

THE LEADERSHIP LEDGER



Welcome to the 90th 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.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Be Connected • Be Heard • Be Informed

MAY 2023

District 2 – Cumberland: May 21
Scarborough Post 76, 2PM

District 3 – Androscoggin: May 21
Livermore Falls Post 10, 2pm

District 5 – Oxford: May 15
Norway Post 72, 7pm Annual Election Meeting

District 9 – Kennebec: May 10
Augusta Post 2, 7PM

District 14 – Piscataquis: May 20
Greenville Post 94, 12pm lunch w/bus. meeting at 1PM

District 15 – Washington: May 21
Baileyville Post 23, 2PM

Attention: Post Adjutants

The Membership Target Date to reach 100% is fast approaching and we still have a ways to go! Please **PROCESS** your membership at the Post level or **SUBMIT** to Department Headquarters before the May 17th 2023 target date arrives!!!

CLICK HERE for the Latest Membership Report

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

June 9-10, 2023

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

2023 State Convention Agenda - Coming soon!

[Member/Guest Registration Form & Elected Post Delegate/Alternate Form](#)

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

For more information please visit www.mainelegion.org or see pages 7-9

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY DEPARTMENT TESTIMONIAL



Saturday, May 20, 2023

Napoleon-Ouellette Post 24
184 Congress St., Rumford, ME 04276

[Click here](#) for more information or turn to page 10.



**Itinerary - Incoming National Commander Candidate
Daniel J. Seehafer, 2023-2024**

May 18th Thursday

- Flies into Bangor
- Check into hotel in Waterville

May 19th Friday

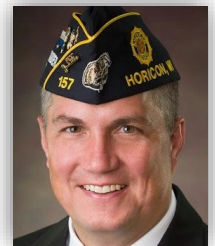
- 1000 Department HQ
- 1130 Red Barn for lunch
- 1330 Vets Home Augusta
- Drive through Togus Campus
- Check in Best Western Rumford
- 1800 Supper at the Lure Restaurant (Thai & American menu)

May 20th Saturday

- 1000/1030 Brunch Post 151 W. Paris
- 1300 Jeri Greenwell funeral Bethel
- 1600 Social hour Post 24 Rumford

May 21st Sunday

- Depart to New Hampshire



Daniel J. Seehafer
[Click Here](#)
For Bio



'BE THE ONE' HAS, AND IS, SAVING LIVES

By Vincent J. "Jim" Troiola
National Commander

APR 26, 2023



American Legion National Commander Vincent J. "James" Troiola delivered the following remarks to the National Executive Committee this morning during the annual Spring Meetings in Indianapolis.

Good morning, national officers, past national commanders, members of the NEC and all of our guests,

I don't like to tell stories that are not mine to tell, but we have had some undeniable success with our "Be the One" activities. While a central principle of "Be the One" is removing all stigma associated with suicide treatment, it is not our place to reveal identities or betray the confidences of people who we help. I will say unequivocally, however, that veterans in crisis have approached our "Be the One" team during INDYCAR races this year and asked for help. Naturally, we took these pleas seriously, followed-up and connected the veterans with the help that they need.

And it is not only the race team that is doing its part.

Last month, I was touring stables in Saratoga, N.Y. While there, one of the organizers briefed us about their equine therapy program for veterans and how it was assisting those in crisis. You should have seen her shocked look when I told her about a pledge from the Department of New York. In July, her equine therapy program will receive \$100,000 to be used for disabled and at-risk veterans.

It was just another example of The American Legion Being the One.

The bottom line is that **"Be the One" has and is saving lives.**

Now, I just spoke about veterans in crisis. But how about a nation in crisis?

I am not exaggerating here but never before has the United States defaulted on its economic debt. We do not know the full ramifications of what failure to lift the debt ceiling means, but economists of all political persuasions warn that the consequences would be dire.

Further down the road will be budget negotiations. One common characteristic of every government shutdown over the last few decades is divided government. We currently have a House of Representatives controlled by one party, and the Senate and White House controlled by the other.

