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THE LEADERSHIP LEDGER



Welcome to the 126th Edition of The Leadership Ledger. It includes Post, Department and National reports, leadership training events, upcoming conferences/ conventions as well as rules and regulations pertaining to local, state and national laws. The Ledger is available by visiting the Department's website at mainelegion.org under "News & Events" or on the home page. If you have any information to be published in The Leadership Ledger, please forward to Dept. HQ via email at:

legionme@mainelegion.org

DISTRICT MEETINGS Be Connected · Be Heard · Be Informed NOVEMBER 2024

District 3 – Androscoggin: Nov. 18 Turner Post 111, 6:30pm, Turner Public Library

District 5 – Oxford: Nov. 20 Bethel Post 81, 7PM, Refreshments After

> District 9 – Kennebec: Nov. 13 Waterville Post 5, 6PM

District 12 – Hancock: Nov. 12 SW Harbor Post 69, Dinner at 6:00PM, Mtg. at 7:00PM

> **District 14 – Piscataquis:** Nov. 16 Monson Post 116, 12PM lunch, 1PM Mtg.

VETERANS DAY & THANKSGIVING

American Legion State Headquarters will be closed:

November 11th in honor of Veterans Day and November 27th & 28th in observance of Thanksgiving. *Please plan accordingly.*

Check Out Veterans Day Discounts on Page 14!

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Grouper

Subject: Get Paid for Being Socially Active with Grouper Partnership

Dear Member,

The American Legion has teamed up with Grouper to support our Legionnaires in a way like never before! This collaboration is designed to get eligible participants, 65 or older, paid for engaging in our community, ensuring you stay healthy and connected.

What Does This Mean for You? Participants with an eligible health plan can get an initial payment of \$50 sent to them for being a part of The American Legion. For each three months of activity after that, Grouper will send \$20, if you stay active and keep Grouper updated on your in-person social activity!

Check Your Eligibility: It's easy! Click here (<u>hellogrouper.com/al</u>) to check your eligibility in just a few simple steps. You'll find out right away if your health plan covers this social benefit.

Is Grouper an Insurance Company? No! Grouper doesn't sell insurance. Their mission is to encourage healthy living through activities that build meaningful social connections and shared experiences. They accomplish this by partnering with health plans to pay you for having fun with friends. This program is free to you and American Legion and we have not shared any of your personal information.

We look forward to sharing more about how this partnership with Grouper is designed to enhance your overall well-being. If you have any immediate questions, feel free to contact Grouper at 833-445-2400. Wishing you a healthier, happier future together!

For More Information See Pages 8

COMMANDER'S PROJECT 2024-25

Department Commander Tricia Thurston asks that each Post and Legionnaire support her goal!

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Mission Working Dogs

Their MISSION: To improve the lives of their community members who are living with a disability by providing them with properly trained service dogs to help them live more independently despite a physical disability and by providing therapy dogs which will bring mental well-being to the people of Maine such as those in nursing homes, hospitals, and schools.

Their VISION: At Mission Working Dogs, we train purpose-bred dogs to aid individuals with disabilities so that the handler can live a life to the fullest and more independently.

Their GOAL: Service dogs can assist those with physical disabilities such as mobility impairments by fetching dropped items, opening doors, and turning on and off lights. They can also help individuals with PTSD by learning to recognize an increase in anxiety, carrying medications, and providing deep pressure therapy to calm or redirect the handler. Dogs working as facility dogs are often trained to recognize a patient's affected side in the case of a stroke and to approach on the side the patient is able to pet with or throw the ball. Patients are able to work on fine motor movements in petting or caring for the dog as well as gross motor skills playing fetch with a dog that's able to bring the ball exactly to where the patient needs, such as on a side table or directly into their hand, rather than on the ground or trying to play tug with it inappropriately.

Their PLAN: Service dogs are generally trained for approximately two years and undergo a wide range of assessments on their physical health, temperament, and tasks or skills to make sure they can properly support their handler throughout life.

