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# **2020 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE HELD IN COLUMBUS**

The American Legion Department of Ohio hosted its annual Mid-Winter Conference form January 24th-26th, 2020 at the Crown Plaza North. Members of the Ohio American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, and American Legion Riders gathered from around the state to conduct business and gain knowledge of the functions and programs of The American Legion.

This year, we teamed up with The American Red Cross to host a blood drive in order to give back to the community and support The American Legion Blood Donor Program. The amount of support and donations from the Legion family in attendance was extraordinary. We managed to meet 100% of our set goal.

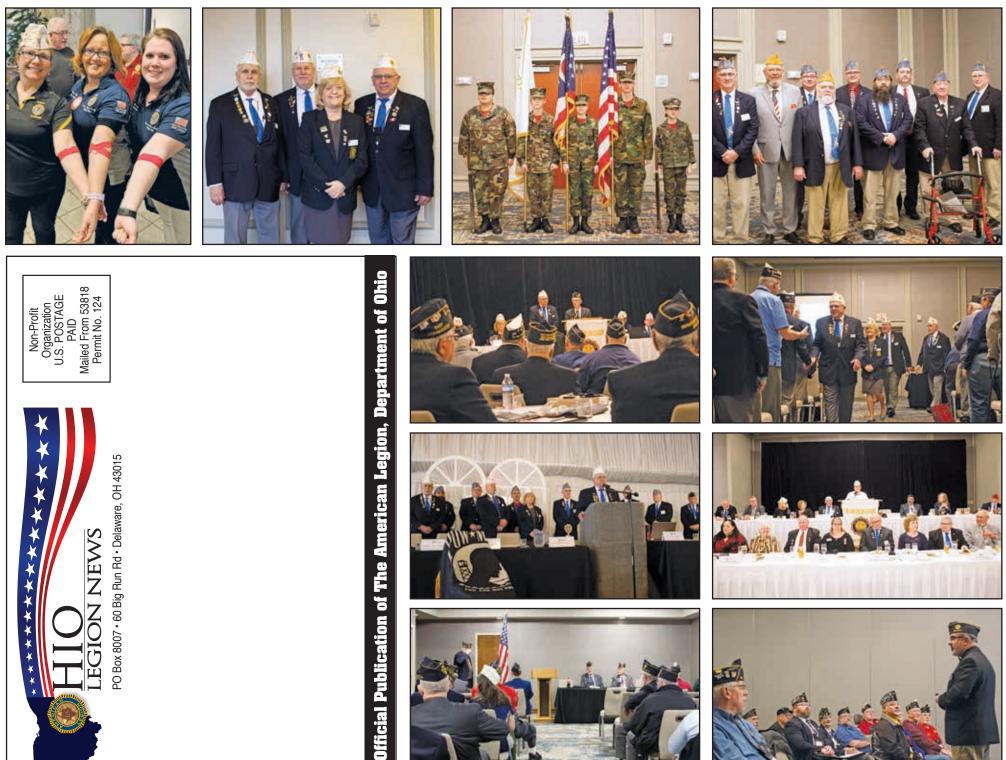
We also had another semester of Buckeye American Legion College (BALC). Classes this semester included Membership training, Post Operations training, and Programs training. The instructors this semester were Mike Blackwell, Douglas Chace from National Headquarters, Jermaine Ferguson, Suzette Heller, Ken LaVoy, Robert Ray, Jose Rivera, Christie White, and Robert White. The Department of Ohio would like to thank the volunteers and coordinators who dedicated their time and knowledge to make these trainings successful.

The conference also featured a host of vendors that are veteran operated, vendors who support veterans' organizations, as well as Department Programs. We would like to give a special thanks to The Ohio Department of Veteran Services, United States Census Bureau, Advocate Health Advisors, ProForma Kapco, Legionnaires Insurance Trust, Central Ohio Young Marines, RALI Ohio, Gifts For Yanks, Buckeye Boys State, Sons of the American Legion, Children and Youth Committee, Charities Inc, and the Department Service Officers for supporting and educating our legionnaires during the conference. The Leadership and Member-

ship awards banquet was a huge success. Major General Debo-

rah Ashenhurst (US Army, retired), ODVS Director was the keynote speaker for the event and was able to witness 52 posts receive awards, including over \$14,000.00 in award money earned by Posts and Districts.

Congratulations to all the Posts and Districts that received membership awards this year and thank you to all that attended the 2020 Mid-Winter Conference. We look forward to seeing you this summer at the Department Convention in Toledo.



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# SAVE THE DATE! June 25-28, 2020 **Department Convention**

The 2020 Department of Ohio Convention will be held at the Park Inn Radisson: 101 North Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio 43604. To reserve your room contact (866) 333-3333 or (419) 241-3000 and use block code: 2006LEGION. Rooms are \$119.00 a night plus tax. Convention will run from Thursday June 25, through Sunday June 28, 2020. Hope to see you all there!

# **MEET OUR NEW DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES**

## Sherry Yockey • Front Desk Receptionist • Headquarters



ground personal, customer

service representatives, flight

attendants and pilots at John

Glen International Airport.

My title was scheduling but

I was human resources and

payroll as needed. Most of my

past positions I was the prima-

ry liaison between the com-

My pasfor sion helping people can traced be back to my professional days in aviation. worked Ι alongside

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pany and its employees. The go to person when needed. I also worked for NetJets Aviation as a Scheduler. I attended Air Inc all over the US recruiting Pilots for NetJets. I also worked beside the FAA and the Department of Transportation when I became the Pilot Records Coordinator.

More recently, when I returned to the workforce after being a stay at home mother, I worked for Tanger Outlets in Sunbury as a Customer Service Representative.

My husband is a veteran, He did four years active C3/60 Germany, C2 /52 Fort Bragg. He was in the 18th Airborne Corp. My family was a foster family for many years, and I volunteered for Heartbeats of Morrow County, an organization for unwed expecting mothers. I was a parent representation for Family First Council of Morrow County. This organization was a partnership between state and local government communities and families that enhances the well - being of Ohio's children and families by coordination systems and services. Programs such as Help Me Grow and summer food programs.

I am learning all about American Legion and what it has to offer our veterans. My goal is to grow in this position and help in any way that I can.

## Beth Garino • Department Service Officer • Cincinatti



Beth Garino Dept. Service Officer "tomboy", I played basketball and baseball/

softball whenever I could. I've lived in Cincinnati for the past 12 years. I am a single mom to a son who is now 24 years old. My son served 4 years with the Ohio National Guard. This coming November I will be married to American Legion Post 630 Member and Navy Veteran, Greg Schroeder.

I was a member of the US Army and then the WV National Guard for several years. I signed on the dotted line in 1990 and shipped out for active duty training six months later in February 1991. I entered the service as a US Army Combat Medic. Most people have similar questions when they hear that you were a service member. The question usually contains two parts: one is "why" and the other is what made you do that? For me, it's complicated. I joined for two basic reasons. The first one is that my Grandfather was a Colonel in the US Army Medical Corp during the 1940's. Honorable reason, right? Well, the second reason is that my boyfriend at the time told me I would never succeed as a soldier (he was a former US Marine) and since I never back down from a challenge...I signed up. Once I was sworn in and began to learn more about the Army my primary reason changed. I was then a soldier for a better reason...I wanted to be a part of something much bigger than me. Becoming a Combat Medic was an amazing experience. I was trained and able to help ensure that injured soldiers would have a hell of a chance to make it home. Once you are a medic you learn that your motivation and outlook directly shapes someone's recovery. One of my training Sergeants told us that "as medics the soldiers in need call out for you before they call out for their mothers...take it seriously." That has stayed with me since 1991. During my time in I was assigned to the 2nd Armored Division in Northern Germany and also the National Training Center (NTC)

in the Mojave Desert in California. The NTC is the place where we prepare our soldiers and National Guard Members from all over the county for battle in a desert. My duty station was either an Emergency Room, Field Army Hospital, Ambulance, or UH-1 Helicopter. In summary, a lot of days weren't fun as medical situations don't always have a positive outcome but being a soldier and serving the country that I love is something that I will never regret. Being a soldier does something to you that you can't explain in words. Once you commit to give your life for your fellow soldier or for our flag, it changes you. I can't listen to the Star Spangled Banner without crying, still to this day. The pride in commitment and service never leaves vou.



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#### **OHIO LEGION NEWS**

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Roger Friend Dept. Commander

Legionnaires greetings from Commander. Since my last article we have had privilege of having the leading candi-

date Paul Dillard visit us. While he was here, we attended the Holiday Pops Concert at the Ohio Theatre. Paul commented that he had never been to anything like that and enjoyed it immensely. He also could not mention enough of the hospitality the legionnaires of Ohio where providing.

I am pleased to say that to date we have met or exceeded the target dates for membership set forth by National. The next target date is February 12th and we need to be at 85% and we our currently at 82.21%. Lets all put our noses to the grindstone so we can continue to meet these target dates.

I think we only need a couple thousand to meet that percentage mark. I know we can do it.

We just completed our Mid-Winter Conference and from my perspective it was a huge success. Hopefully everyone who attended enjoyed themselves and was able to attend the training of their choice. I send a huge thank you to those instructors and individuals who helped make the classes a success. We still have a lot to accomplish, but I'm confident that we with the help of our Legion Family Ohio will be successful.

For God and Country

#### 1St VICE COMMANDER

Legionnaires and Members of the Legion Family, Greetings, I hope this finds

you

Jean Wilson you doing 1st Vice Commander well. As you know, National Commander Bill Oxford's theme for this year is, "A Foundation for the Future", meaning our Four Pillar's.

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**VETERANS AFFAIRS AND REHABILITATION-** Access to VA Care, Career Opportunities, Volunteering, Better Funding Formula, Support for Veterans with Special Needs, Heroes to Hometown, Final Respects.

NATIONAL **SECURITY-**Strong National Defense, Homeland Security, Foreign Relations, Full Accounting of POW/MIAs, Operation Comfort Warrior.

AMERICANISM- Flag Protection, Illegal Immigration, Voter Registration, Boy Scouts, The Pledge of Allegiance, Establishment Clause Lawsuits.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH-Catastrophic Illness, Intellectual Disabilities, Immunization, Family Integrity, Media Violence, Drug Abuse, Child Sexual Exploitation.

I hope you will take time to review our Four Pillars, that is our Foundation of who we are and what we are about. Along with our Foundation lies the cement that binds us together and this is a key factor for us and this is of

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course. Membership. To every Post whether you are a small Post or a large one the key element to success is our membership. We must remember the three R's-

Recruit- With the Legion Act in force we have more eligible Veterans and their families that we can bring into The Legion Family. But it takes everyone to extend their hand to our fellow Brothers and Sisters and ask them to join.

Retain- One of the key factors on why members don't renew their dues is we fail to engage them in the Four Pillars. It is important for them to understand we are far more than a Club room. The American Legion has a mission and we need to ensure that it doesn't fail.

Reinstate- We must reach out and personally to reinstate the members who haven't paid their dues. An email or letter may work for some, but the personal touch of you knocking on their door and reminding them that they are important not only to their local post but to the entire organization.

