



Round-Up



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Do you want to build a Squadron at your Post?

Matthew Verkuilen, Membership Director
Detachment of Minnesota



While the beginning of this headline may bring shudders to any parent or grandparent that has the pleasure of going through the “frozen” age with their youngsters, the message fits with what our goals should be within our organizations.

The act of building a snowman brings memories of a community coming together on a winter day for a central reason — fellowship. Often, we hear from longtime members questions of how to get some of the “younger” (adults can count in that younger term) involved and kept involved.

Or even perhaps, wondering a way to start a legacy where the whole family can be involved. The answer may be to sponsor a SAL squadron within your post!

You may be amazed at how easy it can be, but more importantly how beneficial

it is as you are working your programs. New squadrons are even matched with existing squadrons to serve as a mentor, thereby easing the onboarding process for the post.

For more information on starting a squadron in your area, please contact us at mnsal@legion.org. We are happy to help you get started and are ready to support you along the journey!

Editor’s Note: For additional information from National Headquarters, please send an email to Brain Compton at bcompton@legion.org.

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SAL membership reports are available [here](#)

SAL donations aimed to help American Legion 'thrive'

The American Legion
OCT 20, 2021

American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard has a goal of raising \$2 million for the Veterans & Children Foundation (VCF) this year. A \$500,000 donation from the Sons of The American Legion reserve fund, announced at the SAL National Executive Committee fall meeting, will help achieve that goal.

"Before the national convention in Phoenix in one of many phone calls with (Commander Dillard), I told him that the SAL will do everything that they could to take care of 25 percent of his goal to raise the \$2 million," said SAL National Commander Michael Fox. "When the opportunity came up, I discussed this donation with the (SAL Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation) Commission and left the decision up to them on where to place the money.

"Thankfully, the VA&R Commission and the entire NEC agreed that \$500,000 to VCF was an excellent choice."



Newly elected American Legion Auxiliary President Kathy Daudistel and Sons of The American Legion National Commander Michael Fox join new American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard on stage during Day 3 of The American Legion 102nd National Convention at the Phoenix Convention Center in Phoenix, Ariz., on Thursday, September 2, 2021. Photo by Ben Mikesell/The American Legion

The VCF provides vital support for military and veteran parents in unexpected financial crises, and support for American Legion service officers in their efforts to obtain care and earned benefits and opportunities for disabled veterans and their families.

Fox said the donation to VCF reflects the SAL's mission to support The American Legion.

"We are here to help in any way possible to see that The American Legion continues to thrive," Fox said. Another sizable donation announced at the fall meeting in Indianapolis in early October was a \$130,000 donation to American Legion Baseball.

"In talking to the national treasurer, baseball was the one program that was looking to expand its efforts and had a shortfall to do so," Fox said. He said the donation from the SAL's reserve fund could be used to promote the program through advertisements.

And, Fox added, American Legion Baseball is one of his favorite Americanism programs.

"I have been part of the California state tournament for 39 years and had the opportunity to go to the (American Legion) World Series this last August for the first time. What an amazing place for our youth to play some baseball," he said.

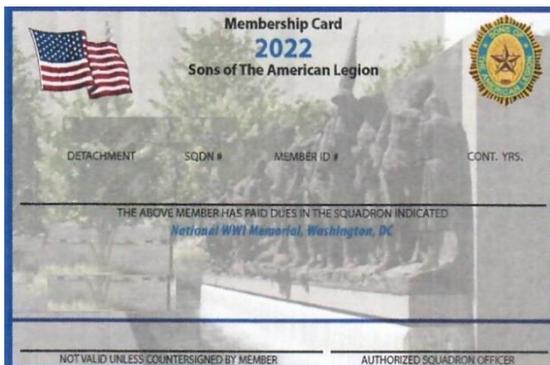
With the SAL celebrating its 90th anniversary next year, Fox has a goal tied to that milestone.

“During the pandemic, on all of the SAL Consolidated Squadron Reports (CSR) that were turned in, we as an organization put together over \$55 million to support the programs of The American Legion,” he said. “I’m hoping that, coming off of all the closures, we as an organization can do \$90 million this year for our 90th anniversary – a task that can be accomplished if we get 50 percent of CSR’s turned in.”

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TARGET DATE



November 10, 2021



I WANT YOU TO RENEW!!!



REGIONAL UPDATES



JEFF VRABEL, SR.
**NATIONAL VICE-COMMANDER
CENTRAL REGION 2021-2022**

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MONTHLY CONFERENCE CALL

Third Thursday of each month

7:30 p.m. Eastern Time

Call In # (425) 436-6280

Access Code 464549*

<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/jeffvrabelsr>

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This week’s national membership report shows a steady increase of our membership, and more Detachments heading toward the November 10, 2021, national target of 35%.

Congratulations goes out to both the Detachment of Illinois and the Detachment of Wisconsin for surpassing the November 10 National Target Date. Illinois currently has 5,482 members paid representing 40.30%, while Wisconsin has 1,529 mem-

bers paid representing 39.06%. Keep up the good work as we head toward quota!

This week we also have a quasi-Renewal Report. By report, we have the numbers with the Detachments ranked by percentage. According to the report, we have four Detachments that are above 30%. Continue your renewal efforts as we head to the 95% renewal rate.

Do what you can to get your renewals taken care of right away. The faster each Squadron renews its current members, the faster it will get to quota. Recruitment efforts are non-stop and will always continue, but we need to get our renewals done now!

Each week, I stress the importance of our membership. Without paid members, we would have no organization, and I think we all know this. What is equally important is the work we do for the Child Welfare Foundation, the Sons of The American Legion's signature project over the years.

