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THE LEADERSHIP LEDGER



Welcome to the 61st 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 www.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 Department HQ via email at: legionme@mainelegion.org.



**February's Edition of
The Maine Legionnaire is HERE!**
[February 2022 Issue \(Digital Version\)](#)
[February 2022 Issue \(pdf version\)](#)
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Or go to:

www.mainelegion.org

JOB OPENING

**Department Finance Officer at
The American Legion, Department of Maine**

Click on the link above for the job description or visit: www.mainelegion.org/pages/news-events.php



2022 AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL "REACH OUT & FIND OUT"

Play ball! That's the refrain we are waiting for as spring and baseball season approaches!

American Legion Baseball will be starting very soon and now is the time for your post to come forward and fulfill their responsibility under the Fourth Pillar – Children and Youth.

Full sponsorship of a Legion Baseball team is a costly endeavor and it is realized a lot of Maine Posts might not be able to fully sponsor a team. However, any post can reach out to their local team and offer support in differing ways. Any financial donation would be greatly appreciated, but, you can also assist them by offering to help with on field preparation work, maybe running a concession stand where proceeds might be split between the team and post or perhaps if your post is so equipped hold a fund raising spaghetti or baked bean dinner as these events are normally well attended for the benefit of youth sporting teams.

If you are not sure if your local community has a team associated with American Legion baseball, no problem, call or email me and I will get you in touch with contacts for the local Legion Team.

This is an opportunity that should not go unfulfilled by Maine American Legion posts. It cannot be easier just; **REACH OUT** locally to your team and **FIND OUT** what your post can do to help. Work to support our Fourth Pillar!

Please contact me if you now support or want to support a Legion Baseball Team, you won't regret getting involved. To reach me; Cell 691-2270; email jandc79@myfairpoint.net.

Jeff Sukeforth, Maine American Legion Baseball Director
691-2270 | jandc79@myfairpoint.net

For more information [CLICK HERE](#) or go to:
www.mainelegion.org/pages/programs/baseball.php

DIRIGO STATE PROGRAM

Thomas College, Waterville
June 19-24, 2022



Cost per Student is \$400

[2022 Dirigo State Applications
Now Available!](#)

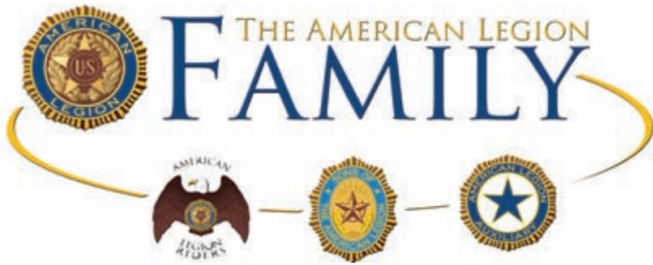


For more information
please visit:

www.mainelegion.org

or contact Jason Hall at 207-873-3229

E-mail: jason@mainelegion.org



AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY JOINT TESTIMONIAL

FITZGERALD-CUMMINGS POST 2

7 Legion Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

May 7, 2022

Social Hour 3-4 p.m. with appetizers

Dinner: 4:00 p.m.

Program to follow

Cash Bar Available in the Banquet Hall

MENU: Choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu or Baked Haddock. Both served with mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet peas, garden salad, dinner roll, and a dessert. Gluten Free meal option available (fish).

Deadline for reservations: May 3rd, 2022

\$25.00 per person. Make checks payable to: American Legion Auxiliary Unit 2. Please write the number of chicken or fish dinners on check or enclose a note with the check. Write your name on the note.

Gluten Free Option (fish) – Please state “GF” on check or enclose note with your name. All tickets to be picked up at the door.