I have been told that I am a dreamer and a believer- Yes I am a dreamer- I dream that our organization can grow but it takes work, determination and a mind set that we are the best organization you can belong to. I am a believer; I believe in you to help our organization get back on track not only doing the work

of our Four Pillars but also do the 3 R's. I hope that all of you are doing your "Buddy Checks" on your Post members that you haven't seen for a while. I can tell you by personal experience that when our Post Chaplain Al Buxton and I pay a visit on one of our Post members, they are so excited and happy to see us. When I look into their eyes, I think sometimes that they are thinking, what took you so long? I can tell you that they were happy to see us but I think I get more out of the visit then they do because not only can Al and I thank them for their service, but the feeling that we both get warms our hearts to know our members know we care about them and haven't forgotten them. I urge you to go visit one of your members who for whatever reason can't get to the Post. The visit doesn't have to be long; we usually stay 15-20 minutes, but it is the best 15-20 minutes we spent that day!

I want to take time to thank everyone for the hospitality they have shown me through my travels this year. I truly feel that there are no strangers in our American Legion - just people we haven't met yet. Please remember "Together We Are Better!"

Remember I am here for you, if you have question or concern contact me at 1stvice@ohiolegion. com or call me at 513-708-1969. For God and Country

2nd VICE COMMANDER





I'm that guy you asked to join your organization. I'm the guy who paid his dues to join.

I'm the guy who stood up in front of you and gave my solemn pledge to be faithful, and loyal to you and The American Legion.

I'm the guy who came to your meetings and no one paid any attention to me. I'm the guy who tried several times to be a friend, but you all had your own buddies to sit next to and talk to.

I'm the guy who was left out when I volunteered to help on projects and recruitment activities.

I'm the guy who missed the meetings a few months in a row because I was sick, but no one asked where I had been. I guess it didn't matter whether I was there or not.

I'm the guy who decided to stay at home and watch TV, and the next meeting, no one asked me where I had been.

I am a veteran. I hold a responsible job. I pay my taxes. I provide for my family.

I'm active in my community, and I love our country.

All reasons you asked me to join The American Legion.

It amazes me that the membership and the leaders of this organization wonder why we are losing members.

It amuses me to think that they spend so much time looking for new members when I was here all the time.

All they needed to do was make me feel needed, wanted, and welcome.

You know who else I am?

#### I'M THE GUY WHO NEVER CAME BACK.

A few years ago this letter was sent to Heaquarters by an anomonyous member. It's a good reminder of why the 3 R's and Buddy Check can be so important.



2nd Vice Commander Family. To me this was shown

this past weekend in Columbus at OUR Mid-Winter Conference. I would like to thank each and every one of you that attended and participated in the training and fellowship that was provided for us to learn and share our ideas on how to make OHIO GREAT again. Without your continued, and sometimes thankless volunteerism, we would not be heading in the right direction. Congrats go out to all of this year's Buckeye American Legion College Graduates. Also a huge Thank You to all of the Mid-Winter Instructors for putting together all of the training classes. I personally want to "THANK ALL OF YOU" Legionnaires, Auxiliary, Sons, and Riders for your hard work and dedication to "OUR" Ohio American Legion "Family".

We have a very busy next few months filled with lots of activities and events for the Department of Ohio. The Department Euchre Tournament will be held on March 14th at New Bremen Post 241 - 6458 State Route 66 New Bremen, Ohio. Cost \$20 per Team 100% payout. Registration at noon cards starting at 1:00PM. Any questions Contact 2nd District 1st Vice Commander Mike Homan at 419-629-3422 or email at

mikehomanfamily@gmail.com. The Department Pool Tournament we be held March 3rd -March 5th at American Legion Post 29 located at 27 South 3rd Street Zanesville, Ohio 43701. Singles and Team Events. Post 29 will have their kitchen open both Friday and Saturday night for dinner and Sunday morning for breakfast. They have the Tournament Flyer posted on the Post 29 Facebook Page and also on page of rgw Ohio Legion News. Questions contact Jason Chapman at 740-624-4066 or email at chappy9095@gmail.com.

I know it's a little early but time flies. The Department Golf Outing will be July 25th – 26th at Circling Hill Golf Course in Harrison Ohio and hosted by Yeager Benson Post

199 Harrison Ohio. Further details to be coming soon.

The Department is still looking for a Post to host the 2021 Bowling Tournament. If you think you would like to host ANY of our department events or you have any questions pertaining to our Events please contact me at 330-418-7161 or Christie White at 740-513-5199 and we can mail you the packets needed to host our events.

I cannot believe how fast this year has gone. I have enjoyed every minute of it and would not change it for anything in the world. I have all of you to thank for that. I believe that having a Father who was in WWII, a Mother who was a Sunday School Teacher and the love they both had for Family, OUR Flag and Country is why God has put me on

this rewarding path I am on. They both taught me what FAMILY is and means. If you look up the definition of FAMILY, it is a noun and an adjective. The noun says: a group consisting of all descendants of a common ancestor...The adjective says: designed to be suitable for children as well as adults. Is that not a similar definition of the American Legion. Think about it.

So In closing I hope to see you all soon in my travels and if you travel and see anyone wearing anything on that has do with the military go up to them and shake his or her hand and say "THANKS" and watch the smile YOU put on their face. Then look up because you also made God smile...From my family to yours lets Grow OH-IO "1" Veteran at a Time...God Bless

#### **OHIO LEGION NEWS**

JUDGE ADVOCATE

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Our membership in The American Legion is an important valued part of our lives. For this reason, the National American Legion By-

Laws provide that: "Each post of the American Legion shall be the judge of its own membership," and "A post may suspend or expel a post member from The American Legion only after providing the

member due process and a proper showing of cause. Charges shall be based on disloyalty, neglect of duty, dishonesty and/or conduct unbecoming a member of The and American Legion. All charges must be made under oath, in writing by the accusers, and no member in good standing shall lose their membership until given a fair trial be the post or department in such manner or form as the post or department By-Laws and the Post or Department Executive Committee shall prescribe." The Department of Ohio has applied this same cri-

teria to the removal for cause of Post, District, County and Department Officers and has set forth the manner and form of procedure for trial in Article IV, Section 2 of the Department By-Laws. However, this section of the By-Laws provides insufficient guidance as to what due process is available to members and/or officers who are charged, as well as the procedure to be used at trial. For this reason, your Department Executive Committee has authorized the development of a draft Uniform Code for the Conduct of Disciplinary

Proceedings. This code will provide the details needed for posts to conduct fair trials, and will be adopted if the Department Convention authorizes the necessary change to the Department By-Law this summer. The code would then be included in a proposed new Department of Ohio Judge Advocates Manual which would be provided for each post.

Each post should have a Judge Advocate or an officer assigned the duties of the Judge Advocate who is familiar with the Post, District, Department and National

Constitution and Bylaws, Resolutions and other American Legion policy documents. The Judge Advocate need not be a licensed attorney. The Judge Advocate should also preside at any trial conducted by the post and should be a nonvoting member of the Post Executive Committee. Questions regarding the civil laws related to activities that are not official American Legion programs, such as charitable gaming and alcoholic beverage sales, as well as property ownership and taxation, should be referred to a licensed attorney.



Suzette Heller

Dept. Adjutant

#### HELLEB'S HOBIZONS Greetings "Post Adjutants". The training gripe to pitch...It will be up to you

from Headment quarters! I wish you all abundant blessings for 2020 and beyond. Operations have been

running smoothly at Department Headquarters as we continuously assess, adjust our course, and move forward. Recently, I came across historic newsletters written by one of my predecessors, Joseph S. Deutschle, Sr., who served as Department Adjutant from 1946-1966. They are titled "Check and Double Check" which was the Adjutant's Letter to the body of the membership and Posts.

On October 15, 1952, he writes "THE ADJUTANT-So far as this desk is concerned, YOU, MR. ADJUTANT, are the big wheel in the Post...To paraphrase, to you will come the INDIGNANT...To you will come those who have a

How's it?

Departto try and give both the correct answers and though they may be 100 percent wrong, it will be up to you to convince them...Each human being believes that he can't be wrong...That the rules were made for the other guy and not for him...That the rules should be enforced so far as they apply to other guys but not to him...Sometimes you will get discouraged... Christ was on the cross; Washington was at Valley Forge; Lincoln was at Gettysburg; and so are the GI's in Korea and elsewhere over the world, but in those who have gone before and those who

are fighting our battles now, they overcame that discouragement and came through...That is what you will have to do Mr. Adjutant, COME THROUGH, or your Post and your Department will fail." At Buckeye American Legion

College during Mid-Winter Conference in January, I facilitated a course for Post Operations titled

was centered on requirements from our National HQ, Department HQ, Federal and State agency requirements in order for a Post to operate as a legal 501c-19 veterans non-profit charity, of which the Post Adjutant, with the support of all the Officers of the Post Executive Board, has a responsibility to ensure that all such requirements are being met and filed in a timely manner. If you are a Post Adjutant and would like more information about this, please email me Adjutant@OhioLegion.com at and I would be delighted to share this information with you and guide you in the right direction. **Disclosure:** This information is lay advocacy. I am not a lawyer or CPA and any information shall not be construed as formal legal nor financial advice. It is strictly a matter of assisting in bringing awareness to resources and matters of compliancy!

## **CHAPLAIN'S COBNER**

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thing wrong. I just say that I'd like to speak to a manager. The manager is paged and comes over and asks what the problem is. For example, I'd say that I was shopping for a particular item and that I could not find it. When I asked the guy Mitchel to help me, he dropped everything he was doing and helped me find what I needed plus more. Mitchel was a wonderful employee and really made my shopping experience very pleasant. I thought that you should know. The manager is now all smiles and seems very relieved. He agrees that Mitchel is a great employee and will be recognized at the next store meeting. The manager also thanks me for my feedback and says that most people don't ask for the manager for good feedback. They only want to complain about what is wrong or what didn't go their way. Does this seem familiar? We tend to overlook the people in our lives that make things go smoothly. However, when things get difficult or neglected or not in stock, we get on our high horses and complain. Why are we like this? Why aren't

we reporting the good things that make our lives nicer, easier, more stress free?

The same thing goes with our relationship with God. When we experience troubles, struggles, and hardships we get on our knees and pray. We beg for Him to hear our prayers. We want our burdens lifted. We want for Him to show that He hears us. To go before the Throne is the right thing to do when we are hurting. But when life is good, do we go before Him with thanksgiving? Do we tell him how wonderful things are? That is the right thing to do as well. It says in the Bible in 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus toward you."

Today I challenge you to go to your post and compliment someone in the post who is doing something that you admire. I task you to say something nice to a co-worker. I ask that you go up to someone who is not doing things the exact way you want it done, but who is trying their best, and tell them that you appreciate all of the effort that they've accomplished. If you do have complaints, be willing to give a possible solution or offer to help get them on the right track.

The tongue has the power over life and death. Proverbs 18:21 Are you tearing people down (death) or building them up (life)?

