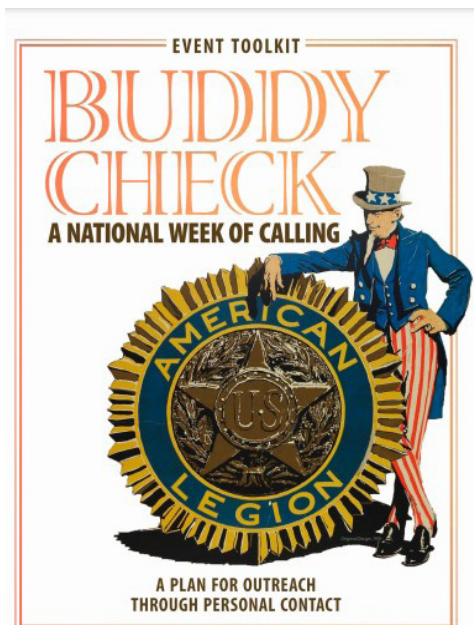
If interested, if you have some extra time and want to help and support Veteran's needs, please contact your local VA or CBOC as there are lots of vacancies. You will meet new people, help veterans and their families, our first pillar, and make a difference. Department of Oregon accepted the National Linker Award for our Legionnaire's volunteer service in our Department for this past year at our National Convention, which will be displayed at our Department Headquarters in Wilsonville and will be displayed at our Department Executive Committee meeting in Springfield. Thank you to all who continue to support our Veterans community; keep up the good work. Issues that are currently being discussed and worked on are transportation, rural area support, and an aging Veteran population.

The VA will not allow anyone to fill volunteer positions without being complete on their COVID shots by Federal direction. Face mask requirements continue at all Federal and Medical facilities which are in red. If going to a VA or Federal Building, you are required to wear a face mask. 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. The Commission also supports the System Worth Saving Program and has supported four events in the past at our Roseburg and White City VAs with our National Organization.

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 its meeting and would like more information or support with our Pillar I Veterans activities, please contact me, and we will be happy to support you.

Thank you



VETERANS EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION and HOMELESSNESS



PDC, BOB HUFF
VEE & H CHAIRPERSON

er Larry Hill, Tom Fitzgerald, and PDC Bob Huff (Chair). We are still seeking more Commission and Committee members to provide

The Veterans Employment, Education, and Homelessness Commission and Committee members are District 9

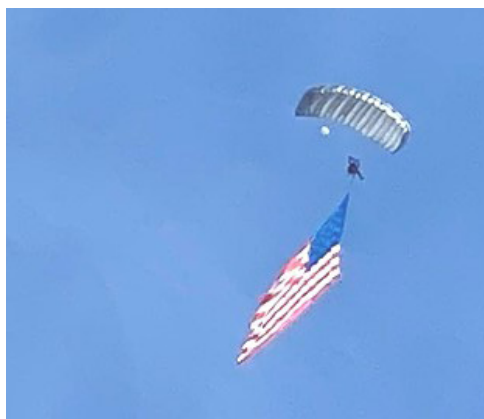
Commander Larry Hill, Tom Fitzgerald, and PDC Bob Huff (Chair). We are still seeking more Commission and Committee members to provide

coverage for the whole Department. If interested, please provide your contact information, as this is a needed service for our veterans and their families. The Commission and Committees support Veterans' Employment, Education, Homelessness, Service Connected, and Veterans Small Business opportunities. With the pandemic still active and real, like what I experienced 1st hand, I have all my shots. We still have restrictions on our ability to hold large events, which we desperately need. Each event we hold will still require complying with the rules for the area we are holding them

in, and the number of participants allowed; all rules are followed for every one's safety.

We are scheduled and are meeting to have a VA Employment Event on Saturday, October 22, at the VA SORCC for 245 jobs at the VA in Clinical and Administrative Support positions. All our partners are participating. We continue to gather equipment and clothing. I am meeting with the VA Director from Portland and the VA SORCC in White City to discuss a venue. We are getting closer with more in-person events starting.

ALR



Local American Legion Riders from McMinnville and Stayton salute the flag as they help open the Air show Friday, Saturday, and Sunday as the ladies for liberty sing the National Anthem. At the same time, F15s from Portland Air National Guard blasted over the crowd to open the event.

