

# THE LEADERSHIP LEDGER



Welcome to the 113<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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 Dept. HQ via email at: [legionme@mainelegion.org](mailto:legionme@mainelegion.org)

## THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

June 7-8, 2024

Jeff's Catering & Event Center  
15 Littlefield Way, Brewer, Maine 04412

**NEW!!! Electronic Form Submission  
& Payment Now Available!**

*Note: Please remember to email the form to  
Department if paying online.*

**Member/Guest Registration Form &  
Elected Post Delegate/Alternate Form**

**YOUR NAME SHOULD ONLY APPEAR  
ON ONE FORM. FEE/PERSON IS \$10.**

## PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club are \$5.00 per member. See Page 8 for an application. If you have not yet paid your Past Commanders Club dues, please do so today!

## NATIONAL COMMANDER CAMPAIGN DONATIONS

January 13, 2024

Dear Legion Members,



Each year, the Department of Maine supports the incoming National Commander with a donation to their campaign seeking such position. Our own Tony Jordan, when seeking the position of National Commander received financial support from the various departments of The American Legion for his campaign and it is only appropriate that we do the same for anyone seeking that position.

As a part of the process of supporting the individuals seeking the National Commander position, we like to present the donations of individuals who have submitted support of the campaign to the individual as soon as we possibly can after receipt. Sometime we have presented the check to the individual at the Fall Meetings or the Spring Meetings or at our Department Convention. Generally, individuals who have been selected to receive an official call in to the Washington Conference are ones of the first to donate to the campaign. We wish to present the donations as soon as we possibly can.

Individuals who have been selected to receive an official call or are listed as members in the National Commission/Committee book are asked and encouraged to donate to support the campaign. Donations from posts are encouraged as well.

Please make the check payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine and note in the "Memo" section "National Commander's Campaign".

Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Woods  
Nat'l Exec. Comm

Anthony "Tony" Jordan  
Past National Commander

*For God and Country*

## THANK YOU !!!

Many thanks to ALL of you for getting your Post/  
Squadron Data Reports in before the deadline!!!

## NATIONAL COMMANDER'S INCENTIVE PROGRAM

### National Commander's Pin Incentive Program

American Legion National Commander Daniel J. Seehafer will award his national commander "Be the One" dog tag to any Legionnaire who obtains two new members into The American Legion. One to replace you and one for growth.

#### National Commander Seehafer's Pin Incentive Program and Form

### 100% American Legion Family Ribbon

American Legion National Commander Daniel J. Seehafer will award his 100% American Legion Family Ribbon to any American Legion Family that achieves 100 percent membership by the 2024 100% membership target date. For this award, the Legion Family is defined as a post and/or any combination of an Auxiliary unit or Sons squadron. Each must achieve 100% membership to qualify for the award.

#### National Commander Seehafer's Honor Ribbon Program and Form

### 103 Percent Membership Award

American Legion National Commander Daniel J. Seehafer will award his "Be the One" dog tag to any post commander, district commander, county commander, division commander, department commander or membership chairman who achieves 103% of their assigned membership goal for 2024.

#### National Commander Seehafer's 103 Percent Membership Pin Incentive Program and Form

### From the Department of Maine Post Excellence Award

## 2024 AMERICAN LEGION COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

The Maine American Legion College enhances knowledge and appreciation of The American Legion and teaches the core values and contributions of the organization. The coursework prepares Legionnaires for leadership positions in posts, districts, and departments through education, development, and motivation. The curriculum challenges student leaders to think critically and creatively about issues confronting The American Legion.

**The 2024 dates are: July 20-21 & Sept. 21-22**

Maine American Legion College takes place in the Training Center at Department Headquarters (5 Verti Drive, Winslow).

For more information, or to reserve your spot, email: [jason@mainelegion.org](mailto:jason@mainelegion.org) today.