Donations can be made to The American Legion Dept. of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME 04901

Please place in the memo line of the check: Commander's Project 2024-2025

If you would like to donate with a Debit or Credit Card, please call 207-873-3229 or visit: www.mainelegion.org and click on the DONATE button.



Make sure to type "Commander's Project" in the Note section.



<u>2024 Digital Convention</u> <u>Yearbook Now Available Online!</u>



Lots of New Information Including Hyperlinked Business Ads to Websites, Photos, Legion Programs & More! Check it Out Today!

Show Your Support to Maine Veterans & Make Your Name Part of American Legion History

Deadline for Submission May 9, 2025

B ecome a sponsor today by donating to the Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Program and make your name part of The American Legion history! Your name will be listed in our 2025 Maine American Legion Yearbook made available in print and online in digital format by visiting <u>www.mainelegion.org</u>.

Donate \$100 or more and receive a Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook as well as one of our most popular centennial coins to add to your collection. To donate with Debit/Credit Card, simply scan the QR code with your phone or click the button below. If donating by check, please make payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine earmarked "Yearbook Program" and mail to: The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Dr., Winslow, ME 04901-0727.

For more information, please visit: www.mainelegion.org., or call 207-873-3229 Ext. 2, or email: <u>rachael@mainelegion.org</u>





The American Legion, Department of Maine High School Oratorical Scholarship Program



Thomas College, 180 West River Rd. Waterville

February 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. **All contestants should plan to arrive between 8 and 8:30 am** Snow Date: February 15, 2025 <u>CLICK HERE</u> for topics

DONATIONS THE AMERICAN LEGION

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

Caribou Veterans Home

Commander's Project "Mission	Working Dogs"
Lindon Felt, Dixfield Post 100	\$50.00
Gloria Morton, Rumford	\$150.00
Lynn McAloney, Milton Twp	\$100.00





2024 Training Date: Nov. 30th Where: Dept. of Maine Training Room 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME 04901

For more details on the Be The One campaign visit: <u>betheone.org</u>

<u>American Legion Be the One Campaign</u> To Reserve Your Spot Email: jason@mainelegion.org

T oday, the #1 issue facing those who served is veteran suicide. According to the National Veteran Suicide Prevention Annual Report. 17 veterans still die by suicide each day, or more than 6,000 each year. The rate of suicide for veterans is more than 50% higher than that of non-veteran adults.

The American Legion is activating a national platform to end veteran suicide. The Be the One campaign will: Destigmatize asking for mental health support, creating opportunities for those with mental health issues to speak freely and get the support they need; Provide peerto-peer support and resources in local communities; Deploy FDA-approved therapeutics for veterans to identify issues and find resources for support.



<u>CLICK HERE</u> to watch a short video about <u>No Cost Legioncare</u>



MEMBERSHIP

The American Legion's success depends entirely on active membership, participation and volunteerism. The following monthly reports located on: <u>https://www.legion.org/membership/impact</u> provide a summary of membership, participation and volunteerism making an impact in the lives of veterans, families and communities. American Legion Posts can share the many ways Legionnaires are making a difference in their communities by <u>submitting consolidated post</u> <u>reports online</u>. To visit the impact American Legion posts made throughout the year, visit: <u>https://www.legion.org/about/reports</u> or

https://www.legion.org/membership/impact

Check out the Department & National Legion Per Capita

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QUICKLY & EASILY RENEW ONLINE TODAY!

Simply Scan the QR Code with the camera on your phone or visit: www.legion.org/renew



THE AMERICAN LEGION 2025 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL SCHEDULE

Cutoff Dates

May 15, 2024 September 11, 2024 October 16, 2024 December 11, 2024 February 12, 2025 April 9, 2025 **Renewal Mail Dates**

July 1-8, 2024 October 5-11, 2024 November 9-15, 2024 January 4-10, 2025 March 1-7, 2025 May 3-9, 2025

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Find a printable copy of this information on Page 12

MILITARY TRIVIA

Q. From where did the phrase "passed with flying colors" come?





Currently, around 7.5 million people are receiving SSI benefits, but many more are now eligible as the SSA recently expanded access to benefits by modifying some of the rules.

