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The Ohio SALute



On May 28, 2023, Detachment Commander David L. Dilts placed a Betsy Ross flag on the grave of Revolutionary War veteran James Stephenson at the Poland Presbyterian Church Old North Cemetery in Poland, Ohio.

photo by Jeff Vrabel Sr.

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BE THE ONE



Commander's Report

I would like to start out by saying thank you to all the Delegates of the 59th Detachment Convention for making it possible for me being elected your Commander of 2023-2024. I'm looking forward to working with all the officers and committee members. It is going to be a busy year for all of us trying to maintain this Detachment to being one of the best.

My project this year is Task Force 20. I'm looking forward to working with Jason Graven, Executive Director. My theme for this year is "Making a Difference". We all have to get together and work as a Legion Family, which means we have to go into our Posts and work with the Legion, Auxiliary, Sons, and the Riders so we can make the Ohio American Legion family one of the best in the country.

On Memorial Day weekend, Susan and I went to Dayton National Cemetery for their Memorial Day service. Next, we traveled to Mahoning Valley Squadron 15 to participate in their Memorial Day services. We visited nursing Homes, and was in their annual Memorial Day Parade and cemetery service.

I hope everyone enjoys a fun safe 4th of July. Always remember if it weren't for our Veterans risking their life for our country, we would not have our Independence Day.

In closing I would leave you with a quote: "Look up from your cell phones once in a while and look at this beautiful country that the men and women have sacrificed their lives for giving us the freedoms we enjoy today."

David L Dilts, Detachment Commander
(740) 319-1255



1 VC Report

Hello all S.A.L. members,

It is that time of year once again where Dues are due. Please get your dues paid as soon as possible so we can meet the dates for the Blue Jug. Membership cards will be coming out soon. They will be separated on July 9 so that we can get them out to the Squadrons as soon as possible.

If you don't receive your card by the first of August after paying your dues, you should contact your

Squadron Officers to see if they have sent in all the paperwork that was to be sent in by May 1. It is the responsibility of Squadron Officers to send in these documents, so if the paperwork is not sent in, that means they are slacking on their responsibilities that they have pledged to do. We as members of the Sons of The American Legion should make sure that our Officers at all levels are doing their jobs.

If there are any Squadrons that need help from me or any other Detachment Officers, please let us know so we can come up with a plan to help you. It is our job to be there for you if you need any help. We took these positions to be there for all Squadrons to be the best that they can be. So please feel free to contact us if there is anything we can do to help you out.

I would like to congratulate Dave Dilts for becoming Detachment Commander. I look forward to working with you this year. I would also like to congratulate Past Detachment Commander Dennis Albright on a good year last year.

I enjoyed working with you last year.

LET'S TRY TO MAKE THIS DETACHMENT QUOTA as we did this last year.

Hope to see all of you S.A.L. members this year as I get out and about.

For Love of our Country,

Tim Conway, Detachment First Vice-Commander



**RENEW
ONLINE
TODAY**



2 VC Report

Gentlemen,

First, I would like to thank all of you who supported me at Convention for my bid for Detachment Second Vice-Commander.

Squadron 15 was fortunate enough to host Commander Dilts and First Lady Susan during Memorial Day. We conducted ceremonies at 7 Healthcare Facilities, place flags at 4 Cemeteries, and got to meet and talk with 7 WWII Veterans. A couple of weeks ago, I was able to attend Buckeye Boys State along with another member of my Squadron. His son, AJ, was a delegate and was the Deputy Director of Rehabilitation and Corrections. He thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

I know that we all focus on recruiting, as it is the life-line of our organization, but I challenge you to put a priority on recruiting Veterans into The American Legion. For every five members you recruit into the SAL, try to recruit one into the Legion. Be seen, whether it's in an SAL shirt, or out in the public with your cover on. People will question you or shoot you funny looks. This is a great opportunity to explain the work that we do, and to invite them to join our great organization.

If you have an event that you would like me to attend, or be a part of, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

For God and Country,

*Jeff Vrabel Jr.,
Detachment Second Vice-Commander*



Chaplain's Report

Hi all!

First off, I owe thanks to all that supported me in my campaign for Detachment Chaplain. It's an honor that I will not take lightly. Moving forward I hope to do the best that I can with the responsibilities I am given.

Unfortunately, this job has more "downs" than "ups." As of this writing, I have sent cards on behalf of the Detachment to 8 persons thus far. These names need not be mentioned here, but please pray for those members who have lost a loved one or have

illnesses in their family they are battling. The power of prayer is a very strong one. We need all we can get!

As always, please let me know if condolences or encouragements need to be sent to anyone in your circle.

A proud possessor,

Todd Bidlack, Detachment Chaplain



Adjutant's Report

New Detachment Officers Elected. Congratulations to Ohio's new officers for 2023-2024: Dave Dilts, Commander; Tim Conway, First Vice-Commander; Jeff Vrabel, Jr., Second Vice Commander; and Todd Bidlack, Chaplain.

New Officer Certifications & Old Membership Cards. As I write this, we have received 2024 Officers Certification Forms from 188 of our 319 squadrons, for 58.93%. Our Detachment Constitution sets the reporting deadline as May 1, so if yours isn't one of the 188 then you're late and we need you to submit your report immediately – this is one-third of the requirement to receive your new 2024 membership cards. Department cannot update our contact lists without the new officer details – even if you have no changes to report.

The reporting form is available in multiple formats from the SAL section of the department website at <https://ohiolegion.com/sal/>.

DO NOT RETURN YOUR OLD 2023 CARDS TO HQ – they don't want them back!

Annual Squadron Data Report. With the activation of online renewals as an option for individual Sons members, it is more important now that all squadrons submit the Annual Squadron Data Report to the detachment by April 15 each year. This allows time for department staff to transmit them by May 1. (Yes, we are already many weeks past that target!)

At this time, we have 181 of the 319 reports submitted. If you haven't filed yours, please obtain a copy from the state website and get it sent in. This form **MUST BE FILED EVERY YEAR**, even if the information has not changed.

If you have not filed this report already, I made an executive decision this Spring to have national

charge your members a rate of \$25.00 (the Ohio squadron average). If any of your members contact you asking why they're being charged more or less, you can tell them it's because you haven't submitted the proper form to set the amount correctly.

2023 Consolidated Squadron Reports. Your 2022-2023 Consolidated Squadron (and District) Reports are also due to Department Headquarters by May 1. We have received 161 so far for 50.47% but can and need to do better. We them to be filed by July 1st at the latest in order to ship your 2024 cards in the first batch of deliveries – assuming your officers are certified and your SDR is filed! Please get yours in so we don't have to hound you about it.

The current form is also available from the Department website.

The American Legion uses the data provided on the reports to help demonstrate to the U.S. Congress just how much we do in support of our nation's veterans and children when the national commander appears before it. Please submit the CSR form as soon as you can, even if you only update your membership data at the top, and make sure to use your paid membership counts for this year and last – not "2023" and "2022" – and **DON'T LEAVE THEM BLANK, EITHER.**

Summer DEC Meeting – July 22, 2023. The Detachment Executive Committee will meet at 10:00 am at Department Headquarters, 60 Big Run Rd., Delaware, Ohio 43015. All elected and appointed Detachment Officers, Commission and Committee Chairmen, District Commanders, and District First Vice Commanders are required to attend. Among other business we will approve the final slate of delegates, alternates, and guests for the National Convention.