The possibility of another government shutdown this year is very real. The American Legion remembers very well the impact of the 2019 shutdown.

It is a false statement to say the Coast Guard was not paid.

They were.

But it was retroactive – meaning that they had to

wait until the shutdown ended to receive their pay. Can you imagine the stress of serving on a cutter interdicting drug traffickers or performing search-and-rescue missions while wondering if your family would be able to pay the rent that month?

The American Legion stepped up and provided more than \$1 million of temporary financial assistance to Coast Guard families in need during the last shutdown. We told them to keep the money, but this is not a sustainable option. To date, Congress still has not passed legislation that would appropriate the Coast Guard's payroll in advance, so they could be protected like the other branches from this uncertainty.

In the polar regions, Coast Guard icebreakers are often the sole U.S. surface presence against increasing encroachments from Russia and China.

Think about that. While politicians stubbornly fight over budgets and ideologies, our U.S. military continues to defend and protect us.

The American Legion is very much in the fight.

Let me be clear. My message to Washington is this: The American Legion will always fight for the respect owed to our military, our veterans and their families.

It is why our National Security Commission is very much engaged with military officials and members of Congress regarding housing conditions in places like Fort Gordon, Walter Reed and water contamination in Hawaii.

It is why we are such a strong voice on Capitol Hill and continue constant dialog with VA.

It is why Operation Comfort Warriors has held six events for wounded, injured and ill veterans in 2023, with another seven pending.

We take care of those who have taken care of our country – in good times and in bad.

In 2022, our National Emergency Fund provided 104 grants totaling nearly \$268,000. According to a report from April 21, the NEF has already provided more than \$318,000 in 2023. Hurricane season has not even started this year, so we can expect this number to go much higher.

The American Legion is not shy about pointing out areas in which the government is failing veterans and their families.

But I am also reminded of a commercial I have seen from a nonprofit organization that cares for first responders. When discussing the toll that 9/11-related illnesses have taken on rescue workers, the group's founder said, quote, "they would do it again."

That's the way our veterans feel. Most would do it again, even when elected leaders fall short of addressing their needs.

Our military has been struggling with recruiting and retention. Our national security director told the *Washington Post* that veterans understand the value and benefits of military service.

He is right. It is our military service that has earned us the right to be in this room and call ourselves “Legionnaires.”

I would definitely “do it again” and I think most of you would as well.

That does not mean we are any less committed to ensuring that the quality of life for our military and their families is better than what we experienced.

Vincent J. “Jim” Troiola, National Commander
The American Legion

SPECIALLY ADAPTED HOMES FOR VETERANS TO BE BUILT IN YORK COUNTY, MAINE



Seacoast Land Acquisitions and Home Innovations are planning to build a number of Specially Adapted Homes (SAH) for severely injured Veterans from all conflicts who live in Maine and qualify according to Veterans Administration guidelines.

The single-family homes will be built in a small subdivision and will include a community center where Veterans and their families can gather for special events and socialization.

All applicants for SAH will have to apply to the Veterans Administration to determine their eligibility. In addition, special SAH grants are available to eligible Veterans to assist in the purchase of these homes. AVA approved lender will be able to provide additional financing for the purchase of these homes, if needed.

All Veterans, who are interested, are urged to email Dale Midgley at midgleyd@earthlink.net to request information and an application for the Specially Adapted Housing. You can also call the Downing Real Estate Agency at 207-985-3328 or email: info@downingagency.com, attention Dale Midgley.

Sincerely,

Dale Midgley, US Army Veteran, Captain
Medical Service Corps, Cell phone# 207-590-3532



MILITARY TRIVIA

Q. What is so very different & distinctive about the Navy’s “Lone Sailor” statue, located in Washington at the US Navy Memorial site, dedicated in 1987?

~ Submitted by Dwayne Hatfield,
Mars Hill Post 118

Kirk Thurston

Department of Maine Commander’s Project

AMERICAN
LEGION



Operation Reboot Outdoors

Support the American Legion
Commander’s Project!