The SSI program, which stands for Supplemental Security Income, is a program administered by the Social Security Administration (SSA) that provides monthly cash benefits to people who are disabled or over 65 based on financial need.

Currently, around 7.5 million people are receiving SSI benefits, but many more are now eligible as the SSA recently expanded access to benefits by modifying some of the rules. Here is what you should know.

Eligibility Requirements To qualify for SSI, an applicant must be 65 or older, blind or disabled, and a U.S. citizen or lawful resident. Recipients must also have limited income and assets.

Individual income must generally be under \$1,971 per month, or \$2,915 for couples. Countable income includes wages, pension payments, unemployment, Social Security benefits or gifts from friends. Inkind distributions such as free food or shelter are also included.

Assets must also be less than \$2,000 for individuals or \$3,000 for couples. This includes cash, bank accounts, other personal property and any asset that could potentially be converted to cash. A personal residence, household goods and one vehicle, along with life insurance policies and burial funds valued under \$1,500, do not count toward countable assets.

In 2024, the maximum SSI payment is \$943 a month for an individual or \$1,415 a month for a couple. However, the amount a recipient receives in SSI benefits may be reduced based on income, living situation and some other factors.

To help determine whether an applicant is eligible for SSI, the Social Security Administration's benefits screening test is available at <u>SSAbest.benefits.gov</u>. This online questionnaire takes approximately five minutes to complete and screens for a variety of benefits, not just SSI.

It is important to note that most states – except Arizona, Arkansas, Mississippi, North Dakota, Tennessee and West Virginia – supplement the federal SSI payment with payments of their own. In some of the states that pay a supplement, an applicant may qualify for the state payment even if they do not meet the federal SSI eligibility criteria. How to Apply If an applicant believes they may be eligible for SSI, they can begin the application process and complete a large part of it online at SSA.gov/apply/ssi. If the applicant is disabled, they can apply for both SSI and Social Security Disability at SSA.gov/disability. An applicant may also call 800-772-1213 and set up an appointment with their local Social Security office.

To expedite the application process, applicants should have their Social Security number, birth certificate or other proof of age readily available. Information about the home where they live, such as a mortgage or lease with the landlord's name, is also required. Payroll slips, bank books, insurance policies, burial fund records and other information about the applicant's income and assets may also be needed. In addition, proof of U.S. citizenship or eligible noncitizen status is necessary. If they are applying for SSI because they are disabled or blind, the names, addresses and telephone numbers of doctors, hospitals and clinics that have information related to their condition will also need to be provided.

For more information, visit SSA.gov/ssi or see Social Security's online SSI publication at:

SSA.gov/pubs/EN-05-11000.pdf.

DISTRICT AWARDS

American Legion Jacket: Awarded to District Commanders who reach 100% by Dec. 31, 2024.

American Legion Ball Cap: Awarded to District Commanders who reach 100% by March 12, 2025.

Highest District Overall Membership Percentage (1st Place - \$500 | 2nd Place - \$250): Awarded to District Commanders who reach the highest overall membership percentage 30 days prior to National Convention (July 24, 2025).

Highest District Overall Membership Renewal Percentage (1st Place - \$500 | 2nd Place - \$250): Awarded to District Commanders who reach the highest overall membership renewal rate 30 days prior to National Convention (July 24, 2025).

For more Information <u>CLICK HERE</u> and find: 2024-25 Membership Goals & Awards Manual

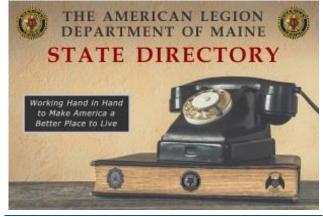
"If you're going through hell, keep going." ~ <u>Winston Churchill</u>

"It isn't the mountains ahead to climb that wears you out; it's the pebble in your shoe." ~ <u>Muhammad Ali</u>

Stay Connected with Your Fellow Legionnaires!