I would ask everyone who will be giving a report at the DEC meeting to file a copy with me (electronically, if possible) to facilitate the preparation of the minutes in a timely fashion. This really makes things much easier.

2023 National Convention – August 25-27. The 51st National Convention of the Sons of The American Legion will be held in Charlotte, North Carolina. All members listed and approved as delegates at the Detachment Convention should have received housing reservation forms by now. It is also available on the [OhioLegion.com](https://ohiolegion.com) website. Please make note of the registration deadline: July 3. **This is not a postmark date.** Any registrations not

received at Department Headquarters by that date will not be delegates. ***You must make your reservation through Department Headquarters.***

When making your travel plans, please keep in mind that the opening session of the convention is at 1:00 pm EDT on Friday, and the installation of officers is on Sunday after noon. All delegates are required to attend all the convention sessions unless specifically excused by the delegation chairman, Dennis Albright. Any absences will be reflected in a reduced stipend after the convention. Dual members attending Legion meetings will be excused from the SAL sessions but are not entitled to a reimbursement share for those sessions.

If you have any questions about the Charlotte convention, please contact me or Department SAL Liaison John Robinson and we will get them answered for you.

Proud Possessor of a Priceless Heritage,

Scott J. Thornton, Detachment Adjutant



NEC Report

Greetings everyone,

Congratulations to David Dilts, our new Detachment commander, and to the rest of the Detachment Officers. It was nice to see everyone at the State Convention in Marietta and I hope everyone had a good time in the 11th District.

Please continue to submit them as you receive them. I am certain we can make 100% by National Convention in August.

Our 51st National Convention is at Charlotte, North Carolina August 25-27. The National SAL has placed an order for 1500 pins to be sold at \$5.00.

There will be joint hospitality room with the American Legion at this convention. The Convention Committee is working on events to be held during the convention which should include a visit/event to the NASCAR museum.

The Department of Ohio is scheduled to stay at the Hampton Inn Charlotte Uptown, rooms are assigned on first come, first serve basis, and July 3, 2023 is the deadline. To obtain housing forms, please go to the Legion website. Look forward to seeing as many there as possible, it is an easy drive.

Our DEC meeting is July 22 at Legion Headquarters, and I hope we have a good turnout for this meeting. In wrapping up, let's not forget National Commander Chris Carlton's program, "Be the One." You never know what a little bit of kindness and attention will do for someone. Let's continue doing the Buddy check on people who are homebound and/or alone.

I hope everyone has a good summer, and look forward to seeing you all at National Convention.

Gary Lang, National Executive Committeeman

Fellow Sons,

It was great seeing a lot of you at our Detachment Convention in Marietta last month! Some faces I haven't seen in a while. To the committeemen and chairman who served last year, great job! Your reports made mine and NEC Lang's job easier. Thank you! And for the new Chaplain Todd Bidlack, congratulations!

Commander Dilts, congratulations to you and your hard work to get where you are today. I look forward to serving with you this year!

I want to proudly say that our Detachment's donation of \$38,070.80 to the Child Welfare Foundation puts Ohio in 3rd place behind Arizona at \$46,849.00 and Florida at \$41,980.00. Ohio donated \$1.26 per member! Outstanding! I won't report anything else on CWF, not wanting to step on our new Chairman's toes. One last thing for CWF. If your squadron or district is above a dollar per member, get your per capita form to national to receive your banner!

I urge all squadrons and districts to get your officer certification form, squadron data forms, and consolidated reporting forms turned in as soon as possible if you haven't yet.

In closing, I want to congratulate all the Detachment officers, committeemen, and chairmen for your new or continued offices or appointments! Make sure that you all add something to our Detachment SALute, and continue our tradition as being a leading Detachment of the Sons of The American Legion!!

See you at DEC.

*Jon Coakley II,
Alternate National Executive Committeeman*



It is with profound sadness and a heavy heart to regrettably inform you of the passing of Kathleen Hartline, wife of PNC Fred Hartline, Sr.

A celebration of life will be held at American Legion Post 566 on July 14, 2023, from 6-10 pm. American Legion Post 566 is located at 2974 Cormany Road, Akron, Ohio 44319.

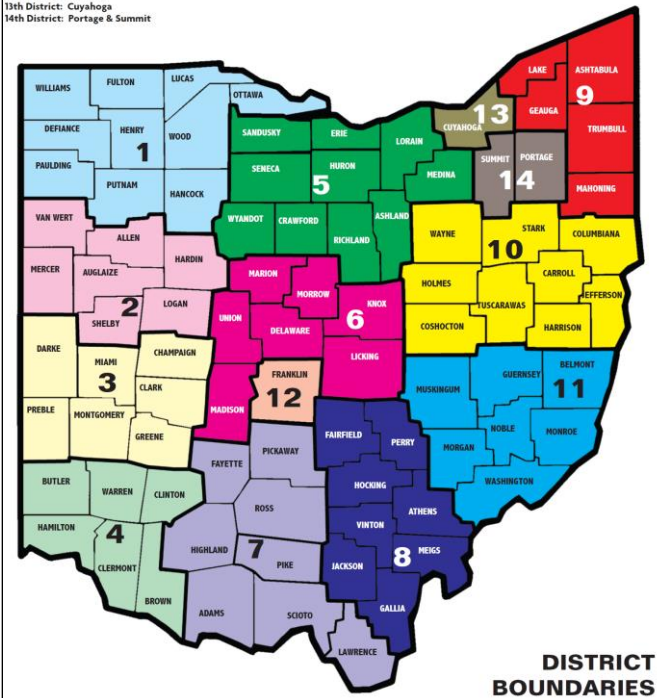
Cards may be sent to:

Fred Hartline
303 E. Tuscarawas Ave. Apt. 206
Barberton, OH 44203-3248

<https://www.heritagecremationsociety.com/obituaries/kathleen-hartline/>

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION Around Ohio

1st District: Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Williams & Wood
2nd District: Allen, Auglaize, Hardin, Logan, Mercer, Shelby, & Van Wert
3rd District: Champaign, Clark, Darke, Greene, Miami, Montgomery & Preble
4th District: Brown, Butler, Clermont, Clinton, Hamilton & Warren
5th District: Ashland, Crawford, Erie, Huron, Loras, Medina, Richland, Sandusky, Seneca & Wyandot
6th District: Delaware, Knox, Licking, Madison, Marion, Morrow & Union
7th District: Adams, Fayette, Highland, Lawrence, Pickaway, Pike, Ross & Scioto
8th District: Athens, Fairfield, Gallia, Hocking, Jackson, Meigs, Perry & Vinton
9th District: Ashtabula, Geauga, Lake, Mahoning & Trumbull
10th District: Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Stark, Tuscarawas & Wayne
11th District: Belmont, Guernsey, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble & Washington
12th District: Franklin
13th District: Cuyahoga
14th District: Portage & Summit



Installation of the new 2023-2024 SAL Detachment Officers was held on March 21, 2023 in Marietta at the Detachment Convention. Pictured are Chaplain Todd Bidlack, Second Vice-Commander Jeff Vrabel, Jr., First Vice-Commander Tim Conway, Commander David L. Dilts, and Immediate Past Detachment Commander Dennis Albright.

submitted Bill "Buster" Sutterlin D-5 Sq 257



National Commander Chris Carlton was our guest at the Detachment Convention, and is seen here installing the 2023 - 2024 Detachment Officers.

submitted Bill "Buster" Sutterlin D-5 Sq 257



District 1

District 2

Hello!

