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Ohio Legion Centennial Ball Raises \$20K for Scholarships

What better way to celebrate 100-years of selfless service, than by giving back to Ohio Veterans and Youth? On March 15, 2019 The American Legion Department of Ohio hosted The Ohio American Legion Centennial Ball, which also served as a Fundraiser for The Department of Ohio Scholarship Fund.

Over 300 Legionnaires and supporters from around the state came together to celebrate 100 years, learn about the history of The American Legion, and give back to Ohio Veterans and Youth. Guests paid \$100.00 per seat and enjoyed a Filet Mignon dinner, free photographs, dancing, and a complimentary Depart-

ment of Ohio Centennial Coin. Doughboy reenactors escorted each guest to their tables, while a quartet from The Columbus Symphony opened the evening with entertainment.

Guest Speakers included Past National Adjutant and Commander Bob Spanogle, Co-Founder of Student Veterans of America Derek Blumke, and Ohio Treasurer Robert Sprague. Ashley Gorbulja-Maldonado, member of Post 808, was the Master of Ceremonies for the event.

The American Legion Department of Ohio would like to publicly thank all who attended and all who contributed to the success of the Ohio American

Legion Centennial Ball. Over \$20,000.00 was raised and will be distributed among qualified scholarship applicants this summer. The American Legion plans to host a Scholarship Ball annually, to raise additional monies for The Department of Ohio Scholarship Fund.

We would like to especially thank our sponsors, staff, guest speakers, guests and the following:

- CCTV
- Columbus Symphony
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- Young Marines Association
- Office of Governor Mike Dewine
- All 14 Ohio Legion Districts

For photos, videos, and Legion facts from the Centennial Ball please visit us online at <https://www.ohiolegion.com/scholarship-ball/>. We look forward to celebrating 101 years with you in 2020.



Americanism and Government Trip

Americanism and Government Winners

12TH GRADE

Ira Cole
David Deniston
Justin Robinson
Julia Bonneau
Meena Kirkendall
McKenzie Miller

11TH GRADE

Mason Nolan
Macray Kester
Jack Munzel
Emma Michael
Kaya West
Samantha Young

10TH GRADE

Jaden Humphrey
Brendan Bennett
Levi Robinson
Janel Bruns
Zoe Simmons
Erika Putnam



The 2019 Americanism and Government Trip has just returned from Washington D.C. and was a huge success. 18 of the top winners of the A&G test were selected for this trip to Gettysburg and Washington DC.

The American Legion trip is not like the typical 8th-grade trip most Ohio teens experience. We have a smaller group of students and focus on history, Americanism, and respect for the men and women who have given their lives for our freedom.

Our trip started on Monday, March 4th by visiting Gettysburg Military Park followed by dinner at The American Legion Post 202 in Gettysburg Pennsylvania. The battlefield tour was a great way to learn the history of Gettysburg in a

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2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

START	END	SUBJECT	LOCATION
4/6/19	4/6/19	Dept. Executive Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
4/12/19	4/14/19	Dept. Pool Tournament	Post 29- Zanesville
4/14/19	4/14/19	14th District Spring Conference	Post 685- Streetsboro
4/23/19	4/23/19	Publication Board Meeting	Department Headquarters
4/23/19	4/23/19	Spring Ohio Legion News Submission Deadline	Department Headquarters
4/24/19	4/24/19	Convention Corporation Meeting	Department Headquarters
4/27/19	4/27/19	Semester 2 of Buckeye American Legion College	Department Headquarters
5/2/19	5/2/19	Scholarship Screening Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
5/5/19	5/5/19	11th District Summer Convention	Post 750- Lowell
5/5/19	5/5/19	12th District Summer Convention	Post 465- Columbus
5/5/19	5/5/19	5th District Summer Convention	Post 717-North Ridgeville
5/5/19	5/5/19	6th District Summer Convention	Post 285- Hebron
5/5/19	5/5/19	7th District Summer Convention	Post 134- Circleville
5/4/19	5/9/19	National Spring Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
5/11/19	5/11/19	10th District Summer Convention	Post 548- Louisville
5/17/19	5/19/19	SAL Detachment Convention	Mansfield
5/18/19	5/18/19	8th District Summer Convention	Post 78- Logan
5/18/19	5/18/19	9th District Summer Convention	Post 236- Newton Falls
5/19/19	5/19/19	14th District Summer Convention	Post 175- Stow
5/19/19	5/19/19	1st District Summer Convention	Post 541- Continental
5/19/19	5/19/19	3rd District Summer Convention	Post 184 Piqua
5/19/19	5/19/19	4th District Summer Convention	Post 194 Mason
5/19/19	5/19/18	2nd District Summer Convention	Post 323- St Marys
5/25/19	5/25/19	Dayton National Cemetery	Dayton National Cemetery
5/25/19	5/25/19	Western Reserve National Cemetery	Western Reserve National Cemetery
5/27/19	5/27/19	Memorial Day-Office Closed	Department Headquarters
5/29/19	5/29/19	Membership Turn In- Final	Department Headquarters
6/1/19	6/1/19	Post/Squadron Cert Forms and Reports Due	Department Headquarters
6/2/19	6/2/19	13th District Summer Convention	Post 610 -Brookpark
6/9/19	6/16/19	Buckeye Boys State	Miami University
6/27/19	6/27/19	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Toledo
6/28/19	6/30/19	Department Convention	Toledo
7/4/19	7/4/19	Independence Day- Office Closed	Department Headquarters
7/11/19	7/14/19	Junior Baseball Tournament	Beaver's Field-Lancaster
7/13/19	7/13/19	Standing Committee Meetings	Department Headquarters
7/23/19	7/23/19	Summer Ohio Legion News Submission Deadline	Department Headquarters
7/24/19	7/24/19	All Regional Baseball Champs Due to Dept.	Department Headquarters
7/30/19	7/30/19	Senior Baseball Showcase Banquet	Crossroads- Lancaster
7/31/19	8/4/19	Senior Baseball Tournament	Beaver's Field-Lancaster
8/3/19	8/3/19	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
8/10/19	8/11/19	Department Golf Tournament	Post 598-Kettering
8/23/19	8/29/19	National Convention	Indianapolis, Indiana
9/2/19	9/2/19	Labor Day-Office Closed	Department Headquarters
9/16/19	9/16/19	American Legion Day	National Observance
10/16/19	10/17/19	National Fall Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
10/23/19	10/23/19	Fall Ohio Legion News Submission Deadline	Department Headquarters
10/27/19	10/27/19	4th District Fall Conference	Post 615- Waynesville
11/2/19	11/2/19	Post Service Officer Training	Department Headquarters
11/4/19	11/8/19	A&G Tests Given in Schools	Department Headquarters
11/11/19	11/11/19	Veteran's Day- Office Closed	Department Headquarters
11/28/19	11/29/19	Thanksgiving Observance-Office Closed	Department Headquarters
12/7/19	12/7/19	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
12/23/19	12/27/19	Christmas Observance- Office Closed	Department Headquarters
12/30/19	1/1/20	New Years Observance-Office Closed	Department Headquarters
1/11/20	1/11/20	4th District Winter Conference	Post 69- Cincinnati
1/21/20	1/21/20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	National Observance
1/23/20	1/23/20	Winter Ohio Legion News Submission Deadline	Department Headquarters
1/24/20	1/26/20	Mid-Winter Conference	Crowne Plaza Columbus North-Worthington
1/31/20	2/2/20	Dept. Bowling Tournament Week 1	Miamisburg
2/7/20	2/9/20	Dept. Bowling Tournament Week 2	Miamisburg
2/14/20	2/16/20	Dept. Bowling Tournament Week 3	Miamisburg
2/17/20	2/17/20	President's Day	National Observance
3/8/20	3/11/20	DSO/ Washington Conference	Hilton Washington Hotel
3/22/20	3/22/20	4th District Spring Conference	Post 49 - Wilmington
5/4/20	5/7/20	National Spring Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
5/10/20	5/10/20	4th District Summer Convention	Post 288 - Williamsburg
8/28/20	9/3/20	102nd National Convention	Louisville, KY
10/12/20	10/15/20	National Fall Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
FUTURE NATIONAL DATES			
2/28/21	3/3/21	DSO/ Washington Conference	Hilton Washington Hotel
5/3/21	5/6/21	National Spring Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
8/27/21	9/2/21	103rd National Convention	Phoenix, AZ
10/4/21	10/7/21	National Fall Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel



DEPARTMENT COMMANDER



Robert (Bob) Schmitt
Dept. Commander

I Hope this issue of the Ohio Legion News finds you in good health as well as your family members. For those who are not or your family members are not, I am asking Fr. Louie to continue offering prayers for all. "Father Louie Schmit please continue offering prayers for all of our members who are in need."

We can officially say the Winter is over, and that Spring is here, "April showers bring May flowers," and the way it has been raining this April, we should have lots of May flowers. Hopefully, we will have more Spring-like weather and not go right into hot Summer weather. With all of this being said, let's get started on the business of the Legion.

At this writing, I only have two months left as your Commander, and by the time you read this, it will be about 30 days left. I am not counting the days; there is too much to do and not enough time to do it. I have been kind of joking around about running for another term, of course, that has gone over like a lead balloon (joke, joke, Lol, ha, ha). As the

immediate Past Commander, I will be around as much as I am needed for this next year to help our new officers.

The Membership year was going well all year until the April Goal of 95%, we didn't make it, and we still have not made it as of this writing. Our next Goal was to be 100% by May 8th, and it appears that we are not going to make that Goal either. However, we could make it by June 30th if we can get more of you to pay your DUES. What is significant about June 30th, well that is my last day as your Commander. We need to understand what our DUES do for us. Our DUES should be looked at as a contribution even though they are not tax-deductible. The Department of Ohio receives \$9.00 out of each member's DUES, and we have approximately 100,000 members bringing our income to \$900,000.00. This \$900,000.00 is used to support our veteran service offices in Cincinnati, Dayton, Chillicothe, Columbus, and Cleveland. These offices help our veterans file their VA Claims and Appeals (one of our Four Pillars VA & R). It also helps with American Legion Buckeye Boys State program, and American Legion Baseball to name a

few of our Children and Youth Programs (another one of our Four Pillars). The Americanism and Government Test and Trip to Washington D.C. fall under Americanism, and that is our Third Pillar. So you can see how important your membership is in The American Legion.

Your Membership is also very important when we go to Washington D.C. and talk with our Senators and Representatives about veteran issues especially the VA Healthcare System. I have had the opportunity to attend the Washington Conference for the last three years, and this year I had the opportunity to watch our National Commander testify before the Joint House and Senate VA subcommittee. I assure you that your membership in The American Legion is critical to our strength and power with Congress. So, Please consider paying your DUES as soon as possible, we need every one of you.

For you, members that are a member of our Post #888, every one of you is welcome to go to any Post for their activities. You might find a local Post were you feel comfortable. Just because you are in Post #888 doesn't mean that you cannot go to any event or activity at any Post.

Please check out the local Posts near you. Check the Department website for upcoming events. The State Convention will be in Toledo June 28, 29, and 30, 2019 you are welcome to come. You never know who you may meet there.

The State Convention is in Toledo this year, June 28, 29, and 30, 2019 and everyone is invited. However, you will not have a vote unless you are a Delegate for your Post. We do charge a minimum fee of \$5 to register as a guest or Delegate. Come and have some fun and comradery with fellow veterans and members. We are working on making this Convention even better than last year's.

I also would like to mention the importance of our "Buddy Check" initiative. The "Buddy Check" is something that we have done in the past, but never had a name for it. It is important that you reach out to fellow members, especially if you haven't heard from them in an extended amount of time. For all, we know these members could be deceased, in hospice, or a nursing home, and their relatives are no longer paying their dues. Reach out to the members of your Post and ensure their wellbeing. En-

sure that they are getting the help that they need and that their membership is up to date. Make them know how important they are to the Post.

If you are a Paid Up for Life member, please ensure that your address and contact information is up to date with our National Headquarters. Some of you may have noticed that you haven't received any information in the mail from National in quite some time. That is because your address is marked as undeliverable, which will result in National marking you as deceased and canceling your PUFL membership. Please take the initiative to contact them with your most updated address information if you have not received any information from them this past membership year. Their phone number is 317-630-1200.

I will probably have one more Article for the Convention Issue of the Ohio Legion News, but at this time I want all of you to know that I am truly Honored to have been your Department Commander this last year. My wife and I are very grateful for the hospitality shown to us as we attended many events around the Department. Thank you to everyone.



1st VICE COMMANDER



Roger Friend
1st Vice Commander

Greetings Legionnaires from your 1st Vice Commander. First off congratulations on meeting the 90% goal as well as winning the Big 12 award. We were unable to meet the 95% and are currently at 94%. If we buckle down and knock on doors, we still have an opportunity to be a quota department. It will mean a lot of hard work, but it's not an impossible goal. Our monthly go to membership meetings has been very productive and will be a good tool to meet the membership goals necessary to get the department quota. The membership committee has been busy the last few weeks making changes to the Awards Manual. A question arose referring to moneys that were available in the November and

January post all time High and Quota awards. It was decided to move \$500.00 from both January awards to adding a thousand dollars to the November award. This increase would allow a better pay out for those who met the goal as well as an incentive to increase the amount of post to meet the goal. On April 17th a go to meeting was held with the DEC and the change was approved. There is still an opportunity for districts and post to get award money on the May 27th award. Congratulations goes out to the 10th District for coming in second on the Race to the Top. Legionnaires the year is winding down with convention just around the corner you need to be prod. You have gotten Ohio back up there with National. I want to thank you for making my year not only successful but enjoyable as well. Let's finish the year as a Quota Department.