Please send and make all donations payable to:
American Legion Dept of Maine
5 Verti Drive - Winslow, Maine 04901.

Remember to earmark for Commanders Project O.R.O.

Operation ReBoot Outdoors invites you to join in their Mission to provide outdoor recreational therapy to Veterans, service members, and law enforcement personnel who struggle with trauma from war or traumatic events serving our nation and our communities. Operation ReBoot Outdoors shows these heroes they can find purpose after service through the outdoors as well as empowerment in camaraderie. We hope you will be the one to join our Mission to stop the high percentage of suicides that plague our families, community, and country.

We hope that you will “*Be the One*” to reach out to a veteran and to support Operation Reboot Outdoors!

EMAIL SCAM

**ATTENTION
LEGION MEMBERS!!!**

Once again, someone is trying to scam members using an e-mail address with State Cmdr. Kirk Thurston’s name.

THIS IS A SCAM!

If you receive an e-mail that reads:

Subject: Do you have time to chat.

Do you have some time to chat, Kindly re-confirm your cell.

**Kirk Thurston
Commander
209 265-1338**

*****Please disregard and delete any other
e-mail address with his name in it.*****

Kirk’s e-mail address is: fuzzvt3@roadrunner.com

This is a scam!

Repeat: THIS IS A SCAM!!!

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY DIRIGO STATE PROGRAM



Colby College

4000 Mayflower Drive, Waterville, ME

June 18-22, 2023

Registration: Sunday, June 18 at noon

Graduation: Thursday, June 22 at 3:00 pm

Cost per Student is \$400

2023 DIRIGO STATE APPLICATION
PACKET- FILLABLE

DIRIGO STATE POSTER

For more information please visit: www.mainelegion.org

or contact Jason Hall at 207-873-3229 ext. 7

e-mail: DirigoStateME@gmail.com

Applications are also available in [Forms/Applications](#)



INCOMING NATIONAL COMMANDER

FEB 13, 2023



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 donations in support of the campaign to the individual as soon as we possibly can after receipt. Sometimes we have presented the check to the individual at the Fall Meetings or the Spring Meetings or even at the National Convention.

Generally, individuals who have been selected to receive an official call into the Washington Conference are the first ones to donate to the campaign. We wish to present the donations as soon as we possibly can.

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 will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Woods, National Executive Committeeman
Anthony "Tony" Jordan. Past National Commander

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>

Warrant Templates - All Positions

Available on-line at: MaineLegion.org

or go to: <http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.ph>

AMERICAN LEGION

ASSISTANT

DEPT. SERVICE OFFICER

Part-time position, 28 hours (4-day work week)
Term of Office. [CLICK HERE](#) for a full job description and qualifications or go to:

http://www.mainelegion.org/media/misc/Job_Description

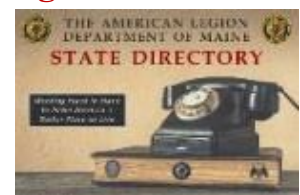
Resumes can be sent to
Department Headquarters,
5 Verti Drive, Winslow, 04901

JOB OPENING

**Stay Connected with
Your Fellow Legionnaires!**



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



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

**Important Information
About the State Directory!**

Due to illicit use by scammers, the State Directory will **not** be posted on the Department Website until further notice. Instead, the State Directory will go out bi-weekly in the Leadership Ledger. Please call HQ at 873-3229 if you have any questions.

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 is good both personally and professionally.



Desktop Windows 10 Support Ends October 2025

According to [Microsoft's lifecycle website](#), the company will officially support Windows 10 Home, Windows 10 Pro, [Windows 10 Enterprise](#), and Windows 10 Education editions until October 14, 2025. At that point, all regular desktop editions of Windows 10 will reach end-of-life status, which means that they'll no longer receive security updates from Microsoft.

(Support for the less commonly used [Long Term Support Channel](#) releases [Windows 10 2019 LTSC](#) and [Windows 10 IoT 2019 LTSC](#) will end on January 9, 2029.)