For God and Country

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS



SPOTLIGHT ON PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS OF OHIO: There is LIFE after being Department Commander and these gentlemen are a fine example of continued service in The American Legion. Thank you sirs for your service to our Country, to our fine organization, and our great Buckeye State Department of Ohio as members of the Department Task Force. (from left to right) Richard "Dick" Zulch 2001-2002 (D1/Post725); Ronald "Chappie" Chapman 2016-2017 (D4/Post288); Steve Masowick 2012-2013 (D14/Post 685); Jerry Wilson 1994-1995 (D4/Post199); Dennis Clausing 2010-2011 (D13/Post421); and Darell Bishop 1996-1997 (D5/Post12).



tive offered in the last Legion News edition. The winner of the drawing is Newton Falls Post 236 in District 9, submitted by Commander Rick Nelson. Their report included all their events from Memorial Day, Buckeye Boys and Girls State dinner, Veterans Day and gave a recap of the struggles and successes of their post growth. The Certificate and American Legion Tie Tack will be presented to them at their next District Conference.

The months have gone by quickly, and during those months many posts and districts have had various newsworthy events. We've seen them posted on Facebook and look forward to seeing them in the History Narrative and History Scrapbook Book at the end of the year.

As your Department Historian, I have been diligent with following

LLSTORIAN our commander, Roger Friend as Congratuwell as 1st and 2nd Vice Jean Willations to all son and Brad Theis, and attending historians and as many events to show the great posts who parwork all of you have done that ticipated in the goes down in our history books.

Why again is recording our Legion history so important? Well at our age, with my being 70, after a while our retention is not as great as when we served or when we got our first car or got married. Regardless of our age, the archiving of our distinguished events, activities, projects and memorial services of our fellow comrades will always be there for us to reminisce those times, as well as for the newbies coming along to fill our shoes.

It was a great pleasure to meet National Commander Bill Oxford and Ohio Governor Mike DeWine. And not to forget being able to attend the various post and district events and activities that you all have worked so hard on - I know I will always remember them while fresh in my head today. Tomorrow will be another story, but luckily since "my committee" stays on top of it all, we have all those pictures and details that we will be able to look back

and say, "Look what we've done!" Keep up the good work!

I encourage all Historians to participate in the annual contest for the One Year Post Narrative History or the One Year Post Yearbook. Your entrees to be judged should be submitted to your District Historian, and then turned over to me at Department Convention June 25-28th or at Department Headquarters by mail or hand delivered by June 29th.

As I directed you to, in our last OLN, The American Legion Officers Guide 2019 (https://www. legion.org/sites/legion.org/files/ legion/publications/27IA0219-Officers-Guide.pdf) pages 140-149 shows the exact instructions, requirements and judging system that should help each historian better their chances to submit a qualified entry.

If you have any questions, or need tips or ideas on your yearbook, please feel free to write me at albeyer49@gmail.com or fax me at 1-888-225-3180 snail mail to me at 6013 Garber Rd., Bellville, OH 44813

In Your Service

# SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION COMMANDER



members, The Webster dictionary describes the word 'passion'

Legion Family

Bernie Kessler SAL Commander

as "a strong liking for some activity, object or concept." Those that attended the 2020 Mid-Winter Conference know that I have a passion for the Sons of The American Legion and a passion for what you represent, not only in Ohio, but everywhere there are Veterans.

Since the Autumn edition on this publication, I was given the

My American opportunity to be a part of a Veterans Day celebration with The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary. What a wonderful day, and I am thankful to be a part of it.

> While we have closed the books on our 2019 membership year, there are still a few concerns that need action to be taken. We are well into the 2020 membership year and there are still "zero" Squadrons across the State of Ohio. While our leadership team continues to contact these Squadrons, you Legionnaires need to alert your Canteens that Delinquent Sons should not be served if

you are considered a private club. Alert bartenders that it is okay to ask to see a current 2020 membership card. It is for your protection.

At the 2020 Mid-Winter Conference, your Sons of The American Legion received and allocated over \$20,000 to Legion charities. That is a great start but we are by no means finished.

I, along with a few other members will be with you in Washington DC this March for the National Legislative Conference. After that, I will be leading a select delegation to the Homecoming weekend of our National Commander, Clint Bolt in Norfolk, Virginia, on the weekend of April 17-19th. Between these two out of Ohio events will be the celebration of the accomplishments of the Detachment, aka Bernie's Homecoming Dinner. That will be March 28th, at Col. Crawford Post 181, in Bucyrus. There is a link to the dinner and hotel flyers on: https://www.ohiolegion.com/ programs/sal/sal-membership/. Be aware that this is also going to be the night we once again raffle off the PDCC bottle for Child Welfare. Bring your checkbook!

This is also a special weekend for the Ohio Auxiliary. It is Poppy Shop weekend!!! I would like to see many of you spend the night in Bucyrus and make the 45 minute trip to the Ohio Veterans Home in Sandusky on Sunday morning. I know our lovely ladies would like to see you there and take part in their effort.

Finally, the Detachment Convention is in Perrysburg, Ohio this year and those dates are May 15, 16, & 17. There is more information on the website as we move into the future be making many of our announcements through the website with more downloadable and fillable forms.

Until the summer edition...we continue...to assist in carrying on for God and Country.

#### AMERICAN LECION AUXILIABY

The 2020 Auxiliary Year is well under and I would like to thank all of the Le-

Kristen Little Auxiliarv President gion ily Auxiliary

members that attended the Mid-Winter Conference in Columbus. Central Division National Vice President Ruth Gott from Michigan was our guest for the weekend. Ruth was able to pass out National President Nicole's pin during Ohio's Centennial Celebration on Friday evening. Ruth truly enjoyed spending time with the Ohio Legion Family and being able to talk with so many members. Thank you

2019to the Legion Family for coming and helping us celebrate our Centennial. way Americanism chair Renee

Kohl did an outstanding job taking this presidents request for a Poppy Wreath for the A&G Trip and making it a reality. A big thank you to the entire Legion Family for working on

this project. This wreath will be placed at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and truly was made with love by all in attendance. We can also be proud in knowing that the poppies that were used to make the wreath were made by veterans from the Ohio Veteran's Home in Sandusky. I was honored to be invited in November to spend a few days with the Legion while National Commander Bill Oxford was here as their guest. During his time here, we met with Governor DeWine at the State House, toured the National Veterans Memorial Museum, attended a breakfast for area



Veterans that is put on every year by a local restaurant along with various meet and greets at Post homes.





# **BUCKEYE AMERICAN LEGION COLLEGE GRADUATES**

Buckeye American Legion College is an important part of training new and existing leaders in our organization. The students attended three semesters of classes which included Post Operations, Membership, Programs, Leadership, and practical applications.

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In order to graduate, students must have shown the dedication needed to take all the required classes and have taken the Basic Training offered by National. We are pleased to introduce our first set of 2020 Buckeye American Legion College graduates.

2020 Buckeye American Legion College Graduates



John Robinson Ronald Chapman Suzette Heller Jose Rivera Darell Bishop











# An Excerpt from Ohio Department of Veterans Services Director

An Excerpt from Ohio Department of Veterans Services Director Deborah Ashenhurst Keynote Address given at the Mid-Winter Leadership and Membership Awards Banquet

Here are 7 steps to help recruit the next great generation of leadership at the American Legion. **Step 1: JUST ASK.** People like to volunteer. They feel good about themselves when they volunteer. So just announce why, when, and most importantly WHAT they can do. If you ask someone to do something specific, they will be a lot more likely to say yes, than if your invitation is an open one. It's easier to commit to doing one thing, on one day, than it is to just fill an open role.

And when you ask. DO IT IN PERSON. Not by phone, email or even worse text. When someone who is already volunteering their time looks you in the eye to ask for your help...it is hard to say no.

**Step 2: TEAM.** Remind them they are part of a TEAM. If they volunteer, they will be joining a team of volunteers working together to get the job done. Also ask your TEAMMATES for a list of individuals they feel work best with the Legion, and then ask those individuals to volunteer. Also ask your team what they like doing best for the American Legion. Focus on the positive and share those experiences and stories.

This being the 100th year is a great opportunity to ask them to

share their best memories and moments from their American Legion Experience. Then SHARE those stories. At meetings, on social media, in your newsletters, recruitment materials...in the grocery store checkout line. Get the word out about how great it is to volunteer at the American Legion. **Step 3: CREATE LIFETIME** VOLUNTEERS. Creating a relationship with new and old volunteers that will make then want to come back for more. When managing volunteers, treat them as if they are the best and most important part of your POST. If you feel valued and appreciated you are far more likely to volunteer again, and recommend to your friends, that THEY join in.

Step 4. NO IS NOT NEVER. Start recruiting volunteers as soon as possible. If you ask someone and they say no, don't take that as a rejection. Right now, might not be a good time for them. What you are asking this time might not be the right fit for them. But the next time their schedule might be better or the opportunity more desirable. Continue to stay in contact and make them aware of other opportunities down the road. Keep that door open, don't shut it just because they said no at this particular moment in their lives.

**Step 5. LEAVE SEATS OPEN.** It is critical that you screen volun-

teers to make sure that they are the "right fit" for the job. Sometimes a spot is better left empty than being filled with a person who is just there to fill a spot. The wrong person in the wrong spot can impact your post's ability to recruit the right person.

**Step 6. PEOPLE DRIVEN.** Recruit individuals who want to be part of your team and not just a say they are volunteers. Working together for the greater good pulls everyone up.

And finally, **Step 7. POSITION TITLE.** Individuals are looking at the title of a position as if were an employment opportunity. Provide as much detail as possible so that the volunteer knows what they are signing up for. Even "Retirees" like to be recognized with a named role.

I cannot tell you how many times having those two stars (that title) have opened a door for something that helps our veterans. Titles and stars aren't everything, but they can mean the right thing so keep them in mind when you are recruiting new talent.

Where can you get that new talent?

This year at ODVS we hired a storyteller in our communication department. His job is to find and tell great stories about our veterans. In doing so we have seen an increase in our social media traffic. Fresh new faces are joining, following and liking Veteran Services. Each one of those new people following us is a networking opportunity.

At the grassroots level, network-

ing in your communities with organizations whose members already volunteer in groups or individually is important. The Rotary, women's organizations, houses of worship, and college alumni associations are just a few of the kinds of groups that like to pitch in to make a difference.

Once you have that new talent, and new leadership, how do you transition allowing that new leadership to succeed spectacularly? Some studies have shown that two years after executive transitions, anywhere between 27 and 46 percent of them are regarded as failures or disappointments. That mean nearly a quarter to half of all transitions don't work.

One of the main reasons for lack of success is that new leaders get little help. They take on new roles and responsibilities without being prepared by the outgoing leadership. While many organizations supply new leaders with mentors or "buddies" less than 50 percent find them helpful.

Standard orientations can be even less effective. Why? Because they are not customized. But tailoring a coaching or succession plan can be tough, especially when you don't have a lot of resources to devote to them. So, let's go full circle here and look at those 5 five critical areas that could make you a top leader and get you into what Forbes magazine called the "Just 100".

**First:** What is your role as the leader? Take stock of your current

performance and capabilities. And then act and get everyone on the same page of your organization to work on your priorities.