We are well on our way to reaching the \$9 million mark, and we anticipate that mark to be surpassed this year. As National CWF Committee Chairman Mark Nave always says, "We will be fine when we reach nine!"



Later in this edition, the Child Welfare Foundation October 15 report will show how each Detachment ranks based on donations. It will also give regional breakdowns. Let's not take these standings lightly. Every Detachment in the Central Region has made a donation, and I am

very confident that it is only the beginning. Some of our Detachments have held big fundraisers, while others have their big events coming up. Please let me know when these events are so they can be promoted here and do what you can to support those events.

We want to be first in CWF donations as well as in membership! **Who's next?**

On Thursday, the Central Region had its monthly conference call, and a lot of great information was shared. Items of interest included:

1. Flying Flags For Heroes and the need for each Detachment to have a representative, the "Go To Guy."
2. Continue our work on membership.
3. Need for representatives and deputies at VA facilities.
4. Washington Conference update.

Minutes of the meeting will be sent to Detachment leadership prior to the November meeting.

As always, if there is anything you need, please send me an email and I will do whatever I can to help.

We are Sons of The American Legion.

We are #SALSTRONG!!!



2022 Central Region Renewal Report

The numbers below are taken from the membership and ranked in order by percentage. Once the full Renewal Report is published, additional information will be provided.

	Detachment	Renewal %
1	Illinois	40.30%
2	Wisconsin	39.06%
3	Iowa	32.53%
4	Missouri	32.20%
5	Minnesota	24.89%
6	Ohio	24.76%
7	Indiana	20.31%
8	Michigan	20.04%

2022 Central Region Membership Report

2022 MEMBERSHIP					10/21/21
Region	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase
1 Southern	42,593	13,105	29,488	30.77%	342
2 Midwest	28,508	7,860	20,648	27.57%	112
3 Central	124,977	31,560	93,417	25.25%	721
4 Western	24,414	5,707	18,707	23.38%	288
5 Eastern	136,233	26,907	109,326	19.75%	313
TOTALS	356,725	85,139	271,586	23.87%	1,776

Membership ahead/behind prior year target date N/A

Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase
1 Illinois 1, 2, 3	13,602	5,482	8,120	40.30%	3
2 Wisconsin 1, 2, 3	3,914	1,529	2,385	39.06%	76
3 Iowa 1, 2	4,571	1,487	3,084	32.53%	8
4 Missouri 1, 2	3,211	1,034	2,177	32.20%	20
5 Minnesota 1	11,091	2,760	8,331	24.89%	36
6 Ohio 1	29,946	7,416	22,530	24.76%	168
7 Indiana 1	36,657	7,446	29,211	20.31%	323
8 Michigan 1	21,985	4,406	17,579	20.04%	87
TOTALS	124,977	31,560	93,417	25.25%	721

Q = Quota

- 1 Met 09/22/21 goal of 10%
- 2 Met 10/14/21 goal of 25%
- 3 Met 11/10/21 goal of 35%
- 4 Met 12/08/21 goal of 45%
- 5 Met 01/21/22 goal of 60%
- 6 Met 02/09/22 goal of 75%
- 7 Met 03/09/22 goal of 80%
- 8 Met 04/13/22 goal of 90%
- 9 Met 05/11/22 goal of 100%
- 10 Met 07/28/22 goal of 105%

Red Division					
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Percent of Region
Wisconsin	3,914	1,529	2,385	39.06%	4.84%
Iowa	4,571	1,487	3,084	32.53%	4.71%
Missouri	3,211	1,034	2,177	32.20%	3.28%
TOTALS	11,696	4,050	7,646	34.63%	12.83%

White Division					
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Percent of Region
Illinois	13,602	5,482	8,120	40.30%	17.37%
Minnesota	11,091	2,760	8,331	24.89%	8.75%
TOTALS	24,693	8,242	16,451	33.38%	26.12%

Blue Division					
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Percent of Region
Ohio	29,946	7,416	22,530	24.76%	23.50%
Indiana	36,657	7,446	29,211	20.31%	23.59%
Michigan	21,985	4,406	17,579	20.04%	13.96%
TOTALS	88,588	19,268	69,320	21.75%	61.05%



PROUD POSSESSORS OF A PRICELESS HERITAGE

**Chase Down A Great Meal!
Post 253 SAL Annual Turkey Fry
Sunday October 24th. — 2pm Till It's Gone**



**Deep Fried Turkey With All The Fixins
Make A Donation & Enjoy Them All!!**

Lions vs LA Rams 4:05



**American Legion Post 253
1505 N. Main Street, Royal Oak, Mi. 48067**



**Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Ohio
Commander's Homecoming**



Celebration for:

Doug Hancock

Saturday, November 13, 2021 5:00 – 11:00 pm

Murbach-Siefert American Legion Post No. 479
200 S. Hallett Ave., Swanton, OH 43558

5:00 pm – Snacks and Drinks 6:00 pm – Dinner

Choice of BBQ Chicken or Pork Loin, baked potato, salad, and desert;
2 drink tickets with dinner and cash bar; \$35.00 per person

Entertainment: Music / Karaoke OPDCC Bottle Raffle

Dress: Legion Casual (polo shirt, slacks, uniform cover)

Accommodations (discounted; 7 minutes away)

Baymont Inn & Suites by Wyndham Swanton/Toledo Airport
10753 Airport Hwy. (OH-2), Swanton, OH 43558 – (419) 491-3369
Block of 25 rooms – Rate code: "Doug Hancock Homecoming"

Additional Hotels (no discount; 17 minutes away)

Courtyard by Marriott, 1435 E. Mall Dr., Holland, OH 43528 (419) 866-1001
Quality Inn, 1401 E. Mall Dr., Holland, OH 43528 – (419) 867-1144