Click here to see the Latest Post Events



<u>Click Here</u> <u>for the State</u> <u>Directory!</u> Call Dept. HQ at 873-3229 or e-mail: legionme@mainelegion.org to get the Password!!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE STATE DIRECTORY!

The State Directory has been posted on the Department Website in the past however it is now passwordprotected. Please call Dept. HQ at: 873-3229 or e-mail <u>legionme@mainelegion.org</u> to get the password, or if you have any questions or concerns.

PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club are \$5.00 per member. See **Page 7** for an application. If you haven't paid your Past Commanders Club dues yet, *please do so today!*

TREASURER NEEDED!!!

The Beal Hospitality House

at Togus is in desperate need of a treasurer. The position requires experience with payroll. BHH is willing to train anybody interested in this position. The Beal Hospitality House lets the spouses of



Veterans stay free of charge while their loved one is at the hospital. Please contact Kenda Simmons, Beal House President, at 207-242-3192 if interested in the position.

AMERICAN LEGION CRIBBAGE BOARDS

Purchase yours today at:

The American Legion Department of Maine Headquarters 5 Verti Drive Winslow, ME 04901



\$30/each - Pickup Only

Proceeds Support Warren Post 218 Members

Attention: District Commanders & Adjutants

District Meeting Calendar Form now available online!

<u>Click Here</u> or visit: www.mainelegion.org under Forms/Application



Warrant Templates All Post/District Officer Positions Available <u>online</u> at: <u>MaineLegion.org</u>

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or go to: <u>http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/</u> formsapplications.php. *It's fast <u>and</u> easy!!!*

POST/DISTRICT FORMS



To see which forms your post still needs to submit

TECHNOLOGY 101

is a resource for those who wish to learn basic skills with the powerful technology of today's world. Increased |proficiency with computers and cell-phones et al is good both personally and professionally.



How to Use Apple's Version of Google Magic Eraser

Clean Up is one of Apple Intelligence's flashier new features, which you can try out now with an iPhone 15 Pro or above running the new <u>iOS 18.1 update</u>. It's Apple's AI photo editing tool, specifically built for removing background objects or other unwanted parts of an image with just a tap. Think of it like the iOS version of <u>Google's Magic Eraser</u>.

In typical iPhone fashion, it's quite simple to use. You can simply tap on objects to remove them, or circle around a larger object to let Apple do its thing. Here's how it works.

How to remove objects from photos on iPhone

If you have an iPhone 15 Pro or above, you can use this feature to clean up any image in your camera roll. Just ensure you have iOS 18.1 downloaded first, which you can find in Settings -> General -> Software Update.

Open the Photos app and find the image that you want to clean up. Tap the **Edit** button in the bottom toolbar (the icon with three sliders), then swipe to the **Clean Up** tab.

The first time you do this, the Photos app will download some important Clean Up data, so you'll need to wait for a couple of seconds. Now, Apple will automatically scan the image and will start highlighting objects that can be removed with just a tap. These will pulse with a pink gradient. To remove one of those elements, all you need to do is to tap on it, and it will disappear instantly. From my experience, Apple Intelligence does an impressive job of filling in the blank spots left by removed objects, especially if the background is plain. In my experience, I've found this one-tap method to be the most reliable way to clean up photos.

But let's say Apple didn't automatically highlight everything you want to get rid of. You'll need to take matters into your own hands, and here things start to get a bit tricky. You can use your fingers to highlight or tap the object you would like to get rid of, but I suggest a different approach.

Rather than highlighting or tapping, try just drawing a circle, or any shape, around the object you want to remove. You don't need to be precise here–after a couple of seconds, Apple Intelligence will automatically recognize the object, even if it's something as finicky as a plant with lots of leaves. Now, like before, you can just tap the object to remove it.

In my testing, I've found this method to work much better than either letting a tap try to intuit an object's boundaries or painstakingly drawing over the object you want to remove (these just seems to leave a weird blurred effect).

And that's all there is to it. You can use this tool to remove people from the background of your vacation photos (which I'm guessing will be the biggest use case for this tool), or you can remove any elements that are distracting the eye away from your subject. There is one downside, though. When you use Clean Up tools on a photo, it will disable Live Photos functionality, turning it into a still image.