**Second:** What is the culture? Is your post a well-oiled machine, everyone happily working together towards that common goal or do you need to shift things around?

**Third:** Your Team. Do you have the right team members with the right skills, attitudes and structure? Is everybody committed to becoming the best?

**Fourth:** YOU. Have you done whatever it takes to get up to speed and set expectations? Do you use your time wisely and efficiently by not doing too much or too little? Do you delegate to the right people?

And finally, **Fifth:** Think about your stakeholders. Do you understand what THEY need and are asking for? Have you delivered and therefore earned their trust?

That is a lot to take in. Being a good leader is hard work. But none of you would be here if you weren't willing to serve. You have already done that for your country and continue to do it for our veterans. The Ohio Department of Veterans Services is here to help you. Your brothers and sisters in arms are here to help you. Take advantage of the knowledge, resources and tools we all have to offer. DON'T hesitate to ask, for if we all work together, our job to help Ohio's veterans be all they can be, will be that much easier.

# Christmas at Chillicothe VA Medical Center

Ross County American Legion Post 62 once again played host on Christmas morning to Legionnaires, Auxiliary, SAL and their families, from across the Buckeye state, who traveled through the dense fog to extend holiday greetings and distribute Christmas cards and gifts to hospitalized Veterans at the Chillicothe VA Medical Center. Post 62 and District 7 Commander John Barnhart delivered the invocation and Department Commander Roger Friend addressed the volunteers who gathered in the Medical Center Rec. Hall prior to delivering gifts to the patients on the wards. Afterward, volunteers met at Post 62 for breakfast and collection of post donations to the Legion's Gifts for Yanks program.











# **VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITAION**

## **Appeals Modernization Act**

Blue Water Navy veteran file a VA

Form 20-0995 as soon as possible.

If you have never filed but suffer

from the presumptive disease listed

under Agent Orange file VA Form

21-526EZ. For assistance visit your

local American Legion Depart-

ment Service Officer or American

Legion Accredited County Veteran

PREPARING YOUR LOVED

ONES. TIPS TO ENSURE

THEY KNOW WHERE TO

Veterans Burial Benefits and DIC

Nobody wants to think about

the inevitable, but we also need

to make sure that are loved ones

are taken care of and are properly

informed and prepared when the

1. Location of veterans DD-214

2. The Veterans POA (Service

Organization that represents the

veterans claim or appeal with the-

3. Veterans Branch of Service

\*This can be difficult for some

veterans to express but a simple

letter detailing events can meant

the difference in DIC or Death

Pension. The letter can be left un-

opened until the death of the vet-

eran, surviving spouse just needs to

4. Is the veteran service connect-

ed or have a claim filed with the VA

5. American Legion Department

of Ohio, Cleveland Veterans Afairs

Regional Office contact informa-

What to do when the veteran passes.

1. Notify the VA of the veteran's

death by submitting a copy of the

death certificate to the veterans

know the location of the letter.

for service connection?

tion 216-522-3504.

POA.

to include Service Dates / Deploy-

Service Office.

START.

time comes.

VA).

ments.

Need to know:

and VA award letter.

William Genochio GySgt, USMC (Ret) DSO/ Office Supervisor Cleveland VA Regional Office Ph: 216-522-3504 Email:William.genochio@va.gov

#### **"THE SITREP"**

The American Legion Department Service Officer Team hopes all of you had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year with family and friends. 2020 has started off with a bang! Blue Water Navy claims are now being processed by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Board of Veterans Appeal and Decision Review Officer hearings are being scheduled for the coming months. We hired and are excited to introduce Beth Garino as the new Department Service Officer at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center. Beth is a U.S. Army veteran with active service and service in the West Virginia National Guard where she served as a Combat Medic. Beth is the mother of one son who also served in the Ohio National Guard for four years. Beth is engaged to Navy veteran Greg

Schroeder. Both Beth and Greg are members of American Legion Post 630. We are glad to add Beth to the Department of Ohio's Department Service Officer Team. There has been an active search in finding a Department Service Officer for the Dayton VAMC. Interviews have taken place and a selection will soon be made with the announcement in the next edition of Ohio Legion News. The American Legion Department of Ohio is preparing to send three Department Service Officers to Department Service Officer School in Washington D.C. in March to learn what has changed with VA Laws and VA Benefits.

#### BLUE WATER NAVY CLAIMS ARE

**BEING DECIDED BY THE VA** The Department of Veterans Affairs has officially begun to adjudicate Blue Water Navy claims beginning January 1, 2020. The Cleveland VA Regional Office work New Years Day to begin processing grants to Blue Water Navy Veterans. If you have ever filed for and have been denied benefits as a

## MILITARY HUMOR

What Branch of the Military Do Babies Join? - *The Infantry!* 

#### Little Johnny and the Priest

One Sunday morning, the priest noticed Little Johnny was staring

up at the large plaque that hung in the foyer of the church. It was covered with names, and small American flags were mounted on either side of it.

The seven-year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the priest walked up, stood beside the boy, and said quietly, "Good morning, Little Johnny." "Good morning, Father," replied the young man, still focused on the plaque.

"Father Scott, what is this?" Little Johnny asked.

"Well, son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service." Soberly,

they stood together, staring at the large plaque.

Little Johnny's voice was barely audible when he asked, "Which service, the 9:45 or the 11:15?"

# WANTED -

# Department Law and Order Award District Nominations

Each year, The American Legion Department of Ohio gives public recognition to well-rounded public servants who have exceeded above and beyond the expected duties of their position at the annual Department Convention. Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, Firefighter of the Year, and Civilian Life Saver of the Year. All nominees must be citizens of the United States and are evaluated on community service, professional career, heroism, and supporting documentation (i.e. press articles, letters of recognition).

Nominees for the Law Enforcement of the Year Award must be a full-time and paid, sworn law enforcement officer entrusted with full authority and the powers of arrest. The officer also must be assigned to, or fully recognized by Municipal, County, District, State Police, Highway Patrol, Sheriff's office, or as a sworn Federal Law Enforcement Officer such as FBI, Secret Service Agent, United States Federal Marshal, National Park Police, Capital Police.

Nominees for the **Firefighter of the Year Award** must be an active, full-time paid, or certified volunteer firefighter who is also a member of municipal or county fire department. Emergency Medical Technicians, who serve in municipal or county fire departments are also eligible for this award.

**Civilian Life Saver of the Year Award** is to recognize any nonpaid or professional person who has saved a life.

American Legion Post is strongly encouraged to award qualified individuals at the local level. Nomination forms for Law and Order Awards are available on ohiolegion.com. The Department of Ohio has available to Post, at no charge, a Special Certificate of Recognition for presentation. These certificates may be requested anytime during the membership year. Local Posts are to send their nominations to their County or District leadership for consideration. Districts are required to set their own deadlines for Law and Order Award nominations. Districts may submit only one nomination per award category to Department Headquarters. District nominations are due no later

than Friday, April 3rd, 2020.

2. File out 21-22 for the surviving spouse. This form elects a Service Organization to represent the surviving spouse or claimant on behalf of the deceased veteran.

3. If the veteran has an existing claim or appeal with the VA, a 21P-0847 should be filed within one year of the veteran's death to allow the surviving spouse to continue the claim or appeal as if the veteran.

\*\*There is a 1-year deadline to file to protect the effective date of the veteran's original claim or appeal.

4. The 21P-0847 can be filed after the 1-year, however the effective date of the request will be the date filed and not the date the veteran originally filed the claim or appeal. *What other forms need to be filed with the VA?* 

1. 21-534EZ Application for DIC, Death Pension and/or Accrued Benefits.

2.21P-530 Application for Burial Benefits (this is automatic once the VA is notified of the veteran's death). If the veteran is not married or the spouse preceded the veteran in death. The VA will pay the burial benefits to whomever files first. (most funeral homes will assist in the filing of burial benefits)

3. Obtain the veterans Burial Flag with VA Form 27-2008. (most funeral homes will assist in obtaining the Burial Flags).

4. Apply for Presidential Memorial Certificate with VA Form 40-0247. (most funeral homes will assist in obtaining PMC).

#### Difference Between Dependent Indemnity Compensation and Death Pension

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) is a tax free monetary benefit paid to eligible survivors of military Servicemembers who died in the line of duty or eligible survivors of Veterans whose death resulted from a service-related injury or disease.

The Survivors Pension benefit, which may also be referred to as Death Pension, is a tax-free monetary benefit payable to a lowincome, un-remarried surviving spouse and/or unmarried child(ren) of a deceased Veteran with wartime service. Addition information can be obtained by calling The American Legion Department of Ohio's, Department Service Officers at 216-522-3504 or by visiting the VA website via google search VA DIC or Death Pension.

#### THE "AFTER ACTION" REPORT

If there is a specific topic anyone would like to see further explained or answered send those requests to genochio@ohiolegion.com. So that we can provide our veterans with the information that best suits their needs.

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.

## Department of Ohio Temporary Financial Assistance Programs

As members of the largest veterans' service organization in the world, we are "veterans serving veterans" at our core. At times, veterans may find themselves in difficult times and may seek out assistance from The American Legion. The American Legion has two temporary financial assistance programs to offer to help families in need meet the cost of shelter and utilities.

Temporary Financial Assistance Grant is a single one-time non-repayable grant of up to \$1,500.00 for current members of The American Legion or an active-duty servicemember with minor children. This grant is provided by The American Legion Veterans & Children Foundation.

The Family Support Network Grant was established to provide temporary financial assistance to current members of The American Legion, members of the Ohio National Guard, the Ohio Air National Guard, and families of active-duty service members who reside in Ohio. This grant is a non-repayable grant of up to \$500.00. This program is made possible by your generous donations and Charities Inc.

Applicants must exhaust all local resources – to include the local county veterans service commission – before applying for The American Legion TFA programs.

We strongly encourage our post and districts to sponsor membership dues for a veteran who needs temporary financial assistance but is not a current member of The American Legion.

If you find yourself in need and you have exhausted local resources, please do not hesitate to contact your Post to begin the application process. Applications may be found at ohiolegion.com.

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# The State of The Ohio General Assembly

January 14th, 2020

The 133rd Ohio General Assembly has proven to be very supportive of the veteran community thus far. The House and Senate Chambers will reconvene early February and is predicted to break for the summer and election season before Memorial Day weekend.

#### In 2019. Ohio enacted

Senate Bill 77 to designate June 12th as "Woman Veterans' Day".

Senate Bill 52 to create the civilian cyber security reserves forces

Senate Bill 7 which will allow for occupational license reciprocity for military families.

House Bill 18 to exempt disability severance payments to honorably discharged veterans from state income tax.

The State Operating Budget included measures that provided increased funding for the Ohio Veterans Homes and Veterans Service Organization including The American Legion Department of Ohio and established a

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) Pilot Program to help veterans who suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

The 133rd Ohio General Assembly has much unfinished business to complete in 2020.