**Mail to: American Legion Auxiliary Unit 2,
Joyce Thurlow, 1 Meadowrue Drive, Augusta,
ME 02330**

For more information [CLICK HERE](#) or go to:

<http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/news-events.php>

PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 28, 2022



“Veteran Homes Closures are a Breach of Faith”

The American Legion Department of Maine is vehemently opposed to the closure of the Maine Veterans Homes (MVH) in Caribou and Machias. This closure affects a third (two out of six) Maine Veterans Homes in the State. These closures will affect the most vulnerable of Maine’s Veteran populations.

Along with The American Legion, all four members of Congress, as well as the current and past Governors of our State have appealed to the Maine Veterans Home board to rethink this abhorrent decision and its cascading negative effects on our elderly and disabled veteran population.

Every effort must be made to ensure continued funding, and adequate staffing of these vital facilities; especially given the lack of options for all seniors in Maine; and in Aroostook and Washington Counties in particular. The Caribou MVH has provided assisted living/residential care, long term care, short term skilled nursing care, rehabilitation, therapy, and dementia and memory care and respite care since its opening in 1990. The Machias MVH has provided assisted living and residential care and dementia and memory care since 2005. These services are vital to our veterans in these two counties.

Authorized by the Legislature in 1977, with the first home having been built in Augusta in 1983, according to its website, “MVH has a special role to promote and improve Veterans’ long term health care benefits. MVH will serve as a bridge between Veterans and various organizations to create access to affordable and appropriate long-term care and rehabilitative services, both directly and through cooperative relationships.” In the eyes of The American Legion Department of Maine, the closing of these two homes does not meet this commitment.

The time for talking has passed, it is time for the MVH Board, the Federal Government (VA), the Legislature of the State of Maine (DHHS and DVEM) to put their collective heads together and determine how these vital homes will remain open and operational.

As we say in the military “Deeds not words.” Now is not the time to break faith with those who served from WWII through Post 9-11 operations. We, the veterans, stepped up to serve our country and citizens. Now it is time for the MVH Board, the State of Maine, and the VA to do the same. It is the right thing to do!

For More Information and Interviews Contact:

The American Legion Department of Maine

Paul L’Heureux, Department Adjutant

Phone: (207) 873-3229 | Email: Paul@MaineLegion.org

COMMANDER'S PROJECT

2021-2022

American Legion
Department of Maine Foundation



The American Legion, Department of Maine Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization exclusively for charitable purposes. All donations to the foundation are tax deductible under the United States Tax Code and Internal Revenue Service.

The Mission of the Foundation is to provide financial assistance, promote Americanism, Youth Programs, National Security, and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation that will enhance the lives of our veterans, their families, children and communities in the State of Maine today and for future generations.

My goal this year is to raise \$15,000 for the Endowment Fund to help fund American Legion Americanism Programs. Examples include Baseball, Dirigo (Boys) State, and the Oratorical Scholarship program.

America's future lies in our children.

American Legion Baseball, founded in 1925, has taught hundreds of thousands of young Americans the importance of sportsmanship, good health and active citizenship. The program is also a promoter of equality, making teammates out of young athletes regardless of their income levels or social standings.

At Dirigo (Boys) State, participants learn the rights, privileges and responsibilities of franchised citizens. The training centers on the structure of city, county and state governments. Students are elected to various offices. Activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law-enforcement presentations, assemblies, bands, and recreational programs. The two representatives elected to represent Maine at Boys Nation in Washington, of federal government.

The American Legion Oratorical Contest exists to develop deeper knowledge and appreciation for the U.S. Constitution among high school students. Since 1938, the program has presented participants with an academic speaking challenge that teaches important leadership qualities, the history of our nation's laws, the ability to think and speak clearly, and an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, rights and privileges of American citizenship.

All these programs help to train and shape our youth into outstanding citizens. Many will become our future leaders and many may become leaders in the American Legion.

I am asking all of you: Legionnaires, Legion Posts, and Districts to please contribute to this endowment fund. It will help so many for many years to come.

Any amount will help, but some have asked for specific amounts.