## COMMANDER'S PROJECT 2023-24

*Department Commander Al McKay asks that each Post and Legionnaire support his goal!*



The American Legion, Department of Maine has a long history with the Maine Veterans' Cemeteries across the State. A chapel that had stood at the Maine Veterans Cemetery in Augusta since the burial space at Togus was closed, fell into disrepair and was torn down years ago. The committal building that replaced it is heavily utilized and in need of some massive structural renovations. The committal building is an essential tool needed to conduct an interment Service for our fallen comrades. If you would like to support Commander McKay's project in renovating this necessary building, please mail checks to:

**The American Legion Department of Maine**  
Attn: Committal Building  
5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME 04901-0727

If you would like to donate with a Debit or Credit Card, please call 207-873-3229 or visit:

[www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org)

Click on the Donate button. Make sure to type: "Commander's Project" in the Note section.

**Thank You!!!**



### The American Legion Family Dirigo State Program

Colby College

**4000 Mayflower Drive, Waterville 04901**  
Sunday, June 16, 2024 - Friday, June 21, 2024

**Registration: Sunday, June 16 at noon**  
**Graduation: Friday, June 21 at 3:00 pm**

**Cost per student is \$400**

#### 2024 DIRIGO STATE APPLICATION PACKET- FILLABLE DIRIGO STATE POSTER

Completed forms (Dirigo State Application, Parental Consent, Medical Authorization, and Performing Arts if participating) should be mailed to The American Legion, Department of Maine along with a check in the amount of \$400/student. Checks should be made payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine and mailed to The American Legion, Dept. of Maine Attn: Dirigo State, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME 04901-0727. FMI contact 873-3229 Ext. 1, or email: [jason@mainelegion.org](mailto:jason@mainelegion.org).

# BE THE ONE

## TRAINING - 2024

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**2024 Training Dates**

May 25<sup>th</sup>      Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>      Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>

**Training Location**

Department of Maine Training Room  
5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME 04901.

For more details on the **Be The One** campaign visit: [betheone.org](http://betheone.org)

**American Legion Be the One Campaign**

To Reserve Your Spot Email:  
[jason@mainelegion.org](mailto:jason@mainelegion.org)

Today, 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 peer-to-peer support and resources in local communities; Deploy FDA-approved therapeutics for veterans to identify issues and find resources for support.

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

*Donate \$100 or More and Receive Yearbook and Centennial Coin!*

*Deadline for Submission May 10, 2024*



Become 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 2024 Maine American Legion Yearbook made available in print and online in digital format by visiting: [www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org).

To donate with Debit/Credit Card, scan this QR code with your phone or visit [www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org) and click on the Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Donations Welcomed button to donate today. 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 Drive, Winslow, ME 04901-0727.**

For more info, please call



## SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

### Squadron Forms/Applications

[Print a SAL Membership Application](#)

[Squadron Officers Form](#)

[Consolidated Squadron Report - fillable](#)

[Annual Squadron Data Report - fillable](#)

[Click Here for the Latest Membership Report](#)



**Volunteers Needed for 2024 State Tournaments Mansfield Stadium Bangor, ME**

**Senior League State Championships, July 27 – 30/31**

**Junior League State Championships, August 3 – 6**

**Junior Regional Championships, August 9-11 (CT, MA, ME, NH, NY, RI, VT)**



### The 100th Anniversary of American Legion Baseball

The 100th Anniversary of American Legion Baseball will be recognized during the 2025 season. Every Post in the state is invited to do something special and now is the time to brainstorm any ideas!

For more information contact American Legion

State Adjutant Jason Hall at:

207-873-3229 | 207- 522-5471 or

via e-mail at [jason@mainelegion.org](mailto:jason@mainelegion.org)



**There are only two seasons – winter and Baseball.**

~ William Louis "Bill" Veeck, Jr.



Q. When was the last "Declaration of War" issued by the US Congress?

~ Submitted by Dwayne Hatfield  
Mars Hill Post 118



**MyLegion.org is a One-Stop-Shop for  
Managing Your American Legion Membership!**

## Some More General Questions

### I paid my dues a while ago so why did I get another renewal notice?

Renewal notices are mailed from National Headquarters based on the information in our records at the time the notices are printed. Although you may have paid your dues, the National portion of your dues may not have reached our offices yet. When you pay your dues to the Post, they process your payment and keep a portion for the Post; the balance is sent to your Department Headquarters with your membership card; and finally, the Department deducts its portion of your dues and then forwards the remaining balance and your membership card to National. Once National receives your dues and card they are usually processed within 48 hours.