House Bill 282 which will permit the use of electronic instant bingo for charitable gaming continues to sit idle in the House Finance Committee while the debate regarding the differences between the House and Senate versions of the legislation to permit sports gaming overshadows HB 282. The American Legion Department of Ohio continues to collaborate with the Ohio Veteran and Fraternal Charitable Coalition (OVFCC) to lobby the state legislature to pass House Bill 282 before the crucial deadline in June.

Pending legislation that may benefit or impact members of the veteran community is as follows: House Bill 287 regarding Medicaid home and communitybased waiver services for rela-

tives of active-duty military. House Bill 359 will allow veterans of World War II to obtain World War II license plates without paying motor vehicle registration taxes and fees.

House Bill 406 will designate the "Honor and Remember" flag as the symbol of Ohio's commitment to honoring and remembering the lives of all fallen service members and them families. It will also require that the flag be displayed at the Statehouse on Memorial Day.

House Bill 411 will create the "Ohio Sons of The American Legion" license plate.

House Bill 437 and House Bill 439 seek to make adjust the Homestead Exemption for inflation and to permit the exemption for surviving spouses of servicemembers who die in the line of duty or whose death is otherwise service-connected.

If you want to be included on our monthly legislative update email list, please contact Jermaine Ferguson at Department HQ.

# Gifts for Yanks Program Update

#### January 14, 2020

The mission of the Gifts for Yanks Program is to improve the quality of life of the veteranpatient of Ohio VA Medical Centers and Ohio Veterans Homes by providing funds to support directservice programs, events, holiday gifts, and VA Voluntary services. The Gifts for Yanks Program is fully dependent on the financial donations and volunteer hours graciously given by members of our American Legion Family.

The Gifts for Yanks Program has entered the second-half of its' fundraising year and has just completed its annual holiday gift distribution. Legionnaires hand-

ed out just over 2,100 holiday gifts to veterans who are patients at Ohio VA Medical Centers and Ohio Veterans Homes. This years' holiday gift is valued at \$26.00 per veteran which included a medium-sized laptop backpack, a tumbler, a baseball cap, a pillbox, and a mind-puzzle book.

The Gifts for Yanks Program has raised \$68,558.30 with the support of 116 American Legion Posts. Contributions must be turned in by May 31, 2020 to be considered for Department Convention Post and District.

The Gifts for Yanks Program will recognize the (1) the largest post contribution, (2) the largest amount contributed by a district, (3) the greatest percent of fundraising goal achieved by a post, (4) the greatest percent of fundraising goal achieved by a district, and (5) post contributions of \$5,000.00 or more.

The Gifts for Yanks Program would love for every American Legion Post in the state of Ohio to have a designated Gifts for Yanks Post Chairman who can be a program ambassador to our local communities. If you want to learn more about the Gifts for Yanks Program, please contact your District GFY Chairman or contact Jermaine Ferguson at Department HQ.

## **Children and Youth Month**

April is Children & Youth Month. The American Legion has been actively involved with children's issues since the early 1920s. In many instances, the Legion has been the driving force on behalf of children on the federal, state and local levels. In 1938, April was formally designated as Child Welfare Month (now called Children & Youth Month) and has continued on an annual basis. During this special time, we urge each of you to show your community that The American Legion Family is dedicated to America's youth.

Promote your activities- You should publicize your programs and activities. Have the mayor or other local official issue a proclamation declaring April as Children & Youth Month. The post commander should issue a news release proclaiming April as Children & Youth Month and list what the post will be doing for its annual observance. (For a sample news release, see www.legion.org/youth.) Remember, programs affecting the children and youth of your community are news! Invite the news media to your activities and keep them informed.

Report Success- Following the observance of Children & Youth Month, the Children & Youth chairmen need to turn their attention to the annual reporting of expenditures and activities. Be sure you have an accurate record of all money spent for the benefit of chil-

dren and youth by your post/unit during the current year, as well as the number of children who received services and assistance. Shortly after the first of the year, American Legion departments receive copies of the Consolidated Post Report (CPR) for later distribution to posts. This form has been developed to track necessary information about the Legion's overall program. It is the responsibility of the post Children & Youth chairman to report his/her program activities to the individual designated in the post to complete the Consolidated Post Report. The CPR can be done online at myLegion.org by the post adjutant.

# DARELL BISHOP THANKS THE STUDENTS OF WHITMER HIGH

In your lifetime, could you find a young group of men and women who believed in the values of The American Legion and honor the sacrifices that our veterans have made? Two year ago, I had the opportunity to meet such a group - a social studies class from Whitmer High School from the Toledo metropolitan area who have remained dedicated in their support of an American Legion program.

Since 2002, social studies class from Whitmer High has collected money for the Gifts for Yanks program.

High school students, voluntarily gathered up their nickels, dimes, whatever they could afford, to collectively save it in a class glass jar.

This initiative has become quite a competition between Social Studies classes from one year to the next to see which class can raise the most money for the Gifts for Yanks program.

Since Whitmer High made a commitment to support the Gifts for Yanks program in 2002, the students have collectively raised \$75,864.15. This year, the social studies class raised \$4,800.

For the last two years, Whitmer High School has sent a bus filled with students to help Ohio Veterans Home to help with the distribution. It is a communityservice opportunity as well as an educational program for the high school students. The students meet and talk with our veterans as they help distribute the Gifts for Yanks holiday gifts. At the conclusion of the holiday distribution, they take a tour of the Ohio Veterans Home - Sandusky Veterans Museum.

The American Legion Depart-

ment of Ohio Gifts for Yanks Since Whitmer High Committee and our Legionto support the Gifts for naires should Yanks program in 2002, be very proud of these young students for their endeavor to help support our veterans at our

Ohio Veterans Homes and Ohio's VA Medical facilities. We thank the educators of Whitmer High School for their indulgence in this program. Without the help of Whitmer High School and the activities of the students, we could not sustain our program.

On behalf of The American Legion and The Gifts the Yanks committee, I thank them for your dedication to our veterans.

# **Buddy Check** As American Legion mem-

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bers, our most sacred responsibility is to look out for each other and our fellow veterans. As a way to reach out to members and former members who may need help, the National Executive Committee passed Resolution 18 during Spring Meetings in May 2019. The resolution calls for Buddy Checks to be conducted Legion-wide on the weeks of The American Legion's birthday, March 15, and Veterans Day. However, American Legion posts are encouraged to perform this vital function whenever it makes the most sense in their communities.

The idea is to reconnect with veterans who may need assistance but don't know where to go or who to ask. These contacts may be made by a personal visit, phone or email, or a combination. The important part is to reach out to veterans in your community to let them know you care and can provide whatever assistance they may need. It's what we do for our battle buddies.



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# AMERICANISM The Fifth Man of the Four Chaplains

At Mid-Winter Conference, I introduced a fifth man to the Four Chaplains ceremony. Many asked about him so I thought that for Black History month (February), I would introduce you to him.

I had been doing a lot of research over the years and I came upon Stewards-Mate First Class Charles Walter David, Jr. He was a young black man who served aboard CGC Comanche on North Atlantic convoy duty during World War II. The Comanche was on scene with the Dorchester and its crew searched for survivors in the North Atlantic waters. David fearlessly volunteered to dive overboard to help rescue the Dorchester's crew.

As other Comanche crew members volunteered to dive in, 93 survivors from the Dorchester were rescued and plucked out of freezing waters. One of the men David saved was a fellow Comanche crewman, the cutter's executive officer who had fallen overboard and after exhaustion set in he was unable to pull himself out of the water. David was able to tie a line around him and the crew aboard Comanche hoisted him to safety.

After the last of the survivors were safely aboard Comanche, David began to climb the cargo net to the ship's deck. One of David's shipmates, who had volunteered to dive overboard to assist with the rescue, was having trouble climbing the net due to his freezing limbs. David encouraged his friend to continue but the man was fatigued and frozen. David descended the net and with the help of another crew member, pulled him to Comanche's deck.

Tragically, David died a few days later from pneumonia that he contracted during his heroic efforts to save the Dorchester's survivors and members from his own crew. He was posthumously awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal for his bravery, which was received by his wife and son.

David served his country at a time when the service was segregated and was aboard a cutter where he was barred from the officer ranks and limited in his enlisted specialty. Despite this, David exercised the Coast Guard's core values of honor, respect and devotion to duty to the highest measure.



# **AMERICANISM PROGRAMS**

There are many activities that are coming up for various Americanism Programs in the next few months. Mark your calendars!

#### Americanism and

Government - The American and Government Trip will take place March 2nd, 2020 through March 6th 2020. The names of the 18 winning students as well as a briefing of their trip will be in the next issue of the Ohio Legion News.

Oratorical - The state contest will be held Sunday April 5th, 2020 starting at 9:00AM at Department Headquarters.

Scholarships - Applications are due April 15th and can be found ohiolegion.com/programs/ at scholarships

**Dayton National Cemetery** and Western Reserve National Cemetery - The grave decorating ceremonies will be Saturday May 23rd, 2020 at 9:30AM at each cemetery.

Buckeye Boys State - Buckeye Boys State will be June 14th-June 21st, 2020 at Miami University. Reminder, the Buckeye Boys State application process will be online again, once you receive your enrollment form, please return it with the number of delegates your post plans on sending along with your payment by March 15th. You will receive back forms that have a specific code for each delegate to log into the website and enter their information electronically. Each code is specific for each delegate, so the forms CANNOT BE COPIED.

Legion Baseball - The Junior Tournament will be July 15-19th. The Senior Tournament will be July 29th - August 2nd. Both tournaments are played at Beavers Field in Lancaster Ohio.

#### **Christie White** Americanism and **Children & Youth Coordinator** Ph: (740) 513-5199

Email:programs@ohiolegion.com The passage of Resolution No. 163 at the 1960 National Convention in Miami, Fla., established February as Americanism Month. During this annual observance, we should all reflect upon what it means to be an American and rededicate ourselves and our posts to taking action that will uphold the principle of "a 100 percent Americanism." Americanism, one of the Legion's four pillars, is the love of America, loyalty to its ideals and institutions, allegiance to its flag, willingness to defend it against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and a desire to advance the blessings of liberty to future generations.

The legacy of Americanism is a legacy worth preserving, not only to honor those men and women who have served and laid down their lives to secure our freedom, but to ensure that our freedoms and way of life are secure for generations to come. During Americanism Month, let us rededicate ourselves to a 100 percent Americanism for 100 percent of the year!

Since it is Americanism month, we will highlight our Americanism programs as well as reflecting upon what it means to be an American and rededicate ourselves and our posts to taking action that will uphold the principle of "a 100 percent Americanism".

Americanism and Government Test and Trip - The Americanism and Government Test program of

the Ohio American Legion was created by Legionnaires of Ohio in 1936 and remains today as another of the leading youth programs of the Ohio American Legion. Although created by the Ohio American Legion, the Americanism and Government Test program is a joint venture and partnership with the Ohio American Legion Auxiliary, which is a cosponsor of the program.

