



THE LEADERSHIP LEDGER



SHARE HOW YOU'RE COMMEMORATING VETERANS DAY



With Veterans Day less than one month away, many American Legion posts are well into planning for various ceremonies and events. Once again, The American Legion National Media & Communication Division is looking for potential coverage opportunities.

If your post, district or department is hosting, sponsoring or participating in a Veterans Day event, please share it with us. Email sbrooks@legion.org with details that include the time, date, location and what the event will entail. We'll be looking for events to cover in person; other events may be featured in an advance Veterans Day story and follow-up after the events have concluded.

Posts, districts and departments also are encouraged to share stories and photos of their Veterans Day events on Legiontown. And remember that if you are conducting an event and in need of a speech, we have one available for [download](#) by visiting www.legion.org/publications. The speech is not meant to be recited verbatim; members are greatly encouraged to amend them to taste and audience.

VETERANS DAY 2021



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

Applebees Restaurant is celebrating Veterans Day, Thursday, November 11th, by serving free meals to Veterans! Simply show your American Legion ID (or other military ID) and enjoy!

Hannaford Supermarkets will once again offer all veterans, active military, reserve and service members a 10% discount on all purchases. Simply identify as a veteran and you're eligible!

Olive Garden Restaurant is also celebrating Veterans Day, Thursday, November 11th, by serving free meals to Veterans!

More Specials are Listed on Page 10

Welcome to the 53rd 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

District 3 – Androscoggin: Nov. 14
Turner Post 111, 2PM

District 5 – Oxford: Nov. 16
Bethel Post 81, 7PM, Refreshments after.

District 9 – Kennebec: Nov. 10
Gardiner Post 4, 7PM

District 10 – Somerset: Nov. 8
Madison Post 39, 6:30PM

District 12 – Hancock: Nov. 9
Stonington Post 102

Dinner at 6:30PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

District 13 – Penobscot: Nov. 7
Bangor Post 12, Bangor Armory, 2PM

District 14 – Piscataquis: Nov. 20
Monson Post 116, 12 noon lunch, Business Mtg at 1PM

District 16 – So. Aroostook: Nov. 14
Mars Hill Post 118, 1PM (Special Meeting)

District 17 – No. Aroostook: Nov. 7
St. Francis Post 180, St. Francis Community Ctr., 1PM

Note: If you haven't submitted your district meetings for 21-22, please do so as soon as possible!



~ Is Finally Here!!! ~

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www.mainelegion.org



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 today by purchasing ad space or 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 by visiting www.mainelegion.org.

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!

Donations may be made by visiting www.mainelegion.org or by check payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine, earmarked "Yearbook Program". Mail to:

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

For more information, please call:

207-873-3229 Ext. 2.

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

Includes New Updated Instructions/ Information on How to Register an Account, Manage Groups, Process Membership, View Reports and More!

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(Available in PDF or PPTX format)

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

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

Download a copy today by clicking the above links. Information is also available by visiting www.mainelegion.org.

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 raining session.

WOMEN VETERANS EVENT GUIDELINES

If you're thinking about putting together a Women Veterans Event sponsored by the American Legion, Department of Maine, please click on the above link to help you. For more information, please contact Department HQ at 207-873-3229.

Guidelines are also available to download by visiting: www.mainelegion.org under Forms/Applications.

NATIONAL ANNUAL HISTORY BOOK JUDGING CONTEST RESULTS

National Commander Dillard, national officers, National Executive Committee members, alternate National Executive Committee members and the rest of the American Legion Family. The annual history book judging for this year has been rather interesting because of the COVID pandemic and true to The American Legion spirit, we continued on with the contest with fewer judges than normal, which worked as we had fewer than normal entries.

History is an important part of our lives and as we depart these meetings and look back at what we accomplished, that is called history. The proper preserving of these meetings and events are the historian's duties and sometimes are overlooked. It is not just about taking pictures, but they are worth a thousand words.

I had the pleasure of having the Sons of The American Legion National Historian, William Townes and National Archivist Cathi Taylor from the national American Legion Auxiliary staff attend our judging of the books and attended the training along with new department historians. They said that they thought it was very useful and will pass on the training to others. I will be working with the Sons of The American Legion national historian and the American Legion Auxiliary national historian to investigate the formation of a historical society. We will be assisting each other and helping all the post, unit, squadron, department, and detachment groups in preserving all Legion Family history.