On the renewal notice, you'll see there is an "AS OF" date which is when the notice was printed. If you paid your dues sometime around that date, your dues and the renewal probably just crossed in the mail, and you shouldn't receive another one for that membership year. However, if you paid well in advance of that "as of" date, then you should contact your post adjutant to verify the status of your renewal payment.

**For more information contact Dept. HQ at 873-3229.** The American Legion State Headquarters 5 Verti Dr., Winslow 04901.

## 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>

## Attention: District Commanders & Adjutants

District Meeting Calendar  
Form now available online!

[Click Here](#) or visit:  
[www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org)  
under Forms/Application



## QUICKLY & EASILY RENEW ONLINE TODAY!

Simply Scan the QR Code with  
the camera on your phone or visit:

[www.legion.org/renew](http://www.legion.org/renew)



## Warrant Templates

All Post/District Officer Positions

Available on-line at: [MaineLegion.org](http://MaineLegion.org)

or go to:

<http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.ph>. *It's fast and easy!!!*

## ATTENTION COMMANDERS & ADJUTANTS!

**B**y now you should have received all four **Annual Post** Forms. Thanks again for getting the Post Data reports in on time! Please fill out the remaining forms as per the directions and mail the forms back to Dept. HQ **as soon as possible**.



For more information please call  
Dept. HQ @ 873-3229

*Thank you!*

## Print 2024 Membership Cards in [MyLegion](#)

**A**merican Legion post and squadron group leadership can print a current membership card for Legion and Sons of The American Legion members.

**To start:**

1. Go to your My Account page in [www.mylegion.org](http://www.mylegion.org).
2. Enter My Groups to access Group Profile.
3. Click on "View Members."
4. Search the member and click on their name from the list to view Member Profile.
5. Click "Membership Cards" and click on the link to view and print card image.

## POST/DISTRICT FORMS

[CLICK HERE](#)

To see which forms your post still needs to submit.

## Lock in a Three-Year Membership

The American Legion  
FEB 14, 2024



More than 8,000 American Legion members have taken advantage of the new multiyear membership option for renewals and new joins. Ready to lock-in a three year membership before the national per-capita dues increase goes into effect? It's easy. Here's how:

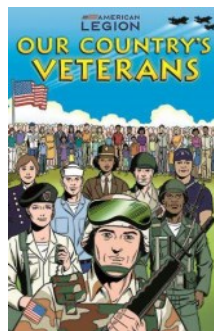
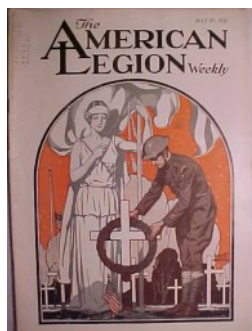
- For renewals, visit [legion.org/renew](https://legion.org/renew) and select the three-year membership option.
- For new joins, visit [legion.org/join](https://legion.org/join) and select the three-year membership option.

“We have wanted this multiyear option for our members, and now that it's here, the excitement for it shows in the number of Legionnaires who have taken advantage of it,” National Membership & Post Activities Committee Chairman Matt Jabaut said. “The multiyear membership option saves members from receiving renewal notices every year, and it's another great benefit to being an American Legion member.”

The American Legion's national per-capita dues will increase from \$18.50 to \$23.50 starting with the 2025 membership year. The \$5 increase will go into effect July 1, 2024.

### Reminders about multiyear membership:

- Multiyear membership sign-up is only available on the national American Legion website ([legion.org/renew](https://legion.org/renew) and [legion.org/join](https://legion.org/join)). Current or potential members cannot renew or join for a three-year membership at the post level or through MyLegion.org.
- Payment for the three-year membership is upfront.
- There is not a discounted rate with the three-year membership.
- Membership cards will still be sent annually by Legion posts.
- Those who sign up for a multiyear membership will not receive a renewal notice during the time they have signed up for the multiyear membership.