Deadline for Reservations: October 25, 2021

For questions call (419) 350-4054

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____ Post _____

Number Attending _____ Amount Enclosed _____

BBQ Chicken _____ Pork Loin _____ Phone # _____

Make checks payable to "Doug Hancock" 2001 McIntosh Dr., Holland, OH 43528



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MONTHLY CONFERENCE CALL

Fourth Tuesday of each month
 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time
 Call In # (605) 313-4388
 Access Code 346542

MONTHLY CONFERENCE CALL

First Tuesday of Each Month
 8:00 p.m. Mountain Time/10:00 p.m. Eastern Time
 Call in # (605) 313-5379
 Access Code 830520

Eastern Region - Richard "Dickie" L. Huntley, Jr. (ME)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
RHODE ISLAND	316	123	38.92%
MARYLAND	15,533	4,984	32.09%
CONNECTICUT	1,820	561	30.82%
DIST OF COL	92	27	29.35%
MASSACHUSETTS	5,074	1,405	27.69%
VERMONT	3,576	969	27.10%
FRANCE	233	63	27.04%
NEW JERSEY	9,211	2,469	26.80%
DELAWARE	2,229	479	21.49%
NEW YORK	29,246	6,226	21.29%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,336	992	18.59%
PENNSYLVANIA	58,902	8,188	13.90%
WEST VIRGINIA	2,183	284	13.01%
MAINE	2,482	137	5.52%
Totals:	136,233	26,907	19.75%

Midwest Region - Juan R. Torres (TX)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
SOUTH DAKOTA	1,052	466	44.30%
OKLAHOMA	1,380	575	41.67%
MONTANA	1,160	463	39.91%
NORTH DAKOTA	916	284	31.00%
TEXAS	5,425	1,669	30.76%
NEBRASKA	6,959	1,870	26.87%
WYOMING	1,273	316	24.82%
KANSAS	6,424	1,495	23.27%
COLORADO	2,632	542	20.59%
NEW MEXICO	1,261	178	14.12%
MEXICO	26	2	7.69%
Totals:	28,508	7,860	27.57%



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NOT THROUGH POSITION





JASON ROBERTS
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SOUTHERN REGION 2021-2022

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MONTHLY CONFERENCE CALL

Second Tuesday of Each Month
 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
 Call In # (701) 802-5001
 Access Code 4720682

Southern Region - Jason S. Roberts (GA)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
PUERTO RICO	88	52	59.09%
LOUISIANA	1,808	1,038	57.41%
GEORGIA	4,316	2,220	51.44%
TENNESSEE	1,681	598	35.57%
ALABAMA	2,020	663	32.82%
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,382	415	30.03%
NORTH CAROLINA	2,619	743	28.37%
FLORIDA	20,745	5,687	27.41%
MISSISSIPPI	795	212	26.67%
VIRGINIA	4,023	1,003	24.93%
ARKANSAS	468	98	20.94%
KENTUCKY	2,648	376	14.20%
Totals:	42,593	13,105	30.77%



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NATIONAL VICE-COMMANDER
WEST REGION 2021-2022

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MONTHLY CONFERENCE CALL

Fourth Wednesday of Each Month
 6:00 p.m. Pacific Time/9:00 p.m. Eastern Time
<https://zoom.us/j/96562303887?pwd=SjZJek04MHJpNjdibWptUTU0UGptZz09>
 Meeting ID: 965 6230 3887
 Passcode: 795541
 Find your local number:
<https://zoom.us/u/acGFqzEYme>

Western Region - Leslie "Jim" Stewart (NV)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
HAWAII	49	54	110.20%
UTAH	492	190	38.62%
IDAHO	606	224	36.96%
NEVADA	334	100	29.94%
OREGON	1,317	381	28.93%
CALIFORNIA	10,338	2,648	25.61%
ALASKA	1,560	378	24.23%
WASHINGTON	2,086	375	17.98%
ARIZONA	7,566	1,357	17.94%
PHILIPPINES	66	0	0.00%
Totals:	24,414	5,707	23.38%

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Number Eight!

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SAL Rendezvous
Reservation Code:
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Social Gathering On Friday, January 28th, 2022
Leadership Training On Saturday, January 29th, 2022
Lunch Is Served During Lunch Break On Saturday
- Let's have some fun in the sun -

Contact: Jim Stewart: (775) 848-6072 | controller@bordertowncasinorv.com
Willy Williams: (541) 740-7145 | duliedriver1@aol.com

received. Did you know that last year there were very few entries received to be judged at convention, so the odds of your winning a national award are pretty good!

The official rules for both books can be found online at legion.org, search for “Administrative Manual” then scroll to pages 30 thru 32 for Scrapbooks and 33 thru 36 for History Books. Once you get started on one, putting it together might become somewhat addictive and you could find yourself promoting more events and increasing your squadron activities!

Very important – please be sure to read the rules for both completion and submission and be sure to get them in on time!

*Jim Borgman, Americanism Chairman
Detachment of Arizona
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National Americanism and Chaplains Calendar