We would like everyone to have a safe and happy 4th of July.

We are thankful for all of our members for helping us make quota.

Squadron 178 donated \$350 to the Van Wert CERT Team. They offered their help at the Car and Motorcycle Show. They do a lot for the Police and Fire Departments in Van Wert county by furnishing water, coffee, and food at fires, and by directing traffic for accidents.

Randy Mathews, Commander
load529@yahoo.com

District 3

Memorial Day; Kettering, OH

Russell Powel, OH SAL D3 Commander | June 1, 2023

Here are some pictures of the Memorial Day ceremony conducted by Kettering, OH Post 598 at Beavertown Cemetery.

The ceremony was attended 50-60 people, both young and old, from the surrounding area and residential neighborhood. The immediate past mayor of Kettering was also in attendance. There was a wreath laying, prayer, a reading, and rifle salute. A few of the youngsters assisted the Color Guard in looking for the 'spent brass' from the rifle volley as well as a souvenir for their efforts. Afterwards, there was food, fun and music back at Kettering Post 598 for the members and guests.



Gavin Long, Kettering Post 598 Commander, with 'Greetings'; Post 598 Chaplain Larry Thokey, and SAL Third District Chaplain Robin Peck.



Russell Powell, SAL Third District Commander and Gavin Long, Kettering Post 598 Commander.



Making a donation of \$250 in gift cards to the Fisher House in Dayton are Mike Golembiewski; Lynda Blood, Fisher House Assistant Manager, and PDC Dan Sagraves.



In April Huber Heights Squadron 200 made a donation with a value of \$1,250 to the Dayton VAMC. Material included clothing, toiletries, and coffee. Much of the material was given to the American Legion Auxiliary store for distribution. Everything from the Auxiliary store is given free to veteran residents. L – R are squadron members Mike Golembiewski, Dan Sagraves, and Auxiliary Past Department President Sue Masten.



On Memorial Day May 29 the Thundering Third District sponsored the annual picnic for patients at the Dayton VAMC. This was an annual event until 2020. This was the first time we have been able to hold the event. It was also the first event of its type to be held at the medical center. Since it is on Memorial Day our SAL numbers are usually small. We are assisted by the Powder Keg Harley Owners Group from Mason, Ohio. We have enjoyed their cooperation for many years now. Members present were L-R Troy Davis (S707), Warren Gibbs (S215), and Dan Sagraves (S200).





Squadron 138 Hamilton members accepting their award for the most outstanding Squadron of the year from SAL Commander Mark Haeufle at the 4th District Convention in April.



The newly elected SAL Officers of the Fabulous 4th District being sworn in by then Detachment First Vice-Commander Dave Dilts.



Squadron 288 Williamsburg member Don Burroughs accepting the 4th District SAL member of the year award, from District Commander Mark Haeufle at the District Convention in Williamsburg.



The Fourth District SAL and Auxiliary delivered Easter gift bags and Pizza to the Cincinnati VA/CLC Unit. L to R VA representatives Amanda and Dave, Auxiliary VA&R Chairman Unit 484 Liz Castle, 4th District Chaplain Denny Lahey and Past Detachment Assistant Adjutant Chuck Castle.

SAL Squadron 535 had the annual Spanky Memorial Golf Outing on June 10 at the Little Apple Golf Course in Bellville, Ohio. 25 teams participated and a great time was had by all. All proceeds go to a donation to Honor Flight Columbus, Inc.



Rocky Conrad, First Vice-Commander Squadron 535



On June 10, 2023, American Legion Post 257 performed a flag disposal ceremony. Watching was Legionnaire Michael Smith and Sq. 257 member Bruce Karcher. Participating in the firing squad was Bill "Buster" Sutterlin and Ralph Adams from Squadron 257.

submitted by Buster Sutterlin D-5 Sq 257



On June 4, Squadron 257 did a litter pickup for a 2-mile section of State Route 3 South of Loudonville. Pictured here is Kevin Weber. Also participating in the pickup from Squadron 257 was Chaz James, Bill "Buster" Sutterlin, Marcus Wolford, Legs' Zick-efoose, Legionnaire Don Taylor, Squadron 192 member Rusty Dial, Brad Swires and Auxiliary Unit 257 members Deb Sutterlin and April Frank.

submitted by Bill "Buster" Sutterlin D-5 Sq 257



Squadron 257 participated in the Memorial Day parades and services in Loudonville and Perrysville. Pictured l to r is Doug Smith and Bruce Karcher. Also participating was Bill "Buster" Sutterlin and Ralph Adams in the firing squad.

submitted by Bill "Buster" Sutterlin D-5 Sq 257



7th District Adjutant Gerry Palmer during the Post 62 flag disposal ceremony.

Submitted by Adam Jones



On May 21, Squadron 257 replaced the branch service flags in Central Park in Loudonville. Pictured are Detachment First Vice-Commander Tim Conway, Bill "Buster" Sutterlin, Gary Boden, Chaz James, and Richard "Leg's" Zickefoose.

submitted by Bill "Buster" Sutterlin D-5 Sq 257



Auxiliary President Betty Taylor, Past 7th District Commander Roger Ward, Past 7th District Commander Paul Sands, Past Detachment Commander Dennis Albright & Kenny Taylor during installation at American Legion Post 134 Circleville.

Submitted by Adam Jones





PDC Adam Jones during the James Dickey Post 23 flag disposal ceremony.

Submitted by Adam Jones

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District 9



Detachment Second Vice-Commander Jeff Vrabel Jr., Buckeye Boys State Delegate from Squadron 15 AJ Ladigo, and Squadron 15 member Dave Ladigo.

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District 10

Sons Stepping Up. On Sunday, May 28, 2023, Squadron 357 Sons member Bill Towns and others from the community planned to attend the Annual Memorial Day Program at Liberty Church

Cemetery. Participants from TAL Post 357, VFW Post 2120, and the Minerva Middle School Band were in place and waited for the master of ceremonies to start the program.

About 25 minutes after the scheduled start of the program, many started questioning the delay. Interested leaders of the groups gathered and it was discovered that the Ceremony Program and the Master of Ceremonies had not arrived. Although he was just there to watch, that is when Past Detachment Commander Bill Towns did what The Sons of The American Legion always does, STEP UP.



Bill jotted down some quick names for introductions and relying on his experiences at other SAL events. offered to lead the program and get it started. A Salute, Pledge, Prayer, Introduction of Firing Squad and Band, a short presentation on what Memorial Day is about,

some selections from the Middle School Band, a Rifle Volley from VFW 2120, then TAPS.