This is my hope for suggested donations:

Posts with Canteens: \$250
Posts without Canteens: \$100
Districts: \$200

Individuals: Whatever you believe you can contribute.

To donate online, please [CLICK HERE](#), or visit <http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/foundation/donate.php>; click on the "DONATE TODAY" button and choose **Fund 001 AL DOM Foundation – Endowment Fund** and choose Donate with a Debit or Credit Card.

Checks should be made payable to American Legion Department of Maine Foundation and mailed to: American Legion Department of Maine Foundation, 5 Verti Drive Winslow, Maine 04901-0727. Please make sure to provide your name and address so that we may send you a tax receipt.

Thank you all. For God and Country.

Commander Deb Couture

FLAG REWARDS



A free Citation of Appreciation is available for your use on our web site. Give this certificate to anyone who purchases a flag to benefit your Post.

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Remember: Your Post earns 10¢ for each \$1 spent on American flags by your Post or sponsors!

American Legion Flag & Emblem
5745 Lee Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46216
(888) 453-4466

emblem@legion.org



VETS IN THE VALLEY WINTERFEST

VETERANS & THEIR FAMILIES SKI FREE!

Saturday, Mar. 19th, 10am-5pm

*All Military Veterans & Gold Star Families, regardless of length of service receive free ski lift tickets and free equipment rental. Additionally, immediate family, dependents, receive a free lift ticket and 50% off equipment rentals. Offers valid the day of the event only. Veteran & families must show proof of eligibility.

For those who may not be familiar with this event, it is a day of no or low cost skiing and winter activities for Veterans, military members and their families to enjoy outdoor recreation. This event is hosted by Lost Valley Ski area in Auburn and runs 9 am to 4 pm. Because this is a Veteran event, we also like to have Veteran Resources onsite to provide information on various support services and resources for the military community.

This is where you come in. Your organization has been identified as a resource that currently provides services to the military community or has the potential to provide services. If you are interested in attending to promote your organization, please email your name, organization, and contact information for the onsite representative to Leo Deon at Leo.J.Deon@maine.gov. Don't delay as space is limited. The deadline for signing up is Wednesday, March 16, 2022. Additional information will be provided to those organizations who sign up to participate.

Please call or email with any questions and we look forward to having your organization join us.

Yours in Service,

Leo

**Leo J. Deon Jr. (CWO, U.S. Coast Guard-Ret)
Local Veterans' Employment Representative
Maine Hire-A-Vet Campaign
2020 Co-Coordinator
Franklin County MMCN Chair**



LOST VALLEY
200 Lost Valley Rd.
Auburn, ME
LostValleySki.com

Schedule of Events
10am-5pm Free Ski/Snowboard
10am-2pm Meet & Greet with
Veterans Service Organizations
2pm Free Appetizer Buffet for
Veterans
1-4pm Live Music

MAINE LEGISLATURE RECOGNIZES FEBRUARY 2022 AS 211 MONTH

AUGUSTA, Maine—February 2022 is officially recognized as **211 Month** by the Maine Legislature, with the resolution passing in the Senate and House with bipartisan support. Finding help for complex needs like shelter, substance use, mental health, or food access can be hard for many Mainers.

Fortunately, there is a Maine-based resource that can help.

The Joint Resolution recognizing 211 Month in Maine was cosponsored by Sen. Trey Stewart (R-Aroostook) and Rep. Lori Gramlich (D-Old Orchard Beach).

[Click to read the full announcement.](#)



Make Your Name Part of The American Legion History

**Become a Sponsor Today in
Support of Maine Veterans!**

*Deadline for Submission
is May 6, 2022*

Become a sponsor of our Maine American Legion Convention yearbook as an **“individual donor”** and help support Veterans in the State of Maine. As a contributor, your name (individual or business) will be listed in our 2022 Maine American Legion yearbook and made available in print and online in digital format on www.mainelegion.org.