After Windows 10 support ends, you'll need to [upgrade to Windows 11](#) to keep receiving security updates. In our richly connected world, those updates are [essential for maintaining your personal privacy and data security](#). And don't worry, you can [get around Microsoft's restrictions](#) even if Windows 11 doesn't support your PC.

When Will Windows 10 Stop Getting Security Updates?

As mentioned above, Windows 10 Home, Pro, Education, Enterprise, and IoT Enterprise will no longer receive security updates after October 14, 2025.

[Windows LTSC](#), a specialized version of Windows for businesses that need long-term support, will continue to receive updates for a few more years after that. Windows 10 2019 LTSC and Windows 10 IoT 2019 LTSC will stop receiving security updates on January 9, 2029.

Windows 11 is inevitable, whether we like it or not. Once security updates stop, you're on your own. Any new vulnerabilities found in Windows 10 after those dates might not be patched by Microsoft (although [rare exceptions to this rule](#) have happened). Still, you definitely can't rely on it, so it's best to upgrade to Windows 11 by October 2025. On the bright side, [Windows 11 includes many useful new features](#), so it shouldn't be a painful upgrade.

How Long Can I Keep Using Windows 10?

Windows 10 won't magically stop working in October of 2025 even if Microsoft stops providing security updates. That means that you can technically keep using it (as [some loyal holdouts](#) have done with older versions of Windows in the past), even though it's generally not a good idea.

With sophisticated [phishing attacks](#), [remote exploits](#), and [ransomware](#) being common these days, the stakes are simply too high for most people to risk their personal data by using an unsupported operating system.

So update when you're ready—you have until 2025 to do it safely—but know that technology constantly changes and time marches on. Someday, we'll all look back at Windows 10 running in a [museum](#) and recall the good ol' days. Stay safe out there!

~ www.howtogeek.com

Attention: District Commanders & Adjutants

District Meeting Calendar Form now available online!

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



ATTENTION ADJUTANTS & COMMANDERS

Post forms (Annual Post Data Report, Notification of Post/Squadron Commanders & Adjutants Form) were mailed on March 1st, 2023. **Annual Post Data forms were due by April 15th! THIS IS THE ONLY FORM NOT AVAILABLE ONLINE.** Please submit as soon as possible if you have not done so already. Please read the instructions carefully on all remaining forms and fill them out accordingly. Forms may be obtained online by visiting www.mainelegion.org under Forms/Applications, and the CPR is now available as well in mylegion.org.

Please note that if you are filling out the **Consolidated Post Report** online using Myegion.org, please leave the "**Batch**" field blank. This field is for internal use only.

For more information please call Dept HQ @ 207-873-3229.

Thank you for your prompt reply!



MILITARY TRIVIA

A. It was cast in bronze with fragments from 8 US Navy ships: The USS Constitution, USS Constellation, USS Maine, USS Biloxi, USS Hancock, USS Seawolf, USS Nautilus, & the steamer Hartford.



Print 2023 Membership Cards in MyLegion

American 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.
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.

QUICKLY & EASILY RENEW ONLINE TODAY!

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

www.legion.org/renew



ANNUAL POST DATA REPORTS **NEEDED IMMEDIATELY!**

Reports are needed **ASAP** from the following posts:

1, 8, 12, 16, 17, 19, 27, 31, 33, 36, 37, 41, 42, 43, 51, 52, 56, 61, 64, 65, 66, 75, 77, 80, 82, 87, 91, 96, 105, 107, 110, 112, 126, 130, 133, 139, 141, 150, 158, 159, 163, 172, 179, 180, 187, 195, 201, 202, 205, 208, 213, 214, CN09

**Reports Are Now Overdue,
Please Submit ASAP!!!!**



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

[**SHOP NOW**](#)

FLAG REWARDS

Tips & Suggestions

Be A Full-Service Flag Provider To Your Community

In addition to selling or promoting flags, offer to collect old flags and retire them in a flag retirement ceremony. Make your community think of your Post as its primary resource for buying & retiring flags.