## DISTRICT MEETINGS

*Be Connected • Be Heard • Be Informed*

### APRIL 2024

**District 14 – Piscataquis: Apr. 20**  
Dexter Post 53, 12 Noon Lunch w/Bus. Mtg. at 1PM

### MAY 2024

**District 2 – Cumberland: May TBD**  
Westbrook Post 197, 1PM  
Legion/ALA 1 PM Luncheon, 2 PM Meeting,  
Post Everlasting, Officer Installation

**District 5 – Oxford: May 21**  
West Paris Post 151, 7:00PM  
Supper before at 6PM

**District 7 – Lincoln: May 1**  
Damariscotta Post 42, 6:00PM Installation

**District 9 – Kennebec: May 8**  
Clinton Post 186, 6:00PM

**District 12 – Hancock: May 13**  
Bucksport Post 93  
Dinner at 6:00PM, Meeting at 7:00PM

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**District 13 – Penobscot: May 5**  
Holland Post 97, 2PM

**District 14 – Piscataquis: May 18**  
Greenville Post 94, 12 Noon Lunch  
w/Business Meeting at 1PM

**District 15 – Washington: May 19**  
Baileyville Post 23, 2PM 1PM meet and greet

**District 16 – S. Aroostook: May 4**  
Mars Hill Post 118 – 12PM Meal + 4 elections

**District 17 – N. Aroostook: May 5**  
Madawaska Post 147 – 12PM  
Noon meal, Meeting at 1pm Elections

## DONATIONS

### THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

#### Commanders Project

Phippsburg Post 216..... \$50.00

#### Blind Camp

Bethel Post 81..... \$100.00  
District 12 Hancock..... \$50.00

#### Dirigo State

Fairfield Post 14..... \$400.00  
Alna-Anchor Lodge 43 ..... \$400.00  
Pembroke Post 59..... \$100.00

**Thank you!**



# Stay Connected with Your Fellow Legionnaires!



[Click here to see the Latest Post Events](#)



[Click Here for the State Directory!](#)

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE STATE DIRECTORY!

The State Directory has been posted on the Department Website in the past however it is now password-protected. Please call Dept. HQ at: 873-3229 or e-mail [legionme@mainelegion.org](mailto:legionme@mainelegion.org) to get the password, or if you have any questions or concerns.

*I don't need to worry about identity theft because no one wants to be me.*

~ [Jay London, Comedian](#)



★ **MEMORIAL DAY** ★  
is just around the corner!

### Tips & Suggestions

#### Gravemarker Flags Count



Does your Post need stick flags to put out for Memorial Day? Stick flags do earn Flag Rewards credit for your Post!

**American Legion Flag & Emblem**  
5745 Lee Rd.  
Indianapolis, IN 46216  
(888) 453-4466  
[emblem@legion.org](mailto:emblem@legion.org)

### MILITARY TRIVIA

A. That occurred on June 5, 1942 bringing the United States into World War II.



## 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.



### One Tech Tip: What to do if your personal info has been exposed in a data breach

**Be aware:** In the United States, there's no federal law compelling companies or organizations to notify individuals of data breaches, but it's standard practice for them to inform affected customers and often provide identity protection services, said Oren Arar, vice president of consumer privacy at cybersecurity company Malwarebytes.

The situation is better in the European Union, where the 27-nation bloc's privacy regulations require disclosure of certain types of breaches.

Even after a breach has been made public, cybersecurity experts say people need to remain vigilant. Be on guard for phishing and other social engineering attempts, in the form of emails or phone calls purporting to be from the hacked organization or someone offering help. Contact the company or organization involved to see if they can confirm it. But use their official website, smartphone app or social media channels – don't use links or contact details in any messages you've been sent.

Also consult the Federal Trade Commission's website for identity theft victims, [identitytheft.gov](http://identitytheft.gov), which provides step-by-step advice on how to recover from various scenarios.

**Change your password:** If your data has been exposed, the first thing you should do is change your password for the account involved.

Use a strong password including letters, numbers and symbols. The longer the better - some experts say it should be 16 characters. Make sure to add multifactor authentication, which adds a second layer of verification by requiring a code sent by text message or email, or inserting a USB authenticator key into your device.