Donations may be made by clicking on the **DONATIONS WELCOMED** button located on our Legion website at www.mainelegion.org

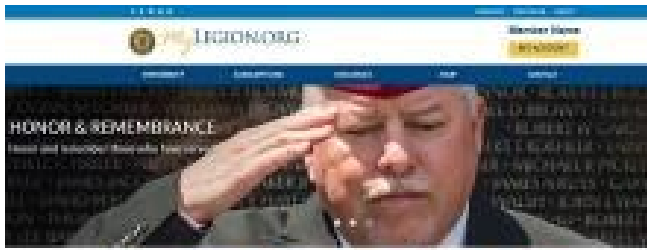
and selecting “Donate with Debit or Credit Card”, or by check payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow.

*Show your support to our Veterans in the State of
Maine! Become a sponsor today and make your
name part of The American Legion History*

To purchase ad space, please submit payment along with Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form (see page 10 & 11) or visit www.mainelegion.org.

MILITARY TRIVIA

Q: What is the name of the Army Unit that serves at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery and what are its distinctions? 4



NEW TRAINING VIDEO ON HOW TO PROCESS MEMBERSHIP

[MyLegion Training Part 4 – Processing Membership](#)

or visit <https://vimeo.com/showcase/8339635/video/534508932>

All Training Videos ➤ [MyLegion Training Series](#)

or visit <https://vimeo.com/showcase/8339635>

[New Step-By-Step Instructions & Other Resources to Help with Your MyLegion.org Account/Registration](#)

[Useful Step-By-Step Instructions/Information on Membership Processing, Group Permissions & More!](#)

[A Complete Overview of MyLegion.org \(PDF format\)](#)

[A Complete Overview of MyLegion.org \(PPTX Format\)](#)

Note: The last Tuesday of each month American Legion National Headquarters staff will present 60 to 90-minute sessions on topics aimed at post commanders and adjutants. Each session will be recorded and made available for later viewing. Please visit [Training Tuesdays](#) for the next scheduled training session.

IMPORTANT DATES IN MILITARY HISTORY

March

- [3/3 Star Spangled Banner Day](#)
- [3/19 Iraqi Freedom Began \(Iraq War\)\(2003\)](#)
- [3/24 Kosovo Campaign Began \(1999\)](#)
- [3/25 National Medal of Honor Day](#)
- [3/29 Vietnam Veteran's Day](#)
- [3/31 Somalia Campaign Ended \(1995\)](#)

Anyone who is currently an American Legion member or who is eligible for membership may become a PUFL member. Legionnaires can apply for membership online at: www.legion.org/pufl.

Find an application at the end of this newsletter. Visit www.mainelegion.org Forms/Applications for more information.

**PAID
UP FOR
LIFE**

Paid Up for Life Pricing (For post dues of \$48.00 or less)

AGE	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90+
FEE	\$1,535	\$1,399	\$1,229	\$1,025	\$815	\$599	\$429	\$329

When paid in full the member will receive a permanent plastic card identifying him/her as a lifetime member. The PUFL member will also continue to receive an annual American Legion membership card mailed directly on or about July 1st of each year.

Lifetime membership can be paid either in one single lump sum or over 12 equal, monthly payments. If a member chooses the Time Pay Plan, payment must be made by credit card only. (Check for online promotions if paying in full.) Once a member fulfills the PUFL membership dues, he/she will be protected from any future dues increases at the post, department or national levels. See pages 12 & 13 for application.

MEMBERSHIP IMPACT REPORTS

The American Legion's success depends entirely on active membership, participation and volunteerism. The following monthly reports located on: <https://www.legion.org/membership/impact> 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 [submitting consolidated post reports online](#). To visit the impact American Legion posts made throughout the year, visit: <https://www.legion.org/bythenumbers> or <https://www.legion.org/membership/impact>.

PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club have increased to \$5.00/member. See Page 12 for an application.



Bringing you all the latest from
The Legionnaire Insurance Trust



WHAT'S MAILING THIS MONTH?