~ Lifehacker

"I finally realized it... people are prisoners of their phones. That's why they're called 'cell' phones."

~ Author Unknown

"Life is what happens when your cell phone is charging."

 \sim Author Unknown

IMPORTANT DATES IN MILITARY HISTORY NOVEMBER

- National Veterans & Military Family Month Month of November
- Warrior Care Month Month of November
- National Family Caregivers Month Month of November
- > Marine Corps Day/Birthday Nov. 10
- > <u>Veterans Day</u> Nov. 11
- > <u>Armistice/Remembrance Day</u> Nov. 11

MILITARY TRIVIA

A. It derives from when ships would return home with their "colors" (another name for flags) flying to show they had been victorious. A ship that had been unsuccessful would take down its flags.





DEPARTMENT OF MAINE THE AMERICAN LEGION

PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

It is with great pride and pleasure that we the membership of Post #______submit the names of all our living Past Commanders for membership to the Past Commanders Club. Along with the names, we have enclosed the annual dues of **\$5.00** per member with the understanding that this will continue to provide two (2) \$500.00 scholarships. The recipient must be the son/daughter, grandson/granddaughter of a member of The American Legion.

Membership in the Past Commanders Club goes from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE	Post Adjutant	
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12	24	
Use back side if additional space is required.		
SUBMIT TO:		
The American Legion, Dept. of Maine 5 Verti Drive Winslow, Maine 04901-0727	MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PAST COMMANDERS CLUB	

This form may be filled out on-line at: <u>www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php</u> *** Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club have increased to \$5.00/member)***

Life's Too Long Not to Belong



Research shows that being active and enjoying time with friends is good for your health.

The American Legion and Grouper have partnered to reward eligible members for staying socially active!



LEGIONNAIRES 65+ WITH AN ELIGIBLE MEDICARE ADVANTAGE OR SUPPLEMENT PLAN RECEIVE:

\$50 initial payment upon confirming eligibility



GROUPER IS PROUD TO BE INCLUDED IN:





\$20 every 3 months of reported social activities

To see if your plan covers Grouper, please visit:

hellogrouper.com/al



No personal information needed to check eligibility – just your health plan name and your age!



Call 833-445-2400 Email info@hellogrouper.com

More Medicare Advantage benefits & more savings on health care costs for veterans



THE OFFICIAL MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PROVIDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Medicare Annual Enrollment is October 15 thru December 7 & MORE benefits may be yours

As The Official Medicare Advantage Provider of The American Legion, we are proud to help our nation's veterans maximize their health benefits. During the Medicare Annual Enrollment Period, we can help you review your current coverage, discuss your options and choose a plan that has all of the benefits you need.

Wellcare works right alongside your VA benefits to give you additional coverage for the care that matters most to you. With a Wellcare Medicare Advantage plan, you can access a network that goes beyond the VA system. Plus, you get added benefits like:

- Dental coverage
- Vision coverage
- Hearing coverage
- And mental health coverage

For clear answers and help enrolling in a Medicare Advantage plan, call to speak with a licensed representative today.

877-880-8196 (TTY: 711) 8 a.m.-8 p.m., 7 days a week Or scan the QR code to call now.



See what Medicare Advantage benefits are available to you.

Thank you, The Wellcare Team

Download our FREE eGuide — How Medicare Advantage works for military veterans.

Contact Wellcare

'Ohana Health Plan, a plan offered by WellCare Health Insurance of Arizona, Inc. For accommodations of persons with special needs at meetings, call 877-699-3552 TTY 711. There is no obligation to enroll.

The American Legion				
700 N. Pennsylvania St. P.O. Box 1055				
Indianapolis, IN 46206				





American Legion Post 24 and the American Legion Dept. of Maine,

Women Veteran's Advisory Committee to Honor Women Veterans at the

11th Annual Women Veteran's Luncheon

American Legion Rumford Post 24 184 Congress St. Rumford, Me.