JANUARY	
New Years Day	January 1st
Vietnam Cease Fire Day	January 27, 1973
Holocaust Remembrance Day (United Nations)	January 27th
FEBRUARY	
Americanism Month	
National Freedom Day	February 1st
Four Chaplains Sunday	1st Sunday
Religious Emphasis Week	1st week after 1st Sunday
Presidents Day	3rd Monday
MARCH	
American Legion Birthday	March 15, 1919
APRIL	
Children & Youth Month	
Patriots' Day	April 18th
National Oratorical Contest	4th weekend
MAY	
Loyalty Day	May 1st
National Day of Prayer	First Thursday
Spring NEC	1st Weekend
V-E Day	May 8, 1945
Mothers Day	2nd Sunday
Armed Forces Day	3rd Saturday
Poppy Day	Last Monday (Date Varies)
Memorial Day	Last Monday
JUNE	
<i>Consolidated Reports are due</i>	
D-Day	June 6, 1944
Flag Day	June 14th
Fathers Day	3rd Sunday
JULY	
Independence Day	July 4th
Boys' Nation	3rd week in July
National Junior Shooting Championship	* End of July
Korean War Ended	July 27, 1953
AUGUST	
Purple Heart Day	August 7th
American Legion Baseball World Series	* 2nd week
National Convention	Last weekend in August
SEPTEMBER	
V-J Day	September 2, 1945
Labor Day	1st Monday
National Children & Youth Conference	2nd weekend
Patriot Day	September 11, 2001
Constitution Day	September 17th
Citizenship Day	September 17th
Combined Americanism Conference	3rd weekend
POW/MIA Recognition Day	Third Friday
Gold Star Mothers Day	Last Sunday
OCTOBER	
Columbus Day	2nd Monday
Fall NEC	2nd weekend
National Legion College	* Last week in October
NOVEMBER	
Election Day	1st Tuesday after 1st Monday
Veterans Day (Formerly Armistice Day - End of WW I)	November 11, 1918
American Education Week	Week prior to Thanksgiving week
Family Week	Week of Thanksgiving
Thanksgiving	4th Thursday
DECEMBER	
Pearl Harbor Day	December 7, 1941
Hanukkah	December 21st
Christmas	December 25th

* Check Legion website for specific date



MEETINGS AND REPORTS OF NATIONAL COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

50th Convention Commemoration Committee

Joseph Gladden (MD), Chairman

Advisory Committee

Robert McBride (OH), Chairman

Americanism Commission

Charles E. Treat, II (AZ), Chairman

**Let's get Scrapbooking
and History Booking!**

Does your squadron have a Historian, or someone that collects photos of your events and endeavors?

Please consider making a Squadron Scrapbook or History Book for this membership year, the best bet would be to make it from July thru June; and be sure to include any news articles about your events, flyers, etc., and “thank you” letters your squadron

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

Seth A. Rippe (NE), Chairman

Fourth Monday of each month

7:00 p.m. Central Time/8:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Call In #

Access Code:

Veterans Employment & Education Commission

Joseph R. Navarrete (NM), Chairman

Third Wednesday of Each Month

6:00 p.m. Mountain Time/8:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Call In # (605) 468-8774

Access Code 5662904

<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/natlsalvee>

The National Call Schedule will be updated as information becomes available.



Dear TALMA members,

The American Legion Media Alliance has an exciting virtual training session for October, focusing on what you need to know about getting a billboard to promote The American Legion in your community.

Joining us will be Amber Aragon from First Degree. She will discuss the process and what to know about using billboards. The other panelist will be Bradley Heck from the Department of Arizona, who will discuss how effective this type of advertising can be. Media & Communications Deputy Director Henry Howard will be the moderator.

The session is scheduled for 7 p.m. Eastern Oct. 27. [You can register for it at this link.](#)

Please note that the new TALMA year has begun. If you have not already renewed, please do so in order to not miss out on any of the great benefits of being a TALMA member. We have recently sent out new credentials and lanyards to those who renewed or started their memberships.

Visit www.legion.org/talma/join to join or renew today!

Thank you for what you do to promote The American Legion!

Sincerely,

Dave Wallace, Chairman

Media and Communications Commission

OCTOBER 27 7:00 PM EDT JOIN MEETING	HOW YOUR POST CAN USE A BILLBOARD The American Legion Media Alliance has an exciting virtual training session for October, focusing on what you need to know about getting a billboard to promote The American Legion in your community. ADD TO CALENDAR
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MICHAEL FOX
NATIONAL COMMANDER
2021-2022