The Americanism and Government Test program is open to students in grades 10, 11, and 12. Students in grade 9 may take the test for practice only. It is designed to test an individual student's knowledge of the following: The United States Flag, The Declaration of Independence, The United States Constitution, State government in Ohio, County government in Ohio, City government in Ohio, Township government in Ohio, Village government in Ohio, and School District government in Ohio. The State Award from the Ohio American Legion for the 18 State winners is a five (5) day, all expenses paid trip to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and Washington D.C. under the direction of the Department Americanism Coordinator, accompanied by representatives of the Ohio American Legion and Ohio American Legion Auxiliary. A highlight of the trip is a

Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery.

The Ohio American Legion and Ohio American Legion Auxiliary have had the honor of laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Un-

knowns every year since 1936.

An objective of the Ohio American Legion through the Americanism and Government test program is that if by taking the test a young person is inspired to learn more about government, the United States, and to appreciate the freedoms enjoyed by the nation's citizens, the effort put forth by the Ohio American Legion and the Ohio American Legion Auxiliary is worth the expense.

Buckeye Boys State - The American Legion Buckeye Boys State program is an eight (8) day "handson" experience in the operation of the city, county, and state levels of Ohio government, the organization of Ohio political parties, and the relationship of one to the other for young men coming out of their Junior year of high school.

Mission Statement - The mission of The American Legion Buckeye Boys State is to provide an educational and leadership program that exposes young men to the rights and privileges, the duties and responsibilities, and the love for God and Country necessary to being self-governing citizens.

Vision Statement- Through a practical, objective, nonpartisan approach, participants in the American Legion Buckeye Boys State program are exposed to fundamental democratic principles in local, county and state elections and governmental functions which prepare them for leadership roles as patriotic American citizens.

Oratorical Contest - High school students in Ohio, including home schooled, are afforded the opportunity to gain financial awards to assist the students in their pursuit of higher education through participation in The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship program, a public speaking contest on the United States Constitution which focuses on the duties and obligations of a citizen to our government. The contest has a prepared oration and an assigned topic which is assigned the day of the contest. The prepared oration must be on some aspect of the Constitution, with emphasis on a citizen's duties and obligations to our government. The same subject and oration used in the department contest must be used in the national contest. The purpose of the assigned topic discourse is to test the speaker's knowledge of the subject, the extent of his or her research, and the ability to discuss the topic as related to the basic principles of government under the Constitution.

Dayton National Cemetery & Western Reserve National Cemetery - On the Saturday prior to Memorial Day, the Department of Ohio conducts this program which involves Dayton, Rittman, Medina, and the surrounding area Venture Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownie Units, The American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of The American Legion, and Legionnaires.

Scout representatives place American flags at the headstones of almost 90,000 graves.

The American Legion sponsors the "Avenue of Flags": 425 flag poles bearing the casket flags

of deceased veterans, which are flown on Memorial Day and Veteran's Day.

Scouting programs - There are 135 American Legion Chartered Scouting Units in the Department of Ohio with over 2,600 participants.

The Department presents the "Department Eagle Scout of the Year" award annually. The Department winner advances into the National American Legion competition and receives a \$500.00 financial award from the estate of Mikeal and Frances Golato.

Educator of the Year - The Department of Ohio recognizes outstanding Ohio educators at the State Convention annually for contributions made to the field of education, Ohio students, and the Department of Ohio American Legion. The "Educator of the Year" is selected from 14 district educator nominees.

American Legion Baseball -American Legion Baseball is the finest summer baseball program for high school students in Ohio and the nation today. American Legion Baseball serves as the largest source of talent to major league teams of any youth baseball program. In 2019, over 55% of all players on 30 major league team rosters played American Legion Baseball. 2020 marks the 95th year for American Legion Baseball, an enviable anniversary in any field. For these past 94 years American Legion Baseball has strived to maintain the reputation as the highest regarded youth baseball program in the nation.

# February is Americanism Month

# **MIDWINTER HIGHLIGHTS**

# **Posts Receive Membership Awards**

Membership Award	District	Post #
Brown Jug	4	
All time High	4	681
September Turn-In Award	5	608
September Turn-In Award	10	139
November Turn-In Award	1	172
November Turn-In Award	1	541
November Turn-In Award	2	395
November Turn-In Award	2	493
November Turn-In Award	2	648
November Turn-In Award	4	179
November Turn-In Award	4	199
November Turn-In Award	4	237
November Turn-In Award	4	630
November Turn-In Award	5	659
November Turn-In Award	7	100
November Turn-In Award	7	568
November Turn-In Award	12	98
January Turn-In Award	1	109
January Turn-In Award	1	143
January Turn-In Award	2	603
January Turn-In Award	4	37
January Turn-In Award	4	107
January Turn-In Award	4	288
January Turn-In Award	4	318
January Turn-In Award	4	427
January Turn-In Award	4	485
January Turn-In Award	4	534
January Turn-In Award	4	681
January Turn-In Award	4	773
January Turn-In Award	6	285
January Turn-In Award	6	518
January Turn-In Award	7	694
January Turn-In Award	8	303
January Turn-In Award	8	476
January Turn-In Award	9	177
January Turn-In Award	9	609
January Turn-In Award	9	743
January Turn-In Award	10	205
January Turn-In Award	10	549
January Turn-In Award	10	634
January Turn-In Award	12	157
Anytime Post Award	2	178 - \$100
Anytime Post Award	4	194 - \$250
Anytime Post Award	4	199 - \$500
Anytime Post Award	4	288 - \$500
Anytime Post Award	4	534 - \$250
Anytime Post Award	7	23 - \$500
Anytime Post Award	9	112 - \$500
Anytime Post Award	11	24 - \$100
Anytime Post Award	11	29 - \$250
Anytime Post Award	12	144 - \$100
Anytime Post Award	12	239 - \$100
Anytime Post Award	13	91 - \$100
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# 2020 MIDWINTER SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

Lloyd Barker Paul Bellman Raymond Bentkowki John Blount Kenneth Bond James Burnside John Callander **Keith Caulkins Robert Cichocki** Joseph Cilibraise **Thomas Cleveland Richard Conley James Crace** Arden Craun Marshall Davis Daniel DeClaire Laura Dennison Cucuzz Bernard Dick Anthony Dockus **Darlene** Dutt W David Eager David Gresko Bryan Grubbs Michael Horigan Dean Kehres Marvin Keiser **Richard Kmiecik** James Lindsay **Robert Luzius** Ben Makowski Roman Malysz William McCrae **Richard Mitchen** John Perkins Harry Pethel Mark Robinson **Charles Sands** Joseph Solazzo **Richard Stilson Dorian Taylor Patrick Thomas Catherine Thomason Robert Vargo** Harry Williams Jean Wilson Roger Zimmerman Carolyn Perkins Mark Rudolph

NAME

CITY Alliance Haines City, FL Maineville **Euclid** Greenfield Greenwich Centerville Blacklick Brunswick **Brunswick** Columbus East Liverpool Bidwell Bettsville Paulding Sardinia Brunswick Woodsfield Aurora Newport News, VA Harrison **Columbia Station** Punta Gorda, FL Fairborn Westerville New Weston Westlake Fairborn Prescott, AZ North Ridgeville Seven Hills Windham Alliance Mansfield Akron Brunswick Zanesville Conway, SC Milford Amherst Cincinnati Englewood **Brook Park** Geneva Harrison Fort Walton Beach, FL Zanesville Cleveland

# GOOD OF THE LEGION (

#### **COMMANDER BILL OXFORD**



Department of Ohio's Finest with National Commander, Bill Oxford (L to R) Commander, Roger Friend; National Commander, James "Bill" Oxford; Auxiliary President, Kristen Little; and Detachment Commander, Bernie Kessler. Photo Courtesy: Mrs. Dayna Beyer. Photo Location: 94th Aero Squadron, Columbus Ohio.

#### **POST 421 FAIRVIEW PARK**



Clifton Post 421 in Fairview Park: At the Night of the Races, Navy Veteran Kevin Conlan Post 421 Commander; and Marine Veteran, Thomas Toppel Trustee Oorah!

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Fort Stephenson Post 608 Fremont, Ohio: During their regularly scheduled meeting on January 16, 2020, (left) Lenny White, Past 5th District Commander and (far right) Al Beyer, 5th District Commander present the new charter to Adjutant, Steve Oberst as Commander Mark King was excused.

#### **POST 421 NIGHT AT THE RACES**

American Legion Clifton Post 421 of District 13 along with their Sons of the American Legion, Auxiliary members and the Blue Star Mothers of Ohio Chapter 26 held a fun event "Night at the Races" with horse races, raffles, door prizes and a Ohio Derby Hat Contest. Funds raised by the Legionnaires will go for repairs of the post, Auxiliary will use their share for Buckeye Girls State. (from right to left) District 13,



Clifton Post 421 - Commander Kevin Conlan; Tom Toppel, Trustee; Dave Sedlak; Past Department Commander Dennis Clausing 2010-2011; John Cotleur, 2nd Vice; Patrice Collins, Finance Officer; Mickey Pinto, Retired Senior Chief, USN; Roger Boehnlein; Mike Sobera, IPC 421; Terry Dicenzi.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF OHIO AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY**

What an awesome sight! Department of Ohio American Legion Family - Legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion, Auxiliary and Riders standing together for our Veterans, Community, Youth and Nation - Mid-Winter Department of Ohio Crowne Plaza North, Worthington (Columbus) Ohio.



#### **POST 236 GIFTS TO CHARITIES**

On Monday Nov.11, 2019, American Legion Post 236, Newton Falls issued monitary gifts to 10 area charities. Beverly Seated (L-R): Connell, Church Mouse Food Bank, Dawn Nutter, Newton Falls Public Library, Dominic Mararri, Warren Family Mission, Miriam Klein, Second Harvest Food Bank, Liz McGarry, Hospice of the Valley, Jullian Chahine, Akron Children's Hospital. Standing (L-R): Rick Nelson, Post 236 Commander, Russ Mason, Post 236 Adjutant and Bingo Charities Chairman, Jared



Srette and Scott McCloud, Newton Falls Fire & EMS, Gene Fixler, Newton Falls Police Department, David Lynch, Newton Falls City Manager, Dennis Richter, Senior Citizen's Van Fund. Not in photo receiving gift; Fred Ebinger, Bella Woman's Center.

### SERGEANT ROBERT "BUD" SABETAY

On 13 August 2019, Sergeant Robert "Bud" Sabetay, became a member of the American Legion, Frank Bender Post 473, Copley, Ohio. No big deal, you say. Many past and present members of the military join the American Legion every day. True, but Bud who turned 95 in November 2019, served in WWII at the Battle of the Bulge, beginning Christmas Day, for 52 continuous days with the 90th Infantry Division.

Serving with I Company, 3rd Battalion, 359th Regiment of the US Third Army in July 1944, SGT Sabetay fought his way across France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Czechoslovakia and Germany before the German surrender in May 1945. For his service, he was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and five campaign stars. Robert Sabetay has written a book, "Memoirs of An American

Jewish Soldier". The book is an easy read with many personal remembrances. After returning home, Bud went into the glass business with his

father at Barberton Glass, where he worked for 61 years. We at Copley American Legion Frank Bender Post 473 are proud to have Bud as a member and we most sincerely thank him for his service.



