

THE LEADERSHIP LEDGER



Welcome to the 77th 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.



The American Legion, Department of Maine

High School Oratorical Scholarship Program



Thomas College
180 West River Rd., Waterville, ME
February 11, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

****All contestants should plan to arrive between 8 and 8:30 a.m.****

Snow Date: February 18, 2023

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to help with the program (judges, tabulators room monitors, etc.). Those who are interested are to please call Department Headquarters at 207-873-3229.

[Department of Maine HS Oratorical Scholarship Application](#)

[Department of Maine Oratorical Brochure](#)

[2023 Oratorical Rules Brochure](#)

[Oratorical Promotional Brochure - National](#)

9TH ANNUAL WOMEN VETERAN'S LUNCHEON

Rumford Post 24
184 Congress St. Rumford, Maine
November 19, 2022

For more information click on the link above or go to **Page 6**

Attention: Post Adjutants

The Membership Target Date to reach 65% 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 November 9th target date arrives!!!



Let's Get Word Out to Our Veterans on Veterans Day and ask a Veteran to JOIN Maine American Legion!

Have them Scan the QR Code with the camera on their phone or visit: www.mainelegion.org



QUICKLY & EASILY RENEW ONLINE TODAY!

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



VETERANS DAY 2022

In observance of **Veterans Day**, American Legion State Headquarters will be closed all day on Friday, November 11th.

Please plan accordingly!

Please visit [Post/Events](#) for **Veterans Day Happenings/Events**



Kirk Thurston
Department of Maine Commander's Project
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.

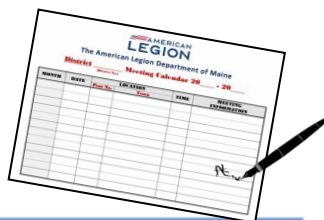
Operation ReBoot Outdoors invites you to join in their Mission to provide outdoor recreational therapy to Veterans, service members, and law enforcement personnel who struggle with trauma from war or traumatic events serving our nation and our communities. Operation ReBoot Outdoors shows these heroes 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!

Attention: District Commanders & Adjutants

District Meeting Calendar Form now available online!

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



Attention: 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.

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>.

VETERANS DAY MILITARY DISCOUNTS



Applebee's Military Discount

Veterans and active-duty military can select a free meal from a limited menu on Veterans Day. Proof of service required.

Aroma Joe's Veteran's Day Discount

On Veterans Day, all veterans and active-duty military can get up to a 24-ounce drink for free.

Dunkin' Donuts Veterans Day Deal

On Veterans Day, veterans and active-duty military can enjoy a free donut at Dunkin' Donuts restaurants nationwide, no purchase necessary.

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Lotus Restaurant

Offers free lunch or dinner to Veterans on Veterans Day. 279 Center St, Auburn, ME (207) 241-0870

Wendy's Veterans Day Deal

Wendy's nationwide are offering a free small breakfast combo with valid military ID on Veterans Day. No purchase is necessary.

Hannaford Supermarkets

Offering all veterans, active military, reserve, and service members a 10% discount on all purchases. Identify as a veteran or military member at checkout and the discount will be applied.

L.L. Bean Military Discount

L.L.Bean thanks the active, veteran, retired & reservist personnel of our brave US Armed Forces for their service to our country with 10% off your order.

For a complete list of discounts [CLICK HERE](#) or go to: www.veteran.com/veterans-day-discounts-deals/

MILITARY TRIVIA

Q: Why are US Marines called "jarheads"?

~ Submitted by Dwayne Hatfield, Mars Hill Post 118

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.



CREATE AND USE STRONG PASSWORDS

Security Windows 10 Windows 8.1 Windows 7 Microsoft account dashboard

One of the most important ways to ensure that your online accounts are safe and secure is to protect your passwords. Follow this advice to help keep your accounts out of the wrong hands.

Create Strong Passwords

Password security starts with creating a strong password. A strong password is:

- At least 12 characters long but 14 or more is better.
- A combination of uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols.
- Not a word that can be found in a dictionary or the name of a person, character, product or organization.
- Significantly different from your previous passwords.

Tip: Don't want to think up your own strong passwords? Microsoft Edge can create and remember strong, unique, passwords for you. See [Use Password Generator to create secure passwords.](#)

If you don't want to memorize multiple passwords, consider using a password manager. The best password managers will automatically update stored passwords, keep them encrypted, and require multi-factor authentication for access. Microsoft Edge can remember your passwords for you and automatically fill them in for you when needed. See [Save or forget passwords in Microsoft Edge.](#)

2022 VETERANS DAY SPEECH NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

"...The service of America's veterans never truly ends. Even when they hang up their military uniforms for the last time, many still choose to protect us..."

A guideline speech for Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 2022 is now available for download. [Click Here](#) or go to:

<https://www.legion.org/publications/257163/veterans-day-speech-2022>



DISTRICT MEETINGS

Be Connected • Be Heard • Be Informed

District 3 – Androscoggin: Nov. 13
Turner Post 111, 2PM

District 5 – Oxford: Nov. 15
Bethel Post 81, 7PM, Refreshments after.