Saturday, November 16th, 2024

Schedule of events 9:30 to 12:30

Refreshments, Reiki and a variety of activities, while visiting with other women who have served.

Lunch approx. 12:30pm

Please share with all Women Veterans. Fun surprises, raffles and more! Please contact Tricia Thurston at 207-357-3289 to RSVP. You do NOT need to be an Legion member to attend. The event is planned for all Women Veterans and is at no charge to them.

> Please Plan to Stay for Group Pictures!

SCHEDULE

HITW HOSTS LIBRARY OF CONGRESS VETERANS PROGRAM FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN - TRIER-PUDDY A.L. POST #75

SUN HITW VETERAN DEER RETREAT

LEE, MAINE - HOUSE IN THE WOODS *RETREAT APPLICATION NECESSARY FOR FUTURE INTEREST

MUSIC FOR MILITARY: HEALING THROUGH EVERY BEAT Skowhegan-Madison Elks Lodge 9 A.M. -11 P.M.



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OUSE==WOODS

COFFEE WITH VETS 7AM-11AM

House in the Woods - Lee, Maine *No application necessary Open for ALL servicemen & women JOIN US!



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HITW THANKSGIVING PREP 12 P.M. - 5 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HITW FREE THANKSGIVING MAKE YOUR RESERVATION TODAY! 3 SEATINGS - 12 P.M., 1:30, 3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS, VOLUNTEERING, RETREATS & DONATIONS

> houseinthewoods.org info@houseinthewoods.org



THE AMERICAN LEGION 2025 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL SCHEDULE

CUTOFF DATES	RENEWAL MAIL DATES
MAY 15, 2024	JULY 1-8, 2024
SEPTEMBER 11, 2024	OCTOBER 5-11, 2024
OCTOBER 16, 2024	NOVEMBER 9-15, 2024
DECEMBER 11, 2024	JANUARY 4-10, 2025
FEBRUARY 12, 2025	MARCH 1-7, 2025
APRIL 9, 2025	MAY 3-9, 2025

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DEPARTMENT & NATIONAL LEGION PER CAPITA

No. of Cards	Amt. of Check	No. of Cards	Amt. of Check
1	\$41.00	26	\$1,066.00
2	\$82.00	27	\$1,107.00
3	\$123.00	28	\$1,148.00
4	\$164.00	29	\$1,189.00
5	\$205.00	30	\$1,230.00
6	\$246.00	31	\$1,271.00
7	\$287.00	32	\$1,312.00
8	\$328.00	33	\$1,353.00
9	\$369.00	34	\$1,394.00
10	\$410.00	35	\$1,435.00
11	\$451.00	36	\$1,476.00
12	\$492.00	37	\$1,517.00
13	\$533.00	38	\$1,558.00
14	\$574.00	39	\$1,599.00
15	\$615.00	40	\$1,640.00
16	\$656.00	41	\$1,681.00
17	\$697.00	42	\$1,722.00
18	\$738.00	43	\$1,763.00
19	\$779.00	44	\$1,804.00
20	\$820.00	45	\$1,845.00
21	\$861.00	46	\$1,886.00
22	\$902.00	47	\$1,927.00
23	\$943.00	48	\$1,968.00
24	\$984.00	49	\$2,009.00
25	\$1,025.00	50	\$2,050.00

S. Membership Department and National Per Capita

Make checks payable to: The American Legion, Department of Maine. Mail cards and checks to:

The American Legion Department of Maine 5 Verti Drive Winslow, Maine, 04901-0727

VETERANS DAY DISCOUNTS

The American Legion presents its annual list of Veterans Day deals and discounts for veterans, servicemembers, their families and caregivers. This list was compiled by staff research and verified, wherever possible with the business. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to see the complete list.