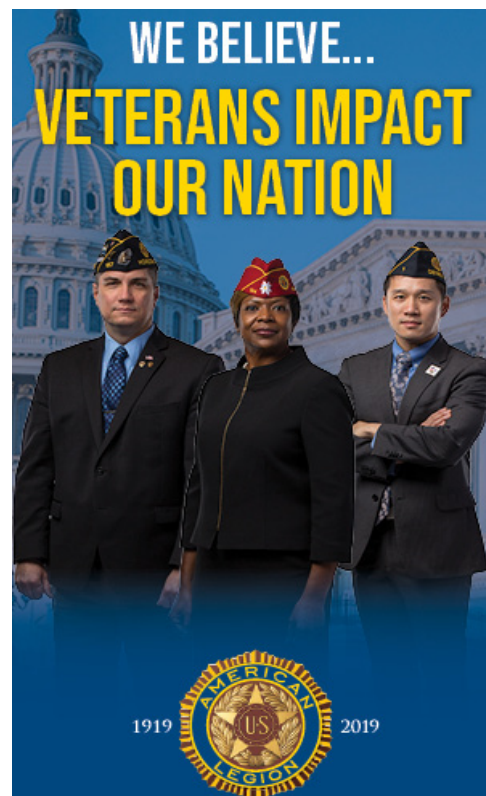
Additionally, led by Mr. Bob Berweger, many men from Legion Post 21 worked for five days placing and removing fences and barriers to ensure participants' safety during the fantastic air show activities.



This article got lost in the black hole: So Hats off to Gale Sears for ending it.



Legionnaire Insurance Trust



PACT/CAMP LEJEUNE JUSTICE ACT

more veterans before the Court of

Good Afternoon Commander Witmayer,

My name is Liz Hartman and I'm a spokesperson for Bergmann & Moore – The law firm that The American Legion has been under contract with since 2017.

I live in New Bern, North Carolina – a stones throw distance from Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point and Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. As a Marine Corps veteran, I am well aware of the incessant advertisements that have been targeting veterans and their families in the wake of the passage of the PACT Act/Camp Lejeune Justice Act (CLJA).

Many of these firms are charging veterans and their families exorbitant

amounts – at times in excess of 60 percent, not including costs. Additionally, they have failed to notify potential clients of the offset provision in the CLJA leaving claimants with less money.

For these reasons and more, the Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) Commission announced at the 2022 Fall National Executive Committee (NEC) meeting that the contract with Bergmann & Moore be included to provide assistance with the CLJA. Bergmann & Moore has successfully represented more than 4,000 Legion veterans and their families in federal court before the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, and continue to actively serve as the Legion's training partner – leading Department Service Officer (DSO) schools. They presently represent

Appeals for Veteran Claims than any other law firm in the country.

The relationship with Bergmann & Moore ensures veterans and family members have CLJA representation that not only deeply understands the appeals process, but has transparent/capped fees (33.33 percent inclusive of all costs).

To ensure veterans are educated on the complexities of the bill, I will be educating veterans on the complexities of the CLJA, answer any questions, and ultimately support them through their potential claims process.

I would love to attend your Department's upcoming conferences, and to speak with your members at no cost. If you feel this would be valuable, please let me know.

Semper Fidelis



Military help line
for Legionnaires
<http://militaryhelpline.org/about-us/>

Let's change the narrative. Instead of talking about the staggering number of daily suicides, BE THE ONE to save ONE veteran. We can end the stigma surrounding mental health with your help!



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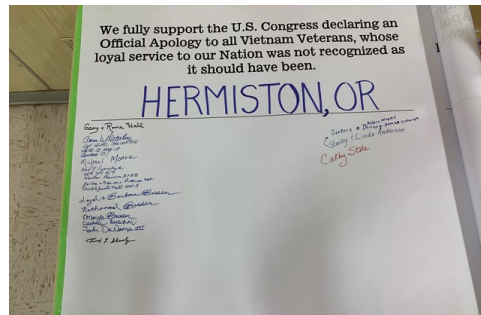
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Post 37 and its Auxiliary held their annual yard sale on Saturday, October 8. Not only were local citizens invited to the event, but they could also participate by donating their “treasures,” and many did. These items joined those donated by Legion and Auxiliary members.



The Auxiliary held a Silent Auction alongside the yard sale displaying arrangements made by their members. Each article had no price, and shoppers were encouraged to give what they thought was a fair price for the selected treasure. Several appreciative yard sales attendees placed an extra donation in the box, a converted official U.S. Government WWII wooden ammo box. All the proceeds will go towards helping veterans.