2021 SAL Membership Report as of: October 19 2021

2021 SAL Regional Breakdown

#	DETACHMENTS	2021 Mbsp. Goal	2021 Membership Needed for 105% Target	Total	% of Goal	2021 Renewal %
1	RHODE ISLAND	177	2	315	104.30%	124.00
2	SOUTH DAKOTA	1,321	-383	1,119	159.63%	114.75
3	ALASKA	1,609	-100	1,603	112.02%	107.36
4	NORTH DAKOTA	6,448	-49	964	110.68%	106.70
5	WYOMING	871	-85	1,393	111.80%	106.12
6	MAINE	302	-58	2,854	107.17%	101.96
7	NORTH CAROLINA	53	-1,739	4,190	179.52%	101.39
8	FLORIDA	1,307	-2,497	23,129	117.70%	101.05
9	CONNECTICUT	1,813	-32	1,936	106.78%	100.11
10	DELAWARE	16,497	-43	2,481	106.85%	99.95
11	SOUTH CAROLINA	4,707	-353	1,725	131.98%	99.04
12	TENNESSEE	1,644	-378	2,104	127.98%	98.97
13	NEBRASKA	6,863	202	7,004	102.05%	98.88
14	NEW YORK	3,951	2,926	29,160	95.43%	98.04
15	MINNESOTA	4,376	901	11,435	97.33%	97.40
16	INDIANA	24,084	4,545	36,788	93.45%	97.33
17	OHIO	11,749	2,462	30,229	97.09%	97.31
18	OKLAHOMA	701	-1,180	2,567	194.32%	97.18
19	ARIZONA	11,464	-355	8,221	109.75%	97.12
20	KANSAS	6,691	652	6,374	95.26%	97.09
21	NEW JERSEY	30,558	1,247	9,225	92.50%	96.27
22	IOWA	3,745	-11	4,606	105.26%	96.08
23	MICHIGAN	31,134	2,439	22,849	94.87%	95.89
24	MARYLAND	9,973	1,774	15,548	94.25%	95.34
25	WISCONSIN	14,547	-139	4,071	108.70%	95.17
26	WEST VIRGINIA	2,602	499	2,233	85.82%	95.03
27	MISSOURI	39,365	481	3,410	92.01%	94.58
28	PENNSYLVANIA	2,322	8,096	58,325	92.20%	94.55
29	UTAH	34	-375	993	168.59%	94.48
30	MONTANA	1,157	-207	1,422	122.90%	94.16
31	HAWAII	589	-17	53	155.88%	94.00
32	VERMONT	252	377	3,772	95.47%	93.20
33	MASSACHUSETTS	5,593	211	5,662	101.23%	92.75
34	ILLINOIS	3,706	1,139	14,135	97.17%	91.60
35	NEW HAMPSHIRE	63,258	1,212	5,430	85.84%	90.64
36	KENTUCKY	3,252	767	2,648	81.43%	89.57
37	COLORADO	1,727	700	2,777	83.87%	89.29
38	CALIFORNIA	1,431	-771	12,808	111.72%	88.74
39	TEXAS	1,246	602	6,168	95.66%	88.74
40	ALABAMA	2,063	-275	2,441	118.32%	88.68
41	OREGON	7,491	175	1,514	94.10%	88.17
42	ARKANSAS	585	85	529	90.43%	88.09
43	VIRGINIA	4,468	504	4,187	93.71%	87.98
44	GEORGIA	754	279	4,663	99.07%	87.92
45	IDAHO	580	-296	905	156.03%	87.15
46	MISSISSIPPI	19,650	-53	845	112.07%	86.72
47	FRANCE	6,326	36	229	90.87%	85.38
48	WASHINGTON	461	-414	3,234	120.40%	84.78
49	LOUISIANA	2,334	220	1,836	93.77%	84.76
50	NEW MEXICO	3,311	335	1,478	85.58%	83.77
51	NEVADA	60	83	401	86.98%	79.58
52	PHILIPPINES	2,686	-2	65	108.33%	77.11
53	PUERTO RICO	1,958	-32	88	166.04%	73.28
54	DIST OF COL	2,663	98	88	49.72%	69.29
55	MEXICO	41	16	27	65.85%	0.00
Grand Totals:		378,550	23,222	374,256	98.87%	95.48

Western Region - Leslie "Jim" Stewart (NV)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
UTAH	589	993	168.59%
IDAHO	580	905	156.03%
HAWAII	34	53	155.88%
WASHINGTON	2,686	3,234	120.40%
ALASKA	1,431	1,603	112.02%
CALIFORNIA	11,464	12,808	111.72%
ARIZONA	7,491	8,221	109.75%
PHILIPPINES	60	65	108.33%
OREGON	1,609	1,514	94.10%
NEVADA	461	401	86.98%
Totals:	26,405	29,797	112.85%

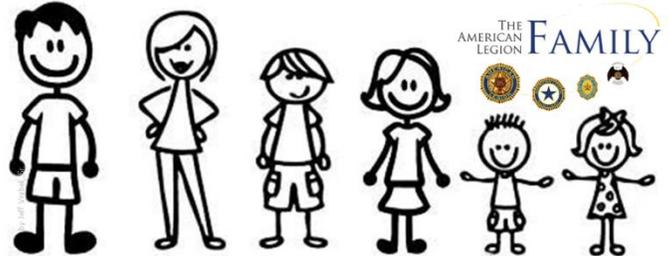
Midwest Region - Juan R. Torres (TX)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
OKLAHOMA	1,321	2,567	194.32%
SOUTH DAKOTA	701	1,119	159.63%
MONTANA	1,157	1,422	122.90%
WYOMING	1,246	1,393	111.80%
NORTH DAKOTA	871	964	110.68%
NEBRASKA	6,863	7,004	102.05%
TEXAS	6,448	6,168	95.66%
KANSAS	6,691	6,374	95.26%
NEW MEXICO	1,727	1,478	85.58%
COLORADO	3,311	2,777	83.87%
MEXICO	41	27	65.85%
Totals:	30,377	31,293	103.02%

Central Region - Jeff M. Vrabel, Sr. (OH)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
WISCONSIN	3,745	4,071	108.70%
IOWA	4,376	4,606	105.26%
MINNESOTA	11,749	11,435	97.33%
ILLINOIS	14,547	14,135	97.17%
OHIO	31,134	30,229	97.09%
MICHIGAN	24,084	22,849	94.87%
INDIANA	39,365	36,788	93.45%
MISSOURI	3,706	3,410	92.01%
Totals:	132,706	127,523	96.09%

Eastern Region - Richard "Dickie" L. Huntley, Jr. (ME)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
MAINE	2,863	2,854	107.17%
DELAWARE	2,322	2,481	106.85%
CONNECTICUT	1,813	1,936	106.78%
RHODE ISLAND	302	315	104.30%
MASSACHUSETTS	5,593	5,662	101.23%
VERMONT	3,951	3,772	95.47%
NEW YORK	30,558	29,160	95.43%
MARYLAND	16,497	15,548	94.25%
NEW JERSEY	9,973	9,225	92.50%
PENNSYLVANIA	63,258	58,325	92.20%
FRANCE	252	229	90.87%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	6,326	5,430	85.84%
WEST VIRGINIA	2,602	2,233	85.82%
DIST OF COL	177	88	49.72%
Totals:	146,287	137,258	93.83%

Southern Region - Jason S. Roberts (GA)			
Detachment	Goal	Total	Percent
NORTH CAROLINA	2,334	4,190	179.52%
PUERTO RICO	53	88	166.04%
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,307	1,725	131.98%
TENNESSEE	1,644	2,104	127.98%
ALABAMA	2,063	2,441	118.32%
FLORIDA	19,650	23,129	117.70%
MISSISSIPPI	754	845	112.07%
GEORGIA	4,707	4,663	99.07%
LOUISIANA	1,958	1,836	93.77%
VIRGINIA	4,468	4,187	93.71%
ARKANSAS	585	529	90.43%
KENTUCKY	3,252	2,648	81.43%
Totals:	42,775	48,385	113.12%

ARE YOU PART OF THE FAMILY?