2nd VICE COMMANDER



Jean Wilson
2nd Vice Commander

Where has the time gone? Life sure does move fast! I had a wonderful time at the Centennial Ball in Columbus.

It was fabulous to see so many Legionnaires, Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion and American Legion Riders at our event. Soon we will be headed to our Department Convention in Toledo on June 28-30th, 2019. We will be staying at the Park Inn Radisson located at 101 North Summit Street Toledo, Ohio. But before that happens, we still have lots of important things and work to do. Is your Post quota? If not, you still can achieve that very important goal! Shortly your Post should elect and install your new officers for 2019-2020. There is very important paperwork that your current Post Adjutant has received by now. That is the Post Certification of Officers and the Consolidated Post Report. Both reports are crucial information to the Department of Ohio. The Post Certification of Officers lets the Department know who oversees your Post. They compile their mailing lists from the information you supply. The Consolidated Post Report is imperative to gather this information for numerous reasons but one very

important one is that when the National Commander testifies on Capitol Hill on the behalf of all of us. If you didn't participate in a program listed just leave that blank. Both reports must be completed and sent back to Department for you to receive your 2020 membership cards. For any reason you have questions about the CPR, and you need assistance feel free to reach out to me. My email is 2ndvice@ohiolegion.com or my cell is 513-708-1969. With your help our Department of Ohio can achieve many if not all our goals but one thing for sure without you the road will be a rough one! Always remember all your Department Officers and the Department staff are here to assist you!

I want to thank the following American Legion Posts for hosting our various Department events, Maumee Post 320 for being the host Post for the Department Bowling Tournament, Winnow-Arn Post 541 for hosting the Department Euchre Tournament and Zanesville Post 29 for hosting the Department Pool Tournament. All of you did a fabulous job hosting these events!

There are still many important events coming up in the next few months. I will be attending the National Spring Meetings in Indianapolis May 8-9, 2019 I will be attending the Americanism meeting there and will

report back to all of you what I learn. The Sons of the American Legion will be having their Detachment Convention 5/17/19 thru 5/19/19 in Mansfield, Oh. Dayton Western Reserve grave decorating will be 5/25/2019 at the Dayton National Cemetery. In May and June your District will be electing and installing District Officers for 2019-2020. Buckeye Boys State will be in session from June 9-16, 2019 at Miami University. The Junior American Legion Baseball Tournament will be held on July 11-14 at Beavers Field and the Senior Tournament July 31-August 4, 2019 in Lancaster. The American Legion National Convention will be held on August 23-29, 2019 in Indianapolis, In. The Department Golf Tournament will be hosted by the Kettering Post 598. Something new this year for the Golf Tournament you can sponsor a hole for the incoming Commander Roger Friend's Commanders project which this year will be the National Emergency Fund, or the NEF be on the look out for the sponsorship forms! All monies will go to this very worthwhile project. If you have an idea of a new activity you would like to see the Department do, contact me or the Department. We can accomplish many great things when we work together! I firmly believe WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER!





HELLER'S HORIZONS



Suzette Heller
Dept. Adjutant

It is hard to believe that the 2019 membership cycle will soon come to a close and we will embark into 2020. I recall as a child, the fathom of living in the year "2020" and how far away that seemed to me at that time. I am certain I am preaching to the choir about how fast time passes.

At the end of April, I reviewed our membership totals and discovered that we had over 10,000 members who had not yet renewed for 2019. On April 30th, it was exactly 10,915. We are counting on each and every one of you to pass on our Legacy and I commend you for the work already done on behalf of membership and encourage us to keep going!

In mid-April, I had the privilege of attending the Legionnaires Insurance Trust (LIT) meeting, as

the Department LIT Trust Board Member, with our Commander and his wife, Barbara. We picked up a check from the Board in the amount of \$256,252.35 as a donation to our Department. We will use these monies to assist with operating expenses and Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation. These checks are not this large every year and LIT did remind us that they notice our membership numbers declining which could affect the future size of the donation. I learned great things at this conference about their products and encourage you to review the LIT Informational page in this edition of our OLN and to obtain products that are relevant to you as it helps both the Legionnaire, Legion Family, and the Department.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me to serve you as the Department Adjutant for the State of Ohio. The camaraderie I have built with other Department Adjutants on

a daily basis and at our National events has been vital to my professional development, growth, and education on how to lead a successful Department. There is a lot happening with our Department Committees and we have witnessed quite a few Legionnaires who have stepped up to the plate to keep the Department of Ohio on the map both locally and abroad. The efforts of the Legionnaire and Legion Family on behalf of our Centennial and the 100th Birthday of this great organization does not go un-noticed. You made the Centennial Ball a success and I thank you for that!

In the meantime, Godspeed and health in all your endeavors. Please continue to check your buddies, especially in our current climate of mental and physical health of our returning soldiers who are suffering from emotional and physical pain, which leads some to suicide. Our nation and world need prayer more than ever before. Until we meet again.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Father Schmit
Dept. Chaplain

What have we passed on? What have we received from others that we have forgotten? Again, our slogan this year is "Celebrating Our Legacy". The following story was told to me when I was stationed at Fort Ord in California in the 1990's. There was a Navy Fighter Pilot, who after 75 combat missions in Vietnam, was shot down by a surface-to-air missile. He ejected a parachute into enemy hands, was captured, and spent the next six years in a communist prison camp. He survived, and has lectured on the lessons he learned while a prisoner.

One day, as he and his wife were sitting in a restaurant, a man at another table came over and said to him, "You flew Fighter jets in Vietnam from the aircraft carrier, Kitty Hawk. You were shot down!"

"How in the world did you know that," replied the Pilot. "I was a Sailor on the Kitty Hawk, I packed your parachute." The Pilot gasped in surprise and gratitude. The Sailor shook his hand and said, "I guess it worked!" The Pilot answer, "It sure did, if your chute hadn't opened, I wouldn't be here today! It saved my life."

That night, the Pilot couldn't sleep, thinking about that Sailor. He kept thinking about what he

looked like in a Navy Uniform: a white hat, a bib in the back, and bell-bottom trousers. He wondered how many times he might have seen him on the ship and not even said "Good Morning, or How are you" because you see, He was a Fighter Pilot and the man was just a Sailor." The Pilot thought of the many hours the Sailor had spent at a long wooden table in the bowels of the ship, carefully weaving the shrouds, and folding the silks, of each chute, holding in his hands each time, the fate of someone he didn't know.

After this event, the Officer always asks those who come to hear him speak, "Who's packing your parachute? Everyone has someone who provides what they need to make it through their day." The Pilot mentioned that he needed many kinds of parachutes when his plane was shot down over enemy territory - he needed his physical parachute, his emotional parachute, and his spiritual parachute. He used all these supports before reaching safety.

Sometimes in the daily challenges that life gives us, we miss what is really important. We may fail to say hello, please, give a compliment, or just do something nice for those who've packed our parachutes.

As you go through this week, this month, or this year, are you leaving a legacy for those supports in your life?



JUDGE ADVOCATE



Doug Whitney
Judge Advocate

Protection of the financial health of American Legion Posts and their programs is a critical component of the health of our beloved organization. Here are some ideas to insure our post wellness in this important area: Does your post finance committee supervise the receiving, disbursement and accounting of all post funds, prepare annual budget

recommendations and advise the post on all financial policies? Are two signatures required for every check written? Is an annual audit of all post accounts accomplished by an independent audit committee or accountant? Is there open access to the financial records? Are there limits on the amount of expenditures that can be made without prior approval of the post executive committee or the membership? If your post is operating a clubroom or charitable gaming are the accounts for those operations receiving the same scrutiny

and reporting rules as the post operating funds? Does the ALR chapter and SAL Squadron make a monthly financial report to the Post and is the post finance officer a signatory on any accounts maintained by those organizations? They should also be using the posts federal EIN on their accounts and their receipts and expenditures included in the annual Form 990 filed by the post. I suggest that every post review its financial management policy and procedures on a regular basis to ensure that the post remains healthy in this important area.



TREASURER



Richard Staley
Dept. Treasurer

I want to thank every Legionnaire for your support in electing me as your Department Treasurer for 2018-2019. It has been my honor to serve the Department of Ohio in this capacity.

This past year Department purged Ohio Life Memberships, resulting in deceasing 321 mem-

bers from the Ohio Life Membership roster which in turn, saved the Department from having to pay national dues on them.

Department has created an Excel file of over 2,500 Ohio Life Members. As many of you know, a post can go onto mylegion.org and decessate a member from their roster. However, if a post decessates an Ohio Life Member or an Honorary Life Member on mylegion.org, Department does not know to show them as deceased

on our Excel file unless the post submits a "Data Entry Form".

So there is no confusion, Department is asking that posts submit a "Data Entry Form" on ALL Life Members, to include Paid Up for Life, Ohio Life and Honorary Life Members.

I personally want to thank all the posts for their assistance in making this project a successful one. It was rewarding to me to talk to several post officers throughout this project.



HISTORIAN



Harold Landis
Dept. Historian

I would like to remind everyone that your year books for your post or District has to be turned in for

judging no later than July 27, 2019. We would like to see more year books this year.

If you have any questions on the rules contact me at photo-man55@twc.com and I will send you the rules.

AMERICAN LEGION NIGHT



WITH THE MUD HENS



Friday, June 28th at 7pm

Event Promotions:

Premium Giveaway: Muddy/Fighter Jet Bobblehead
Fireworks / Post-Game Concert / Inflatable Games for Kids

Order Your Tickets Today!

Contact Matthew Snider at 419-720-6544 or
email at msnider@mudhens.com

(Additional Game Dates: Saturday, June 29th and Sunday, June 30th)

Game Tickets Available for \$14.00 All Games



AMERICAN LEGION NIGHT



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Friday, June 28th at 7pm

CALLING ALL POSTS!

Take part in this unique experience as we have a post-game American Legion Parade on the field.

Wave Your American Legion Post Flags

To honor your community on this centennial celebration for the American Legion.

For Questions or to RSVP - Please contact Christie White

740-362-7478 or programs@ohiolegion.com



VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

101st Department Convention Constitution and By-Law Resolutions

Legionnaires at every membership level are afforded the opportunity to suggest changes in their local posts' policies, or even to the way the Legion operates as an organization. Legionnaires interested in initiating such a process must file a resolution – a written description of a problem or situation, followed by a suggestion as to how it may be corrected. A resolution may also be a statement or declaration pertaining to an issue of concern to the Legion. It consists of two parts: the preamble (description of the problem), and the resolve clause (how the local post, department or national organization should solve the problem or support the issue). The entire resolution should be one continuous sentence, with the preamble clause(s) preceding the resolve clause(s).

Resolutions are often submitted by a Post, County, or District to the Department Executive Committee or to the General Assembly by a Post, County, or District.

All proposed amendments to the Department Constitution and/or By-Laws must be received in Department Headquarters at 60 Big Run Road, Delaware, Ohio 43015 by May 29th, 2019.

All resolutions, other than those proposing to amend the Department Constitution and/or By-Laws must be received in Department Headquarters by June 18th, 2019.

Resolutions approved by the Department Executive Committee on April 6, 2019 are:

RESOLUTION 19-04: To Establish the Ohio American Legion Veteran Court Program

RESOLUTION 19-05: To increase amount of scholarship awards of Department of Ohio Oratorical Contest.

RESOLUTION 19-09: Creation of an AD-HOC committee to research Marketing, Media, and Communications.

Resolutions referred to the General Assembly at Department Convention by the Department Executive Committee on April 6, 2019 are:

RESOLUTION 19-08: SAL Encourages the American Legion to Find a Membership Place for Male Spouses of Eligible Veterans

Resolutions approved by the Department Executive Committee on April 6, 2019 and submitted to the National Executive Committee are:

RESOLUTION 19-10: American Legion Encourage Legislation that Entitles Members of the National Guard to Receive a Flag of the United States of America at Their Time of Death.

RESOLUTION 19-12: American Legion calls for Legislation to Secure Benefits for Burn Pit Veterans.

Anyone can view approved resolutions or learn how to submit a resolution by visiting ohiolegion.com or by contacting Jermaine Ferguson at ferguson@ohiolegion.com.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-15
Subject: Proposed increase to department of Ohio membership dues

RESOLVED, By the American Legion in Department of Ohio Convention assembled in Toledo, Ohio, June 28-30, 2019, That the Constitution of The American Legion Department of Ohio, Article XII, Section 2 which reads:

The amount of such annual Department dues beginning January 1, 2004, shall be nine dollars (\$9.00) per member, of which each year at least one dollar and twenty cents (\$1.20) shall be allocated to publish and mail to the entire membership a Department newspaper; at least fifteen cents (\$0.15) shall be allocated for Department Convention operations; and at least thirty cents (\$0.30) shall be allocated to aid Delegates to the National Convention. (Amended 85th Department Convention 2003)

That the Constitution of The American Legion Department of Ohio, That Article XII, Section 2, be amended to read as follows:

The amount of such annual Department dues beginning January 1, 2020, shall be twelve dollars (\$12.00) per member, of which each year at least one dollar and forty cents (\$1.40) shall be allocated to publish and mail to the entire membership a Department newspaper; at least twenty-five cents (\$0.25) shall be allocated for Department Convention operations; and at least thirty-five cents (\$0.35) shall be allocated to aid Delegates to the National Convention. and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Constitution of The American Legion Department of Ohio, Article X, Standing Committees, Section 2-a which reads:

There is hereby created a Department Reserve Fund for the purpose of aiding duly elected delegates, including the five (5) delegates at large under Article VIII, Section 5 of the Department Constitution, to attend the National Conventions of The American Legion.