Hermiston Post 37

The Vietnam Apology Tour made Hermiston its first stop Friday evening. The tour, headed by Ken and Melinda Buckles, are on a cross-country trip with stops along the way promoting an apology to the Vietnam veterans who returned home from an unpopular war to a seemingly ungrateful nation.

They aim to be at The Wall in D.C. on the 40th anniversary of that me

morial. On the return trip, they will tour the south and Midwest before returning home to Canby, OR. Last evening the Auxiliary of Post 37 provided an excellent Potato and Dessert Bar for Veterans and their families.

Mayor Drotzman read a proclamation from the City of Hermiston, and Ken spoke about the healing process of this tour. A BIG Thank you to the Auxiliary for setting up the hall and providing the meal.



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Workshop: Operation Veteran Freedom

A 4 session online workshop (or full day in person) specially designed for Military/Veteran families by a Vietnam era Combat Veteran (Jan McHenry). It uses some of the technology of brain science and some of the technology of a very powerful and highly regarded educational corporation. This is not a suicide prevention workshop, instead it is more like an **Operator's Guide to Your Brain**.

You do *NOT* need to relive your trauma to be free!

Commitment: Is for you to discover new ways to look at yourself, the world including your past and present circumstances. By seeing these things in a new light your past will no longer dictate to you how you feel and limit what actions you can take.

Outcomes: Upon completion You will experience more Power, Freedom, Full Self-expression, and Peace Of Mind.

Costs: Sponsors cover expenses so that it is **FREE** for our Service Members, Veterans and their adult family members or caregivers.

Online via Zoom and locations in WA & OR & CA are regularly scheduled, consider attending online or in person. With additional sponsorship we can bring this workshop to communities across the nation. To start the conversation for your community, send an email to Rod.Wittmier@na2evs.org for more information: Contact the website or,

Mark Ayers 541-816-2665

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1. September 6, 2022. Our membership decided to support the Department's \$90,000 shortfall by donating a total of \$5,000. The situation was presented to the membership, and \$2,500 were donated out of pocket by the membership, and it was then voted to match that amount from the treasury. The membership also voted to present a young volunteer with an Honorary Membership for assisting us in the handing out of miniature flags along 3 of our parade routes. BTW, our Post handed out 8,000 flags this year.

2. Every month, we have an Executive Officers meeting, one to two weeks prior to our monthly meeting, which takes place the first Monday of the month, to present and discuss topics that pertain to our mission and membership. Each officer is presented with a prepared agenda on which to better understand what is expected and to iron out any possible situations that might arise during the monthly meeting. The main reason for this? It is to our advantage that the Executive Offices be well informed before the monthly meeting. Should an officer be questioned, it is to our benefit that we are prepared to give an answer that we have agreed upon.

3. On September 10, 2022, Post 37 participated in the Dress Up Parade during the Pendleton Round-Up festivities. Our float, and the pickup pulling it, were festooned with flags honoring our country, branches of service, and a special one to honor the Vets who served in Iraq, Afghanistan, and the war against terrorism. The theme of our float was "Welcome Home...Iraq and Afghan Vets." Two members were 'armed' with water canons and dispensed water squirts into the crowd.



4. On September 24, 2022, Post 37 held its annual Veterans Picnic at McKenzie Park. We invited all veterans to attend this event. Fewer vets attended this year, but we did gain three new members in the Post and one in the Auxiliary.



5. October 3, 2022, ended our annual Beef Raffle contest. Two winning tickets were withdrawn from the drum, and the winners were notified.

6. On October 8, 2022, we held our annual Veterans Yard Sale. Money from this event will go towards our Auxiliary's efforts to help veterans.

7. October 28, 2022. Our annual Potato & Dessert Bar was held in the Fellowship hall at First Christian Church.

Respectfully Submitted

VA Disability Payments to Increase in 2023

VA disability compensation rates are increasing in 2023 based on Social Security's cost of living adjustment. Official compensation tables will be provided by VA in December 2022.

Veterans Day 2022 Free Meals, Discounts and Offers

Veterans Day is Friday, November 11. Check out all the 2022 Veterans Day discounts.

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Or Mail to: The Department of Oregon

Attn: Adjutant
P.O. Box 1730

Wilsonville, OR 97070-1730

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.

AND AS ALWAYS, DON'T FORGET:



Questions? Contact Howard Bender
800-445-3269
hbender@agia.com

The next mailing is Hospital Help on July 6th.

WHAT'S MAILING THIS MONTH?



We are mailing Travel Accident on June 22nd.