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#### **POST 737 STARS & STRIPE**



The Stars & Stripes being elevated on a local fire ladder truck greet the Wade Park Hospital visitors at Lake Milton Post 737. Dinner was prepared by Unit 737 AL Auxiliary, VA & R Chair, Diane Buhner & many others. 737 Riders, SAL, Legion members & Auxiliary all helped to make this a great evening.

#### PREPARING FOR VETERAN'S DAY



NELSONVILLE: Preparing for Veteran's Day, members of the American Legion, Glenford Dugan Post 229, Nelsonville, rededicated the MIA/POW Remembrance Table. Representing the four branches of US military e (L to R) are: Legion members Robert VanBibber (Marines), Kurt Nunnally (Post Adjutant, Army), Thomas Metcalf (Post Commander, Navy), and Steven Green (Air Force). The table's symbols are touching tributes to our finest and bravest countrymen who believed in freedom and who never returned home. Sponsored by Post 229 Military Museum, the ceremony was

spearheaded by member Ray Baker. Photo by Denise Harter.

#### **POST 707 AWARDS BANQUET**

During the social gathering prior to our Department of Ohio Leadership & Membership Awards Banquet American Legion Family members took photo's to capture the moment with 3rd District's Englewood Post 707 Commander Chris Emmons, and his wife Melissa Emmons, 3rd District 2nd Vice Mike Blackwell, and his wife Auxiliary Unit 707 member Amy Blackwell; Teressa Davis and her husband, SAL Squadron 707 1st Vice Troy Davis. Mike and Troy are also dual Regular & SAL members.



#### **POST 284 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

On December 9th, Charles E. Arnold Post 284 in Bryan celebrated their 100th anniversary with a dinner and program. All veterans shown in the photo were honored. Commander Robert Rowan (pictured at right front) was commander in 1969 for the 50th and now for the 100th. Main speaker for the evening was First District 2nd Vice Commander Kevin Motter (pictured at left of Commander Rowan).



#### **POST 803 THANK VETERANS**

The Clare Eggleston Post 803 in Aurora, Ohio, had the November 11 service for the city to thank veterans for their service. District 14 U.S. Rep. David Joyce and Mayor Ann Womer Benjamin were guest speakers. Behind the banner celebrating the 100th birthday of the American Legion, Back row (L to R), Steve Spencer, Tom Tuttle, Dan Hamilton Al Podboy, commander. Front row (L to R) Clayton Preising, Tony Dockus, Larry Sharp, Dennis Kray, Reed Gross.



#### **VETERANS VISITED DURING THE HOLIDAYS**

To show appreciation, for the military service, of the veterans who are residents at Signature Nursing Home in Howland. Howland American Legion Post 700 members visited the veterans who are patients at this home on Dec. 11th. American Legion Howland Auxiliary Unit 700 had prepared presents, which were given to the veterans living at the nursing home. Cake and ice cream was served. Pictured standing: Betty Cononico, Smitty Mealy, Dave Luther, Darlene Freer, Elaine Harry, Bud Luman, John Turner & Al Lambing. Kneeling and seated in front: Roger Stanley, Bernie Orfanos, Joanne Lambing & Christina Campbell.



**U.S. MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY** 



Marine Corps Veterans from American Legion Post 236, Newton Falls celebrated the U. S. Marine Corps 244th birthday at the post's monthly meeting held Monday Nov. 11, 2019. Pictured (L-R): Steve Garcar and Jim Yost.

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#### POST 199 BUDDY CHECK



Yeager -Benson Post 199 Chaplain and Fourth Adjutant Al Buxton and Department 1st Vice Jean Wilson do their "Buddy Check" on Post 199 member , Howard Sherrett .

#### WADE PARK HOSPITAL DINNER



Members of Lake Milton Legion Post 737 along with members of local first responders of Lake Milton & Craig Beach await the arrival of visitors from Wade Park Hospital for an evening of dinner & entertainment provided by all charters of Post 737.

#### **POST 630 YOUTHS GRADUATE**



American Legion NE Post 630, located in Blue Ash, OH, supported Finnegan Huxell of Milford High School and Alexander Kennedy of Moeller High School to attend Ohio American Legion Buckeye Boys State. Emily Winter of Deer Park High School and Avery Lehman of Sycamore High School attended Buckeye Girls State.

## **VETERANS DAY PARADE**



During Marietta Post 64 Veterans Day Parade, The American Flag was flown over the town.

#### **POST 49 SANTA VISITS**

Each year the 4th district Clermont County Council take up the task of helping our Needy kids in Clermont county so they too can have a wonderful Christmas. Union Township fire department Post 49 gives Santa (AKA David Brewer) the lights and siren treatment since his reindeer are resting up for the big day. This is always my favorite time of year when you see the smiles on the young kids it just warms your heart. We have eight posts here in Clermont County and we get ten kids from each post that are in need of assistance each year. With the help from partners in the community like Wal-mart Eastgate toy experts that



open there doors early so we can shop for a bag full of toys for each kid. Then Croswell Bus lines help out with the JC Penny day they will pick up all the kids and their chaperones. Once they arrive at Pennys we split off with legionnaire helpers to buy the kids an abundance of clothes. Not always the kid's favorite but the gratitude they show tells the story of how they might not get this much. The Ladies in the Beauty Salon make over the kids with a fresh hair cut and style. Once we have finished all the kids we head back to the bus and arrive at Post 72 in Mt Carmel. That's when the Big guy comes in the kids all gather around just to catch a glimpse of his rosey cheeks. We all gather in the main ball room for a small lunch provided by Pooches restaurant in Amelia. That's when Santa goes to work talking to each child in the room and handing them the bag full of toys that they asked for. I can't say enough about how this program is loved by us and the community. We sell raffle tickets and ask for corporate donations it is a long month of work and a lot of preplanning goes into this. I want to thank the Members of our Children's program for making this day run smooth. First is our dear friend Bob Derr we lost him just before the event this year, He worked closely with his wife Mary Derr she was right there every step and want to keep his legacy alive., Chairman Don Chandler, and Co Chair Ron Hartman.

#### **POST 241 VETERANS DAY**

Michael Suchland, New Bremen Post 241 Adjutant, was recently inducted into the 2019 American Legion Second District Ohio Past Commanders Association Hall of Fame. The presentation was made during the Post 241 Veterans Day dinner on Sunday, November 17. He was nominated by Past District Commander Harold Krieg who, along with Past District Commander Mike Homan, presented the award. On the Post level, Michael served as First Vice Commander, Commander and is currently serving his 33rd year as adjutant. On the District



level, Michael served as adjutant for several years and as Resolutions Chairman for a number of years. He wrote a resolution, which is currently under consideration, for National Guard members, upon their death, to receive a United States flag for their coffin and a cemetery marker. The District Two Past Commanders Club Hall of Fame award is presented for outstanding achievements and contributions to the aims and purposes of the American Legion. Also presented certificates at the dinner were 50-year members Harold Krieg, Fred Pape and Michael Suchland. In the photo - Past District Commander Mike Homan looks on as Past District Commander Harold Krieg presents New Bremen Post 241 Adjutant Michael Suchland with a plaque representing his induction into the American Legion Second District Past Commander Association Hall of Fame.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF OHIO AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY**

Post 134 Commander Troy Brungs, line officers and Eboard mombers stand and honor Boys State delegate Jacob Hawkes of Westfall High School



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#### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**



Children's Christmas party at Post 62. Santa's helpers featured Bar Mgr. Debronica Sickles and sister Rebecca Ward. Dave Kuhn portrayed the Grinch and Post Adjutant Mike Holts played Santa.

## **POST 160 VETERANS DAY DINNER**

District 10 Brewster Legion Post 160 hosted Vets Day Dinner November 11th with members of posts and guests. Boy Staters gave their talk about how great it was.

Also a special presentation to shirley Toland, son and daughter in law for their hard work they have done for Veterans Hall of Fame float at the Football Hall of Fame Parade.



#### **HONORS TOP VETERAN**



At the Annual City of Blue Ash Veterans Day Ceremony and Luncheon in November, City of Blue Ash Mayor, Marc Sirkin, presented the "Top Veteran of the Year" Award to Mrs. Pat Buschmann a Member of American Legion NE Post 630 located in Blue Ash.

#### **STANDING READY**



Post 750 Lowell stand ready while Post 64 starts the veterans Day program. It was cut short by Marietta Police. The program went on. Well done.

#### POST 750 S.A.L.



Post 750 S.A.L. and Legion leads the Lowell Halloween parade.

# DISTRICT 7 POOL TOURNAMENT

The 7th District Pool Tournament was hosted at Post 62 on Sunday, December 15, 2019. Leading the competition were members from Post 62 and 757 of Chillicothe and Post 14 of Bainbridge. The singles were won by James Light (first) and David Thompson (second) both of Post 757. Doubles were won by Gene Wheeler and Gary Renner of Post 62 (first) and Light and Thompson of Post 757 (second). The first place doubles trophy was presented to Post 62 and a fun time had by all present.













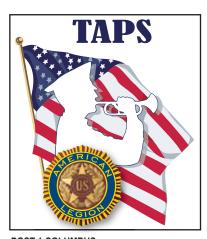












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TIMOTHY RAMEY POST 30 LORAIN **BO BERENS** DUANE SARVAS POST 31 EAST PALESTINE BERNARD DUPIRACK DAVID MOORE POST 33 STEUBENVILLE JOSEPH BAKER JOHN METCALF HERBERT MORAN EDWARD POTENZINI DONALD YASKANICH POST 34 CADIZ **J MATTERN** GEORGE THOMPSON POST 38 MARTINS FERRY SAMUEL BUMBICO FRANK TALARICO POST 39 POMEROY DONALD DIDDLE JOSEPH STRUBLE HARVEY VANMATRE POST 41 NORWALK WILLIAM BADER POST 43 TROY ROBERT LAUBER WILLIAM MONTGOMERY POST 44 CANTON JOHN ANDORKA MICHAEL BAUGHMAN VALERIOS CAPALDI JOSEPH CZEKANSKY JAMES DEMEO LINLEY LILLIE JAMES MANGUS RICHARD MCMANUS DALE MILLER JOHNNIE OWENS POST 45 BOWLING GREEN SILVERIO GONZALEZ RUTH ANN VREELAND POST 46 BELLEVUE THOMAS DAVENPORT POST 49 WILMINGTON JAMES BARKER BOBBY BASHORE STEPHEN BURGESS JAMES JONES HENRY KIMBERLIN HOMER MATHEWS JERRY SLATER POST 52 BELLAIRE CARL BICKMEIER HAROLD DONAHUE MICHAEL HUGHES RONALD PARKER RICK STJOHN POST 57 AMANDA **RICHARD BIGHAM** POST 58 SOMERSET JESSE HILL JACK MILLER PAUL PETTIT POST 60 STRYKER RICHARD ROTH WILLIAM STUCKEY POST 62 CHILLICOTHE MACKLIN CHRISTY RICHARD EVANS JERRY FRALEY **RICK GARTIN** POST 63 OTTAWA DONALD JOSTPILLE KENNETH LAUF RON ROSENGARTEN ROBERT SCHOONOVER POST 64 MARIETTA JOHN ARMOR JACK LYNCH DAVID MCCULLICK JON MELROSE NORMAN PAPE JOHN SCHLOTTERBECK WILBUR SPINDLER POST 65 COSHOCTON JOSEPH COX POST 68 WOOSTER DONALD ABER LARRY MOWRER GERALD RANDA FRANCIS STEELE POST 69 READING **KENNETH FERRIS** PATRICK GALLO WILLIAM WARREN POST 71 ROSEVILLE JAMES MCCONNELL POST 72 MT. CARMEL ROBERT DERR WILLIAM HUBER JOSEPH SHEATZLEY POST 73 FOSTORIA