The Finance Committee shall set aside annually thirty cents (\$0.30) of each member's dues

for the purpose of establishing and maintaining this reserve fund and in addition said Finance Committee shall allocate to said fund such amounts as are determined by said Finance Committee to be needed to maintain said fund in a solvent condition from funds derived from any other activities which the Department may endorse, participate in, or promote which create surplus funds, all to be used in said Delegate Allowance Fund.

Each delegate to a National Convention, including the five (5) delegates at large, shall divide evenly an amount equal to the total membership multiplied by the thirty (\$0.30), the amount heretofore established for the purpose of aiding duly elected delegates to National Convention.

For the purpose of obtaining the

total number of authorized delegates as well as establishing the membership criteria for the delegate allowance to be paid from, a delegate allowance shall be based upon the Department's membership current dues paid to the National Treasurer thirty (30) days prior to said National Convention.

Rules for attendance to all National Convention business and caucus sessions shall be established by the Department Executive Committee. (Amended 82nd Department Convention 2000)

Be amended to read as follows:

There is hereby created a Department Reserve Fund for the purpose of aiding duly elected delegates, including the five (5) delegates at large under Article VIII, Section 5 of the Department Constitution, to attend the National Conventions of The American Legion.

The Finance Committee shall set aside annually thirty-five cents (\$0.35) of each member's dues for the purpose of establishing and maintaining this reserve fund and in addition said Finance Committee shall allocate to said fund such amounts as are determined by said Finance Committee to be needed to maintain said fund in a solvent condition from funds derived from any other activities which the Department may endorse, participate in, or promote which create surplus funds, all to be used in said Delegate Allowance Fund.

Each delegate to a National Convention, including the five (5) delegates at large, shall divide evenly an amount equal to the total membership multiplied by the thirty-five cents (\$0.35), the amount heretofore established for the purpose of aiding duly elected delegates to National Convention.

For the purpose of obtaining the total number of authorized delegates as well as establishing the membership criteria for the delegate allowance to be paid from, a delegate allowance shall be based upon the Department's membership current dues paid to the National Treasurer thirty (30) days prior to said National Convention.

Rules for attendance to all National Convention business and caucus sessions shall be established by the Department Executive Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-16
Subject: Constitutional Amendment: Add Section 1.A to article III, Membership

RESOLVED, By the American Legion Department of Ohio, assembled in general assembly at the Department of Ohio Convention assembled in Toledo, Ohio, June 28th – 30th, 2019, That the Constitution of The American Legion Department, Article III, Section 1 which reads:

Section 1. Any person shall be eligible for membership in The American Legion who was a mem-

ber of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or Air Force of the United States and assigned to active duty at some time during any of the following periods: April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918; December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946; June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955; February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975; August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984; December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990; August 2, 1990 to the cessation of hostilities as determined by the government of the United States, all dates inclusive, or who, being a citizen of the United States 2 at the time of his entry therein, served on active duty in the armed forces of any of the governments associated with the United States during any of said periods; provided, however, that such service shall have been terminated by honorable discharge or honorable separation, or continued honorably after any of said periods; provided further, that no person shall be entitled to membership who, being in such service during any of said periods, refused on conscientious, political or other grounds to subject himself to military discipline or unqualified service.

Be amended to add Section 1a to read:

Section 1a. Eligibility requirements for membership in The American Legion shall be revised in accordance with The American Legion National Headquarters membership and eligibility requirements as stated in Article XV, Section 2.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-17
SUBJECT: By-Law Amendment: Modify Article II, Duties of Officers, Section 2A

RESOLVED, By the American Legion Department of Ohio, assembled in general assembly at the Department of Ohio Convention assembled in Toledo, Ohio, June 28th – 30th, 2019, That the By-Laws of The American Legion Department, Article III, Section 2 which reads:

Section 2. The Department First Vice Commander shall assume and discharge the duties of the office of Department Commander in the absence or disability of the Commander or when called upon by the Department Commander. The Department Second Vice Commander shall assume and discharge the duties of the office of Department First Vice Commander in the absence or disability of the First Vice Commander.

Section 2-a. The Department Second Vice Commander shall be Chairman of the Post Activities Committee and shall be responsible for Post Activities within the Department during his/her term of office.

Be amended to read: Section 2. The Department First Vice Commander shall assume

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Mike DeWine and Jon Husted
Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Ohio
do hereby officially recognize:

**AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF OHIO**

AS YOU HOST YOUR
100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
MARCH 15, 2019

On behalf of the State of Ohio, we extend a warm welcome to all those attending the 100th Anniversary Celebration in Columbus, Ohio. We are truly blessed to live in a land of unparalleled liberty and opportunity, but these blessings do not come to us without cost. They are bought and paid for by the service and sacrifice of generations of American military men and women, from 1775 right up to the present moment. We thank all those who have served our nation for your commitment and dedication to defending liberty both at home and abroad, and we extend our best wishes for a memorable convention.

On this 15th day of March 2019:

Mike DeWine

Mike DeWine
Governor

Jon Husted
Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor





VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

Ohio Department Service Officers Report on Changes and Topics Learned in Washington D.C.

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"The SitRep"

It has been a busy quarter for the Department Service Officers at the Cleveland VARO Office. There were 43 scheduled Board of Veterans Appeals hearing Scheduled. Decision Review Officer hearings scheduled were 19. A large portion of the BVA hearings were conducted by a travel board in which two Judges from the Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington D.C. made the trip to Cleveland to conduct the hearings face to face with the veterans. Currently to date the Department Service Officers has help veterans obtain \$4,910,234.10 in BVA Grants, \$1,212,795.80 in DRO Grants and \$235,535.16 in Remanded Grants for a total of \$6,358,565.00 (date from February 2016 to present). Parting note Former Department Service Officer Adam Zaebst is no longer with the Cleveland VARO office. Veterans that were represented by Adam have been assigned to another DSO's in the Cleveland Office. DSO William Genochio attended Department Service Officer School in Washington D.C. and returned to the Cleveland VARO to inform fellow DSO's of the changes and topics learned.

Appeals Modernization Act

The official launch of the Appeals Modernization Act (AMA) took effect February 19, 2019. What does this mean for our veterans now. The following guidance is provided to assist you in understanding the new rules and lanes available to veterans. But please feel free to call your Department Service Officers if there is any further questions or clarification needed.

Rating Decisions prior to Feb-

ruary 19, 2019 the veteran can still file the 21-0958 Notice of Disagreement and stay in the Legacy Appeal process (this is the old system) or the veteran can opt in to the AMA process. Any rating Decision dated February 19, 2019 or later must select from three lanes in which to advance their appeal. Below are the three lanes in which the veteran can select:

Supplemental Lane:

- If you have additional evidence that supports your claim. Evidence must be new and relevant to the claim for benefits.

- This lane provides the VA's Duty to Assist meaning the VA will help gather evidence to support your claim.

- The review of your claim will include any new and relevant evidence submitted since VA's last decision of the claim.

- To file this claim use VA FORM 20-0995 (Decision Review Request: Supplemental Claim).

Higher-Level Review:

- No new evidence is submitted, this triggers an entirely new review of the file as it is by a more experienced claims adjudicator.

- Select if you have no new evidence and believe the information to grant the claim is already present in your file but was missed.

- VA will not provide any Duty to Assist unless an error is found. The claim will then be returned to the decision maker to correct the error.

- In this lane the veteran can request a one-time informal conference by phone to argue your claim. It is best to have the VA representative contact the Department Service Officer to argue on the veterans behalfes.

- To file this type of claim use VA FORM 20-0996 (Decision Review Request: Higher-Level Review)

Appeal to the Board Lane:

Under the Board lane there

are three lanes in which you can choose to send your appeal they are as follows:

- Direct Lane: use if you do not wish to submit new evidence and do not want a Board hearing with a BVA Judge

- Evidence Submission: Use if you have new evidence to support your claim again evidence must be new and relevant to the claim. No hearing is wanted, veteran wants decision based off the new evidence.

- Hearing: use if you have new evidence to submit and want to have a hearing with a BVA Judge. You may submit evidence at the hearing of up to 90 days following the scheduled hearing.

- To elect into one of these lanes, use VA FORM 10-182 (Decision Review Request: Notice of Disagreement).

If you disagree with a decision from the Supplemental Claim Lane, you may choose to resubmit the claim as another supplemental claim with new evidence, as a higher-level review or as an appeal to the Board of Veterans' Appeals. If you disagree with a decision from the Higher-Level Review Lane, you may choose to resubmit the claim as a supplemental claim or as an appeal to the Board of Veterans' Appeals. If you disagree with a Board decision you may either resubmit as a supplemental claim or through an appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. Under the AMA a veteran can also choose to select multiple lanes regarding your claim the following is an example:

Veteran filed claim for Service Connection for Hearing Loss, Back Condition and Mental Health condition. The veteran can divide up their claim and send each condition to a different lane. So, the veterans hearing showed loss of hearing on the exit exam with noticeable shift form the entrance exam. The veteran can send this to a higher-level

review while sending the back issue to the Supplemental Lane after getting additional evidence to support the claims and appeal the Mental health to the Board lane.

Appeals Modernization Act might seem confusing but there appear to be benefits to the program that can assist the veteran. The notification letter is going to be more in depth and are supposed to outline the evidence used and the evidence needed to win the claim. The biggest take away is that if you have questions please call the American Legion Department Service Officer team for assistance.

Blue Water Veterans and Agent Orange Update

There have been recent updates for Blue Water Navy personal and exposure to Agent Orange. The VA changed the M21-1 Manual for Disability Compensation to exclude all bays and harbors from presumption of exposure to herbicide agents.

38 U.S.C. §1116 refers to veterans who "served in Vietnam" the question is does this include service in the waters off Vietnam? The Federal Circuit stated yes it does "The intent of Congress is clear from its use of the term 'in the Republic of Vietnam,' which all available international law unambiguously confirms includes its territorial sea." Territorial seas extend up to "12 nautical miles" from the shore. This is further detailed in Procopio v. Wilkie, No. 2017-1821 (Fed. Cir. 2019) (Bergmann & Moore 2019).

The Department of Veterans Affairs has until April 29, 2019 to file an appeal to the decision made by the Federal Circuit. To date the VA has filed a stay of the decision while it decided to file a certiorari to the Supreme Court or not. This has placed all Blue Water claims at a temporary halt. Further insight even if the VA files the certiorari it is possible that the Supreme Court does not even look at the appeal due to only review-

ing less than 100 cases per year.

Link to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, for the case of Procopio v. Wilkie. <http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/opinions-orders/17-1821.Opinion.1-29-2019.pdf>

Post Service Officer Coming is November

Reminder that Post Service Officer School is November 2, 2019 at Department HQ 60 Big Run Rd, Delaware, Ohio 43015. I have received numerous requests to already so thank you. If you are interested in attending, please send your info to genochio@ohiolegion.com formal invitations will be sent out later. PSO School will be held the 1st Saturday in November unless otherwise advised. Please feel free to send topic request to the above emails as to what you are hearing in the Post. It is our intent to deliver the best possible training to assist our Post Service Officers in aiding our Post members.

Military Humor

My gunnery sergeant and I were inspecting a Marine training exercise when we spotted a second lieutenant ambling about. "Where is your foxhole, Lieutenant?" I asked. He snapped off a salute and responded, "I don't know, sir!" Turning to the sergeant, he asked, "Gunnery, where is my foxhole?" "You're standing in it, sir," said the sergeant. "All you have to do is remove the dirt."

Ret. Lt. Col. Joseph Como, Greenwood, South Carolina
<https://www.rd.com/jokes/military/>

The "After Action" Report

We would like to include success stories regarding the Department Service Officers. If you have a comment or story of how the American Legion help you file a claim, where granted a claim that was on appeal please write a brief statement and send to genochio@ohiolegion.com to be published. Do not include any personal information in the statement.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Child Welfare Foundation

The Child Welfare Foundation would like to thank everyone who sold and purchased a CWF pin this membership year. Pins are still on sale and will be available for the next year's committee to sell as well. All proceeds from the sale of Department CWF pins will directly benefit the Child Welfare Foundation.

Our next meeting will be held at our Department Convention in Toledo, OH, where we will be

reviewing all Consolidated Post Reports to select winners for each Child Welfare category. We plan to have a table set up at convention where you can learn more about the CWF and pins will be available for purchase at that time.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly at triplealegion@gmail.com. Thank you for your time.

- Albert "Andy" Atkins



DEPARTMENT CONVENTION SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 28-30, 2019



THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT CONVENTION HOUSING

Park Inn by Radisson
101 N Summit St | Toledo, OH 43604

DEPARTMENT OF OHIO AUXILIARY HOUSING

**Radisson Hotel at
The University of Toledo**
3100 Glendale Ave | Toledo, OH 43604

RESERVATIONS: To make reservations please call 419-241-3000 or 1-800-670-7275. Discounted group rate is \$119.00 per night plus tax. Please reference "The American Legion" and the code "1906AMELEG" when making reservations. Deadline is June 12th.

SHUTTLE: Shuttles between each hotel are available Thursday June 27th Noon- 6:00PM, Friday June 28th 8:00AM- 4:00PM, Saturday June 29th 7:30AM- 1:00PM, and Sunday June 30th 6:30AM- Noon.

CONTACT: For more information on the event contact Christie White at Programs@ohiolegion.com or call (740) 362-7478. You can also go to our website <https://www.ohiolegion.com/events/departments-conferences-conventions/>. Please make sure to fill out the Delegate/Alternate Certification Form.