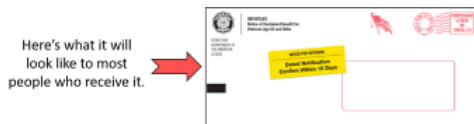
We are mailing **Emergency Assistance Plus (EA+)**
on **February 23rd**.

Quick reminder about EA+: If you're traveling away from home and experience a medical emergency, EA+ steps in to provide essential support services that can help you during your emergency. Services include:

- **Medical Evacuation** to get you to a more appropriate hospital.
- **Transportation Home** after hospitalization.
- **Nurse Escort** to help you travel if deemed medically necessary.
- **Return of Vehicle** if it is stranded due to your emergency.
- **And More!**

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/Emergency-Assistance-Plus.



[CLICK HERE FOR CONTENT TO SPREAD THE WORD](#)



- The next mailing is HospitalHELP in March.
- Only a few days left to submit your Department's entry for the Wigle Membership Innovation Initiative! If you need more information, reach out to Howard Bender.

**AND AS ALWAYS,
DON'T FORGET:**



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The Legionnaire Insurance Trust



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



COMPUTER 101

Computer 101 is a resource which aims to help those who wish to learn basic skills with the powerful technology of today's world. Increased proficiency with computers and the Internet has positive outcome across all fronts, both personally and professionally.

23 Most Fun Things to Do with Your Computer

When You are Bored and Have a Computer:

1. Watch Movies/Videos
2. Play Games
3. Listen to Music
4. Make Youtube Videos
5. Surf!
6. Chat
7. Facebook
8. Watching Videos On Youtube
9. Online Window Shop
10. Learn Keyboard Shortcuts
11. Trace an Email Automatically
12. Make Music
13. Read Wikipedia
14. Learn Hacking
15. Crack Windows Password
16. Listen to a Podcast
17. Explore Google Earth
18. Take a Free Online Course
19. Turn the Screen Upside Down

To learn more about above [CLICK HERE](#) or go to:
<https://www.speeli.com/most-fun-things-to-do-with-your-computer/>

MILITARY TRIVIA

A: Formed in 1784, the First American Regiment is the oldest currently active unit in the US Army and this part of the 3rd Infantry Regiment has been the official ceremonial unit since 1948. It's nickname is "**The Old Guard**" or "Escort to the President" bearing the motto of "touch me not" in Latin and is the **only** active US Army unit authorized to march with fixed bayonets.



EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VEFAP)

Do you know of a veteran in your community in need of assistance? Someone who during these challenging times just needs a little help to keep them going? Maybe a veteran that is homeless? Or worst of all, a homeless veteran with children? If so, we want to remind you that The American Legion, Department of Maine can assist you to help these veterans during their difficult and troubling times.

Please call 207-660-9324 or 207-873-3229 Ext. 3.

For more information visit our website:

<http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/resources/va-resources.php>

We will contact you as soon as possible and we hope to enable you to help veterans in need.



IRVING
Irving Oil Savings

Reminder! Daylight Savings Time Begins March 13th
Set your clocks ahead!



“What counts is not necessarily the size of the dog in the fight – it’s the size of the fight in the dog.”

~ President Dwight D. Eisenhower

“War is the greatest evil Satan has invented to corrupt our hearts and souls. We should honor our soldiers, but we should never honor war.”

~ Dean Hughes

DONATIONS

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

Past Commanders Scholarship Fund

In Memory of Lester Prue, Rumford Post 24

Kenneth Hodson & Marilyn Brown.....	\$150.00
Dorraine Diebold.....	\$100.00
Michael Hodson & Mary Ruoff.....	\$25.00
Richard & Judith Nicholas	\$25.00
Terri L. Mingo.....	\$50.00
Joseph W. Howard.....	\$100.00
Pamela Prue.....	\$500.00

THE AMERICAN LEGION

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE FOUNDATION

2022 Commanders Project – Couture

Sagadahoc District 8	\$200.00
Rumford Post 24	\$100.00
Litchfield Post 181.....	\$250.00
Gray Post 86.....	\$250.00

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Be Connected – Be Heard – Be Informed

District 3 – Androscoggin: Mar. 13

Sebattus Post 135 2PM

District 5 – Oxford: Mar. 16

Norway Post 82, 7PM

Meeting and Election of Officers, refreshments.