And if you've been using the same or similar login information for multiple websites or online accounts, make sure to change it. The reason is that if hackers pilfer your password from one service, they can try it on your other accounts and easily get into all of them. If you find it too hard to memorize all your various credentials, consider a password manager.

"Just because your info shows up in a breach doesn't mean someone's stolen your identity or money. But it does mean you're at risk," said Arar. "That's why it's smart to watch your credit for new accounts, change any passwords that get leaked, use multifactor authentication, and have a separate 'junk' email for less important sign-ups."

**Keep monitoring:** Data breaches are rampant and it can be hard to keep track of them through individual notifications. There are online services that you can check, like [Have I Been Pwned](http://HaveIBeenPwned.com), a free website that shows if your email has been involved in a data breach.

Malwarebytes' Digital Footprint Portal does a similar job but it can also check whether your info has been posted on the dark web.

"When public data breaches occur, cybercriminals gather as much data as possible so they can sell it on the dark web," said Darren Guccione, CEO of Keeper Security, which makes password protection software and offers a tool, BreachWatch, that scans the dark web to see if your personal information shows up there.

**Tell your bank and credit agencies:** If card payment numbers were stolen, inform your bank or credit card company, explaining that your card is at risk of fraud and asking them to alert you of any suspicious activity. They'll probably issue a new card right away. Some banking and credit card apps allow you to lock the account and freeze any transactions from the app.

You can also notify credit agencies - the three main ones are Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. They can freeze your credit, which restricts access to your credit report and makes it hard to open new accounts or issue a fraud alert, which will be a warning added to your credit report encouraging lenders to contact you before lending money.

**Take extra care after telco hacks:** Cybersecurity experts have warned that breaches that involve a telephone company, like the AT&T case, leave customers vulnerable to having their phone numbers stolen, or "simjacked." Thieves could then use the hijacked number to access other accounts that use that number for multi-factor authentication through text messages.

To reduce that risk, AT&T advises also setting up a unique passcode that's needed to prevent significant account changes such as porting phone numbers to another carrier. Also, delete phone bills, bank statements and other messages with personal info from your email account, so that if criminals gain access to your inbox, they won't be able to use that information to pass security checks.

~ [The Associated Press - Business News](http://The Associated Press - Business News)







**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.

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Post Adjutant

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE**

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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**

This form may be filled out on-line at: [www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php](http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php)

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





**Are you interested in starting your own business?**

**Please join us for an Online**

**Boots to Business**

**A Free, Two-Day Entrepreneurial Training for Veterans /Spouse**

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>**

**9:15 am – 4:00 pm Eastern Standard Time**

**Online class to register for the training.**

**please use this link:**

<https://sba.my.site.com/>

**When you get to this link, go to the calendar and select: Online Portsmouth, NS, ME**

Offered by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) as part of the Department of Defense.

Boots to Business is a two-step training program developed to introduce Veterans and transitioning service members to business ownership. This 2-day workshop helps ensure that every participant has access to a standardized entrepreneurship training track and the small business resources in their local communities. **Any veteran, spouse and/or dependent children over 18 are welcome to participate!**

After completing the 2-day Boots to Business session, participants will have the tools and knowledge they need to identify a business opportunity, draft a business plan, connect with local small business resources, and launch their small business. If you have any questions, please contact William Card at 207-622-8555 or email [william.card@sba.gov](mailto:william.card@sba.gov)

# Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act Claims Clinic



Vietnam



Gulf War



Post-9/11



Honoring Our Promise - Increasing Awareness

## Friday, April 26, 2024

### 9:00am - 4:00pm

Please register for this event at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pact-act-claims-clinic-tickets>

OR  
Scan the QR Code



Location: Holiday Inn  
404 Odlin Road  
Bangor, ME 04401

If VA has your service records and/or you bring your service records, examinations are available on the spot for:

- \* Claims for increase
- \* Presumptive conditions
- \* Currently scheduled examination

Examiners for General Medical, Audio, and mental health (excluding initial TBI) will be available

During the event, you can:

- Speak with a VA representative
- Get answers to VA claims, benefits, and healthcare questions
- File a claim for benefits, or enroll in healthcare
- Meet with a VSO and learn about state Veteran benefits
- Meet with a Vet Center counselor



**VA** U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs



For further questions, please contact:  
207-626-4788 ext. 5179 OR  
VBATOGROEngage@va.gov



# ATTENTION: RECENTLY SEPARATED VETERANS AND TRANSITIONING SERVICE MEMBERS

## JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL EVENT

May 7 – 9, 2024  
12PM – 5PM EST



You're invited to get 1-on-1 assistance to get the VA health care and benefits you've earned.