*Members and non-members are welcome to attend the convention and any meetings offered

** Call Headquarters if there is any issue with making hotel reservations.

2019 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tentative

Thursday June 27th, 2019

Shuttle: Noon- 6:00Pm	
HQ Office	Daily
Charities Meeting	2:00PM- 4:00PM
Judging Sub Committees	2:00PM- 3:00PM
Executive Committee Meeting	3:00PM- 5:00PM
DEC Banquet	7:00PM- 10:00PM

Friday June 28th, 2019

Shuttle: 8:00AM- 4:00Pm	
HQ Office	Daily
Registration	10:00AM- 6:00PM
Americanism	10:00AM- 12:00PM
Child Welfare	10:00AM- 12:00PM
Constitutional Amendments	10:00AM- 12:00PM
Legislative	10:00AM- 12:00PM
Permanent Organization	10:00AM- 12:00PM
Resolutions	10:00AM- 12:00PM
Rules & Order of Business	10:00AM- 12:00PM
VA&R	10:00AM- 12:00PM
National Security	10:00AM- 12:00PM
Emblem Sales	9:00AM-6:00PM
1st District Caucus	1:00PM- 3:00PM
2nd District Caucus	3:00PM- 5:00PM
3rd District Caucus	1:00PM- 3:00PM
4th District Caucus	3:00PM- 5:00PM
5th District Caucus	1:00PM- 3:00PM
6th District Caucus	3:00PM- 5:00PM
7th District Caucus	1:00PM- 3:00PM
8th District Caucus	3:00PM- 5:00PM
9th District Caucus	1:00PM- 3:00PM
10th District Caucus	3:00PM- 5:00PM
11th District Caucus	1:00PM- 3:00PM
12th District Caucus	3:00PM- 5:00PM
13th District Caucus	1:00PM- 3:00PM
14th District Caucus	3:00PM- 5:00PM
Credentials	6:00PM- 9:00PM
Toledo Mudhens	

Saturday June 29th, 2019

Shuttle: 7:30AM- 1:00PM	
HQ Office	Daily
Emblem Sales	8:00AM-1:00PM
Registration	8:30AM- 30 minutes until close of session
General Session	8:30AM-11:30AM
Charities Gaming	2:00PM- 4:00PM
National Appointees Meeting	4:00PM- 5:00PM
Credentials	6:00PM- 9:00PM

Sunday June 30th, 2019

Shuttle: 6:30AM- Noon	
HQ Office	Daily
Protestant Service	7:30AM- 8:30AM
Catholic Service	7:30AM- 8:30AM
Emblem Sales	8:30AM-1:00PM
General Session	9:00AM- 1:00PM
Executive Committee Meeting	1:00PM- 2:00PM

Letter from the Editor, Parris Hopson

Greetings Legionnaires! I hope all is well. Thank you all for your contributions to the Spring 2019 Edition of The Ohio Legion News. This edition has some great content and I hope you all enjoy. Please note that the deadline for the Summer 2019 edition of The Ohio Legion News will be July 23rd, 2019. All submissions will be considered for inclusion and must be submitted to legion@ohiolegion.com with the appropriate submission form. Additional information on submission guidelines can be found online at <https://www.ohiolegion.com/news/ohio-legion-news/>.

IMPORTANT NEWS: The Department of Ohio Publication Board has created a survey asking for YOUR feedback on the Ohio Legion Newsletter.

It can be completed online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GLHL9NY>. Please take a few moments of your time to complete this survey prior to the Summer Deadline. If you do not have access to a computer, please answer the below questions and mail your responses to: Department Headquarters. ATTN: Publications Survey (60 Big Run Rd. Delaware, OH 43015)



SURVEY: Ohio Legion News

- What do you do when you receive your Ohio Legion Newsletter each quarter?**
 - Read it.
 - Throw it in the trash/recycle bin.
 - Complete the crossword puzzle and ignore the content.
- Which format would you prefer to receive your Newsletter in?**
 - Newspaper format.
 - Magazine format.
 - E-Newsletter.
- How often would you like to receive news from the Ohio Legion?**
 - Quarterly.
 - Monthly.
 - Every 6 weeks.
- Do multiple American Legion members live in your household?**
 - Yes.
 - No.
- What content do you find most important in the Ohio Legion News?**
 - Photos and articles about Past Department events and conferences.
 - Veteran Affairs & Legislative Updates.
 - Advertisements about future events.
 - Photos submitted by local posts and Districts.
- How would you feel about the inclusion of business advertisements in the Ohio Legion News?**
 - For it.
 - Against it.
 - Depends on the nature of the business.
 - Only If the business is veteran owned.
- Briefly, please discuss any additional feedback you have regarding the Ohio Legion Newsletter.**

Complete the survey and mail to Department Headquarters, Publications Survey at 60 Big Run Rd. Delaware, OH 43015 or complete online at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GLHL9NY>

AMERICANISM

Oratorical Contest: A Champion is Crowned

On Sunday March 10th, 2019 at The American Legion Department of Ohio Headquarters, a local home-schooled freshman, Honor Persing, participated in the State American Legion Oratorical Contest held at their headquarters in Delaware, Ohio. She was able to compete on this level after having won the District 4 competition a few weeks prior in Mason, Ohio. She placed 1st overall for the state, after having won her room in the semifinals, then coming in 1st out of the 2 finalists. This earns her a spot at the National American Legion Oratorical Contest to be held in April, in Indianapolis, as well as generous scholarship money from the Legion. Students who participate in this contest are required to write and deliver their memorized 10-minute speech on the Constitution, as well as delivering another 5-minute speech on an assigned amendment. Honor is the daughter of Joe and Michelle Persing and resides in Martinsville.



Winner, Honor Persing poses with her mother Michelle, Oratorical Chair, John Looker, and two of the esteemed speech Judges



There were 7 contestants represented in the State contest held on March 10th, 2019: District 1, Jacob Lyons; District 2, Andrew Waite; District 4, Honor Persing; District 6, Zachary Zader; District 7, Blaise Tayese; District 12, Bronte Johnson; District 13, Vardaan Shah

National Oratorical Contest Results

In April 2019, a local home-schooled freshman had the opportunity of joining 53 other competitors in Indianapolis for the National American Legion Oratorical Competition. Competitors were from all 50 states, Puerto Rico, District of Columbia, and France, where the Legion was founded. The top ½ percent of all the nationwide competitors were invited to the Indianapolis final. Each student presented a memorized, 10 minute original speech they had prepared about the Constitution, as well as a 5 minute piece on an amendment chosen for each round. Generous scholarship money was awarded, and the students enjoyed watching each other present, as well as getting to know other young speakers from around the country. Honor Persing was invited to come after winning the State of Ohio's competition, and represented the Buckeye State well. Her family was able to join her and they enjoyed exploring the city on this all-expense paid trip. Honor is the daughter of Joe and Michelle Persing and resides in Martinsville.



Honor and the National Commander



Honor and John Looker



Contestants for National Oratorical Competition

Legionnaire Insurance

Having coverage for things that happen when unexpected not only contributes a solution to the situation, it can also help with peace of mind. We at the Department of Ohio encourage that if you are a Legionnaire, you should be registered for your free policy that comes with your membership each year. This free policy is \$1,000.00 if on unofficial business and \$5,000.00 for "official business" of The American Legion.

There is also opportunity for District leadership to purchase AD&D for their District Executive Boards for \$3.24/year, per person, for \$25,000 coverage. This goes beyond the \$1K and \$5K free policies. Below are just some examples of other products available on behalf of LIT. We will have an informational booth available at the Department Convention to answer all questions regarding LIT and their products.

The "Emergency Assistance Plus" program is a plan that protects you and your family if you get sick or hurt while traveling in the U.S. or abroad. It gives you access to 24-hour emergency medical services that your primary insurance will typically not cover! The cost is \$114/year and includes medical evacuation, transportation home, return of deceased remains, vehicle return, prescription replacement if lost or stolen, one round-trip airline ticket to bring a loved one by your side, up to date travel restrictions, alerts, weather, security intelligence, lost luggage, and so much more! Visit: <https://www.thelit.com/emergency-assistance-plus>



from or participating in any covered event conducted for Legion business, or \$1,000.00 for all other fatal covered accidents. You pay nothing for this coverage.

Your Department of The American Legion endorses this coverage to stand by your family with up

to \$1,000.00 cash benefits paid straight to your beneficiary, if you suffer a fatal covered accident at home, on the job, in your car, on vacation, while traveling, wherever you are.

**The product for Members living in WA differs from the above.

<https://www.thelit.com/no-cost-legioncare>

ID Resolve: <https://www.thelit.com/idresolve>

In today's world, identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in America. If you or your spouse fall victim to identity theft what would you do? Where would you turn? With Legionnaire ID Resolve you'll have 24-hour identity theft resolution that helps protect your money, your time and your financial reputation.

If you haven't fallen victim to identity theft yet, don't think you're safe. Data breaches happen every day, where thieves can steal your name, address, date of birth, credit card information, medical records, and most critically your Social Security number. That's why Your Department of The American Legion has endorsed ID Resolve. A new program to help Legionnaires fight back — instead of being a victim and not knowing where to turn.

ID Resolve helps you eliminate the uncertainty — by putting ID experts on your side to clean up the mess and help restore your good name. You can be confident you're getting the protection you deserve when it comes to your money, your accounts, your credit cards, your financial record and your hard-earned good name. Plus, our no-obligation money-back guarantee allows you a full 30-day examination period in case you change your mind about this identity resolution.

Remember, it doesn't matter how careful you are ... you can't always control where your information goes. Enroll today and gain access to a team who will help restore your identity.

LEGIONCARE OVERVIEW

Legioncare no cost to you accidental death insurance protection guaranteed** to legionnaires.

As a member of the Legion Family, you're eligible for up to \$5,000.00 in NO COST To You coverage. But your Confirmation is REQUIRED for activation.

\$5,000.00 Accidental death protection member-only benefit:

Your beneficiary will receive a check for \$5,000.00 if you suffer a fatal covered accident while you are traveling to or

AMERICANISM

A&G Scholarship Trip

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"hands-on" setting. The views were breathtaking and helped the team picture what things might have been like during the Civil War. Also, "you can never have too much Abraham Lincoln in Gettysburg."

Tuesday was one of the biggest highlights of the trip. The American Legion has placed a wreath at The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier every year since 1936. This year was no different. The young leaders visited many sites in Arlington National Cemetery, including the new headstone of former Marine Corp aviator, engineer, astronaut, and Ohio Senator John Glenn. Viewing the changing of the guard as well as placing the wreath at the tomb is always a very emotional highlight for The American Legion and the students. This year, Junior Macray Kester and Senior McKenzie Miller were selected as the student wreath layers. They were accompanied by Department 1st Vice Commander Roger Friend and Auxiliary 1st Vice President Kristen Little. It is a once in a lifetime experience which will be remembered by these two outstanding students.

The highlight of Wednesday was a visit to the Capital Building as well as meeting our Ohio Congressmen Jim Jordan. He was kind enough to meet our group on the steps of The Capitol and speak to our students. We also were thankful that Senator Browns office allowed us to tour the underground tunnel system between the senator's office and the Capitol. We also visited the Supreme Court and National Museum of American History along with other numerous monuments.

Thursday was a visit that is always a favorite...Quantico. Quantico is an active Marine Corps base and FBI Training Academy that is the headquarters of the Presidential Helicopter Squadron also known as HMX-1 or Marine One. We were briefed by a Captain that is on the Presidential detail, and he gave us a tour of the base. The trip ended with a stop in the hanger, where the students walked inside and sit in the piolet set of a Bell Boeing V-22 Osprey. It is a tilt-



White House



American Legion Post 202 - Gettysburg PA

rotor military aircraft with both vertical takeoff and landing. They also received a briefing and sneak peak of Officer Candidate School. Before leaving Quantico, they had the "chow hall" experience for lunch.

During the trip we also visited many monuments and memorials which included the Air Force Memorial, American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial, Korean War Memorial, Pentagon Memorial, World War 2 Memorial, the Vietnam Wall, FDR Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, MLK Jr memorial, Marine Corps Museum, Law Enforcement Memorial and Museum and Navy Memorial. Our final stop on the way home was the new National Veterans Memorial and Museum in Columbus, Ohio.

We all returned home on Friday. The 18 students that accompanied us chaperones on the trip were indeed a joy and a pleasure to spend the week with. Saying that this trip and this group of young leaders are fantastic is an understatement. Words cannot describe the knowledge, passion, and drive each one of them has. We are so very thankful that these 18 individuals are the future leaders of America.



Quantico - Marine Corps Base - Hanger



Quantico - Marine Corps Base



The Capitol with Representative Jim Jordan



Arlington National Cemetery

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

• AMERICANISM UPCOMING EVENTS •

- May 25: Dayton National Cemetery Grave Decorating
- May 25: Western Reserve Cemetery Grave Decorating
- June 9-16: Buckeye Boys State
- July 11-14: Junior Baseball Tournament
- July 30: Senior Tournament Banquet
- July 31-August 4: Senior Baseball Tournament



2019-2020 Department Elections

Roger Friend

**Candidate for
Department Commander**



Melvin Mayfield Post #804 and the Sizzling Sixth District proudly present and endorse Roger Friend as a candidate for the High office of Department Commander of the American Legion Department of Ohio. Roger earned his eligibility serving a combination of active and reserve time for a total of 22 years and has been a member of Post #804 since its conception in 2006. He has held offices of 2nd Vice, 1st Vice and Commander at the Post level. While he was the commander he earned 100% commander and Post #804 was all time high. He is currently the Adjutant and Treasurer. He serviced as the 6th district 2nd, 1st and Commander and the received the Big one pin as the 1st Vice. At the Department level he was the Chairman of the National Security Committee and at the National level the national Security council. Roger is currently servicing as Department 1st Vice Commander. Roger retired as a Field Support Specialist at Acuity Brands Lighting and is married to his lovely wife Cindy of 50 years and has two daughters Kalani and Felicia.