Sons of The American Legion 50th Commemorative Convention Coin Design Challenge

The SAL National "50th Commemorative Convention Committee" is asking for your design ideas for the Commemorative Coin celebrating our 50th National Convention next August 26-28, 2022. The "Design Challenge" has benefits for the designer of the winning design; The designer of the coin will receive \$500.00 and two tickets to the Commemorative Event being held on Saturday.

Will your design win??

Enter the competition and submit your ideas by the deadline: November 15th, 2021

— The Rules —

- Maximum of three (3) entries per person.
- Submittal must be received by the close of business, Monday, November 15th, 2021.
- All Design Minimums must be included in your design in order to be considered.
- Commemorative Committee's vote is the final decision in selection of design for production.
- Supplemental artwork must accompany this form at the time of submittal.
- The winning design becomes property of The American Legion at the time of selection.
- Competition is open to everyone.

— Design Minimums and Mechanicals —

- "50th National Convention" must be prominent in the design.
- "Milwaukee" must be prominent in the design.
- "2022" must be prominent in the design.
- The SAL Logo must be integrated into the design within "Emblem Use Guidelines" parameters. (see link in following).
- "Emblem Style and Use Guide" is available at: <https://archive.legion.org/bitstream/handle/20.500.12203/5445/aa002107.pdf?sequence=1&isAllowed=y>
- **The remainder is up to You!!!**

Your Full Name Your Membership Number State
 Email Address Cell Phone Number

Completed design submittal is sent to: sal50thConvention@gmail.com
 Please contact us with your inquiries at the e-mail address above

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This form is also available for download from the SAL national website: <https://www.legion.org/sons>



VETERANS

STRENGTHENING AMERICA

AMERICAN LEGION



Dear American Legion Family Members and Friends,

Our ancestors all immigrated from somewhere overseas. Perhaps Europe. Or Asia. Or maybe Africa.

It doesn't matter from where they originated. What matters is that they sought a better life in America. Our nation's commitment to democracy is a shining beacon to some who face persecution, religious intolerance, and death threats in their native lands.

We are all familiar with the 18,000 Afghanistan allies and their family members who are now seeking safety in the United States. Already, thousands have made the safe passage here. But that is only the first step in their journey.

Many of our veterans, especially those who valiantly served in Afghanistan, have been swept up in the stark turn of events there. There has been anger, sadness, and disbelief.

But as the reality set in, a strong new feeling has also set in; the desire to help.

As more Afghanistan allies are safely transported here, American Legion members and posts are asking how they can assist. It is unclear exactly where the allies are being brought, for safety reasons. However, posts near military installations can certainly reach out to see if the base would need assistance if they are currently or in the future expecting to temporarily house these allies.

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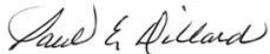
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Additionally, here are some other options to consider:

- [You can learn more at the Welcome Center website](#) and sign up to receive more information.
- The Red Cross is helping the allies settle in. American Legion members are encouraged to contact their local Red Cross chapter to see if they can assist. Already, veterans have been [working alongside Red Cross volunteers](#). And at least one Afghanistan veteran has been assisting the process as part of his role with the Red Cross. [Learn more about his role here.](#)

Thank you for your service to our nation and those who supported us throughout every war era. You are another example of why we are ...

Veterans Strengthening America.



Paul E. Dillard, National Commander
The American Legion



2022 Individual Recruitment Award

The National Membership Committee offers an award for those S.A.L. members recruiting five (5) new members into the Sons of The American Legion within a membership year. This pin is suitable to wear upon your cover or lapel.

(A new member is defined as any eligible Son joining for the 2022 membership year who was not a member of the Sons of The American Legion during the 2021 membership year).
Transfers or renewals do not count as new members.

Please make sure that all new members listed have been processed and been assigned a S.A.L. ID# in the national membership database before submission to avoid delays in approval. Pins will not be mailed until they are verified in the national membership database.

This award form must be received by July 31st.

Please forward the names of new Legion or Auxiliary members to your Post or Unit for use in their respective incentive programs.

Recruiter Information

Name _____ Member ID# _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Full Squadron Name/Number _____ Detachment _____
 Email _____ Phone _____

Unless specified different, the pin will be sent to the above address

New Member Information

#1 Full Name _____ Membership ID # _____
 #2 Full Name _____ Membership ID # _____
 #3 Full Name _____ Membership ID # _____
 #4 Full Name _____ Membership ID # _____
 #5 Full Name _____ Membership ID # _____

RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO: (Regional Membership Chairman)

East - Ernest Laberge (MA) ELaberge@OctoberCompany.com	61 Glendale Rd. Florence, MA 01062-9710
South - Ronald Roberts (MS) RonRob31@AOL.com	120 Circular Dr. Mendenhall, MS 39114-4854
Central - David Mennel (MI) DavidMennel@Yahoo.com	6040 Dryden Rd. Dryden, MI 48428-9764
Midwest - Michael Kirschner (CO) MKirschner@Comcast.net	3725 Hollybrook Ln. Pueblo, CO 81005-3256
West - Jack Youngs (ID) xnukewelder@aol.com	3223 Salem St. Caldwell, ID 83605

St Marys American Legion

SAL

Gun Raffle

- 1) **SIG Sauer P365 Handgun**
- 2) **Smith n Wesson- M&P Shield 2.0-380 Auto EZ**
- 3) **Savage Mark 11 22lr With Scope**
- 4) **Savage 110 350 Legend Hog Hunter Rifle**

\$20 per Ticket
Drawing December 8
6 pm at the Post
(contingent on sales)

Tickets may be Purchased at Post
Or from SAL Members
More details call
(419) 644-6257
(Proceeds for American Legion Programs)



VETERANS DAY 2021



AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion and this publication salute our military veterans of all eras this November 11 - and every day. Thank you for serving America with honor, courage and commitment.