District 7 – Lincoln: Mar. 3

Waldoboro Post 149, 6:30PM

District 9 – Kennebec: Mar. 9

N. Vassalboro Post 126, 7PM

District 12 – Hancock: Mar. 8

Dinner at 6:00PM, Mtg at 7:30PM

Dinner & Meeting will be at Governor’s in Ellsworth

District 13 – Penobscot: Mar. 6

Hermon Post 200, Rescue Squad Bldg. 2PM

District 14 – Piscataquis: Mar. 19,

Brownville Junction Post 92, 12 Noon Lunch

Directory Changes

Page 53: Post 51

Adjutant updated to Carl Coombs,
129 Shorey Rd., Winslow, ME 04901
(660-5341) e-mail: bcoombs06@gmail.com



Maine American Legion

Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form

Support Veterans in the State of Maine by Promoting your Business in
The American Legion, Department of Maine's Annual State Convention Yearbook.

HELP US CONTINUE TO SERVE VETERANS FOR ANOTHER 100 YEARS!

Contact Person's Name

First Name

Last Name

Contact Person's Cell

Area Code

Phone Number

Alternate Phone

Area Code

Phone Number

E-mail

example@example.com

Company Name

Address

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State

Postal / Zip Code

Website Address

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MAY 6, 2022

Over →

Specifications & Submissions:

- To conform with IRS unrelated business income rules, please use the following guidelines for your sponsorship display/artwork:
 - The display can include the company name, logo, product lines, and contact information (address, ph. #, email, web address).
 - Slogans can be mentioned as well as value-neutral descriptions of the goods or services in acknowledging your support.
 - Avoid price information or indications of savings. For example, avoid using terms like "the best" or "great prices", etc.
- Please submit all files in digital format (i.e., PDF, JPG, PNG, InDesign, Photoshop) and formatted to the preferred size indicated.

Please note: Although we prefer you send your display in digital format, Option 3 does include the choice to mail your display on paper.

Businesses that have already sponsored ad space in the 2021 Convention Yearbook do not have to resubmit an ad.

Please just send payment based on the ad size fee selected and make sure to check the box that says

"PLEASE USE AD SUBMITTED IN THE 2021 CONVENTION YEARBOOK"

Payment Option Instructions:

- Payment Option 1: Send Electronic Submissions of Digital Files and Payment Online:** Visit <https://form.jotform.com/RachaelJ/ALDOM-Yearbook-Sponsorship-ReqForm> or www.mainelegion.org and click on the image of the Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form.
- Payment Option 2: Mail Payment via U.S. Postal Service with Electronic Form & Digital File Submissions:** Visit <https://form.jotform.com/RachaelJ/ALDOM-Yearbook-Sponsorship-ReqForm> or www.mainelegion.org and click on the image of the Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form. **Make check payable to Maine American Legion Convention Corporation and mail payment and Sponsorship Request Form to The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, Maine 04901-0727.**
- Payment Option 3: Mail Sponsorship Display/Artwork, Sponsorship Request Form & Payment via U.S. Postal Service:** 1. Fill out the contact information above. 2. Check off the desired page size. 3. **Mail a copy of your sponsorship display on paper or saved on a flash drive, Sponsorship Request Form, and check made payable to Maine American Legion Convention Corporation to The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, Maine 04901-0727.**
- Name Only - Business/Individual Donation (any \$ amount):** This option allows individuals and businesses not submitting an ad to donate x amount of dollars in support of Maine veterans and have their name listed on the "Business & Individual Donors" page of the Maine AL Convention Yearbook. (All business names and ads will be linked to the business website if available). **To donate, please check the Business/Individual Donation box below. Make check payable to Maine American Legion Convention Corporation and mail donation and form to The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, Maine 04901-0727.** To donate online, please visit <https://form.jotform.com/RachaelJ/ALDOM-Yearbook-Sponsorship-ReqForm> or www.mainelegion.org and click on the image of the Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form or simply click on the MAINE AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION YEARBOOK DONATIONS WELCOMED button.