Quick reminder about Travel Accident:

Pays if you were to die as the result of a covered Travel Accident in a private vehicle or common carrier. Also pays a daily benefit if you were to be treated as an inpatient in a hospital because of a covered travel accident. Product may not be available in all states and may not mail all your members.

If you want a more detailed description of this product, visit www.TheLIT.com/Travel-Accident.



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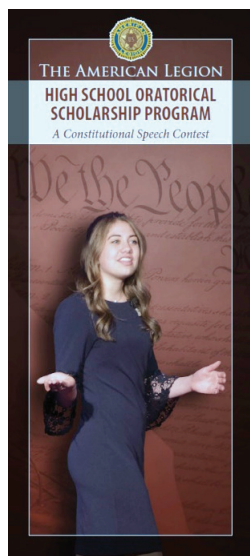
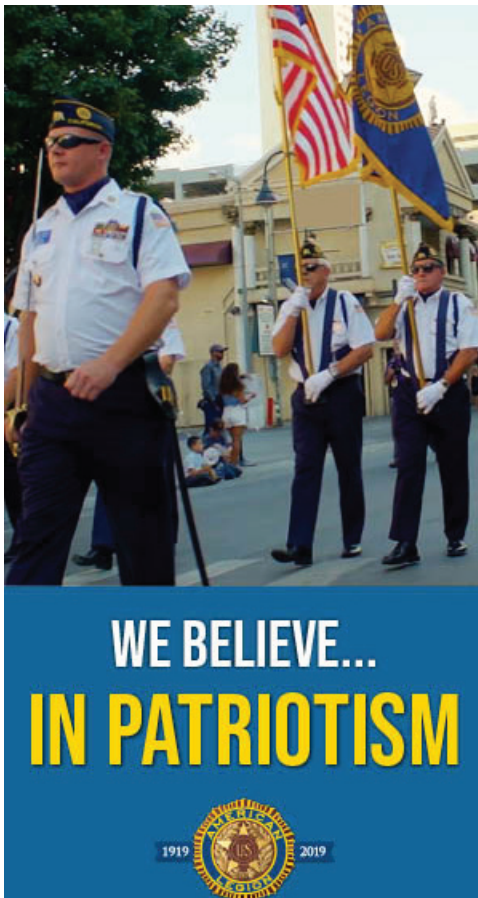
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We welcome the Holiday Season!

During this season, we cherish time spent with family and friends, as often it may be the only time during the year all may gather together.

It is also a special time taken for honoring, and for some, healing, the service and sacrifices of military servicemembers that are now laid to rest.

On the third Saturday of each Dec-

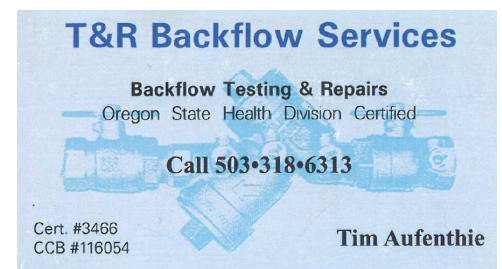
WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

ember, proclaimed National Wreaths Across America Day, we demonstrate our gratitude for the service and sacrifices that have been made by placing wreaths, as a tribute, to those laid to rest at Veteran Affairs national cemeteries, state Veterans' cemeteries, as well as at more than 2,500 additional locations across the U.S. and abroad.

This year, Wreaths Across America Day is December 17th and your department headquarters leadership, once again, is a registered volunteer

group at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. If you would like to participate in wreath-laying with this group, please send a courtesy email with your name(s) to cory.brockmann@comcast.net by December 10th.

For additional details on how you can help sponsor wreaths, purchase wreaths for your home or volunteer in other locations, navigate to <https://www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/>



About R.A.C.E. Suicide Prevention Training

The complete **R.A.C.E.** Suicide Prevention training is three 1-hour sessions delivered over three consecutive weeks. Each session is a prerequisite for attendance at subsequent sessions. Active participation is encouraged and assigned "homework" encourages practice of skills learned during the training.