SAL, just doing what needs done.



Don V. Cross Squadron 357 Member Steven Towns stopped for a quick picture while placing Flags on the graves of Veterans at East Lawn Cemetery in Minerva.



District Ten Commander Matthew Baxter, along with District Officers Bill Towns and Bradley Swires, traveled to Orrville Squadron 282 for their monthly meeting and to install the newly elected squadron officers. New officers include Commander Robert Bennett, First Vice-Commander Randy Shanklin, Second Vice-Commander Vice Nathan Baker, Adjutant Bill Evans, Finance Officer Danny Brown, Historian Ben Kyser, and Sgt-at-Arms Jay Lax.

Members of Don V. Cross Post and Squadron 357 at the Village of Minerva's 100th Homecoming Festival. While discussing the Buckeye Girls State program with a Minerva High Student at our Legion Family Booth, a woman walking by stopped and stated that she had attended BGS in 2009 and that she also had been sponsored by Post 357. She stated that she had such an amazing time that she went back a couple of years as a BGS Counselor. Without the Post and Squadron holding this booth we may not have met either the 2024 prospective BGS delegate or Tara Lawson the 2009 BGS representative from Don V. Cross and Minerva High School.



Picture #2 L-R P357 Adjutant Elaine Clark, P357 1st Vice-Commander Roger Bartley, 2009 BGS Delegate Tara Lawson, S357 Adjutant Bill Towns, S357 2nd Vice-Commander Matthew Baxter.

Submitted by Bill Towns

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District 11

Newly installed officers of Squadron 29 in Zanesville



Detachment Commander David L. Dilts recently swore in new officers at Squadron 29. Those taking the oath are Thad Andrews, Commander; Terry Byers, First Vice-Commander; Steve Summers, Second Vice-Commander; Jim Garrett, Chaplain; Larry Shanks, Adjutant & Finance Officer; and Zack Andrews, Sergeant-at-Arms.

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District 12



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Don Gentile Squadron 532
Columbus, Ohio



GUN RAFFLE

Smith & Wesson Sport II 5.56 AR15
or Store Credit of Equal Value at



Tickets \$5.00 each

Winning ticket will be drawn Saturday, September 23, 2023

For Tickets or More Information
contact Commander Rocky Searles at rockysearles@gmail.com

MUST BE 21 YEARS OF AGE TO PURCHASE | Winner need not be present to win

District 13

I would like to congratulate the 13th District for hitting quota for the second year in a row. Thank you for the hard work that all of you continue to do day-to-day. Without you we wouldn't have the success that we have had.

Let's continue to do the great work that we've been doing, and here's to even more success in the coming year.

For God and Country

Adam J. Budner, Commander
blechabum@yahoo.com | (216) 798-9254

District 14

COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

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Gentlemen,

As the time has come to celebrate the Fourth of July, please be safe and enjoy the day. Lots of posts are having activities. Please help them if you can. Also, there are some that don't like the sound of fireworks, so please be aware of those around you.

Try to get your youth to help around the post. Teach them about the ways for which The American Legion helps others. Teach them about flags, or scouting. This is the future of the SAL.

Randy Mathews, Commander
load529@yahoo.com

Appointments

Buckeye Boys State

Greetings,

As I begin to write this article on the campus of Miami University, the 86th session of the American Legion Buckeye Boys State program is coming to its conclusion. Young men from across the State of Ohio just spent 8 days learning about our government and democracy. Creating City, County and State governments. Running election campaigns and making new friends along the way. As a dual member, as well as, an American Legion Buckeye Boys State Trustee, I spent another 12 days at Buckeye Boys State, my 14th year.

This year's program had approximately 610 students in attendance, which was a slight decrease from the previous year. However, that was not evident from the banter and cheering heard nightly at each assembly. The camaraderie developed in such a short time is astonishing to witness.

We, as Sons of The American Legion, should do our utmost to assist the Legionnaires with this program. At Buckeye Boys State they are molding and shaping future leaders of this great country, and I feel individually each one of you should at least come and visit this program. If not for the week, then just a couple of days. I believe it would strengthen your feelings in knowing that the future of this country is still in good hands.

Charlie 'Special K' Kvochick, Chairman

Constitution & Bylaws Review

Each Squadron and District should have a copy of their Constitution and Bylaws available at all meetings for reference. Both should be reviewed for discrepancies and updates every 5 years. If you don't remember when yours was done, it's possibly due.

Both The Department of Ohio and The National Sons of The American Legion's Constitution and Bylaws have been revised, and their review brought several suggested amendments to the Detachment of Ohio Constitution. Some were just housekeeping issues, and others were to bring Ohio SAL in line with Department and National. One major thing that must be recognized is that a Squadron must submit

membership either online or by mail within 30 days of a member paying.

In a show of the democratic process Delegates voted down a proposed amendment to change the Detachment Chaplain to be an appointed position. Other changes include that there is now a clear procedure for discipline to be followed. The amended Constitution and Bylaws will be on the detachment web site soon.

Bill Towns, Chairman
docbill@neo.rr.com



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May 19-21, 2023

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RESOLUTION

No.: DC2023-1
Title: Amending the Detachment Constitution and By-Laws
Origin: Detachment Constitution and By-Laws Review Committee

Child Welfare Foundation

Child Welfare Foundation grant requests now being accepted

The American Legion | June 13, 2023



The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation (CWF) grant application for 2024 is online at cwf-inc.org. To be considered for a CWF grant, applications must be received at American Legion National Headquarters in Indianapolis no later than July 15, 2023.

CWF accepts funding proposals from nonprofits for projects that contribute to the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual welfare of children. Grants are only given to entities that help U.S. children in a large geographic area; they are not awarded for day-to-day or special operating expenses.

In May, the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation awarded 17 grants to 16 nonprofits totaling \$797,251. These grants are made possible through donations to CWF.

For example, Sons of The American Legion Squadron 347 in Lady Lake, Fla., held a fundraising golf

tournament on May 13 and raised \$20,000 for the Child Welfare Foundation. "Over 130 golfers and many volunteers got together at Harbor Hills Country Club to have a fun day of fellowship, friendly competition and fundraising," wrote Doug White, Squadron 347 historian, on Legiontown.

[Donate to the CWF here](#)



Children & Youth

Dear Sons of The American Legion members,

On behalf of the National Children and Youth Committee, I would like to challenge you to help National Commander Carlton and American Legion National Commander Troiola achieve the \$2 million goal for the Veteran and Children's Foundation. Funds raised go to feed and house children of military personnel and veterans facing urgent, unexpected hardships. It prevents eviction, keeps the power on, and fulfills basic needs to hold a family together through difficult times.

Every squadron is being asked to assist with this goal. We would like to see all the donations by the time of National Convention so we may share in National Commander Carlton's reaction to achieving this goal. I know we have so many great programs to donate to, but we would ask that you take some special consideration to help us achieve the Commander's goal.