District 6 – Knox: Nov. 20
Thomaston Post 37, 1PM

District 9 – Kennebec: Nov. 9
Waterville Post 5, 7PM

District 10 – Somerset: Nov. 9
Madison Post 39, 6:30PM

District 12 – Hancock: Nov. 8
SW Harbor Post 69
Dinner at 6:30PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

District 13 – Penobscot: Nov. 6
Bangor Post 12, Bangor Armory, 2PM

District 14 – Piscataquis: Nov. 19
Monson Post 116, 12 noon lunch w/Mtg at 1PM

District 16 – So. Aroostook: Nov. 13
Mars Hill Post 118, 1PM (Special Meeting)

District 17 – No. Aroostook: Nov. 6
Fort Kent Post 133, 12pm Meal

[Click Here](#) to view all District Meetings!

*Stay Connected with
Your Fellow Legionnaires!*

ANNUAL REPORTS

👉 FROM THE FOLLOWING POSTS 👉

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY

Annual Post Data Reports: 27, 31, 51, 61, 66, 105, 111, 121, 126, 130, 157, 161, 164, 173, 187, 195, 201, 204, 208

Notif. of Post/Squadron Cmdrs. & Adj. Reports: 15, 27, 29, 31, 51, 63, 66, 82, 87, 110, 111, 121, 126, 130, 157, 161, 164, 173, 180, 183, 187, 195, 201, 202, 204, 208

District & Post Officers Reports: 12, 27, 29, 55, 66, 87, 121, 126, 130, 161, 164, 173, 183, 187, 188, 195, 201, 202, 204, 208 • Districts: 4, 10, 11

MILITARY TRIVIA

A: During World War II sailors began referring to Marines as Jarheads. Presumably, the high collar on the Marine Dress Blues uniform made a Marine's head look like it was sticking out of the top of a Mason jar. Marines were not insulted. Instead, they embraced the new moniker as a term of utmost respect.



**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

**Print 2023 Membership Cards
in MyLegion**

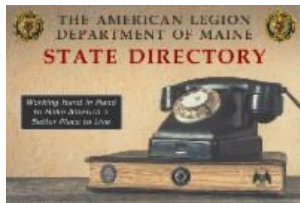
American Legion post and squadron group
leadership can print a current membership card
for Legion and Sons of The American Legion members.

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.



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



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

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Warrant Templates - All Positions

Available on-line at: MaineLegion.org

or go to:

<http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php>



*The August Edition of
The Maine Legionnaire is Now Available!*

[Click Here for the Digital Version](#)
[Click Here for a PDF Version](#)
Or visit www.mainelegion.org

**Important Dates in
Military History**

November

- ◆ [11/10 US Marine Corps Established](#)
- ◆ [11/11 Veteran’s Day/WWI Armistice Signed \(1918\)](#)
- ◆ [11/23 USCG Women Reserve \(SPAR’s\) Established \(1942\)](#)
- ◆ [11/21 Grenada Campaign Ended \(1983\)](#)



No Veteran should go through a crisis alone.
Save the new Veterans Crisis Line number—Dial
988 then Press 1—in your phone in case you or
a Veteran loved one needs support.

PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

Please note that the annual dues for
Past Commanders Club are \$5.00 per
member. See Page 5 for an application.



American Legion Flag & Emblem

5745 Lee Rd.

Indianapolis, IN 46216

(888) 453-4466

emblem@legion.org



DONATIONS

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF MAINE**

**2022 Commanders Project – Thurston
“Operation Reboot Outdoors”**

District 15.....	\$200.00
Pembroke Post 59.....	\$100.00
Unity Post 50.....	\$100.00
PDC Ron Sailor, Post 84.....	\$100.00



**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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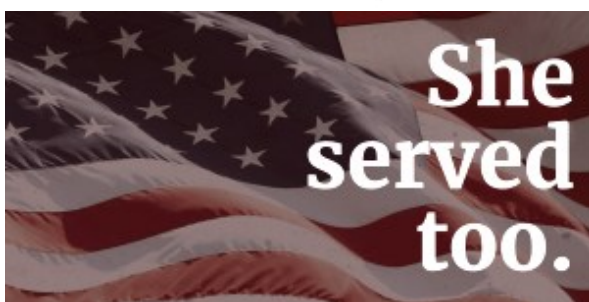
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SUBMIT TO:

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

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
PAST COMMANDERS CLUB**



American Legion Post 24 and the
American Legion Dept. of Maine,
Women Veteran's Advisory Committee to
Honor Women Veterans at the

9th Annual Women Veteran's Luncheon
184 Congress St. Rumford Maine.

Saturday, November 19th, 2022

Schedule of events: 9:30 to 12:30
Refreshments and a variety of activities while
visiting with other women who have served.

Lunch 12:30pm

Guest Speakers will speak following lunch.

Please share with all women veterans.
R.S.V.P. by November 17th. For more information
contact Tricia Thurston 357-3289.

You do NOT need to be an Legion member to attend

Free Giveaways!!

The event is planned for all Women Veterans
and is at no charge to them.