**Sons Of The American Legion
New Member "BLUE BRIGADE" Recruiter Award
2022 Certification Form**

Mail: The American Legion
Attn: S.A.L. P.O. Box 1055 Indianapolis, IN 46206
Email: sal@legion.org **Fax:** (317) 630-1413
Questions or concerns regarding this form please call Phone #: (317) 630-1205

The following S.A.L. member in the Detachment of _____ has enrolled 30 or more **NEW MEMBERS** into the Sons of The American Legion by **July 31st.**

(A new member is defined as any eligible S.A.L. joining for the 2022 membership year who was **not** a member of the S.A.L. during the 2021 membership year. Transfers or reactivations do not count as new members.)

Please forward the names of new Legion or Auxiliary members to your Post or Unit for use in their respective incentive programs.

This S.A.L. "Blue Brigade" award will be my:

- A. First S.A.L. "Blue Brigade" Award
- B. Other (i.e. Consecutive years in a row) _____

*Consecutive year awardee receives a SAL "Blue Brigade" Certificate and Chevron

(PLEASE ENSURE PRINTED FORMS ARE LEGIBLE...)

(Please Select Jacket Size)

Size: (S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL 5XL)

Name _____ Squadron No. _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Member ID# _____

PHONE: (____) _____ Number of **NEW MEMBERS** enrolled (minimum 30) _____

Deliver to Recruiter Deliver to Squadron

USE ATTACHED NEW MEMBER LISTING FORM

*Please make sure that all new members listed have been processed and have been assigned a S.A.L. ID# in the national membership database before submission. Any new member not listed at the time of submission, will delay the approval process.



Fox Homecoming

March 17-20, 2022

**Thursday
St. Patricks Day Karaoke Night**

**Friday
Daytime- Tour of Hollywood Post 43-Light Morning Breakfast
Evening- Legion Family Casino Night with Dinner**

**Saturday
Daytime- Flying Flags for Heroes Event at Local Cemetery
Evening- Homecoming Gala held at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library
Please note ticket price includes a 2 hour tour of Library

I am Interested!

Name: _____ Guest Name: _____

Email: _____

Please check box of events you are interested in attending and enclose check. Mail check to

Fox Homecoming c/o DATATrue
115 W. California Blvd #248
Pasadena, CA 91105

- Thursday Friday-Daytime Friday Evening Saturday-Daytime
- Homecoming Gala Event-Black Tie (Optional)
You may pay with a Credit/Debit Card

Name: _____ Card No.: _____

EXP: _____ CVC: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

Please check this box if transportation is needed to events

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
CERTIFICATION FORM
NEW MEMBER LISTING**

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Department Adjutant (signature) _____

Detachment Adjutant (signature) _____

Date _____

Date _____

USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY



Hotel

Doubletree by Hilton Hotels-Monrovia-Pasadena
924 W Huntington Dr
Monrovia, CA 91016
Booking Link
www.my-event.hilton.com/salmichaelfoxhomecoming/

Tickets

Transportation available to and from hotel

Hollywood-Friday
\$50 per person

Legion Family Casino
Night w. Dinner
Friday Evening
\$50 per person

Homecoming @ Ronald
Reagan Presidential
Library- Saturday
\$75 per person

Meet your National Officers

MICHAEL FOX NATIONAL COMMANDER

Michael Fox was elected National Commander of the Sons of The American Legion in Phoenix during the national convention of the Sons of The American Legion.



Michael Fox has been a member of the Sons of The American Legion Haggin Grant Squadron 521 in Rio Linda, Calif., since the day he was born. He grew up in the organization alongside his father, Ned, and grandfather, Ed, a World War II veteran.

At the young age of five, Fox volunteered with his father at the local VA medical center, which helped him understand the service and sacrifice of veterans. Then, at the age of six he held his first elected position at Squadron 521 as sergeant-at-arms.

“I had enjoyed myself so much I knew that this organization would be a part of my life forever.”

Fox has also served as the Detachment of California sergeant-at-arms. And in 2014, he served as the Detachment of California commander; his father held this same position in 1976, which made Fox and his father the first father-son to hold the Detachment of California commander position.

Fox enjoys visiting the veterans home in Yountville, Calif; several times a year, and has attended the annual veterans picnic there for the past 39 years. He too enjoys helping with the American Legion Baseball tournament held at the veterans home.

Besides his devotion to American Legion programs, Fox said his first passion in life is his four girls – Hailey, 21; twin 16-year-olds Kaci and Kali; and Skye, 12. As a single father, Fox said, “We are a close family and receive an unlimited amount of support from my parents Ned and Debbie Fox.”

Fox said his fiancé, Crystal Reagan, “is my true-life partner and greatest supporter” and has brought

three more children into his life of her own, ages 23-12.