If you are wondering what the Veteran and Children's Foundation is, don't worry. I have attached a link providing information to assist you with spreading the word to each of your Detachments, Districts, and Squadrons; www.legion.org/vcf.

Thank you,

John Sansoucie, National C&Y Committee

Children's Miracle Network

I hope this article finds you all well.

President & CEO Teri Nestel has announced her retirement after 40 years with Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. While the search for a new President & CEO is underway, Nestel is committed to leading the organization and ensuring a smooth leadership transition. A Board of Trustees search committee, led by Board Chair Barbara Joers, has been formed and a firm has been retained to conduct a national search. The organization is seeking an equally effective and compassionate leader who is committed to continuing to grow and strengthen the organization.

Now through Friday, July 14, Walmart and Sam's Club associates across southern Maine and eastern New Hampshire are adding "Miracle Maker" to their resumes. For the 36th straight year, Children's Miracle Network Hospitals in North America have the opportunity to raise lifesaving funds with these two partners, ensuring that children in their local communities have access to the very best medical care. Over the course of this 5-week campaign, customers will be invited to donate at the registers, self-check-outs, on the Walmart app and through .com purchases! Every penny raised will stay in the community in which it was raised.

In Salt Lake City, Utah, celebrities, and influencers joined in celebrating the 40th anniversary of the national nonprofit Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. The five-day social media campaign highlighted the need for donations to the nonprofit's local member hospitals across the U.S. and Canada. In addition to Marie Osmond and John Schneider, two of the nonprofit's co-founders, some participants in the campaign include Jack Black, Wayne Brady, Andy Cohen, Misty Copeland, Mark Cuban, Adam Devine, Jennifer Garner, Toby Keith, Tori Kelley, Jimmy Kimmel, Julie Chen Moonves, Chris Pratt, Nicole Richie, Robin Roberts, Blake Shelton, and Sage Steele. The date of the social campaign is no coincidence – it marks the anniversary of the nonprofit's first telethon in 1983. For 40 years, Children's Miracle Network Hospitals has worked to change kids' health to change the future. It has raised over \$8.5 billion since its inception to provide funding to support purchases of life-saving equipment, charitable care, educational resources, innovative research and more. The nonprofit's footprint

has grown from 22 member hospitals in 15 U.S. states to 170 member hospitals across the U.S. and Canada that care for more than 12 million kids annually. Donations are unrestricted so that hospitals can use them to address the most urgent needs in their communities. "Celebrities have been a part of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals since the very beginning, including our celebrity co-founders Marie Osmond and John Schneider," said Teri Nestel, president & CEO of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. "Since then, hundreds of celebrities have offered support in various ways. Their involvement has been essential in raising awareness for our mission and inspiring donations to advance care for kids."

One celebrity who has been a supporter for many years and hosted one of the early CMN Hospitals' telethons is Good Morning America's Robin Roberts. "It's been my honor to be a part of the network over the years – I have such fond memories of being with you and I'll continue to watch you all change kids' health to change the future, for all of us! Congratulations!" Roberts said in a Facebook post on Tuesday. "As we celebrate our fortieth year, we remain unconditionally committed to our vision of changing kids' health to change the future," said Nestel, who's been a part of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals in various roles for 34 years. "In fact, our vision is more critical than before because of the challenges facing children's hospitals and the growing health needs of kids." While the social media campaign has concluded, the need for donations continues. For more information on Children's Miracle Network Hospitals and how to support your local member hospital, visit cmnhospitals.org.

Thank you to all the Posts and Squadrons that donated to CMN during our annual state convention.

For God and Country,

Adam J. Budner, Chairman
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Editor's note: Some information in this article taken from CMN Hospitals website.

Convention Screening

Finance

Legislative

The Fiscal Responsibility Act (FRA). Passed veterans receive special protection in this agreement. Medical spending by the Department of Veterans Affairs is not reduced and the Department's pandemic-era appropriation are not rescinded. Veterans are also exempt from work requirements in the SNAP (food stamp) and TANF (general social safety net) programs.

Senate fails to move forward with the Veterans package with a vote of 57 for and 60 against to move forward towards final votes. At the last-minute Senate leader Schumer voted against the bill in order to preserve the option for bringing it up again. It includes the VA to conduct studies and clinical trials on the effects of cannabis use on PTSD, chronic pain, and other conditions many veterans experience.

1. Making sure that the Coast Guard gets paid in event of the government shutting down again...they are vital to our defense of the US coasts
2. Support for our Afghan allies
3. protecting Veterans from predatory lenders
Camp Lejeune exposed what can happen when you involve bad law firms
4. Implementation and oversight of the PACT Act
5. Mental health and suicide prevention
6. Protecting the American Flag

Remember BE THE ONE to ask, to listen, to reach out and the 988 lifeline.

Craig Smith, Chairman

Member Training and Development

Ohio Squadron Inspection Form. The Delegates at the 2023 Ohio Sons of The American Legion Convention approved the new Squadron Inspection Program and Award to be administered by District Officers and reported back to the Detachment Second Vice-Commander.

Throughout the year, District Officers will be visiting Squadrons and completing the Inspection Form, then submitting the completed forms to Detachment Second Vice-Commander Jeff Vrabel Jr.

The intent is to encourage communication between the Squadrons, learn which areas of training needs to be emphasized, promote growth and development of squadrons, while giving districts another avenue to be recognized for their work and earn cash.

A copy of the new inspection form is here and will soon be made available on the Detachment web site to download. District Officers may also request a copy from Adjutant Scott Thornton scottj.thornton@gmail.com or to me at docbill@neo.rr.com.

Bill Towns, Chairman

Oratorical

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Public Relations

The Ohio SALute

I want to thank Commander Dilts for the appointment to continue as your *Ohio SALute* editor. It is truly a position I love and look forward to another great year.

We can only have another great year with your help. Articles, stories, reports, events, etc. just be submitted. The hardest part about this job is making sure there is content for our readers, and that's where I need the help of every detachment officer, chairman, district commander, and squadron in our great state in this great state.



Every one of us does something for our veterans, our communities, and our children. It is important that we toot our own horns and tell the world. There's nothing stronger than the heart of a volunteer, and Ohio is the "heart of it all." Let's get the word out, be proud possessors, and have fun while doing it. And don't forget to keep track of things for your annual Consolidated Squadron Report.

Across the organization, the Detachment of Ohio is seen as a leader. We are usually one of the top five fundraisers for the Child Welfare Foundation. We hold key positions on national commissions and committees. We have held national offices and appointments. We are looked to as a leader.

Although the Detachment of Ohio almost always reaches quota, we are not a membership leader. Although we reached eleventh place nationally in 2023, we are consistently between 25-35 on the weekly reports. We did see a period where we were in the top twenty, that that was short-lived.

You've heard me say this for the past five years or so, that it is very important that we pay our dues when the new cards come out in July. There is no reason to wait, since nearly 90% of our members will renew at some point anyway. We need to change our culture on how we do things, and now is as good a time as any to get started. With the online renewal option available to members, we should be able to hit national target date goals sooner, and move the great Detachment of Ohio into the top ten on a consistent basis.