Jean L. Wilson

**Candidate for
Department 1st Vice Commander**



Yeager -Benson American Legion Post 199, Hamilton County and the Fabulous Fourth District presents and endorses Jean L. Wilson for the high Office of Department of Ohio American Legion 1st Vice Commander. Jean earned her eligibility in the American Legion through her service in the US Army from 1969-1971. Jean has been a Post awarded Ohio Life Member of Yeager Benson Post 199 for 30 years. She has served her Post at every level including 2 years as Post Commander. She was the 1st female Commander of her Post. During her tenure as Commander Yeager-Benson Post 199 achieved both quota and All-time high. Jean is currently serving her 17th year as Post 199 Finance. She served as Hamilton County and Past 4th District Commander. Under her leadership the Fourth District won the Big Brown Jug and the District was 100% CPR reporting. On the National level she serves on the Americanism Committee. Jean has been Department of Ohio Assistant Historian, Assistant Sgt of Arms and is currently serving as the Department of Ohio 2nd Vice Commander. Jean knows that the Life and blood of the American Legion is membership, she has been a Gold Brigade Winner (6 times) and Recruiter of the Year (4 times). Jean has been both Legionnaire of the Year at her Post and Hamilton County. She is a member of Yeager-Benson Unit 199, where she was selected as both VIM (Very Important Member) and Auxiliary Member of the Year. She is also a member of the 8 et 40 Salon 115 and a member of the 40 et 8 Voiture 29.

Jean served on the Joseph House for Homeless Veterans for 10 years, serving

as President 2 terms and is a member of the Hamilton County Veterans Service Commission. She served on the Ohio Women's Task force appointed by then Governor John Kasich. Jean is currently serving her eighth year on the Harrison Mayor's Fund and is serving her fifth year as Board President. Jean was one of the founding members of the Cincinnati Fisher House over twenty years ago and continues to serve on the Friends of the Fisher House. In 2018 Jean was selected by the Xi Eta Iota, Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority as the First Lady of Harrison Community Service Award and was asked by the City of Harrison to be the Grand Marshall in the July 4th, 2018 parade. Jean is also a Life member of AMVETS Post 13 West Harrison, Indiana. Jean and her husband, Jerry have two children, daughter Tammie Campton and son, CSM Jerrold "Woody" Wilson and seven grandchildren, Amanda, Tiffany, Logan, Maddie, Austin, Jared and Jackson. Granddaughter, Maddie Campton is an E4 in the Ohio National Guard where she serves as an MP and granddaughter Tiffany, who was married to Sgt. Nick Hayes in December 2018, are both currently serving in Germany. Daughter in Law, Jacquie served 10 years in the US Army and is currently employed at the Cincinnati VA.

Please join Yeager- Benson Post 199, Hamilton County Council, Fabulous Fourth District and the five Past Department Commander's from the Fabulous Fourth, Robert Ray, Jerry Wilson, Ron Hartman, Lou Dimmerman and Ron Chapman and support and vote for Jean L. Wilson for Department of Ohio 1st Vice Commander 2019-2020.

Charles Stennis

**Candidate for
Department Treasurer**



The Brakeman-King Post 336, Lake County Council, and the "Dynamic Ninth District" proudly present and endorse Charles M Stennis Jr. as a Candidate for Treasurer of The American Legion of Ohio.

Charles is a 14 -year PUFL member of Brakeman-King Post 336 and earned his eligibility for the American Legion through his service in the United States Army from 1986-1991. He has served his post in elected offices such as Commander (2009-2018), 1st Vice Cdr., and Finance Officer. He has served as Lake County Commander and as Commander of the "Dynamic Ninth District" in 2012 and is the current District Adjutant.

Charles has served the Department of Ohio as Asst. Chaplain and currently serves the Department of Ohio as the Department Finance Committee Chairperson.

Charles is Inventory Control Manager for the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, Charles and his wife of 30 years Tammy live in Concord, Ohio. They have a son Brandon, a United State Army veteran who served in Afghanistan and two grandchildren. Charles also has a BA and MBA in Business Administration and sits on several non-profit boards in Lake County, Ohio. Charles strongly believes in the Four Pillars of the American Legion and respectfully asks for your support as Department Treasurer at the 2019 Department Convention.

New Book Compiled by Post Comander Details History

In early March, 2019, a book detailing the history of the American Legion Ohio 12th District Council was released. Entitled Buckeye Veterans Centennial and compiled by Post 798's Commander, Pete Margaritis (who is also the district historian), it chronicles the district's development from 1919 to 2019.

12th District Council has in various configurations existed in Central Ohio for the last century. During those years, the many officers who have served

in it have striven hard to maintain and pursue the basic ideals of The American Legion, centered on its four pillars. Those thousands of men and women who are or were once part of this proud organization have endeavored to strengthen and encourage it through their plans and activities. Throughout the years, they have created a rich tradition of service and commitment to the Columbus area, especially to our veterans, our children, and community members who have dwelled in that area. Hundreds of thousands of hours of dedicated hard work have been freely given to further those American Legion elements decided upon a century ago.

At times it has not been easy. Often serious roadblocks and issues challenged their efforts. Still, the 12th District Council persevered, and today, well into the 21st Century, it still stands as a pillar to the community, as well as a distinguished honorable instrument of progress, a formidable presence, and a dedicated ally to veterans.

The book is available at the listed price of \$20.95 through Amazon, but Legionnaires may purchase it through the 12th District Council for only \$15.00. Contact the district office M-W-F from 0900 to 1300 hrs. at (614) 224-2900.

By the way, Cdr. Margaritis will auto-

graph your copy for free.

The commander also writes military history. The books that have been written by him include:

- Twenty-Two on Peleliu – The Memoirs of an Old Breed Marine
- Landing in Hell: The Pyrrhic Victory of the First Marine Division on Peleliu, 1944
- Rommel's Fateful Trip Home: June 4th to June 6th, 1944



2019-2020 Department Elections

David E. Cobb

**Candidate for
Department 2nd Vice Commander**



David E. Cobb was born and raised in Akron, Ohio, although he currently resides in Wadsworth, Ohio with his wife of 35 years Pebble Cobb. Together they have 4 grown children also dedicated to the American Legion Family; David Jr., Rhonda, Jacqueline, and Sabrina. Since he retired in 2015 from the Carlisle Corporation as a lead trainer, He spends his time sharing his support of our veterans with his 12 grandchildren.

David Cobb gained his eligibility in the American Legion through his active duty in the United States Marine Corp from May 1969 to June 1972. He served with the 2nd Bn. 8th Marines Bravo Company 2nd Marine Division, Aboard the USS Austin and the USS Fort Snelling in the Mediterranean. Upon returning home he was stationed at Camp Pendleton, California with Brovo Company 1st Bn. 1st Marine Division and during his tour in Viet Nam in 1971. After being separated in 1972 David Cobb Joined the USMCR in 1973 till 1977. Serving with Echo Company in Akron, Ohio. He also served with the OARNG from 1979 to 1981 with the 7th Air Cav. at Akron Canton Airport.

David Cobb has been a member of The American Legion for 49 years. His home Post is Garfield Memorial Post 566 in Akron, Ohio. David has served his Post in many capacities, becoming Post Commander in 1976 -1977, he is currently serving as post Historian and Trustee. He has served not only his Post, he has served his County, becoming Summit County Council Commander in 1979-1980, He served his District, becoming District Commander in 1999-2000. David has been on several Committees. From Post, County, District and Department levels. Department Americanism, Department

Credentials, Department Convention Corporation, Department POW/MIA, Department S.A.L. Advisory Committee and many more.

David's passion runs throughout the Legion Family with 58 years of membership in the S.A.L., serving as Sqd. Commander and District Commander. He is serving the S.A.L. now as Sqd. 1st Vice Cmd. And The 14th District Adj. / Finance Officer and District Legion Advisor.

David also participates serving the 40/8 as Grand Directeur POW/MIA. He is also a Life Member of VFW post 1066 in Barberton, Ohio.

David Cobb credentials no doubt proves his dedication and commitment to the American Legion Family's purpose. Though his passion is what he passes to others. Including his wife Pebble Cobb a past Auxiliary Unit President and his daughters Jackie and Sabrina. They both have served as District and Department Honorary Junior Presidents in The American Legion Auxiliary, plus both hitting the National level as Honorary National Junior Central Division Vice Presidents, including his daughter Sabrina becoming the first and only Honorary National Junior President from the Department of Ohio.

David Cobb's devotion to The American Legion Family runs deep. He was raised by a dedicated Legion Family. He served his Country with honor and in honor of his family, so the future generations to come will honor all Veterans and service personnel.

This is why we the members of the American Legion 14th district department of Ohio endorse and support and ask for your vote and endorsement of David E. Cobb sr. For the high office of 2nd vice commander department of Ohio for 2019 -2020.

Brad Teis

**Candidate for
Department 2nd Vice Commander**



Greetings Ohio Legionnaires! Elections for Department Officers are almost here again. My name is Brad Teis and I am a candidate for the high office of 2nd Vice Commander for The Department of Ohio. I would like to take this time to thank each of you for your membership in The American Legion. Without your loyalty as Legion members, we would not have such a great Department of Ohio. As I've traveled around campaigning across this great State, I have met and had the opportunity to talk to so many Legionnaires and have heard your thoughts on what we need to do to keep going into the next 100 years. We need to do whatever it takes to ensure that The American Legion is thriving and to enable our younger Legionnaires to keep growing The Department of Ohio in years to come.

My slogan is WE CAN GROW OHIO "1" VETERAN AT A TIME. I believe we need to come together in UNITY for the betterment of Ohio to make this State a powerhouse in The American Legion. There is no "I" in "TEAM". In the last 3 years my District, District 10 has proven that when you put a TEAM together you can accomplish your goals. In the last 3 years, District 10 has been Quota 2017, 2018, and will be quota in 2019. WE have won the Race to The Top for National in 2017, 2018 and have won 2nd Place in 2019. We were the only District in Ohio to make quota in 2017 and 2018. We were the only District in The Nation to make quota in the Large category in 2017 and 2018 and the only District in Ohio to qualify for The Race to The Top in 2019. My home Post 44 in Canton Ohio used this same attitude and has gone from 771 members in 2017 to over 1070 members and growing in 2019. WE have the knowledge and the proof that it works. If elected, I plan on helping

all the other Districts to reach their goals which in turn will help Department meet its goals. WE need to get The Department of Ohio back to 100,000+ members in the next 3 years to continue to have the great programs of the American Legion.

My first project is that "WE" need to get back to a focus on the four pillars of Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Defense, Americanism, and Children and Youth. The American Legion is not a bar or canteen. We need to get out and educate our communities and our community leaders about what we do for our Veterans and our youth in our local communities. "WE" are the ambassadors for The American Legion and it's our duty as Legionnaires to go out and help educate our communities.

My second project is to stop the loss of Posts and mergers of posts. If elected, I plan on putting together a task force to go out and educate ALL posts that need help on what it will take to once again be growing and productive Posts.

My third and most important project is to help find a way to reach out to our Veterans who think suicide is the only way out. Our Veterans suicide rates are out of control and "WE" need to reach out to these Veterans and help them get the help the so much deserve. WE need to have classes to help educate all of us on the signs of a troubled warrior so that we can recognize the warning signs and possibly save lives. This will not happen overnight, but WE need to get this ball rolling to help our Brothers and Sisters to show them that WE care and that there is HOPE.

I hope to see you at the Department Convention in June and I ask for your support to help show that WE CAN GROW OH-IO "1" VETERAN AT A TIME. God Bless every one of you and God Bless America.

The American Legion Ohio Charities Comes Out Big in Clermont County

The American Legion 4th District Clermont County Council would like to thank Ohio 2nd Vice Commander Jean Wilson, And Chairman Ohio Le-

gion Charities Jerry Wilson.

They took the time out of there busy schedule to personally deliver checks for the programs we requested this year. Including

our attempt to march in the Finley market Parade to honor the American Legions 100th year along with the Parades 100th year, Safety equipment for the

Batavia Police Department for Batavia Post 237, Moneys to help off set the cost of celebration of Veterans at Memorial hall in Cincinnati Ohio on May 26th

2019, and Child welfare programs for Milford post 450.



Eldest Living Department of Ohio Commander Reflects Time with The Legion

W. Dean Scholl, now 92 years old, dedicated a large part of his life to The American Legion. As the Bi-Centennial Department Commander, he has seen the American Legion change while many things have remained tradition. Department Adjutant, Suzette Heller sat down with Mr. Scholl and his wife Wanda, to conduct a buddy check, and gain insight from our eldest living Department Commander. During his tenure, he had the opportunity to meet President Ronald Reagan, among other important government officials.

W. Dean Scholl served in the US Coast Guard from 1945-1946. After being honorably discharged, he met the American Legion, who offered to assist him in completing his discharge paperwork which would result in

him receiving \$300.00. He signed up to become a Legionnaire at a time when dues were just \$3.00 per year at Post 20 in Bremen, Ohio. Mrs. Scholl became a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, and despite their busy work schedules, she traveled with PDC Scholl almost everywhere. "The greatest part of my life was traveling with him (PDC Scholl) and meeting new people," said Mrs. Wanda Scholl.