### GET HELP WITH:

- ★ Signing up for VA Health Care ★
- ★ Applying for VA Education Benefits ★
- ★ Submitting a VA Disability Claim ★
  - ★ Toxic Exposure Concerns ★
  - ★ Mental Health Support ★
  - ★ VA Burial Options ★



## REGISTER TODAY!

Please note this is available only to residents of the listed states and all times are Eastern Standard Time.

[www.VA.gov/veac](http://www.VA.gov/veac)



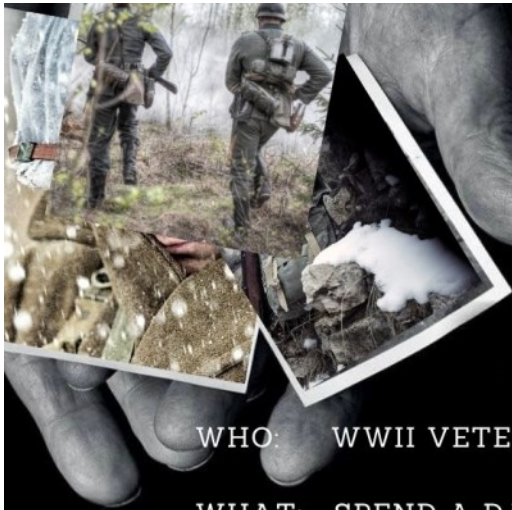
Thank you for your service. We're here for you if you need us.  
Download the VA Welcome Kit: [VA.gov/welcome-kit/](http://VA.gov/welcome-kit/)  
Subscribe to #VetResources: [VA.gov/vetresources/](http://VA.gov/vetresources/)  
Veterans Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255, Press 1  
The one number to reach VA: 1-800-MyVA411

VA



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs





HOUSE IN THE WOODS  
MILITARY & FAMILY RETREAT

*Welcomes You to our*

# WWII VETERAN TRIBUTE



WHO: WWII VETERANS & THEIR FAMILIES

WHAT: SPEND A DAY WITH THE HOUSE IN THE WOODS FAMILY  
AS WE HONOR AND CELEBRATE OUR WWII VETERANS.

WHERE: HOUSE IN THE WOODS MILITARY & FAMILY RETREAT  
217 SKUNK HILL ROAD, LEE, MAINE 04455

WHEN: MAY 18, 2024 8 A.M. - 6 P.M.

- BREAKFAST STARTING AT 8 A.M.,
- SNACKS AVAILABLE IN THE AFTERNOON
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT 1 P.M.
- SUPPER AT 4 P.M.

WHY: WE LOVE OUR VETERANS, WANT TO SHOW OUR  
GRATITUDE TO THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE & SACRIFICE.



INCLUDED: FOOD AND ENTERTAINMENT  
RELAXING ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE  
STORYTELLING AND SHARING TIME TOGETHER.  
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, CEREMONIES,  
OPPORTUNITIES TO GET OUTDOORS A BIT,  
MOSTLY FOCUSED ON BEING WITH OTHER VETERANS  
AND BEING RECOGNIZED FOR THE HEROES THEY ARE.

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# THE GOLDSTARS TRIBUTE WALL (TM)

**MAY 25 - MAY 27, 2024**



The Augusta Elks Lodge #964 is honored to be hosting The GoldStars Tribute Wall this memorial day weekend. Join us for opening ceremonies Saturday May 25th at 10am to pay tribute to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice during the Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq wars.