To help raise awareness on the importance of renewing when cards are available, I have been promoting **Membership Independence Month**. Throughout the month of July, we want to get as many members as we can to renew. If Ohio can get 4,000 members to renew this month, we will have hit the 10% goal, which isn't until September 13. What an accomplishment it will be to lead the nation in membership right out of the gate.



To make this happen, it will take a lot of work, especially from our First Vice-Commanders across the state, and especially at the squadron level. Please get the word out!

Not only will the detachment see a rise in the national membership standings, but squadrons will

also see an influx of money, which may help with the day-to-day operations of the squadron.

Let's all celebrate **Membership Independence Month** and honor the veteran who made us eligible by renewing in July.

Save the Date! The 2024 Central Region Extravaganza will be held again in Columbus. We had a great event last April, and are planning another weekend of learning, fellowship, and fun for all. If any Squadron or District would like to be a sponsor, please email me and we will have that conversation.

We will be at the Embassy Suites by the airport, and are looking at a few new options for CRE24. In 2023 we visited Southway Post 144 and Don Gentile Post 532, and are planning to visit again in 2024. Please make plans to attend.



Jeff Vrabel Sr., Editor

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation

Hi Guys!

Thank you, Dan Sagraves, for your many years of service as VA&R Chairman. We appreciate all you have done. It was good to see many of you at the Detachment Convention in Marietta. Congratulations to the Officers and Chairmen for the 2023-2024 year. I look forward to serving with all of you.

To finish up the 2022-23 year, we have the Charles Rigsby Award to recognize a member that has done outstanding work in the VA medical centers. Please nominate that individual for the Charles Rigsby Award to honor him. The nomination needs to be submitted 30 days prior to the National Convention in Charlotte.

We have a resolution for the National Convention to recognize the volunteer efforts of individuals outside of VA Hospitals/Medical facilities. Many are volunteering to help Veterans in their communities. I will keep you posted.

We are starting a new year. As the VA facilities are opening up, we are able to participate more. Keep in touch with the VAVS Representatives and Deputies for opportunities to serve our Veterans in the VA Medical Centers. As the they open up, so do the opportunities at the Fisher Houses. Fisher Houses are located in Dayton, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, and Cleveland. The Fisher House program provides a "**home** away from **home**" for families of patients receiving medical care at major military and VA medical facilities. The homes provide free temporary lodging so military and Veteran families who live 50 miles or further from the treating facility can be close to their loved one during a medical crisis. Donations of supplies are needed as well as financial donations. However, don't forget the Veterans at the local nursing homes, assisted living homes, and local Veterans homes. Every day is a day to serve Veterans.

Upcoming patriotic holidays to remember Veterans: Coast Guard birthday August 4 and Air Force birthday September 18. Patriots Day 9/11, POW-MIA Recognition Day 9/15, and Gold Star Mothers'/Families' Day 9/24.

Bill "Buster" Sutterlin, Commission Chairman
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VA&R South The new Director has started at Chillicothe VA. He comes and helps out has open door policy. The buildings are open for visitors and the residents want to get back to playing bingo on the units. We still cannot have them all to go to building 9 to hang out together.

We are had an appreciation night on June 16 where residents visited booths set up at ball game, got a free meal, free ball game and time to enjoy each other's company. The ones that could not get out had a box lunch and the ball game streamed into the buildings that could not come down.

The south is still working with VITI to build ramps or whatever they need around their house, and is also help veterans with any needs.

We at Squadron 62 had our Flag disposal on June 14, Flag Day, and had a very good crowd to watch with the Honor Guard for the ceremony. We also flagged about 1,200 graves on Memorial Day weekend.

Gerry Palmer, South Chairman
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Veterans and Children Foundation



The American Legion Veterans & Children Foundation, formerly known as The American Legion Endowment Fund, provides financial resources for the organization's Temporary Financial Assistance Program and Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation support, including training for

accredited service officers.

Charitable gifts to the American Legion Veterans & Children Foundation are 100% tax-deductible because the foundation is its own 501 (c) 3.

Please consider donating today.

Adam Jones, South Chairman

Veterans Employment and Education

Squadron Everlasting

Jonathan E. Morgan

Jonathan Edward Morgan, age 68, of Norwalk, passed away peacefully Saturday, May 20, 2023, at his residence surrounded by his family.

He was born April 19, 1955, in Sandusky to the late Ray D. and Nancy D. (Ellis) Morgan. He was a 1973 graduate of Western Reserve High School and received an associate degree in food service in 1985 from Bowling Green State University. He was a food service manager for various pizza and fast-food restaurants in the area, retiring in 1995. He was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church in Milan. He was active with the Sons of the American Legion, and served as a district commander in 1983, detachment commander in 1985, and held various officer positions with The American Legion in New London and Shiloh.

He was a 4th Degree Knights of Columbus member, active with the Lake Erie and Southern Model Railroad Club, and member of the Mad River NKP Bellevue Museum. He was instrumental in founding the sixth-grade youth football league in Norwalk. He was an avid fan of Detroit, Steelers, Michigan, and BGSU Falcons football teams. He was a sports fan, and enjoyed rail roading, fishing, hunting, horseback riding and especially enjoyed spending time with his family. To his friends he was known as a "fun loving, beer drinking, son of a gun."

He is survived by his loving wife, Beverly to whom he married April 26, 1986; sons, Christopher Morgan, and Anthony Morgan; mother, Nancy Morgan; brothers, David Morgan, and Kenneth (Tammy) Morgan; sisters, Cheryl (John) Crawford, Martha (John) Scott, and Lisa (Jeff) Smith; nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Ray Morgan.

A funeral Mass was held Saturday, May 27, 2023, at 10:30 A.M. at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Interment followed at St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery, Milan. Arrangements entrusted to the Evans Funeral Home, 314 E. Main Street, Norwalk.



It is my sad duty to report that PDC Rob Brewer (2007-2008) transferred to Squadron Everlasting overnight (July 1, 2023). Rob was a 27-year member of Elyria Squadron No. 12 who served the organization at every level for many years. He will be greatly missed.

Please keep Rob's wife, Barb, and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Cards may be sent to 185 Pinewood Dr., Elyria, OH 44035-6031.

Funeral arrangements will be shared once known.

Proud Possessor of a Priceless Heritage,

Scott J. Thornton, Detachment Adjutant, Ohio

Past Detachment Commanders Club

Commander's Travels



Members of the Ohio American Legion Family during Memorial Day Graves Decoration at Dayton National Cemetery.



Detachment Commander David L. Dilts, Department President Cindy Masowick, and Department Commander Charles Stennis at Dayton National Cemetery.





Commander David L. Dilts placing a Betsy Ross flag at Old North Cemetery in Poland, Ohio.



Commander Dilts, with First Vice-Commander Tim Conway and Second Vice-Commander Jeff Vrabel Jr. at 2023 Buckeye Boys State.



Commander Dilts and others look on as First Vice-Commander Tim Conway delivers remarks at 2023 Buckeye Boys State.



Detachment Commander David L. Dilts, Detachment Second Vice-Commander Jeff Vrabel Jr., Squadron 15 Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Kenneth Vrabel, and Past National Vice-Commander Jeff Vrabel Sr. at Old North Cemetery.