PDC Scholl said that one of the best things about the Department of Ohio was the variety of people among each district. He stated that every district was different; Different people, with different goals and that is what made his travels so interesting. At the time he served as Department Commander, there was no such thing as a "Commander's Project."

PDC Scholl stated, that his focus was on our Department Programs and Membership which was around 140,000 members at the time. The Department also raised funds for Cancer Research and Treatment. If he had the choice to choose a project at the time, it would have been to support the School of the Blind, which trained service animals to support veterans and the blind.

When asked what his greatest memory was as Department Commander, PDC Scholl couldn't choose just one. He stated that meeting the Americanism and Government Test winners, and other children involved in our youth programs, was very impactful. "They were intelligent and mature-just like adults" he stated. He also recalls his memories of various trips to



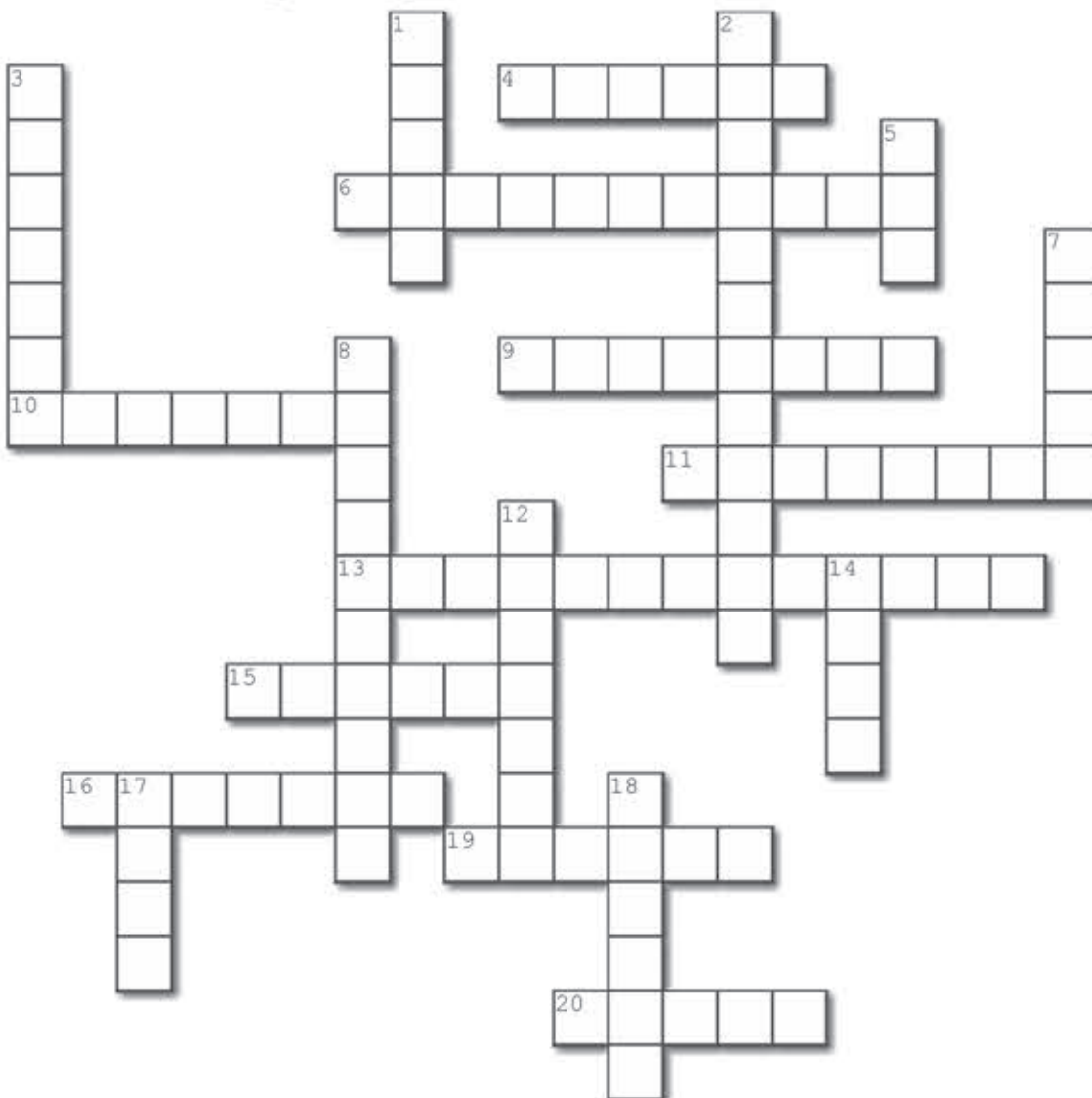
Past
Department
Commander
W. Dean Scholl
and his wife
Wanda Scholl

Washington DC. Attending the National Commander's banquet, in the US Capital was one of his fondest memories. "Senators, and other government officials were there, and the hospitality was great," he stated. As Bi-Centennial Department Commander, he had the honor of being present for The American Legion's "gift to the nation," where lighting for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was presented to the U.S. President and country.

Mr. Scholl also shared with us, his greatest mentors in The American Legion. PDC Alek Blair, Robert Ray, and Merle Brady were a few that made a great impression on him during his active time with the Legion. "They were great leaders and speakers he stated. They taught

me a lot and I picked up on a lot of things on my own." When asked what advice he would give our current Commander and staff, he stated the following: "To the Commander, try not to travel alone too much. Use good judgement when traveling and enjoying yourself. I took my wife with me everywhere and was a huge supporter of the Auxiliary. Also, be yourself. Remember that you were once a blue cap and will become a blue cap again. Just be yourself." For those elected to our various committees he stated "Do not forget the Legion Programs and their importance. That is why you were elected." Thank you PDC Scholl for your knowledge and service to our country and to The American Legion Department of Ohio.

Spring OLN Crossword



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Across

2. Before it was established as a separate entity, the Air Force was a part of which branch of the military?
5. What military weapon has the common acronym RPG? Rocket Propelled _____.
8. A mine which launches itself to waist-height before exploding is referred to as a "_____ Betty".
9. A person who shoots from a hiding place, especially accurately and at long range.
12. FAC stands for Forward-Air _____.
13. The Army's Basic Combat Training is how many weeks long?
15. Who is the Commander in Chief of the United States armed forces?
17. This award is given only to those wounded or killed in enemy action. "_____ Heart".
18. The four Pillars of The American Legion are: VA&R, Children & Youth, National Security and _____.
19. True or false: The Army term 'hooah' means 'anything except yes.'
20. What federal building is headquarters for the U.S. Armed Forces?

Down

1. How many 'kills' does a pilot need to become an 'ace'?
3. The United States Naval Academy is located in what state?
4. Before the 'all-voluntary' military, how were young men compelled to become soldiers?
6. PSYOPS stands for "_____ Operations".
7. AO stands for Area of _____.
10. What is the highest U.S. military rank?
11. The American Legion Department of Ohio will be hosting a _____ Ball to celebrate The American Legion's 100th birthday.
14. On Average, which Military Service ties with the Coast Guard for having the Fastest Promotion Rate to the Rank of E-9?
16. The National American Legion _____ Association was established to improve communications at all levels.

Gifts for Yanks Update

Have you heard about our Gifts for Yanks (GFY) Program? In 1952, Ohio began the GFY program, collecting \$8,000 which was used to purchase cigarettes for veterans in Ohio Veterans Hospitals. Throughout the years, the GFY has evolved to provide every veteran in an Ohio VA Medical Center and Ohio Veterans Home with a holiday gift valued roughly around \$25 per veterans. The GFY program also provides monies for approved special project request and supports Voluntary Services program of our Ohio VA Medical Centers, Ohio VA Community-based Outpatient Clinics, and Ohio Veterans Homes.



to support a veteran in an Ohio VA facility or our Ohio Veteran Homes. The GFY program aims to raise \$250,000.00 each fiscal year to fully support the needs of our veterans. The Department of Ohio has raised \$161,407.00 thus far with contributions coming in on a weekly basis.

The Gifts for Yanks program continues to impact the lives of veterans in our VA Medical facilities and Ohio Veterans Homes because of donors like you! Consider making a financial contribution to the GFY program today! Please contact Jermaine Ferguson, GFY Coordinator at ferguson@ohiolegion.com or by phone at 740-816-7596 if you would like to learn more information about your Gifts for Yanks Program.

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year..."**

The Gifts of Yanks program is supported by financial contributions made by Legionnaires like you. Every dollar invested into the GFY program goes directly

Euchre Tournament Winners

Thank you to all who attended this year's tournament.
We look forward to seeing you again in 2020!



1st Place Team
Kenny & Jim
Post 183



2nd Place Team
Brian & Sue, Post 547



3rd Place Team
Wilbur & Patty, Post 541



4th Place Team
Evan & Lenny, Post 300



5th Place Team
Mark & Stan, Post 536

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2019 Bowling Tournament Winners



Commander Robert Schmitt presenting a 20-year
Distinguished Service award to Bowling Chairman
Bill Strong, for 20 years of service on the Department
Bowling Commission



2019 Singles Event Winners										
Post #	Team Captain	Prize Amount \$	Place	Team	First	Last	Average	Handicap	Singles	
598	Tom Bradley	\$100.00	1	21	Tom	Bradley	176	117	829	
598	Tom Bradley	\$95.00	2	26	John	Long	168	138	801	
332	Matt Austermler	\$90.00	3	81	Charles	Goodman	160	162	779	
675	Sara Mulkey	\$85.00	4	10	Brian	Romond	101	321	773	
482	Tim Galbraith	\$80.00	5	89	Sue	Meyers	159	162	765	
210	Tom Tierney	\$75.00	6	44	Doug	Richie	178	150	762	

2019 Doubles Event Winners										
Post #	Team Captain	Prize Amount \$	Place	Team	First	Last	Average	Handicap	Doubles	Doubles Individual
476	William Fleming	\$200.00	1	81	William	Fleming	176	117	1547	717
476	William Fleming		1	81	Ricky	Hutchins	172	129	1547	830
482	Cheryl Kerwin	\$190.00	2	54	Thomas	Ramey	200	189	1503	782
482	Cheryl Kerwin		2	54	Ralph	Ramey JR	195	135	1503	721
371	Rob Hinkle	\$180.00	3	83	Doug	Cantrel	160	86	1495	753
371	Rob Hinkle		3	83	Rob*	Hinkle	193	75	1495	742
598	Thomas Bradley	\$170.00	4	15	John	Long	168	138	1470	733
598	Thomas Bradley		4	15	Tom	Bradley	176	117	1470	697
29	James Kreitner	\$160.00	5	2	Chad	Morris	191	0	1469	622
29	James Kreitner		5	2	Jamie	Long	171	138	1469	690
676	John Forthuber	\$150.00	6	78	Ron	Forthuber	207	33	1456	718
676	John Forthuber		6	78	Chuck	Carpenter	215	12	1456	738

2019 Team Event Winners										
Post #	Team Captain	Prize Amount \$	Place	Team	Team Captain	First	Last	Average	Handicap	Team's Score
183	Rick Rahe	\$400.00	1	15	15	Rick	Rahe		537	2907
210	Gary Cisco	\$380.00	2	60	60	Gary *	Cisco		345	2904
29	Ricky Hutchins	\$360.00	3	72	72	Rickey	Hutchins		420	2818
598	Dave Gloekler	\$340.00	4	70	70	Dave*	Gloekler		630	2790
332	Dennis Ehlers	\$320.00	5	16	16	Dennis	Ehlers		459	2788
371	Tracy Kirby	\$300.00	6	17	17	Tracy	Kirby		543	2758
598	Tom Bradley	\$280.00	7	50	50	Tom	Bradley		627	2756
776	Crystal Wynn	\$260.00	8	59	59	Crystal	Wynn		300	2738
183	Robin Starkey	\$240.00	9	28	28	Robin	Starkey		400	2724
676	Jeffrey Elder	\$220.00	10	13	13	Jeffrey	Elder		252	2720

2019 All Event Winners										
Post #	Team Captain	Prize Amount \$	Place	Team	First	Last	Singles	Doubles Ind.	Team Ind.	Total Score
598	Tom Bradley	\$50.00	1	26	John	Long	663	691	694	2462
210	Gary Cisco	\$40.00	2	72	Robert	Hager	623	650	742	2366
371	Rob Hinkle	\$30.00	3	55	Rob	Hinkle	567	670	663	2314
332	Matt Austermler	\$20.00	4	89	Charles	Goodman	617	591	553	2247
210	Tom Tierney	\$15.00	5	60	Doug	Richie	612	596	583	2241
183	Rick Rahe	\$10.00	6	82	Brett	Rahe	619	565	713	2221



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Ohio, Legion, Auxiliary and Sons
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Entry & Housing Deadline - July 15, 2019

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Must be submitted with entry

GOLF TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORM

Legion Post No. _____

Team Captain: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____



Name	Age	Membership #
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

Dinner and Entertainment will be available
at the Post Friday & Saturday Night.

Please indicate how many will be attending each meal.

Friday _____ Saturday _____

Mail entries to: American Legion Post No. 598 • 5700 Kentshire Dr.
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GOOD OF THE LEGION



POST 95



Xenia City Mayor Sarah J. Mays, Foody-Cornwell Post 95 Commander Craig Marshall, Past Department Commander Robert Steele and Foody-Cornwell Post 95 Finance Officer Richard Fellie.

HALL OF FAME



The 4th District Clermont County would like to congratulate Clifford Riley and Ronald J Hartman for being inducted into the Ohio Veterans hall of fame Class of 2018. We are honored to have them join other members from Clermont County.