RESTAURANTS

Applebee's

Veterans Day can enjoy a meal on Monday Nov. 11 (Dine-in only). <u>applebees.com/en/veterans-day-free-meals</u>

Chili's

We look forward to once again showing our gratitude with a FREE Veterans Day meal as a small way to honor your service and the sacrifices you've made for our country. Thank you will never be enough. <u>chilis.com/restaurant-events/veterans-day</u>

Denny's

Denny's invites active and retired military personnel to America's Diner to enjoy a complimentary Original Grand Slam® breakfast at participating locations nationwide. dennys.com/news/dennys-honors-veterans-free-original-grand-slam

Dunkin'

Dunkin' is offering all active and retired military a free donut on Veterans Day. Limit one per guest while supplies last. No ID required. Offer available in-store only. Not available for orders placed using On-the-Go Mobile Ordering through the Dunkin' Mobile App. <u>dunkindonuts.com/en</u>

IHOP

Veterans and active military enjoy a FREE red, white & blue pancake combo on Monday, Nov. 11, from 7 a.m. -7 p.m. **ihop.com/en**

Little Caesars

On Veterans Day, veterans receive a free lunch combo. littlecaesars.com/

Olive Garden

On Nov. 11, we will offer each veteran and current member of the military who dines with us a free entrée from our special menu. <u>olivegarden.com/home</u>

Red Robin

The Veterans Day offer includes a complimentary Red's Big Tavern Burger with the choice of a bottomless side. Substitutions, additions or premium sides may result in an added charge. <u>redrobin.com/veterans-day</u>

SONIC

On Monday, Nov. 11, guests can sip on half price shakes in any size and flavor, including both Classic and Master Shakes.<u>sonicdrivein.com/</u>

Starbucks

Free tall (12-ounce) brewed coffee (hot or iced) for veterans, military servicemembers and military spouses. <u>stories.starbucks.com/starbucks-commitment-to-the-</u> <u>military-community/</u>

Texas Roadhouse

On Veterans Day, we're honored to offer free meals to veterans and active military members across the country. **texasroadhouse.com**/

UNO's Pizzeria & Grill

Free entree, at UNO! Bring in your military or veteran ID on Nov. 11, and your meal is on us! Offer valid for dine-in only. <u>facebook.com/photo/?</u> fbid=967807665393655&set=pb.100064932902308.-2207520000

Wendy's

America's active military and veterans with a FREE small breakfast combo from Wendy's. wendys.com/wesalute

RETAIL

Black Rifle Coffee

Get 50% off your first order with a subscription and ID.ME verification. This offer is for current and former US miliary and first responders. **blackriflecoffee.com/id-me-military-discount**

Sleep Number

Active, veteran, retired and reservist personnel of the US armed forces receive an additional 10% OFF your entire purchase (no exclusions!). <u>sleepnumber.com/pages/military</u>

Target

All military personnel, veterans, *and* their families can score a very rare two-time use Target storewide 10% discount with a Target Circle offer – *valid both in-store and online!*

Plus, if you're a <u>Target Circle Cardholder</u>, you will get an extra 5% off and free shipping on top of this Target Circle Bonus! To receive this offer, <u>create or sign in to your Target account</u>, join <u>Target Circle</u> (free to join), and <u>verify your military status</u>. Once verified, you will receive an exclusive, two-time use 10% off Circle Bonus offer that will be available to use through November 11.

If you verified your military status in the past, the Circle offer will be loaded into your account automatically! <u>target.com/l/target-circle-military-appreciation/-/N-vdibb</u>

Tractor Supply Co.

Military servicemembers, veterans and first responders verified thru Neighbor's Club receive 10% off on First Responders Day and Veterans Day. <u>businesswire.com/news/home/20241022763673/</u> <u>en/Tractor-Supply-Honors-Military-Veterans-and-First-Responders-With-Hometown-Heroes-Days-</u> <u>Celebration-October-26-%E2%80%93-November-11</u>

Walgreens

Beginning Friday, Nov. 8, through Monday, Nov. 11, veterans, military and their families will receive 20 percent off regular price items at any Walgreens or Duane Reade drugstore nationwide. <u>businesswire.com/news/home/20241029585027/</u> <u>en/Walgreens-Honors-Veterans-Active-Duty-</u> <u>Military-and-Families-with-Veterans-Day-</u> <u>Discount-Friday-November-8-through-Monday-</u> <u>November-11</u>