**2024 IS NOW
SONS OF THE**

**AMERICAN
LEGION**

RENEW TODAY!!!

by Jeff Vrabel, Sr.

Those who love Life and Liberty cannot be complacent in this turmoil that we are living in.

The Constitution will not and cannot defend itself. It is required to have a champion.

The Constitution is not just a piece of paper. It is a set of values, agreed upon because of the need for a system of government that guarantees Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of self-determination which is the basis for the happiness outlined in the written document.

We, you and me, are the constitution. This means the values in the constitution reflect the values of you and me.

Because we are the constitution. We are its champions. I am its champion; you are its champion. We have more control and input into the survival of this set of values than we have been led to believe. We are as powerless as we allow ourselves to be. On the other side of that coin, we are as powerful and self-determining as we allow ourselves to be.

It has been said the constitution is outdated. It is impossible for values to be outdated. Values are values, there is only, values that promote the wellbeing, and self-determination of all peoples, and values that promote envy, lust, and enslavement of others to feed narcissism. Either way values be they for serving others, or are self-serving are the foundation of our very lives. Values are what we build our lives around. Only those with corrupted and narcissistic values believe the Constitution is outdated. Those with values that align with the Constitution in its present form will defend this hallowed statement of rules to build our society, and If called upon, to defend it unto the point of death. For it is better to die free, than to live as a slave.

FREEDOM is in your hands.

FREEDOM is your choice.

Submitted by Perry Lombardo, Fourth District



**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
CHILD WELFARE FOUNDATION (CWF) - DONATIONS REPORT**

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DETACHMENT	2022 DONATIONS (FINAL)	2022 MEMBERSHIP (FINAL)	2023 CWF GOAL (FINAL)	2023 DONATIONS (FINAL)	% OF GOAL	DONATIONS PER CAPITA
AL - ALABAMA	\$ 2,786.00	2,053	\$ 2,053.00	\$ 3,399.00	165.6%	\$ 1.66
AK - ALASKA	\$ 3,200.00	1,627	\$ 1,627.00	\$ 1,978.00	121.6%	\$ 1.22
AZ - ARIZONA	\$ 12,170.00	8,076	\$ 8,076.00	\$ 46,849.00	580.1%	\$ 5.80
AR - ARKANSAS		441	\$ 441.00	\$ 1,460.00	331.1%	\$ 3.31
CA - CALIFORNIA	\$ 6,842.48	10,728	\$ 10,728.00	\$ 4,480.56	41.8%	\$ 0.42
CO - COLORADO	\$ 23,235.00	2,784	\$ 2,784.00	\$ 26,105.20	937.7%	\$ 9.38
CT - CONNECTICUT	\$ 1,580.82	1,856	\$ 1,856.00	\$ 1,100.00	59.3%	\$ 0.59
DE - DELAWARE	\$ 1,950.00	2,433	\$ 2,433.00	\$ 1,910.00	78.5%	\$ 0.79
DC - DIST OF COL		113	\$ 113.00		0.0%	\$ -
FL - FLORIDA	\$ 23,230.00	21,568	\$ 21,568.00	\$ 41,980.00	194.6%	\$ 1.95
FR - FRANCE		156	\$ 156.00	\$ 100.00	64.1%	\$ 0.64
GA - GEORGIA	\$ 11,789.00	4,452	\$ 4,452.00	\$ 4,004.00	89.9%	\$ 0.90
HI - HAWAII	\$ 1,016.00	75	\$ 75.00	\$ 830.00	1106.7%	\$ 11.07
ID - IDAHO	\$ 1,001.00	645	\$ 645.00	\$ 200.00	31.0%	\$ 0.31
IL - ILLINOIS	\$ 11,697.83	13,348	\$ 13,348.00	\$ 11,446.72	85.8%	\$ 0.86
IN - INDIANA	\$ 32,645.05	35,836	\$ 35,836.00	\$ 26,414.31	73.7%	\$ 0.74
IA - IOWA	\$ 2,300.00	4,836	\$ 4,836.00	\$ 2,004.00	41.4%	\$ 0.41
KS - KANSAS	\$ 5,800.00	5,859	\$ 5,859.00	\$ 6,602.20	112.7%	\$ 1.13
KY - KENTUCKY		2,586	\$ 2,586.00	\$ 50.00	1.9%	\$ 0.02
LA - LOUISIANA	\$ 4,692.20	1,773	\$ 1,773.00	\$ 3,177.50	179.2%	\$ 1.79
ME - MAINE	\$ 2,610.00	2,596	\$ 2,596.00	\$ 3,501.00	134.9%	\$ 1.35
MD - MARYLAND	\$ 3,100.00	16,051	\$ 16,051.00	\$ 5,432.00	33.8%	\$ 0.34
MA - MASSACHUSETTS	\$ 4,011.00	5,500	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,879.00	106.9%	\$ 1.07
MX - MEXICO		31	\$ 31.00		0.0%	\$ -
MI - MICHIGAN	\$ 8,688.33	24,311	\$ 24,311.00	\$ 9,212.00	37.9%	\$ 0.38
MN - MINNESOTA	\$ 17,625.09	11,289	\$ 11,289.00	\$ 9,281.91	82.2%	\$ 0.82
MS - MISSISSIPPI	\$ 6,476.00	725	\$ 725.00	\$ 5,143.90	709.5%	\$ 7.10
MO - MISSOURI	\$ 2,332.00	3,197	\$ 3,197.00	\$ 2,153.61	67.4%	\$ 0.67
MT - MONTANA	\$ 1,550.00	1,076	\$ 1,076.00	\$ 1,717.00	159.6%	\$ 1.60
NE - NEBRASKA	\$ 7,638.00	6,913	\$ 6,913.00	\$ 5,735.00	83.0%	\$ 0.83
NV - NEVADA	\$ 4,326.00	360	\$ 360.00	\$ 8,938.00	2482.8%	\$ 24.83
NH - NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$ 6,634.00	5,811	\$ 5,811.00	\$ 4,376.78	75.3%	\$ 0.75
NJ - NEW JERSEY	\$ 13,902.00	9,364	\$ 9,364.00	\$ 9,105.00	97.2%	\$ 0.97
NM - NEW MEXICO	\$ 200.00	1,504	\$ 1,504.00	\$ 5,400.00	359.0%	\$ 3.59
NY - NEW YORK	\$ 4,620.00	29,905	\$ 29,905.00	\$ 14,281.00	47.8%	\$ 0.48
NC - NORTH CAROLINA	\$ 5,921.00	2,698	\$ 2,698.00	\$ 4,931.75	182.8%	\$ 1.83
ND - NORTH DAKOTA		1,051	\$ 1,051.00		0.0%	\$ -
OH - OHIO	\$ 6,646.25	30,144	\$ 30,144.00	\$ 38,070.80	126.3%	\$ 1.26
OK - OKLAHOMA		1,343	\$ 1,343.00		0.0%	\$ -
OR - OREGON	\$ 8,214.33	1,428	\$ 1,428.00	\$ 3,201.00	224.2%	\$ 2.24
PA - PENNSYLVANIA	\$ 38,798.86	60,612	\$ 60,612.00	\$ 32,377.72	53.4%	\$ 0.53
PI - PHILIPPINES	\$ 350.00	67	\$ 67.00	\$ 175.00	261.2%	\$ 2.61
PR - PUERTO RICO	\$ 263.00	121	\$ 121.00	\$ 185.00	152.9%	\$ 1.53
RI - RHODE ISLAND	\$ 350.00	330	\$ 330.00	\$ 100.00	30.3%	\$ 0.30
SC - SOUTH CAROLINA	\$ 4,106.00	1,485	\$ 1,485.00	\$ 3,500.00	235.7%	\$ 2.36
SD - SOUTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,447.81	1,360	\$ 1,360.00	\$ 1,451.85	106.8%	\$ 1.07
TN - TENNESSEE	\$ 2,985.00	1,683	\$ 1,683.00	\$ 1,693.44	100.6%	\$ 1.01
TX - TEXAS	\$ 17,953.97	5,584	\$ 5,584.00	\$ 15,199.14	272.2%	\$ 2.72
UT - UTAH	\$ 185.00	442	\$ 442.00	\$ 475.00	107.5%	\$ 1.07
VT - VERMONT	\$ 8,875.23	3,830	\$ 3,830.00	\$ 10,036.00	262.0%	\$ 2.62
VA - VIRGINIA	\$ 6,532.00	4,079	\$ 4,079.00	\$ 16,977.00	416.2%	\$ 4.16
WA - WASHINGTON	\$ 1,480.00	2,504	\$ 2,504.00	\$ 2,175.00	86.9%	\$ 0.87
WV - WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 4,900.00	2,404	\$ 2,404.00	\$ 4,227.25	175.8%	\$ 1.76
WI - WISCONSIN	\$ 707.00	4,173	\$ 4,173.00	\$ 2,385.00	57.2%	\$ 0.57
WY - WYOMING	\$ 6,250.00	1,295	\$ 1,295.00	\$ 8,678.00	670.1%	\$ 6.70
NATIONAL HQ	\$ 4,176.00		\$ -	\$ 4,674.91		
GRAND TOTALS:	\$ 349,789.25	366,511	\$ 366,511.00	\$ 424,760.55	115.9%	\$ 1.16