MONEY FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS



Brian Sims, Commander of Squadron 707, presenting a \$2,000.00 check to Betsy Law, 3rd District 2nd Vice Commander, which was raised for Special Olympics of Ohio

SUPPLIES FOR TROOPS



American Legion Post 52 along with V.F.W. Post 626 of Bellaire, Ohio is shipping out supplies to Troops overseas. In picture are Bailey Norman of the U.P.S. Store, Kevin West, Dick Johnson, Rodger Martin and Bill Wilson.

POST SPONSORS BUCKEYE BOYS STATE



The Mantua American Legion Post 193 sponsored 3 junior boys from Crestwood High School to participate in the American Legion Buckeye Boys State program from June 10 to 17 on the campus of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Joe Peters, Alex Kramer and Domenic Picone participated in an intensive 8-day education program of Ohio Government for high school students where each participant becomes a part of the operation of a mythical 51st state. About 1200 boys attend Buckeye Boys State each year.

DOUGHBOY CREATED



Tenth District, Massillon, Ohio, American Legion Post 221. To help celebrate the 100-year anniversary of The American Legion this doughboy was drafted from our John Tsocheff Memorial Military Museum and Library to stand guard over our tavern and Post. He is doing an outstanding job and no unauthorized person has entered Post #221.

STUDENT TOPS TEST RANKS



Zoe Simmons, a sophomore at Crestwood High School, scored one of the highest scores on the American Legion Americanism and Government test given statewide in the fall of 2018. Zoe has been awarded a trip to Washington DC and Gettysburg representing American Legion Post 193 of Mantua and her high school. Shown here with Zoe are Ray Corbett, 1st Vice Commander, and John Kowalchik, Finance Officer, of American Legion Post 193 presenting her award.

TEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED



This year Post 201 gave almost 300 tests at the Jefferson local school and the winners were: 10th Grade Girl, Anya Pizza; 10th Grade Boy, Adrien Hymiller; 11th Grade Girl, Grace Shields; 11th Grade Boy, Shane Bumgardner; 12th Grade Girl, Grace Dingess; 12th Grade Boy, Nathaniel Dersom.

UNIT 107 CELEBRATES 100



The American Legion turns 100 years old this month and the American Legion Unit 107 of Pataskala, Ohio celebrated the 100th Anniversary at their monthly Pancake Breakfast on March 30, 2019. It was celebrated with cake and balloons. Attendance was great for the celebration. The breakfast is held on the last Saturday of each month at the Old Fire Station in Pataskala, Ohio. Come and join us!

GOOD OF THE LEGION

POST CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY



Members attending the March 13th meeting of Raymond B. Austin Post 115 in Delaware enjoyed cake in observing the 100th birthday of The American Legion.

POST 201 DONATION



On October 17, Jefferson Post 201 made its annual donation to the Children's Diabetes Fund (CDF). This is the tenth year that post 201 has helped to sponsor this program. Not only do we donate the use of our hall for their fund raiser party but we make a cash donation as well. Tina Beckwith, Post Adjutant presented the check from the Post. This year Voiture 477 Forty and Eight was able to present a check also. Pictured from Left to Right: Adj. Tina Beckwith, Members of Nash's Knights and Jim Suanders, Correspondent Voiture 477.

CHILI COOK-OFF



Tenth District, Massillon, Ohio, American Legion Post #221. On March 23, 2019 The American Legion Post 221 in Massillon held its 2nd annual Chili Cook-off. There were door prizes, 10 various baskets were raffled off, and there were 10 different types of chili from hot to mild. A 3-judge panel tasted all 10 varieties of chili and the winner of the first-place trophy was Ms. Annette Slater from Massillon. Everyone who attended the Chili Cook-off was able to vote for their favorite chili. Mr. Ben Runser won the People's Choice Award Trophy. Mr. Runser is a member of the Sons of the Legion at American Legion Post 221. In the attached photo the first place winner, Ms. Annette Slater, is on the left and the People's Choice Winner, Mr. Ben Runser, in on the right.

POST 217 BUDDY CHECK



Members of Post 217 conducting their monthly Buddy Check on members from the WW11 & Korean War Era. (L to R) Judy Johnson, US Army (Ret), Herb Hoying, US Army-WW2, Theresa Manteuffel, US Air Force (Ret).

HOME DEPOT AND POST 631



The American Legion 1st Lt. John R. Fox Post #631, Lockland, OH recently received some much-needed upgrades from Home Depot of Cincinnati, OH. The Home Depot Team put down a new floor, installed new lighting fixtures/ceiling fans and put up new window blinds in the hall upstairs. They also installed new lighting fixtures/ceiling fans in the club room and upgraded the restrooms, put in a new stainless-steel hand washing sink in the kitchen and donated an ice maker for the bar. They donated a shed for the back yard and picnic tables. They will be returning in the Spring to repair the parking lot and steps leading from the upper parking lot to the lower parking lot. The members of 1st Lt. John R. Fox Post #631 are eternally grateful and appreciative to Home Depot for their support.



VETERAN'S DAY ASSEMBLY

28 Legion and Auxiliary Members of New Riegel Post 354 attended the Veteran's Day Assembly November 12 at New Riegel High School. The students fixed breakfast for the members after the assembly.

PEARL HARBOR MEMORIAL

On December 2, 2018, an Honor Guard from American Legion Post 318, in Anderson Township, Ohio, was honored by an invitation from American Legion Post 534 of Cincinnati, Ohio, to participate in their annual Pearl Harbor Memorial Detail. Members of the Honor Guard from Post 318 are, from left to right; Post 318 Commander Don Bishop, SAA Ralph Caskey, Chaplain Jerry Porter, Gary Gregorio, Ed Ruffennach.



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POST 700 CHAPLAIN HONORED



On March 19, 2019, ten Trumbull County residents were recognized as Community Stars for their incredible level of service to the community. Among those honored is Dave Luther of Howland, who is chaplain and member of Howland American Legion Post 700, a U.S. Navy veteran and retired church pastor. Dave is a first lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol, and an organizer of the annual Pearl Harbor & Beyond ceremony at Kent State University at Trumbull. He helped build a Wall of Honor, which lists the names of those that died in military service from Trumbull, Mahoning and Columbiana counties, and he conducts a weekly Bible study at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station. Pictured Front: E.J. Pretot, Chuck Sayers, Edna Winkleman, Dave Luther holding his plaque, Pat Ginkinger, Jim Campbell & John Turner. Back: Ed Dougherty, Bill Lewis, Shannon Lewis, Don Winkleman, Dolores Mealy, Cindy Luther, Betty Cononico, Brian Ginklinger, Elaine Harry, Bill Holk, Greg Hicks, Lt.-Col. Benjamin Kulper, Heidi Holk, Darlene Freer, Terry Sayers, & Smitty Mealy.

COLOR GUARD PROVIDED



Painesville Post 336 provided the Color Guard for the placement of the Chair Of Honor at the Community Based Out Patient Clinic in Willoughby, Ohio. The ceremony was conducted on Thursday April 12, 2019. There were approximately 50 people in attendance as well as a photographer from the local paper, The News Herald. The staff at the clinic were very pleased with the veteran recognition that the chair brings and have asked if the Chair of Honor can be placed at the other clinics in the area.

UNGASHICK RECEIVES 70-YEAR CERTIFICATE



10th District Commander Brad Teis presenting William Ungashick a 93 year young WWII Veteran his 70 Year Certificate and Pin at his home in North Canton Ohio.

POST 44 CELEBRATES 100



Canton Mayor Thomas Bernabei presenting to Canton Post 44 Commander and 10th District Commander Brad Teis a Proclamation on March 15th, 2019 Celebrating the American Legion's 100th Birthday.

POST 336 HOST WELCOME HOME BREAKFAST



American Legion Post 336 Painesville, Ohio held our second annual "Welcome Home Breakfast" on March 30, 2019. Invitations were sent out to all surrounding Post, including VFW, AmVets and others. The idea was born out of the poor reception our Vietnam Veterans received when they came home for the war. This year's event was larger and better attended than our first year. It is our desire and plan to make it an annual event. A made to order breakfast was served and music of the era played in the background. In addition a slide show of pictures from the Veterans time in service were shown for all to enjoy and reminisce. Our local Veterans Administration clinic was on hand to support event and provide assistance and information to the Veterans.

Miamisburg Celebrates Milestone of 72-Year Member and 100th Birthday

As Miamisburg celebrated its Bicentennial, Dean Goodwin of American Legion Post 165 celebrates his 100th birthday and 72 years with the American Legion. On November 24th – just five days before his actual birthday – a party was held to wish him a "Happy Birthday" from Commander Wayne Kern, Mayor Dick Church, good friend Glenn Layman and all of his Legion & community friends.

Dean moved to Miamisburg in 1950 after being in WWII. All of his time was spent stateside even though he had 4 brothers that were stationed overseas. He retired from Broadway Mold at the

age of 66 and a month later went to work for Plas-Tix USA until he reached the age of 84. Retiring didn't slow him down at all. He still meets his friends and plays poker twice a week. He was on the Honor Guard for many years doing parades and funerals. He has been a regular at St. James Church where he attended with his wife of 79 years until she passed in 2016.

During his lifetime he has seen Lindbergh cross the ocean, Bobby Jones win a golf championship and the Hindenburg blow up. He thinks the biggest change has been in medicine. "Medicine has kept me living" Good-



win said "You can't have good health without medicine". Dean had open heart surgery when he was 55 and battled cancer when he was 70 and jokingly thanks



oatmeal for getting him through things. "I eat oatmeal every day and I'm allergic to it". It makes me sneeze, so I get seven or eight "God Bless You" and it's harder

to get better than that many blessings from God every day. Members of Miamisburg Post 165 feel we are the lucky ones to have Dean as our friend.

ROMP 2019

CELINA AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 210



FRI, JULY 12

REGISTRATION 2-7 PM
SHUTTLE SERVICE* 5-MIDNIGHT
FREE BOAT RIDES** 5:30-9:30 PM
DJ 7-11 PM
KITCHEN OPEN 'TIL 10 PM



SAT, JULY 13

SHUTTLE SERVICE* 7:30-9:30 AM
BREAKFAST BUFFET 8-9:30 AM
REGISTRATION 8-9:30 AM
MEETING 10-11:30 AM
RIDE & FREE LUNCH** 11:30-3 PM
SHUTTLE SERVICE* 3:30-MIDNIGHT
STUNT RIDER SHOW 4:30 & 6:30 PM
FREE DINNER BUFFET** 5-6:30 PM
FREE BOAT RIDES** 5:30-9:30 PM
BAND 7-11 PM



SUN, JULY 14

SHUTTLE SERVICE* 7:30-10 AM
MENU BREAKFAST 8-11:30 AM



*SHUTTLES WILL RUN A LOOP IN THE MORNINGS AND AFTERNOONS AND ARE ON CALL IN THE EVENING
**FREE EVENTS ARE FOR REGISTERED ALL MEMBERS WITH WHIST BAND ID

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Charities, Inc. Distributes Grants

The American Legion Department of Ohio Charities, Inc. semi-annual meeting was held during the Mid-Winter Conference in January. Some of the recipients of the grants issued are pictured here receiving their checks.

Ohio law requires a portion of the gaming proceeds received at the Posts be donated to a 501(c)3 organization. Charities, Inc. was established in 2003 as a 501(c)3 to contract with the Posts assuring the charitable proceeds would be used to support the programs of The American Legion and the local communities.

Posts can request funds to help their favorite charities at a local level. Ohio based veteran-

related organizations can request funds to support their cause. Asking for funds is as easy as submitting the request on letterhead signed by an officer and providing as much backup as needed to support the request. Submit your paperwork to:

The American Legion,
Department of Ohio
Charities, Inc.
PO Box 8007
Delaware OH 43015

All requests received will be considered at the next Department Convention in June or Mid-Winter Conference in January.



Art Lustig: New Bingo Equipment at Cleveland VA Hospital - Pictured are: Lee Shepherd, Volunteer Services; Art Lustig, Treasurer of Ohio Charities, Inc.; Gerardo Navarro, Chief of Volunteer Services; Past 13th District Commander Dave Donaldson.



Jean Wilson - Donation to Milford Post 450 Needy (February 18) Jerry Wilson If Ohio Chartres Inc presenting a check for \$5,000 to Post 450 adjutant Don Chandler and Post 450 Commander Greg Norvell for their needy families' program.



Department 2nd Vice Commander Jean Wilson presenting check to Joseph House Assistant Executive Director, Michelle Mattingly.



Stanley Pleasant: Past Department Commander Stanley Pleasant presenting a check to the Milton-Union Music Boosters for new equipment.



Stanley Pleasant: Soup Kitchen, Springfield Post 362 - Pictured left to right: Fred Stegner, Kitchen Manager; PDC Stanley Pleasant; Post Commander Jim Clippinger; and Clark County Commander Bill Carpenter.



Stanley Pleasant: Fisher/Nightingale House - Pictured left to right: Executive Director Chris Stanley; Dayton VA Fisher House Manager Betsey Striebel; and Past Department Commander Stanley Pleasant.