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

[**SHOP NOW**](#)

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 SAL Membership Report



Post Commanders & Adjutants

If you are currently processing your dues on MyLegion.org, you will no longer have to submit the 2-part card to HQ. All other Posts mailing dues to HQ will still have to submit the 2-part card along with \$31.00 per member.

PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club are \$5.00 per member. See Page 11 for an application.



DONATIONS

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

National Commanders Campaign

Jason Hall, Post 86..... \$100.00
Carl Curtis, Post 20..... \$100.00
Al McKay, Post 42..... \$50.00

2022-23 Commanders Project – Thurston “Operation Reboot Outdoors”

John & Jean Neel, Post 97 \$200.00

Homeless Veterans

Knights of Columbus..... \$672.00

Maine Blind Camp

Locke Mills Post 68..... \$50.00
Old Town Post 75..... \$400.00
Karen Richards, ALA Post 75..... \$100.00

Thank you!!!



AMERICAN LEGION

2023 Annual State Convention Jeff's Catering & Event Center, Brewer | June 9-10, 2023

The 2023 Annual State Convention of The American Legion, Department of Maine will be held at **Jeff's Catering & Event Center, 15 Littlefield Way, Brewer, ME. 04412.** Department Commander Kirk Thurston will call the Convention to order promptly at noontime, Friday, June 9.

Please see attached Member/Guest Registration and Post Delegate/Alternate Registration forms.

If you are an **elected Delegate/Alternate**, please fill out the **POST DELEGATE/ALTERNATE FORM only, and NOT the MEMBER/GUEST REGISTRATION FORM.** If you **are not** a Delegate/Alternate, please fill out the Member/Guest Registration form.

YOUR NAME SHOULD ONLY APPEAR ON ONE FORM. THE FEE PER PERSON IS \$10.

Please note: *All award recipient family members do not have to register to attend State Convention.*

Electronic Submissions: For those that wish to pay registration online, please follow the steps below. Otherwise, continue to fill out the necessary form(s). Print and mail form(s) along with a check made payable to The American Legion, Department 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME 04901-0727.

1. Fill out the required registration form(s) below.
2. Save & Email the file as an attachment to legionme@mainelegion.org and click on the **PAY REGISTRATION** link to submit payment electronically.
3. From the dropdown menu select the number of people registering. **(Note: If you are paying online, you will be required to cover the cost of the fees associated with this online transaction. I.e., \$10 registration will cost you \$10.81; \$20 – \$21.12; \$30 - \$31.43...\$100 - \$103.60.**
4. Proceed with payment. Please note that you do not need a PayPal account to pay by Venmo, Debit or Credit Card.

For up-to-date information regarding State Convention, please visit www.mainelegion.org and click on **STATE CONVENTION** located under the **NEWS & EVENTS** dropdown menu.

Member/Guest Registration

Please **DO NOT** fill out this form if you are a Delegate, Alternate, or Delegate-At-Large

If you are planning to attend the convention this year, all guests and members are required to pay a registration fee of **\$10**. The registration fee covers both sessions to be held June 9-10. Each member and/or guest will receive a name tag upon arrival.

MEMBER/GUEST REGISTRATION FORM					
\$10.00/person					
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Please mail Member/Guest Registration Form and check payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine earmarked "Member/Guest Registration" to: The American Legion, Department of Maine 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, Maine 04901-0727 by June 1.					
Those that wish to register online, please follow the instructions listed on page 1.					

*Forms are also available by visiting <http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php>

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF MAINE**

POST DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO THE 2023 STATE CONVENTION

Following are the elected delegates and alternates for this Post to the 104th Annual State Convention of The Maine American Legion to be held at Jeff's Catering & Event Center, Brewer on June 9-10, 2023. Election of delegates has been in accordance with the Call to State Convention. **All Delegates and Alternates are required to pay a registration fee of \$10. This \$10 fee will also cover both sessions to be held June 9-10. PLEASE DO NOT FILL OUT THE MEMBER/GUEST REGISTRATION FORM IF YOU ARE AN ELECTED DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE.** This form must be electronically submitted if paying online (see instructions above) or mailed to the Department Adjutant's office by June 1, 2023. The 1976 State Convention mandated that all delegates MUST register prior to voting. Evidence of registration will be requested by the credentials committee.

By typing your name below, you are signing this form electronically. You agree that your electronic signature is equivalent to your signature.

Post Adjutant's Signature

Post Commander's Signature

DELEGATES		ALTERNATES	
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DELEGATES-AT-LARGE: (Department Officers, Past Department Commanders, and District Commanders)

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3. _____

Credentials Committee will meet on June 10, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. Registration fee of \$10 for each delegate and alternate MUST be paid either electronically (see instructions above) or by mailing a check payable to **The American Legion, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, Maine, ME 04901-0727** by June 1, 2023. **ALL DELEGATES MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED.**

NAME OF POST _____

LOCATION _____ **POST NO.** _____

No. of delegates allowed (Office Use Only) _____



The American Legion Family Department Testimonial



Join us on Saturday, May 20, 2023 as we honor our 2022—2023 leaders.

The American Legion Department Commander Kirk Thurston
American Legion Auxiliary Department President Debra Rumery
Sons of The American Legion Detachment Commander Mike Hustus

Location: Napoleon-Ouellette Post 24, 184 Congress St., Rumford, Maine

Post doors open at 2 p.m.

Time: 4 p.m. social; 5 p.m. dinner, followed by ceremony and possible entertainment

Menu: **Choice 1:** Maple, bacon wrapped pork loin **Choice 2:** Shrimp stuffed Haddock

Both include green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, roll and dessert. Either meal can be requested gluten-free.

Cost: \$25 per person

Mail reservations to: American Legion Post 24, Attn: Tricia Thurston, 184 Congress St., Rumford, ME 04276 by **May 16, 2023**. Make Checks payable to American Legion Post 24 and indicate on the check your meal choice when making reservation.

Local Hotels

Best Western - (207) 5087-4061

Blue Iris - (207) 364-4496

Hotel Rumford - (207) 364-3621

Mention: "American Legion Special Rates"

Reserve Now – Rooms Are Going Fast!!!



**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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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: www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php

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



HONORING MAINE'S VETERANS

who served their country so that we may enjoy living in a free country!

The 2023 Honor Flight Schedule is:

April 28-30

May 26-28

September 22-24

October 27-29

The flights return on Sunday morning to a **Welcome Home ceremony**.

This is a great way for the veteran community to honor our fellow brothers and sisters, especially those who paved the way for us. Many organizations are represented at the Homecoming as well as hundreds from our community,

All American Legion members are encouraged to attend this heartwarming event and give our veterans the Welcome Home they deserve and, for many, will be their first.

Rendezvous Jetport 1200, May 28th

Free parking with shuttle buses from the State Office Building, 151 Jetport Blvd,
Portland



**The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of
Maine invites you to join us at the**

2022—2023 Homecoming for

Eastern Division National Vice President

Veronica Gurney

Join us on Saturday, July 15, 2023

Location: Fitzgerald-Cummings American Legion Post 2, 7 Legion Drive, Augusta, Maine

Time: 2 p.m. social with cash bar; 3 p.m. dinner, with program to follow. Entertainment will follow the program.

Menu: Appetizers

Entrees: Maine lobster (OR) Half barbeque chicken

Both entrees will be accompanied by fresh Maine clams, corn on the cob, potato salad, cole slaw, tossed salad and rolls. (Both meals are gluten free.) Dessert will be Maine blueberry or strawberry cobbler. A gluten free option will be offered of ice cream topped with berries.



Cost: \$45 per person

Mail reservations to: Joyce Thurlow, 1 Meadowrue Rd., Augusta, ME 04330 by **July 1, 2023**. Make Checks payable to American Legion Auxiliary Unit 2 and indicate your meal choice of lobster or chicken when making reservation. Also indicate if gluten free dessert is required.

Post 2 will also be open on Friday evening, July 14th, with entertainment as well.

Local Hotels:

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Senator Inn and Spa, 284 Western Ave., Augusta, Maine (207) 622-5804

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