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WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 4,900.00	2,404	\$ 2,404.00	\$ 4,227.25	175.8%	\$ 1.76
Total:	\$ 91,331.91	140,961	\$ 140,961.00	\$ 92,425.75	65.6%	\$ 0.66

CENTRAL REGION						
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Total:	\$ 82,641.55	127,134	\$ 127,134.00	\$ 100,968.35	79.4%	\$ 0.79

WESTERN REGION						
ALASKA	\$ 3,200.00	1,627	\$ 1,627.00	\$ 1,978.00	121.6%	\$ 1.22
ARIZONA	\$ 12,170.00	8,076	\$ 8,076.00	\$ 46,849.00	580.1%	\$ 5.80
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WASHINGTON	\$ 1,480.00	2,504	\$ 2,504.00	\$ 2,175.00	86.9%	\$ 0.87
Total:	\$ 38,784.81	25,952	\$ 25,952.00	\$ 69,301.56	267.0%	\$ 2.67

DETACHMENT	2022 DONATIONS (FINAL)	2022 MEMBERSHIP (FINAL)	2023 CWF GOAL (FINAL)	2023 DONATIONS (FINAL)	% OF GOAL	DONATIONS PER CAPITA
SOUTHERN REGION						
ALABAMA	\$ 2,786.00	2,053	\$ 2,053.00	\$ 3,399.00	165.6%	\$ 1.66
ARKANSAS	\$ -	441	\$ 441.00	\$ 1,460.00	331.1%	\$ 3.31
FLORIDA	\$ 23,230.00	21,568	\$ 21,568.00	\$ 41,980.00	194.6%	\$ 1.95
GEORGIA	\$ 11,789.00	4,452	\$ 4,452.00	\$ 4,004.00	89.9%	\$ 0.90
KENTUCKY	\$ -	2,586	\$ 2,586.00	\$ 50.00	1.9%	\$ 0.02
LOUISIANA	\$ 4,692.20	1,773	\$ 1,773.00	\$ 3,177.50	179.2%	\$ 1.79
MISSISSIPPI	\$ 6,476.00	725	\$ 725.00	\$ 5,143.90	709.5%	\$ 7.10
NORTH CAROLINA	\$ 5,921.00	2,698	\$ 2,698.00	\$ 4,931.75	182.8%	\$ 1.83
PUERTO RICO	\$ 263.00	121	\$ 121.00	\$ 185.00	152.9%	\$ 1.53
SOUTH CAROLINA	\$ 4,106.00	1,485	\$ 1,485.00	\$ 3,500.00	235.7%	\$ 2.36
TENNESSEE	\$ 2,985.00	1,683	\$ 1,683.00	\$ 1,693.44	100.6%	\$ 1.01
VIRGINIA	\$ 6,532.00	4,079	\$ 4,079.00	\$ 16,977.00	416.2%	\$ 4.16
Total:	\$ 68,780.20	43,664	\$ 43,664.00	\$ 86,501.59	198.1%	\$ 1.98

MIDWEST REGION						
COLORADO	\$ 23,235.00	2,784	\$ 2,784.00	\$ 26,105.20	937.7%	\$ 9.38
KANSAS	\$ 5,800.00	5,859	\$ 5,859.00	\$ 6,602.20	112.7%	\$ 1.13
MEXICO	\$ -	31	\$ 31.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MONTANA	\$ 1,550.00	1,076	\$ 1,076.00	\$ 1,717.00	159.6%	\$ 1.60
NEBRASKA	\$ 7,638.00	6,913	\$ 6,913.00	\$ 5,735.00	83.0%	\$ 0.83
NEW MEXICO	\$ 200.00	1,504	\$ 1,504.00	\$ 5,400.00	359.0%	\$ 3.59
NORTH DAKOTA	\$ -	1,051	\$ 1,051.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
OKLAHOMA	\$ -	1,343	\$ 1,343.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
SOUTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,447.81	1,360	\$ 1,360.00	\$ 1,451.85	106.8%	\$ 1.07
TEXAS	\$ 17,953.97	5,584	\$ 5,584.00	\$ 15,199.14	272.2%	\$ 2.72
WYOMING	\$ 6,250.00	1,295	\$ 1,295.00	\$ 8,678.00	670.1%	\$ 6.70
Total:	\$ 64,074.78	28,800	\$ 28,800.00	\$ 70,888.39	246.1%	\$ 2.46

NATIONAL HQ:	\$ 4,176.00		\$ -	\$ 4,674.91		
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GRAND TOTAL:	\$ 349,789.25	366,511	\$ 366,511.00	\$ 424,760.55	115.9%	\$ 1.16
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SAL DONATIONS AS OF: MAY 31, 2023 (FINAL)

2022 SAL MEMBERSHIP AS OF: DECEMBER 31, 2022 (FINAL)

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