****The Convention Yearbook is printed in Full Color****

Please reserve the following space in Maine American Legion's 2022 Annual Convention Yearbook.

***Please call 207-873-3229 Ext. 2 to check on availability.**

- *Outside Back Cover (7 1/2" x 10") (Limited to 1 full size pg.) - SOLD - \$1000.00
- *Inside Front Cover (7 1/2" x 10") (Limited to 1 full size pg.) - SOLD - \$ 500.00
- *Inside Back Cover (7 1/2" x 10") (Limited to 1 full size pg.) - SOLD - \$ 500.00
- Full Page (7 1/2" x 10") - \$ 300.00
- Half Page (7 1/2" x 4 3/4") - \$ 200.00
- Quarter Page (3 1/2" x 4 3/4") - \$ 125.00
- Business Card Size (3 1/2" x 2") - \$ 75.00
- Convention Yearbook - No. of Copies: _____ X \$20.00 ea. = \$ _____.
- Name Only - Business/Individual Donation (any \$ amount): \$ _____.
(All names will be listed on the Business/Individual Donors page with business names linked to the web address provided)

Total \$ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____.

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All checks are made payable to Maine American Legion Convention Corporation

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Phone: (207) 873-3229 | Email: legionme@mainelegion.org | Website: www.mainelegion.org



**THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
APPLICATION FOR PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE MEMBERSHIP
(Please print clearly)**



APPLICANT'S NAME _____ MEMBER ID # _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE () _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ TOTAL PUFL FEE \$ _____
(Mo./Day/Year)

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

BRANCH OF SERVICE (check only one): US Army US Navy US Marines US Air Force US Coast Guard

WAR ERA: WWII December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946 Grenada/Lebanon August 24, 1982 – July 31, 1984
 Korea June 25, 1950 – January 31, 1955 Panama December 20, 1989 - January 31, 1990
 Vietnam February 28, 1961 – May 7, 1975 War on Terrorism August 2, 1990 - Open
 Merchant Marines December 7, 1941 – December 3, 1946 Only

IMPORTANT NOTICE: NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REQUEST FURTHER DOCUMENTATION FROM MEMBER TO CONFIRM ELIGIBILITY AND INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS APPLICATION.

Full Payment Enclosed (Deduct \$100.00 from fee noted above.)

Time Payment Plan – Requires payment by credit card. Card will be billed monthly, in 12 equal payments. Member's permanent PUFL card will be issued when paid-in-full. (Must review and sign Time Payment Agreement. Not eligible for discount rates.)

PAYMENT IS MADE BY THE FOLLOWING METHOD (do not send cash):

Check or Money Order (Made payable to The American Legion) Check or money order number _____

Charge to MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express.

(Credit Card Number)

(Expiration Date)

Date _____ Signature of card holder required, if different from applicant _____

IF GIFT, PROVIDE GIVER INFORMATION BELOW:

Check here if PUFL is being awarded by Post (Honorary Life)

Name _____ Mbr ID # (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address _____ Phone # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mail PUFL card to: GIVER PUFL GIFT RECIPIENT

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (required): _____
(Applicant's signature may be omitted only if PUFL is to be given as a gift.)

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Check/M.O. from:

Member National Per Capita _____
 Post Dept Per Capita _____
 Dept. Post Per Capita _____

Date Received at National: _____

MAIL COMPLETED FORM WITH PAYMENT TO: THE AMERICAN LEGION, PUFL SPECIALIST, PO BOX 1954, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46206. ALLOW UP TO 6 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY OF PERMANENT PUFL MEMBERSHIP CARD.