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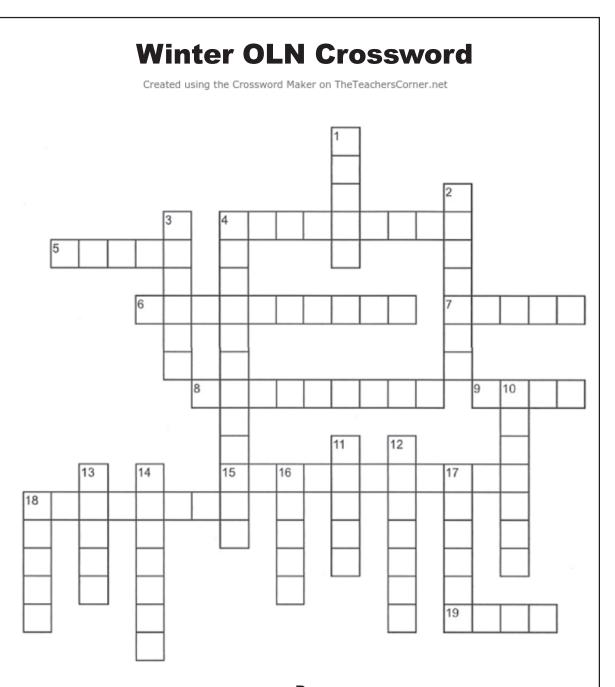
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#### Across

- This scandal was a major federal political scandal in the United States involving the administration of President Nixon.
- 5. How many Presidents have faced Impeachment?
- 6. What was Hitler's Main method of attack?
- Kennedy and Johnson won the election on November 8, 1960, defeating which incumbent Vice President and Republican nominee.
- 8. Where in Virginia is the National Military Cemetery Located?
- 9. 38th President of the United States of America.
- 15. Which war is the longest in U.S. history?
- 18. Which President spent the shortest time in office?
- 19. How many presidents did not attend college?

#### Down

- 1. Who said 'Give me Liberty or Give Me Death'
- 2. Which Amendment Provides for the right to trial by jury in certain civil cases, according to common law?
- 3. Where did Hitler want to create The New World Capital?
- 4. Which General commanded U.S. forces in the Vietnam War from 1964 to 1968?
- 10. The Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ was the last major battle of World War II.
- 11. What does the letter T stand for in the phonetic alphabet?
- 12. Which President delivered the Gettysburg Address?
- 13. Fort \_\_\_\_ is home to the National Training Center for Iraqi Operations.
- 14. The Third Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ ultimately led to the end of WWI.
- 16. First President to attend West Point.
- 17. Who ordered the nuclear attack on Japan?
- 18. Who is the current House majority leader?



## **Department of Ohio EUCHRE TOURNAMENT**

#### New Bremen Post 241 New Bremen, Ohio

06458 State Route 66, New Bremen, OH 45831

March 14, 2020 1:00 P.M.

\$20 per Team · 100% Payout Registration at the door at Noon. 3 or 4 round-robins (depends on number of teams)

Contact Person(s): Mike Homan (2<sup>nd</sup> District 1<sup>st</sup> Commander) 419-629-3422 or mikehomanfamily@gmail.com

- or -Department of Ohio legion@ohiolegion.com with any questions



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APRIL 3rd - 5th 2020

AMERICAN LEGION . POST 29 27 South 3rd St. • Zanesville, OH 43701 (740) 452-1457

Friday	<b>Saturday</b>	Sunday
Singles	Singles	Doubles
Tournament	Tournament	Tournament
7:00 P.M.	12:00 P.M.	11:00 A.M.
Open to Public	Members Only	Members Only

10-7 feet Valley Tables • Valley Rules/Race to 2 NO SEMI OR PRO PLAYERS

#### ENTRY FORM

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Name7				
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Legion Card #				
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Team Captain 🔄				
Name				
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# 2019-20 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

	13-4	EU GALENDAR (	JF EVENTS
START	END	SUBJECT	LOCATION
2/17/2020	2/17/2020	President's Day	National Observance
2/22/2020	2/23/2020	Dept. Bowling Tournament Week 3	Poelking Lanes South
2/29/2020	2/29/2020	Membership Face to Face	Department Headquarters
3/1/2020	3/1/2020	6th District Spring Conference	Post 79 - Marysville
3/1/2020	3/1/2020	8th District Spring Conference	Post 476 - Wilksville
3/2/2020	3/6/2020	Americanism and Government Trip	Washington D.C.
3/8/2020	3/8/2020	13th District Spring Conference	Post 421 - Fairview
3/8/2020	3/8/2020	2nd District Spring Conference	Post 345 - Ft. Recovery
3/8/2020	3/8/2020	11th District Spring Conference	Post 29 - Zanesville
3/8/2020	3/8/2020	12th District Spring Conference	NVMM - Columbus
3/8/2020	3/11/2020	DSO/ Washington Conference	Hilton Washington Hotel
3/14/2020	3/14/2020	VA&R Spring Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
3/14/2020	3/14/2020	National Security Spring Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
3/14/2020	3/14/2020	Department Euchre Tournament	Post 241 - New Bremen
3/15/2020	3/15/2020	Membership Go to Meeting	@6PM
3/15/2020	3/15/2020	1st District Spring Conference	Post 063 - Ottawa
3/15/2020	3/15/2020	7th District Spring Conference	Washington Court House
3/15/2020	3/15/2020	14th District Spring Conference	Post 566 - Garfield
3/21/2020	3/21/2020	9th District Spring Conference	Post 7 - Wickliffe
3/21/2020	3/21/2020	10th District Spring Conference	Post 290 - Columbiana
3/22/2020	3/22/2020	4th District Spring Conference	Post 49 - Wilmington
3/22/2020	3/22/2020	5th District Spring Conference	Post 88 - Ashland
3/29/2020	3/29/2020	3rd District Spring Conference	Post 586 - Tipp City
4/3/2020	4/5/2020	Department Pool Tournament	Post 29
4/4/2020	4/4/2020	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
4/5/2020	4/5/2020	Oratorical Contest	Department Headquarters
4/10/2020	4/11/2020	Buckeye Boys State Spring Meeting	Department Headquarters
4/20/2020	4/20/2020	Membership Go to Meeting	@6PM
5/3/2020	5/3/2020	11th District Summer Convention	Post 77 - Neff
5/3/2020	5/3/2020	12th District Summer Convention	Post 465 - Columbus
5/3/2020	5/3/2020	6th District Summer Convention	Post 285 - Hebron
5/3/2020	5/3/2020	7th District Summer Convention	Post 142 - Waverly
5/3/2020	5/3/2020	8th District Summer Convention	Post 283 - Pickerington
5/4/2020	5/7/2020	National Spring Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
5/9/2020	5/9/2020	10th District Summer Convention	Post 44 - Canton
5/17/2020	5/17/2020	2nd District Summer Convention	Post 323 - St. Marys
5/17/2020	5/17/2020	4th District Summer Convention	Post 288 - Williamsburg
5/17/2020	5/17/2020	1st District Summer Convention	Post 468 - Sylvania
5/17/2020	5/17/2020	14th District Summer Convention	Post 331 - Ravenna
5/18/2020	5/18/2020	Membership Go to Meeting	@6PM
5/23/2020	5/23/2020	Dayton National Cemetery-Case Western Reserve	Dayton
		National Cemetery Grave Decorating	
5/23/2020	5/23/2020	9th District Summer Convention	Post 103 - Ashtabula
5/25/2020	5/25/2020	Memorial Day - Office Closed	Department Headquarters
5/31/2020	5/31/2020	3rd District Summer Convention	Post 598 - Kettering
6/3/2020	6/3/2020	13th District Summer Convention	Post 610 - Brookpark
6/14/2020	6/21/2020	Buckeye Boys State	Miami University
6/14/2020	6/14/2020	5th District Summer Convention	Post 523 - Lodi
6/25/2020	6/25/2020	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Toledo
6/26/2020	6/28/2020	Department Convention	Toledo
6/28/2020	6/28/2020	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Toledo
7/4/2020	7/4/2020	Independence Day - Office Closed	Department Headquarters
7/11/2020	7/11/2020	Standing Committees:Americanism, Natl Sec, VA&R, C&Y, Finance, Post Activities, and Membership	Department Headquarters
7/25/2020	7/26/2020	Department Golf Tournament	Circling Hills Golf Course; Harrison Ohio Sponsored by Yeager Benson Post 199
8/1/2020	8/1/2020	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters
8/28/2020	9/3/2020	102nd National Convention	Louisville, KY
10/12/2020	10/15/2020	National Fall Meetings	Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
12/5/2020	12/5/2020	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Department Headquarters

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officer nearest to them.

personnel.

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and a decent quality of life for active-duty military

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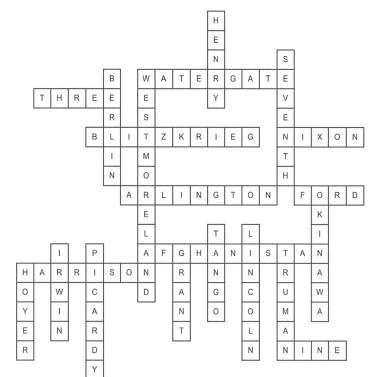
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**Americanism Crossword Key** 



#### Across

- 4. This scandal was a major federal political scandal in the United States involving the administration of President Nixon.
- 5. How many Presidents have faced Impeachment?
- 6. What was Hitler's Main method of attack?
- 7 Kennedy and Johnson won the election on November 8 1960, defeating which incumbent Vice President and Republican nominee.
- 8. Where in Virginia is the National Military Cemetery Located?
- 9. 38th President of the United States of America.
- 15. Which war is the longest in U.S. history?
- 18. Which President spent the shortest time in office?
- 19. How many presidents did not attend college?

#### Down

- 1. Who said 'Give me Liberty or Give Me Death'
- 2. Which Amendment Provides for the right to trial by jury in certain civil cases, according to common law?
- 3. Where did Hitler want to create The New World Capital?
- 4. Which General commanded U.S. forces in the Vietnam War from 1964 to 1968?
- 10. The Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ was the last major battle of World War II.
- 11. What does the letter T stand for in the phonetic alphabet?
- 12. Which President delivered the Gettysburg Address?
- 13. Fort \_\_\_\_\_ is home to the National Training Center for Iraqi Operations.
- 14. The Third Battle of ultimately led to the end of WWI
- 16. First President to attend West Point.
- 17. Who ordered the nuclear attack on Japan?