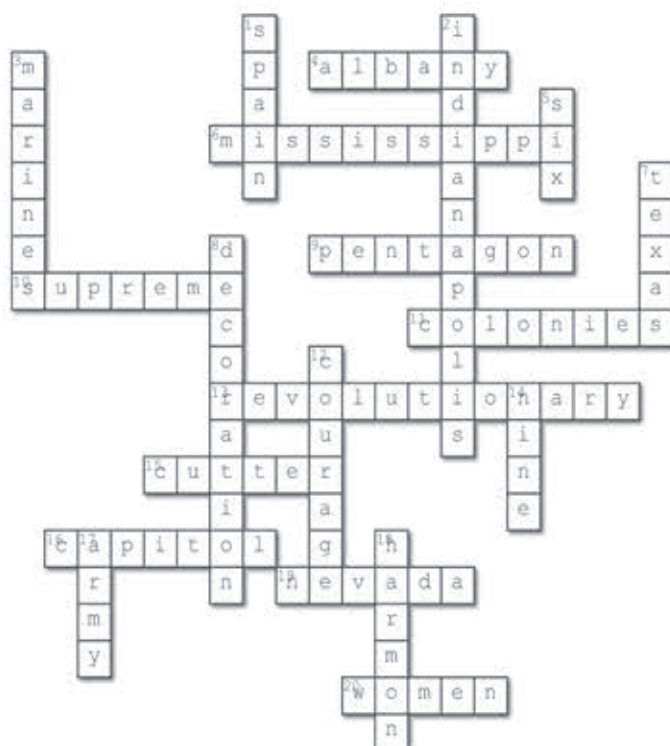


Presentation of check for the Pain Management Clinic at Chalmer P. Wylie VA in Columbus (April 2019) Pictured left to right: Glenn Hickman, President of Ohio Charities, Inc.; Department Commander Robert Schmitt; Medical Center Director Vivian Hutson; Chief of Physical Management & Rehabilitation Services; 12th District Commander George Mussi; and Luke Crumley, Assistant District Director for Congressman Troy Balderdash.



Post 557 (Winterville) FIRE: Presentation of check. Pictured left to right: 10th District Commander Brad Teis, Department Adjutant Suzette Heller; Jerry Wilson, Presenter for Charities Inc.; Holly Lewis, Commander of Post 557; Department 2VC Jean Wilson.

Americanism Crossword Key



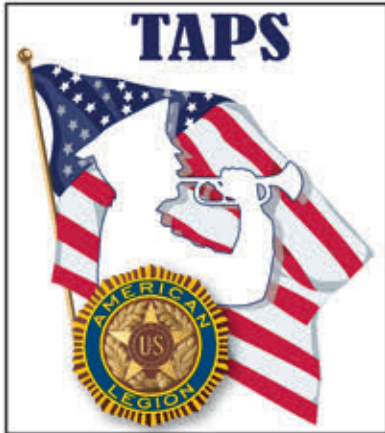
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Across

- Which city is the capitol of New York? (albany)
- In 1816 which US state was admitted to the Union as the 20th state? (mississippi)
- The _____ serves as the headquarters of the US Department of Defense. (pentagon)
- The highest court in the United States is the U.S. Court. (supreme)
- The 13 red and white stripes on the flag represent (colonies)
- Income tax first started during the _____ war. (revolutionary)
- The Coast Guard refers to a vessel as a _____ if it is over 65-feet long. (cutter)
- The Ohio State _____ Building was the first location of The American Legion Department of Ohio (capitol)
- The U.S.S. _____ was the only U.S. battleship to be present at both the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor & D-Day. (nevada)
- On August 18, 1920 who got the right to vote in the U.S? (women)

Down

- In what country did the United States fight in during the year 1898? (spain)
- The American Legion National Headquarters is in this city: (indianapolis)
- When _____ are in uniform, they are not authorized to put their hands in their pockets. (marines)
- How many years is a term in the office of a U.S. Senator? (six)
- Which US State was once a part of Mexico? (texas)
- Memorial Day is also referred to as _____ Day. (decoration)
- What is the official flower of The American Legion? (courage)
- How many judges are in the Federal Supreme Court? (nine)
- Which branch of the military was tasked with mapping America? (army)
- The U.S.S. _____ was the first U.S. Navy ship named in honor of a black person. (harmon)



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Resolutions

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and discharge the duties of the office of Department Commander in the absence or disability of the Commander or when called upon by the Department Commander. The Department Second Vice Commander shall assume and discharge the duties of the office of Department First Vice Commander in the absence or disability of the First Vice Commander.

Section 2-a. The Department First Vice Commander shall be Chairman of the Department Membership Committee and shall be responsible for the membership within the Department during his/her term in office.

Section 2-b. The Department Second Vice Commander shall be Chairman of the Department Post Activities Committee and shall be responsible for Post Activities within the Department during his/her term of office.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-18

SUBJECT: Omnibus Amendment to Change Department Finance Officer to Department Fiscal Officer

RESOLVED, By the American Legion Department of Ohio, assembled in general assembly at the Department of Ohio Convention assembled in Toledo, Ohio, June 28th – 30th, 2019, That the Constitution and By-Laws of The American Legion Department, replace "Department Finance Officer" with "Department Fiscal Officer"; and, be it further

RESOLVED, Department Constitution, Article VIII, Section 11-b which reads:

Section 11-b. When a District assessment is constitutionally provided, the District must elect a Fi-

nance Officer and provide proper bond. District Finance Officers must report the condition and usage of the fund at each District Conference, and/or Convention. An audit must be made at the end of each fiscal year. The result of such audit shall be presented at the next succeeding District Conference or meeting. A copy of any audit of the District fund must be provided the Department Finance Officer.

To be amended to read:

Section 11-b. When a District assessment is constitutionally provided, the District must elect a Finance Officer and provide proper bond. District Finance Officers must report the condition and usage of the fund at each District Conference, and/or Convention. An audit must be made at the end of each fiscal year. The result of such audit shall be presented at the next succeeding District Conference or meeting. A copy of any audit of the District fund must be provided the Department Fiscal Officer; and be it further

RESOLVED, Department Constitution, Article X, Section 2-b which reads:

Section 2-b. There is hereby created a Life Membership Fund into which all life membership dues shall be accumulated. Annually, with the beginning of the Department Fiscal Year, the Department Finance Officer shall disburse such Post, Department and National per capita as the respective individual's membership may require, subject to the life membership regulations as adopted by the 37th Annual Department Convention. All monies accumulated in the Life Membership Fund in excess of the required annual disbursements shall be invested in a Life Membership Trust Fund to be expended only by approval of both the Department Finance and

Executive Committees, under such rules and regulations as may be promulgated by said Committees; To be amended to read:

Section 2-b. There is hereby created a Life Membership Fund into which all life membership dues shall be accumulated. Annually, with the beginning of the Department Fiscal Year, the Department Fiscal Officer shall disburse such Post, Department and National per capita as the respective individual's membership may require, subject to the life membership regulations as adopted by the 37th Annual Department Convention. All monies accumulated in the Life Membership Fund in excess of the required annual disbursements shall be invested in a Life Membership Trust Fund to be expended only by approval of both the Department Finance and Executive Committees, under such rules and regulations as may be promulgated by said Committees; and, be it further

RESOLVED, Department By-Laws, Article II, Section 5 which reads:

Section 5. The Department Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department organization. All checks disbursing the funds of the Department organization shall bear the signature of the Department Treasurer, and either that of the Department Adjutant or Department Finance Officer. The Department Treasurer, the Department Adjutant, and the Department Finance Officer shall furnish surety bond in an amount fixed by the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall make reports upon the condition of the Department Treasury to the Executive Committee, or when called for by either the Department Commander or the Department Executive Committee.

The Department Treasurer shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. (Amended 69th Department Convention 1987). The Department Finance Officer shall invest excess or reserve funds of the Department and sell securities owned and held by the Department Executive Committee then in office. (Amended 69th Department Convention 1987).

To be amended to read:

Section 5. The Department Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department organization. All checks disbursing the funds of the Department organization shall bear the signature of the Department Treasurer, and either that of the Department Adjutant or Department Fiscal Officer. The Department Treasurer, the Department Adjutant, and the Department Fiscal Officer shall furnish surety bond in an amount fixed by the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall make reports upon the condition of the Department Treasury to the Executive Committee, or when called for by either

the Department Commander or the Department Executive Committee;

The Department Treasurer shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. (Amended 69th Department Convention 1987). The Department Fiscal Officer shall invest excess or reserve funds of the Department and sell securities owned and held by the Department, only upon authority of the Department Executive Committee then in office. (Amended 69th Department Convention 1987).

RESOLUTION NO. 19-19

SUBJECT: By-Law Amendment to Remove Fiscal Officer from Authorize Check Signer

RESOLVED, By the American Legion Department of Ohio, assembled in general assembly at the Department of Ohio Convention assembled in Toledo, Ohio, June 28th – 30th, 2019, That the Constitution and By-Laws be amended to remove the Department Finance Officer and/or Department Fiscal Officer as an authorized check signer; and be it therefore further

RESOLVED, Department By-Laws, Article II, Section 5 which reads:

Section 5. The Department Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department organization. All checks disbursing the funds of the Department organization shall bear the signature of the Department Treasurer, and either that of the Department Adjutant or Department Finance Officer. The Department Treasurer, the Department Adjutant, and the Department Finance Officer shall furnish surety bond in an amount fixed by the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall make reports upon the condition of the Department Treasury to the Executive Committee, or when called for by either the Department Commander or the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

The Department Finance Officer shall invest excess or reserve funds of the Department and sell securities owned and held by the Department, only upon authority of the Department Executive Committee then in office.

To be amended to read:

Section 5. The Department Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department organization. All checks disbursing the funds of the Department organization shall bear the signature of the Department Treasurer and that of the Department Adjutant. The Department Treasurer, the Department Adjutant, and the Department Fiscal Officer shall furnish surety bond in an amount fixed by the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall make reports upon the condition of the Department Treasury to the Executive Committee, or when called for by either the Department Commander or

the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

The Department Fiscal Officer shall invest excess or reserve funds of the Department and sell securities owned and held by the Department, only upon authority of the Department Executive Committee then in office.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-20

SUBJECT: By-Law Amendment to Article II Section 5

RESOLVED, By the American Legion Department of Ohio, assembled in general assembly at the Department of Ohio Convention assembled in Toledo, Ohio, June 28th – 30th, 2019, That the Department By-Laws, Article II, Section 5 which reads:

Section 5. The Department Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department organization. All checks disbursing the funds of the Department organization shall bear the signature of the Department Treasurer, and either that of the Department Adjutant or Department Finance Officer. The Department Treasurer, the Department Adjutant, and the Department Finance Officer shall furnish surety bond in an amount fixed by the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall make reports upon the condition of the Department Treasury to the Executive Committee, or when called for by either the Department Commander or the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

The Department Finance Officer shall invest excess or reserve funds of the Department and sell securities owned and held by the Department, only upon authority of the Department Executive Committee then in office.

Be amended to read:

Section 5. The Department Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department organization. All checks disbursing the funds of the Department organization shall bear the signature of the Department Treasurer and that of the Department Adjutant. The Department Treasurer, the Department Adjutant, and the Department Finance Officer shall furnish surety bond in an amount fixed by the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall make reports upon the condition of the Department Treasury to the Executive Committee, or when called for by either the Department Commander or the Department Executive Committee. The Department Treasurer shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

The Department Finance Committee shall invest excess or reserve funds of the Department and sell securities owned and held by the Department, only upon authority of the Department Executive Committee then in office.



Ohio House of Representatives

A Resolution

H. R. No. 44

SPEAKER HOUSEHOLDER, REPRESENTATIVES ANTONI, ARNOT, BALDRIDGE, BECKER, BROWN, CALLENDER, CARPAGNA, CARRUTHERS, CEJA, CRAWLEY, CROSS, CROSSMAN, CUPP, DEVITT, EDWARDS, HILLIER, HOOPS, JONES, JORDAN, KELLER, LANESE, LANG, LELAND, LIPPS, MANCHESTER, MANNING, D., MANNING, G., MCCLAIN, MILLER, A., MILLER, J., MIRANDA, O'BRIEN, OELSLAGER, PATTERSON, PERALES, RICHARDSON, RIEDEL, ROMANCHUK, RYAN, SCHAFER, SHEEHY, SKINDELL, SMITH, K., SMITH, R., SMITH, T., SOBECKI, STOLTZFUS, WEST, WEINSTEIN, SYKES

Honoring the American Legion Department of Ohio on the Centennial of the American Legion.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the American Legion Department of Ohio on its celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the American Legion; and

WHEREAS, This is, indeed, an important occasion, and it provides an ideal time to acknowledge the exceptional work done by the American Legion Department of Ohio. Since its establishment, the group has engaged in an array of worthwhile activities and projects that have had a positive impact on veterans in our state, and this organization's innovative contributions to the community readily explain why it is so widely held in high esteem; and

WHEREAS, All those associated with the American Legion Department of Ohio are to be commended for their foresight, dedication, and selfless donations of time, energy, and ability not only in service to veterans and their families but also to the betterment of society. These fine people have earned the respect and admiration of many and have set an example of concerned and responsible citizenship that is worthy of emulation; and

WHEREAS, We owe a debt of gratitude to those who have served honorably in America's armed forces, bearing this country's standard with loyalty, dignity, and decency and often facing the gravest dangers in order to keep our citizens and our way of life safe from harm. Too many in our nation take for granted our precious rights and privileges, and the American Legion Department of Ohio merits enthusiastic praise, for its programs and activities are likely to inspire others to re-examine their own identities as Americans as well as to reflect more conscientiously on our inalienable freedoms and solemn responsibilities; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate the American Legion Department of Ohio on the One Hundredth Anniversary of the American Legion and extend best wishes for continued success; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the American Legion Department of Ohio.

ADOPTED

March 19, 2019

ATTEST



LARRY HOUSEHOLDER
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



BRADLEY J. YOUNG
CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES