

HISTORIAN REPORT  
American Legion, Department of Ohio  
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Good Morning Commander Jean Wilson, Department and District Officers, Past Commanders, Chairmen and Guests

It seems like a long time since we last met. After national convention my wife and I were sick with covid. Thank you for your cards, prayers and thoughts. We are doing a lot better today.

Our National Historian 2021-2022 is Robert "Bubble" Gilmore. There have been no changes of the rules for the end of the year Post History Contest, which can be found in the Officers Handbook on pages 140-149.

Ralph Jackson, my assistant historian and I have attended a few events across the state.

We attended the summer Department Golf Outing hosted by Kettering Post 598 District 3 and later that day their Car Show held at their post. I was not able to attend Jean's Homecoming and the Department Training in Newark. However, Ralph and others sent me photos for the Legion News and Jean's scrapbook, which I am grateful.

I have visited other posts around the state to attend their events including Veterans Day events at Englewood Post District 3; and Wickcliffe Post District 9; and dinners at Lodi and Wadsworth Post District 5. It was also great to visit District 13's Parma area where we enjoyed Post 572's pancake breakfast and Post 703's Riders Chili Cook-off.

These visits provide an opportunity to support various posts, let them know they are important so we can share what they are doing for our veterans like Post 523 Legion Family Picnic District 12, and Post 755 Sardinia Breakfast and Car Show District 4.

Without our veterans there would be no history to report like Veteran and 75 year legion member, Dean Goodwin who celebrated his 103<sup>rd</sup> Birthday. Commander Jean Wilson was there to present Dean with a Certificate of Achievement and the City of Miamisburg made it Dean Goodwin's Day in his honor. Post 165 District 3 Commander Wayne shared some funny stories during the years Dean was in the military funeral detail.

It is our pleasure to attend these post or district events, sometimes when we are already in the neighborhood, like Solon Post 309 . I learn a lot of their rich legion history, which we would not have learned had we not made the visit. We do this so that we can recognize these members and archive all the wonderful and memorable events that our Ohio Legion posts and districts continue to do in supporting our programs, carrying on the mission, and for the good of The American Legion.

Thank you for all invitations to your events, which are photographed and posted on Facebook locally and nationally and in the Legion News and other publications. If you have an upcoming event or have had an event, contact me with your event information. If have any questions about the end of year history contest, please feel free to write me at [albeyer49@gmail.com](mailto:albeyer49@gmail.com) or fax me at 1-888-225-3180 snail mail to me at 6013 Garber Rd Bellville, OH 44813

Merry Christmas to you and yours, God is still our overall protector, as we continue our mission to serve.

I would like to thank Assistant Historian Ralph Jackson and my wife Dayna Beyer aka Tsi Sim Mar who is Auxiliary Department Historian for their assistance with our History program.

Thank you Commander Jean for this appointment and God bless all of you and be safe, for God and Country In Your Service,

Al Beyer, Department Historian

cc: Eric Hall, Adjutant