The acronym **R.A.C.E.** stands for:

- Recognize signs of distress
- Ask the person about what they are thinking and feeling
- Care for the person and actively listen to them
- Escort the person based on their needs

The **R.A.C.E.** model for suicide prevention has been used throughout the United States Marine Corps for many years. The model stands out among others because it includes an important aspect of suicide prevention that other models do not; that is Recognize signs of

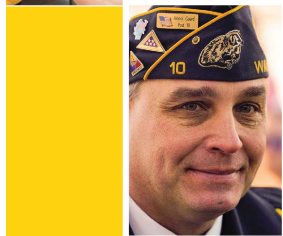
<https://www.nami.org/Support-Education/Publications-Reports/Guides/Navigating-a-Mental-Health-Crisis/>

<https://racesuicideprevention.us/>

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

We can all help prevent suicide. The Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States.

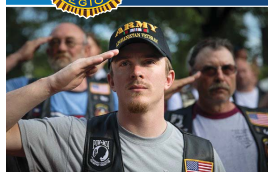




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The American Legion is the largest veterans service organization

Working and volunteering in communities, states and around the world. The American Legion has been dedicated to veterans, troops, national security, youth and patriotism since its founding over a century ago.

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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Law and order.

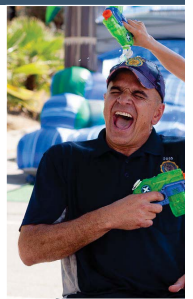
Americanism.

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 improve access to Veterans Affairs medical care, processing, update and achieve employee accountability
- Leadership in veteran care including employer-appropriate representation in Washington, the military-to-civilian care



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.

Supporting and helping homeless veterans

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).

legion.org/join

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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.



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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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FOR AMERICA'S YOUTH

- American Legion Baseball
- Scholarships
- 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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A Word About Legionnaire Insurance Trust

Over Five Decades of Partnership for a Healthy America

The Legionnaire Insurance Trust (LIT) was formed in 1966 with two primary goals: to provide Legion families with low-cost insurance protection, and to provide a source of revenue to participating Legion Departments.

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.

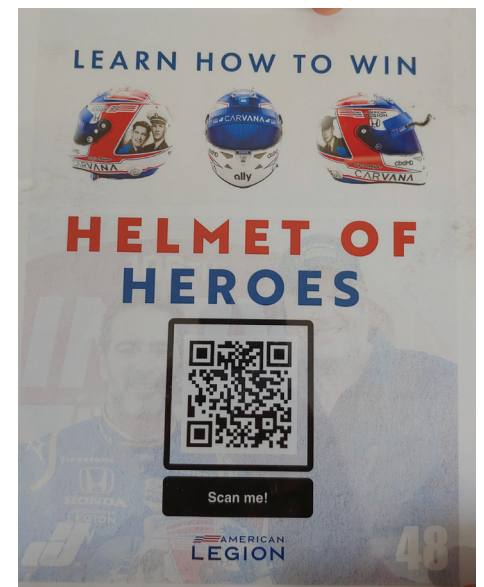
Since its creation, AGIA has worked closely with the Trust to develop insurance programs especially designed for Department members and their families. We are proud to serve you through the Trust and invite your inquiries and suggestions on any aspect of our activities.



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In 1925 Alaska was still a territory, not a state, of the USA. A diphtheria (deadly childhood disease) outbreak occurred in Nome after it was snowed-in for the winter. The diphtheria antitoxin doses held in Nome were out of date. The only link to the rest of the world was through miles of wild, mountainous trails and across shifting sea ice. Teams of “mushers” (drivers) and their dog teams volunteered for the dangerous mission to get ampules of antitoxin to Nome. They succeeded, but at great personal cost and the death of many dogs. The new mass media of the period, radio, followed the story closely and it was reported around the world. The famed Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race follows part of the trail of the 1925 Serum Run.






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THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

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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 _____
Received From _____
\$ _____ for 20 _____ Dues
Recruiter's Name _____
Recruiter's Signature _____
Recruiter's Phone # _____



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

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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Date _____
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Squadron No. _____
Department of _____



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY 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 _____

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):

<input type="checkbox"/> Global War on Terror	<input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada	<input type="checkbox"/> WWII
<input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War	<input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts
<input type="checkbox"/> Panama	<input type="checkbox"/> Korea	

Applicant's Relationship to the Veteran:

<input type="checkbox"/> Male Spouse	<input type="checkbox"/> Female Spouse	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother
<input type="checkbox"/> Grandmother	<input type="checkbox"/> Sister	<input type="checkbox"/> Self
<input type="checkbox"/> Daughter	<input type="checkbox"/> Granddaughter	

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 _____

Date _____

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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.

Date _____
Received From _____
\$ _____ for 20 _____ Dues
Recruiter's Name _____
Recruiter's Signature _____
Recruiter's Phone # _____