For more information on the Tribute Wall visit:

<https://www.tributewall.org/>

- ✓ Free to the public
- ✓ Available to view all weekend
- ✓ Sponsorships available



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**Dear Sir or Madam,**

**I hope this letter finds you well. As Memorial Day approaches, we at Augusta Elks Lodge are embarking on a special initiative to honor and pay tribute to our fallen heroes – the GoldStars Tribute Wall. This poignant memorial serves as a powerful reminder of the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country during the Iraq, Afghanistan, and Gulf Wars.**

**Enclosed with this letter, you will find information on sponsorship level opportunities and a donation form. Your contribution, whether big or small, will directly contribute to the success of this initiative and help us honor the fallen soldiers who bravely served during the Iraq, Afghanistan, and Gulf Wars.**

**To facilitate your generous donation, please fill out the enclosed donation form and return it along with your contribution at your earliest convenience, to help us in our mission to bring the GoldStars Tribute Wall to Maine. If you choose to become a sponsor, kindly send in your high-resolution logo to [tributewall@augustaelks.org](mailto:tributewall@augustaelks.org) by May 3, 2024 . Your logo will be prominently displayed, showcasing your commitment to honoring our servicemen and servicewomen.**

**If you have any questions about your donation, the sponsorship levels, or want more information about a specific part of the event, please email [tributewall@augustaelks.org](mailto:tributewall@augustaelks.org). Your generosity will not only help bring a heartfelt tribute to Maine but will also demonstrate our collective appreciation for the sacrifices made by our heroes.**

**Thank you for considering this opportunity to support our mission. Together, let us make this Memorial Day a time of remembrance, gratitude, and unity in honoring those who gave everything for our freedom.**

**With heartfelt thanks,  
James Orr  
Tribute Wall Committee Chair**



## Donation Information

Circle One

\$250   \$500   \$750   \$1000   OTHER \$

This Donation is in HONOR/MEMORY of:

## Donor Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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## Payment Information

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**Please send this form and your donation to:**

**Augusta Elks Lodge #964**

**P.O BOX 2206**

**Augusta ME.,04338**

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**Memo: Tribute Wall Donation**

**Tax ID: 01-0027741**

**Questions? Email [tributewall@augustaelks.org](mailto:tributewall@augustaelks.org)**



# Sponsorship Packages

## Platinum Sponsor : \$1,000 +

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Full Page ad in event Program  
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Social Media Spotlight leading up to event

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Social Media Spotlight leading up to event

## Silver Sponsor: \$500+

Sponsor Recognition at Opening Ceremony  
1/4 Page ad in event Program  
Social Media mention leading up to event

## Bronze Sponsor: \$250 +

Sponsor Recognition at Opening Ceremony  
Logo in event Program  
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**Please send in your high resolution logo and ad to  
[tributewall@augustaelks.org](mailto:tributewall@augustaelks.org) by May 3rd, 2024**



# 4th Annual Chapter 14 MEMORIAL RIDE

**Saturday, JUNE 1, 2024**

Rain Date: 6/2/24

**This year we ride to honor fallen riders from  
Chapter 40 American Legion Riders**

- ◆ **Carl G Smith**
- ◆ **John G Brennan**

**\$20 Per Rider \$10/passenger**

**Registrations: 9:00am @Post 14– Fairfield**

**Safety Brief: 9:45**

**Kickstands UP: 10:00am**

- Prize chances at stops. ENTRY FEE GETS YOU IN THE FUN!! (must show wristband)
  - Fun will include: "Pick-a-Card", "Dice Roll", "The Lucky Band"
  - Additional "bands" will be available for purchase
- Ch.40 Legion Riders will have food available when we reach Post 40 in Winthrop
  - \$10 per plate
- 50/50 Raffle
- **PLEASE FUEL UP** before the Ride; length of ride is about 100 mi.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is a memorial ride with the intention to keep alive the memory of fallen Legion Rider's in our local area. Each Rider honored volunteered their time as Legion Riders to assist in raising money for local Veteran's efforts. We want to keep that volunteering spirit alive and use this annual ride event to honor them and donate to chosen charities that have a meaning for each of OUR fallen Riders individually.

**Ch14 currently donates in remembrance of: Stan Johnson and Dennis Day**

**All proceeds from this event will be used for donations to an organization in honor of each Ch14 fallen rider**