Paid-Up-For-Life (PUFL) Agreement

1. The applicant must be in **good standing**.
2. National Headquarters reserves the right to require further information or confirmation of the member's eligibility, which may include a request for the member to provide a copy of his/her DD214 (or similar) or other documentation of age, military service or membership eligibility. The member's Paid-Up-For-Life application will be held pending verification.
3. The member's Post will be notified of the new PUFL membership and will be permitted up to 30 days to challenge the application for acceptance.
4. If payment is being made using a credit card, the full payment will be charged immediately. Payment can be made by MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express.
5. The permanent (plastic) PUFL card will be issued within 4-6 weeks of receipt and approval of the application.
6. No refund of payment(s) will be made if the member chooses to discontinue his/her PUFL membership at any time, once the application is approved and processed; the only exceptions are explained in Item 7. This also pertains to members participating in the Time Payment Plan whose account was closed due to delinquency. These members will not be eligible to participate in the Time Payment Plan in the future but may re-submit an application with full payment at any time. (Any funds previously submitted on the cancelled account will not be credited to the new application.)
7. Should a PUFL member hold membership in a Post whose charter has been canceled and no other Post is available to accept a transfer, then the unused portion of the original fee, if any, will be refunded. The same rule will apply in the event that the member is expelled from membership by action of his Post or Department Headquarters. **Except as stated, no refund of any portion of PUFL membership fees paid to National will be made at any time.**
8. Once the application is processed by National Headquarters, the member will no longer receive renewal notices and his/her subscription to *The American Legion Magazine* will never expire. The member will be automatically renewed each year and his/her annual membership card will be mailed around July 1st to the member's address on record at National Headquarters.

Additional Terms for Time Payment Plan Participants ONLY

1. Current members of The American Legion may use the Time Payment Plan to purchase a Paid-Up-For Life (PUFL) membership through National Headquarters. No Interest or service charge is added.
2. After receipt and approval of the application at National Headquarters, the remaining balance will be divided into 11 equal monthly payments.
 - National Headquarters will bill the credit card account provided by the member each month in the amount of 1/12 of the total Paid-Up-For-Life fee.
 - It is the responsibility of the member to contact the PUFL Specialist at 800-433-3318 to report a new credit card expiration date prior to the expiration of the card information originally provided.
 - If the member wants to change the credit card account used at any time after the application is submitted to National Headquarters, the member must contact the PUFL Specialist at 800-433-3318 to provide the replacement credit card information.
3. The total PUFL membership fee must be paid within 12 months after the application is processed at National and consecutive monthly payments are to be maintained. Delinquent accounts may be closed with or without notice to the member. A delinquency will occur if the member's credit card payment is declined for any reason. Any payments already made will be forfeited; no refunds will be issued if a Time Payment account is closed for any reason.
4. The member can elect to pay more than the minimum each month; much the same as a credit card account, paying in advance, or more than the minimum, simply means the account is paid off earlier. To increase the monthly payment amount billed to the member's credit card, the member must contact the PUFL Specialist at 800-433-3318.
5. The permanent (plastic) PUFL membership card will be issued only after the total PUFL fee is paid-in-full. If annual cards are issued before the fee is paid-in-full, the member will receive an annual card with the notation of "TIME PAY."

Please sign below and make sure that the PUFL application is completed to avoid delay in processing.

I acknowledge and understand the terms of The American Legion Paid-Up-For-Life membership program. My signature below indicates acceptance of the Agreement as stated above.

Signature of Member (Applicant)

Member ID#

Date



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.

Post Adjutant

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SUBMIT TO:

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

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

Past Commanders Club form is also available in fillable format by visiting www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php

This form may be filled out on-line at: www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php

***** Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club have increased to \$5.00/member)*****