I cannot give enough credit to Howard Trace and the library staff for all the help that they have given me since taking this office, but come to think of it, they have helped me and all the NADHAL members for as long as I have been a Legion historian. If you have questions about getting involved in the history contest, reach out to myself, your department historian, or national library staff for more information.

I know you're all wanting to know the contest results. The top five entries in the Post Yearbook category were so close, there was only five points difference between the third and fifth entries. They were all very good books.

One-Year Post Yearbook History Contest

1st Place

Julius L. Shryer
American Legion Post No. 430 Durant, IA

2nd Place

War Memorial Post 30, Camden, ME

3rd Place

Milton Post 139, Milton, WV

Honorable Mention

Veterans Memorial Post 347, Lady Lake, FL

Honorable Mention

Francis Scott Key Post 11, Frederick, MD

Certificates of Participation

- Siloam Springs Post No. 29, Siloam Springs, AR
- Aloha Post No. 104, Aloha, OR
- Carter C. Hanner and Mamon G. Sharp Post No. 129, Stillwater, OK
- Bates-O'Brien-Howe-Wiegel-Roelli Post No. 214, Darlington, WI
- Overland Park Post No. 370, Overland Park, KS
- Dean Mendenhall Post No. 13, Provo, UT
- Olson-Reid Post No. 250, Castlewood, SD
- Harold B. Jarrett American Legion Post No. 342, Salisbury, NC
- Harry Higgins Post No. 88, Ashland, OH
- Mechanicsville Post No. 175, Mechanicsville, VA
- Milton Post No. 139, Milton, WV

One-Year Post Narrative History Contest

1st Place

Frierson-Nichols Post 8, Winter Haven, FL

2nd Place

Pony Express Post 359, Saint Joseph, MO

3rd Place

Bensley-Round Post 280, Iroquois, SD

Certificates of Participation

- Tri-County Post No. 61, Junction City, OR
- Francis Scott Key Post No. 11, Frederick, MD
- MD Field-Allen Post No. 148, Windham ME
- Colonial Heights American Legion Post No. 284, Colonial Heights, VA

One-Year Department Yearbook History Contest

1st Place

Department of Missouri

2nd Place

Department of Nebraska

3rd Place

Department of North Carolina

One-Year Department Narrative History Contest

First Place

Department of Indiana

Second

Department of North Carolina

The instructors and judges for the contest were: Charles J. Zelinsky, J.R. Stillwell, Ruth A. Higgins, James C. Fratolillo, Dan Watrous, Charemon Dunham, Lynne S. Rollins, Robin Shingleton, Bill G. Richard, Jerome K. Goolsby, James "Jim" A. Mariner, Sue Mason and Deborah A. Davis.

~ Robert B. Gilmore, Jr., National Historian
October 6, 2021

NATIONAL COMMANDERS CAMPAIGN

To Our Fellow Legionnaires:

As you may be aware, each year we request donations to be given to the leading candidate for the position of National Commander of The American Legion. The individuals do a lot of traveling and have expenses which they may need assistance in covering.

We are asking you to consider donating to this great cause so that the Department of Maine can support the leading candidate, Vincent James Troiola in their quest for election to the high position of National Commander.

Each department donates to this cause and we are not the only one to do so. The many departments also supported our own Tony Jordan when he was campaigning for National Commander and it is only right that we, the Department of Maine, do so also.

Your donations will be greatly appreciated. Please send them to the Department of Maine Headquarters at 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME 04901 and earmark in the "Memo" position of your check or money order "National Commander Donation."

The donations will be given to the lead candidate, Mr. Troiola, at the soonest possible time.

Thank you and let's make this one a great one!



Lloyd Woods
National Executive

Anthony G. "Tony" Jordan
Past National Command

MAINE LEGION COLLEGE CLASS FOR 2021



Maine Legion College Classes for the 2021 year have been cancelled. For more information contact American Legion State Headquarters at 207.873-3229.

MILITARY TRIVIA

Q: Where was the very first *rural* Veteran's Administration clinic, in the entire country, established?



WASHINGTON CONFERENCE CANCELED AS AN IN-PERSON EVENT

National Commander Paul Dillard has decided to cancel the Washington Conference as an in-person event. This decision was prompted by health concerns, extremely limited access to Congress, and the availability of alternative means of getting The American Legion's message to our elected representatives.

However, the National Commander will be presenting testimony to both the House and Veterans Affairs Committees on or about Wednesday, March 2nd. At this time, we do not know if the testimony will be presented virtually or in person. We do know that the Chairpersons of TAL Legislative, VE&E, VA&R, NS/FR, and Legislative Commissions will be invited to attend the testimony along with the President and Executive Director of ALA, and National Commander of the SAL/

TAL Washington-based commissions will meet virtually – more information and dates to follow.

In lieu of an in-person Washington Conference, National Commander Dillard is encouraging all American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, and SAL members to make appointments with their members to meet in their home offices – more information to follow, along with a list of legislative concerns. There may also be a virtual "Know Before You Go," but time and date has not been decided.

TAL DSO School scheduled for DC during the first week of March has also been cancelled as an in-person event. Those scheduled to attend will receive information shortly on accessing the virtual DSO substitute meeting.

As we firm up the schedule, you will receive additional information. In the meanwhile, hang tight. Chairmen will receive a call-in communication shortly.



~ Daniel S. Wheeler
National Adjutant

DONATIONS

AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

General Fund

James L. Gill, Winthrop Post 40 \$ 15.00



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

**Thomas College
180 West River Rd.
Waterville, Maine 04901**

February 12, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

(Snow date: February 19, 2022)

The American Legion, Department of Maine High School Oratorical Scholarship Contest will once again be held at Thomas College in Waterville on February 12, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Snow Date: February 19, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

The main purpose of The American Legion Oratorical Contest “A Constitutional Speech Contest” is to develop a deeper knowledge and appreciation for the U.S. Constitution among high school students. Other objectives of the contest include the development of leadership qualities, the ability to think and speak clearly and intelligently, and the preparation for acceptance of the duties, responsibilities, the rights and privileges of American citizenship.

Young orators will have the opportunity to earn some of the most generous scholarships. At the Post and District level, scholarships offered range from \$50 - \$100, and at the State level \$50 - \$1500. At the National level, each department (state) winner who is certified and participates in the National Oratorical Contest’s 1st round receives \$2,000 scholarship. Each first round winner who advances to and participates in the second round, but does not advance to the final round, will receive an additional \$2,000 scholarship to pursue education beyond high school. The overall national contest winner gets an \$25,000 scholarship. Second place takes home \$22,500, and third gets \$20,000. The members of the Oratorical Committee will be working with both Area and District Commanders to prepare Posts and Districts for their local contests. We hope to have all Post contests completed by Mid-December 2021 and all District contests completed by the end of January 2022.

The 2022 National Finals is April 22-24 in Indianapolis, at the Wyndham Indianapolis West. Quarterfinal and semifinal contests are scheduled for Saturday, April 23, with the finals scheduled for Sunday, April 24. **Certification of Department winners is due to National by March 14, 2022.**

For additional questions and/or information pertaining to the Oratorical Contest in Maine, please contact Oratorical Co-Chairman Dale Midgley at 207-590-3532 | e-mail: midgleyd@earthlink.net or Oratorical Co-Chairman Maureen Malley at

maureenmalley.66@gmail.com. More information can be obtained by visiting www.mainelegion.org, your local American Legion Post, or The American Legion, Department of Maine Headquarters at 207-873-3229. Please check out the State and Local Oratorical Contests by visiting National’s website at www.legion.org/oratorical.

**LETTER FROM THE ORATORICAL
CO-CHAIRMAN DALE MIDGLEY**

If you have never attended the High School Oratorical Finals, you are missing the opportunity to see some of the very Brightest and Talented High School Students in the State of Maine!

Did you know that: The Original proposed Bill of Rights contained 12 Rights not 10?

Did you know that: James Madison, author of the Bill of Rights, used the Magna Carta (1215),

English Bill of Rights (1689) and the Virginia Declaration of Rights (1776) in writing the proposed amendments to the Constitution.

Did you know that: The Constitution was finally ratified by all 14 States in January 1791, the last being Vermont.

Did you know that: A proposed Bill of Rights Amendment submitted in 1789 was not officially ratified until 1992 and became the 26th Amendment?

I didn’t know any of these things, plus a whole lot more, until I attended our Post Oratorical Contest, the District Oratorical Contest and the State Oratorical Contest.

The students who research and present their Prepared Speech and Assigned Topics will amaze you by how much time and effort they have spent rehearsing and polishing their presentations.

I hope to see you at the Oratorical Finals, for I am sure, I will learn even more about the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights again this year at the Post, District and State Finals.

For More Information [Click Here](#)

or go to

www.mainelegion.org/pages/programs/oratorical.php

For the Oratorical Committee,

Dale Midgley

[Department of Maine HS Oratorical](#)

[Scholarship Application](#)

[Department of Maine Oratorical Brochure](#)

[2022 Oratorical Rules Brochure](#)

[Oratorical Promotional Brochure - National](#)

RENEW NOW! DON'T WAIT!

Department, District, County, and Post Leaders,

First and foremost, I want to thank you for your support of our veterans, their families and our youth. You have taken on a serious responsibility to lead, guide, and direct our organization to ensure we are able to work our programs under the four pillars that make our communities better.

It has been said many times that “Membership is the lifeblood of The American Legion!” This statement is as true today as it was more than 100 years ago when our forefathers met in Paris and the largest and greatest veterans service organization was born. I am asking you to take an active leadership role and engage your members and show them the value of being a member of this great organization. National Commander Paul Dillard has challenged all of us to attain at least a 90% retention rate.

Please reach out to your members and ask if they have renewed their membership for 2022? If so, thank them for their continued support. If not, ask them why not? Let them know we need their commitment to continue supporting our veterans and our programs now!

Share this with them. Here are a few of the advantages to renewing their membership now:

- No more renewal notices will be sent reminding them to renew. The money saved by not sending renewal notices can be used to help a veteran in need and continue to support our great programs.
- Their membership is NOT cut short by renewing now. Their membership will still be active through the end of December 2022, even by renewing today.
- Their magazine subscription will not lapse.
- Continued eligibility for the National Emergency Fund.

There are several other advantages to renewing now and you are encouraged to add to the above list, but I think you get the message. Now, here are the disadvantages to renewing now:

- **NONE!**

Please reach out to your members and encourage them to send in their renewal right away. Let them know it is VERY easy to renew. They can send their renewal notice to their post with a check, money order, or cash, or they can go online at legion.org and click on the “**Renew**” button at the top right side of the page and follow the directions. Let them know that if they can't find their renewal notice or membership number, we can help. Encourage them to contact you at the post or department level and

you can look it up for them. Remind them they can mail in their renewal without the notice. All they need to do is send their dues with their full name and membership ID number.

Make it simple and easy for our members to renew. Now the rest is up to you. Please help us continue our work so we can ensure there is “No Veteran Left Behind!” Ask your members to renew now and let's show National Commander Paul Dillard we are going to reach our Retention goal of 90% before Veterans Day!

Thanks in advance for your support and work to reach and exceed the 90% renewal challenge.

For God and Country,

Jay Bowen



Chairman
Membership and Post Activities Committee
The American Legion

Renew now



IMPORTANT DATES IN MILITARY HISTORY

NOVEMBER

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

MILITARY TRIVIA:

A. The first rural VA clinic in the United States was set up at Cary Medical Center in Caribou, Me. in 1987, as part of the community based clinics program, from the VA Hospital in Togus, Me.

For more information [CLICK HERE](#) or go to: <https://www.carymedicalcenter.org/about-cary/history>





LEGIONNAIRE INSURANCE TRUST

WHAT'S MAILING THIS MONTH?



QUICK REMINDER ABOUT ID RESOLVE:

Protects your financial reputation with 24/7/365 identity theft resolution services.

This Eliminates the frustration and worries that come with being the victim of identity

theft. ID Resolve helps get your money back, repair your credit, and clean up the mess left behind. Our U.S.-based team of resolution specialists knows who to call and which steps to take first when you fall victim to identity theft.

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/IDResolve.

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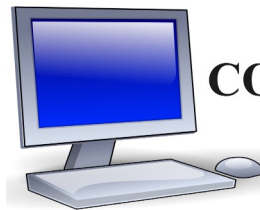
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- FINANCIAL REPUTATION

Here's what it will look like to most people who receive it.



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>.



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.

Here's a List of the Top 10 Resume Tips to Write a Perfect Resume:

DO:

- Make a unique resume for each job application
- Use one-liner points (not paragraphs)
- Use power verbs to begin each point
- Use achievement figures to highlight your accomplishments
- Use relevant keywords in your resume

DON'T:

- Don't use information that is irrelevant to your target job/industry
- Do not write an excessively long resume
- Don't use unnecessary sections
- Don't include charts or graphics
- Do not include extremely personal details in your resume

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

<https://www.hiration.com/blog/resume-tips-dos-and-donts/#resumehelp-four>



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

www.legion.org/benefits

"Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it... it flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it."

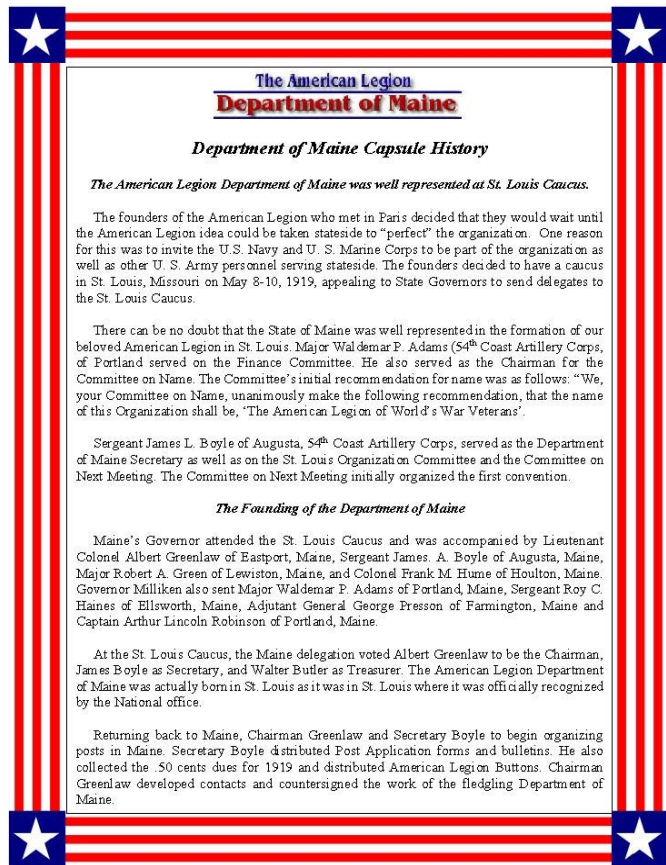
~ Unknown

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

~ John F. Kennedy

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

All posts should use this capsule as a guide to follow to show the history of your American Legion Post. Please download to print for display at your post home.



[CLICK HERE](#) to download a printable page.

Also available at www.mainelegion.org under Forms/Applications

VETERAN'S 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.

Call us at 207-873-3229 Ext. 3 or 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.

VA MAINE IS OFFERING COVID VACCINES AND BOOSTERS TO:

- All Veterans, **their spouses and caregivers**
- VA Healthcare workers
- Individuals who completed their primary vaccine series with Pfizer or Moderna at least 28 days ago and who meet the **immunocompromised criteria** by the CDC.
- Individuals who completed their primary vaccine series with Pfizer at least 6 months ago and meet the CDC criteria for a booster shot. **Learn more about COVID-19 booster shots in VA.**
- Individuals who completed their primary vaccine series with Moderna at least 6 months ago and meet the CDC criteria for a booster shot. **Learn more about COVID-19 booster shots in VA.**
- Individuals who received the Janssen vaccine at least 2 months ago and meet the CDC criteria for a booster shot. **Learn more about COVID-19 booster shots in VA.**

****Please make sure to bring your CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card when arrive for your booster!****

If you're interested in receiving the vaccine at VA Maine, please feel free to visit one of our drive through clinics, **NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY!**

Effective Friday 10/22/21:

Togus will offer **Moderna/Pfizer Booster** drive through clinics on the following:

- **Tuesday 10/26** from 1000-1430 (*Every Tuesday in November* from 0830 to 1430)
- Two **Saturdays**: 11/6 and 11/20 from 0830 to 1430

Bangor will offer **Moderna/Pfizer Booster** drive through clinics on Saturday 10/30, 11/6, 11/20 from 0900-1400

Saco will offer **Moderna/Pfizer Booster** drive through clinics on Saturdays: 10/30, 11/6, 11/20 from 0900-1400

***Janssen vaccine will not be available at the drive through clinics but will remain available on a case by case basis.**

You can also receive a COVID vaccine outside of VA. You can locate a vaccine site at:

<https://www.vaccines.gov/search/>.

For more information about vaccine clinics you may contact us at (207) 623-8411 Ext 4949 or Ext 7490.

This website is updated weekly.

[COVID-19 Vaccines - VA Maine Healthcare System](#)

[Learn More & Register Here](#)

CELEBRATING WOMEN VETERANS GROWING THROUGH ALLYSHIP

Wednesday, Nov. 10th | 12 PM - 5PM EST

Military Women's Memorial



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We sincerely hope you can join us and our partners as we honor Women Who Served.

Kate Watson, Founder [YourNexStage](#)

SPECIAL DISCOUNTS & PERKS FOR VETERANS

[Free National Park Passes](#)
[VA pension benefits](#) | [10% off at Outback](#)

[Veterans get free entrance to national parks, refuges and other public lands](#)

Veterans, Gold Star Families, current Military and their dependents have free access to approximately 2,000 public locations spread out across more than 400 million acres of public lands, which host activities to fit any lifestyle, from serene to high octane, including hiking, fishing, paddling, biking, hunting, stargazing, camping and much more.

For more perks [Click Here](#) or go to:

[Veteran discounts available year round - Vantage Point](#)

ENHANCED PENSION BENEFITS HELP ELIGIBLE WARTIME VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES INCREASE INCOME

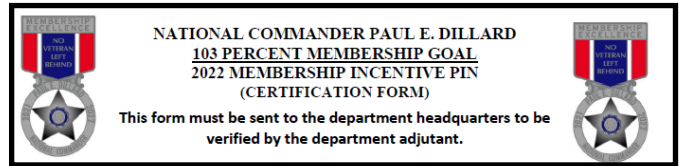
If you are a wartime Veteran who meets certain requirements, or you are a surviving spouse, then you may be eligible for VA's pension benefits. [VA's Aid and Attendance and Housebound benefits](#), or enhanced pension, can boost your pension payments. If you need help with daily activities, or if you are housebound, you may qualify for an increased monthly pension.

NATIONAL COMMANDER DILLARD'S AWARD INCENTIVES

National Commander Dillard would like to acknowledge those posts within your department that have reached 100% membership for the 2022 membership year. Each 100% post commander will receive a personalized letter, autographed picture and a certificate.....

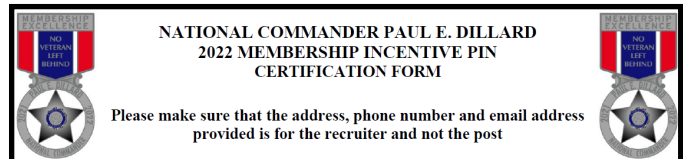
*The cut-off date for submission of posts for recognition is **August 12, 2022.***

For more information pertaining to Goals/Awards, please download a copy of the [2021-22 Membership Goals & Awards Manual](#) by clicking the provided links below or by visiting www.mainelegion.org under FORMS/APPLICATIONS.



100% AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY RIBBON

The American Legion Family Ribbons will be awarded to any post family that achieves 100% membership by the 2022 100% target date. (American Legion Family is defined as a post and/or any combination of Auxiliary unit or SAL squadron. **(Each must achieve 100% to qualify)**)



ATTENTION: ALL SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP!

To all Squadrons: Paid Membership dues are way down, embarrassingly way down !! As Past Detachment Commander, I am urging you all to start sending your dues into Headquarters to our newly elected Adjutant, Russ Taylor. Send all dues to Sons of the American Legion 5 Verti Drive, Suite B, Winslow Me 04901.

We are here to help support the Veterans programs and your Membership dues allow us to continue that mission. Let's show our pride in belonging to this organization and collect those dues and get them into the mail asap. We need to come together in this time of need and continue to show our support. If you need help you can reach out!

I remain, always willing to support,
Past Detachment Commander
Ron Marr



1779 Hotel Rd Auburn, Me 04210, 207-701-9676



For more information [CLICK HERE](https://www.legion.org/benefits) or visit:
<https://www.legion.org/benefits>

How are you doing? The opportunity to talk over personal challenges in a free, confidential, and non-judgmental setting is now available for anyone who served for any length of time.

A veteran who is a trained Peer Support Specialist is now available for a Monday group from 4p-5p at the Lakes Region Recovery Center in Bridgton. 207-803-8707.



DICSOUNTS & FREEBIES FOR VETS ON VETERANS DAY

RESTAURANTS (check for participation)

7-Eleven: Get a free coffee or Big Gulp®.

Applebee's: Veterans and active-duty military receive a free meal when dining in from a special menu.

Chili's: Veterans and active-duty service members get a free meal from a select menu. Dine-in only.

Denny's: Vets and active military get a free Build Your Own Grand Slam 5 a.m. to noon. Dine-in only.

Dunkin': Free donut to veterans and active duty military at participating restaurants.

Friendly's: Free All American Burger (fries and a drink) during lunch or dinner, dine-in only.

Golden Corral: Golden Corral is hosting their Military Appreciation Night from 5pm to close.

Little Caesars® Pizza: Free pizza or \$5 HOT-N-READY Lunch Comb. (11:00 am – 2:00 pm).

Olive Garden: Free entrée from a special menu.

Red Lobster: Free appetizer or dessert from a special menu on November 11. Dine-in only.

Ruby Tuesday: Free sandwich with fries or tots. Proof of service required.

Starbucks: Get a free tall (12-oz) hot brewed coffee at participating stores on November 11.

Texas Roadhouse: Handing out dinner vouchers in their parking lots on November 11, from 11am to 2pm.

T.G.I. Friday's: Free menu item from Veterans Day menu. Valid ID or proof of service required.

Uno Pizzeria & Grill: Free Entrée or individual pizza with an entrée or pizza purchase of equal or greater value.

Wendy's: Active-duty military and veterans get a free breakfast combo from 6:30 to 10:30am.

RETAIL

Bed Bath and Beyond: Vets get 25% off their entire purchase (in-store only; proof of service required).

Big Lots: 10% discount for active military personnel and veterans who are members of the company's Big Rewards program. This program has been announced as a year-round offer.

Cabela's: 5% Off for military and veterans daily.

Dollar General: Get a 20% discount on in-store and online purchases on November 11 through 14.

Home Depot: 10% discount to all veterans.

Target: 10% discount from Oct. 31 thru Nov. 13 to active-duty military personnel, veterans and their families.

For More Discounts [CLICK HERE](#) or go to:

<http://legion.org/veteransday/254189/2021-veterans-day-deals-discounts>

MUSICAL HELP NEEDED!!!

Looking for someone to put the following music to actual music. Please call Headquarters at 207-873-3229.



By PAUL ROBERTS
writer of
Star Spangled Banner
Waving Somewhere

Song Of The Legionnaires

INTRO:

Verse

THEY ARE MEN OF ALL RE-LIG-I-ONS, ALL RACE AND CREED AND FROM THE PART OF THE
LE-GION STRONG IN-DEED THEY ARE PLEDGED TO GOD AND COUN-TRY FOR THE BEST OF EVERY-WHERE AND WE
GOLD MEN GET TO-GETH-ER THEY SING OF THE LE-GION-AIRES, THE SING OF THE LE-GION-AIRES, WE ME

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Chorus

PART OF THE LE-GION THE A-MER-I-CAN LE-GION SO HERE A-TIMES TO WANT WE ARE ALL HAIL TO THE LEGION THE
MER-I-CAN LE-GION AND OUR BOD-IES NEAR AND FAR WANT TO SEE US SING TO-GETH-ER AND SING IT LUS-TY
LONG AND LONG FOR WE OF THE LE-GION FOR THE SING OF THE LE-GION WANT THE WORD TO KNOW WE'RE MARCH-ING

1. ON. We Are ON!
2. ON!

A PRISONER OF WAR

Words and Music by
PAUL COTTON,
PAUL ROBERTS and
BOB MILLER

Moderately slow, with expression

mf *rit.*

* *mp* C dim. C G7

1. Dar - lin', I'm writ - ing this let - ter to -
2. While I am writ - ing this mes - sage to
3. Some - times I won - der if they'll set me
4. Here in the stock - ade with guards all a -
5. If by good for - tune this let - ter gets

mp *a tempo*

G dim. G7 C C dim.

night, Where there's no ta - ble and no place to
you, I think of home and the friends that I
free, And if the good Lord has for - sak - en
round, Shack - led in i - rons deep in - to the
through, Dar - lin', you'll know that my thoughts are of

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