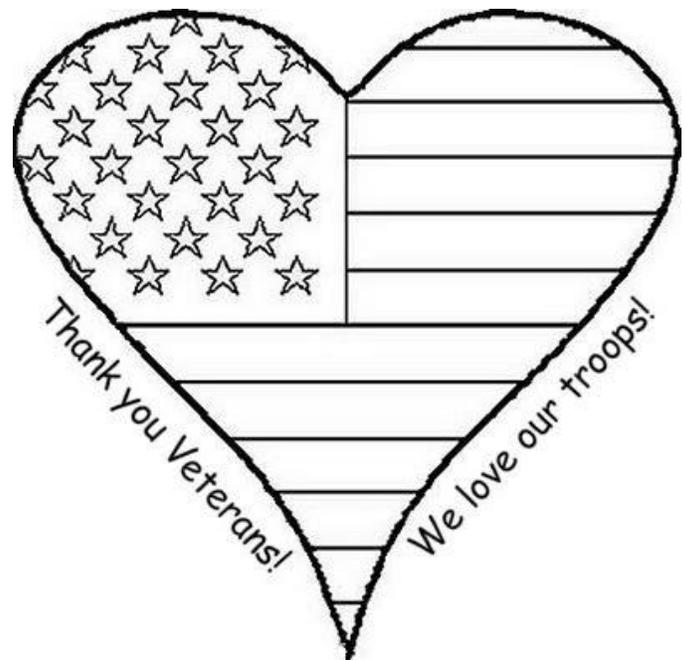
Fox has been a state certified general journeyman commercial electrician for 22 years and works for an owner who is also a Sons member.

This is Part 1 of a 6-Part series introducing our National Elected Officers to the membership.



Appointments on the books:

- **National Commander Michael Fox**
- **National Membership Committee Chairman Thom Skelley**
- **Fox Squad Chief of Staff Bob Brown**
- ***Who's next?***



Flying Flags For Heroes

Date: October 18, 2021
To: All Members of the
Sons of the American Legion
National Executive Committee
All Detachment Commanders
All Detachment Adjutants

National Commander Michael Fox launched his 2021-2022 Service Project, Flying Flags for Heroes just before the close of the National Convention. He set a National Goal of placing 1,000,000 flags at the gravesites of Veterans in local cemeteries before the end of his term as National Commander.

At the recent National Executive Committee meeting, we provided more detailed information, as well as training for the Detachment Commanders.

Commander Fox is requiring that each Detachment provide two key pieces of information by no later than Sunday, October 31, 2021:

1. The Detachment's goal of the total number of flags they will place at the gravesites of Veterans in local cemeteries before the start of the 2022 National Convention in Milwaukee.
2. The complete contact information (name, mailing address, email address and phone number) for the person who will be the key contact person for your Detachment and will "own" the administration and success of Flying Flags for Heroes in your state.

Commander Fox has appointed Tim Aboudara, Sr. to the position of National Commander's Liaison for Flying Flags for Heroes. It is imperative that you get the information to Tim by the due date via email.

We will be scheduling virtual training in early November for the people designated as the Detachment Flying Flags for Heroes Chairman. In addition, we are including the outline of "speaking points for Flying Flags for Heroes.

Please direct any questions that you have to Tim.

Tim Aboudara, Sr.,
National Commander's Liaison
Flying Flags for Heroes
Phone: 707-494-4314
Email: taboudasar@gmail.com



flyingflagsforheroes.com

Flying Flags for Heroes National "Message" Outline

"Every Day is Memorial Day"

- A unique national service project instituted by SAL National Commander Michael Fox
- What is it? a project to honor our deceased veterans interred/buried in local cemeteries. (This is the focus.... National Cemeteries throughout the country have programs in place where most local cemeteries do not.) 400,000 veterans are buried in local cemeteries each year.
- The goal: to place 1M(illion) flags at the gravesites of veterans in local cemeteries during Commander Fox' term as National Commander.
- This is a simple service project that can touch every community:
 - The Legion Family (Squadrons, Posts, and Units)
 - Engage the Community
 - A win/win/win for everyone
 - Honor our veterans any day
- The "How":
 - Contact your local cemetery
 - Explain the goal
 - Many have flags that can be placed
 - Pick the day
 - Engage the community
 - High School Service Project!!
 - On the day of the flag placing
 - Place flags at each veteran's gravesite
 - Make it ceremonial
 - Take pictures
 - Count the number of flags placed

- Post the number of flags placed and upload photos to www.flyingflagsforheroes.com
- Possible pushbacks:
 - The cemetery does not have flags
 - Go to and purchase flags (Made in the USA...very affordable)
 - The cemetery will not let us leave the flags.
 - At the conclusion of the ceremony and pictures, simply pick up the flags and use them for another event
- Resources:
 - www.flyingflagsforheroes.com
 - Depending on the date and time, Michael and/or Preston Sharp may be available to attend
 - Members of Michael's "Cabinet" are also available!
- Expected from each Detachment:
 - A person to be the primary contact/resource person in each Detachment. The contact information to be provided by each Detachment's NEC no later than the October 2 and 3 NEC Meeting
 - Each Detachment establishes a goal of the total number of flags to be placed their Detachment. The Goal must be provided by October 19, 2021.
- Wrap up
 - There are very few service projects that can be more meaningful, based on the Legion Family's Core Values than this! Minimal fund raising, maximum patriotism, Americanism and "feel good!"
 - This is intended to become a permanent program after Michael's term ends.



**Sons of American legion
Detachment of Ohio**

**Go Pro 8 drawer tool chest
On wheels**

**Tickets
\$5.00 each**

*To be raffled off at
Midwinter Conference
2022*

*Extra items
will be added for a
bonus prize*



*Make all checks out to
David L. Dilts
In the memo line put
gifts for Yanks donation*

**100% of the proceeds are going
towards Gifts for Yanks
program**

For tickets, please contact
Dave Dilts, Second Vice-Commander
Detachment of Ohio
SAL2ndvice@ohiolegion.com
davidleedilts@hotmail.com
(740) 319-1255



**MOTIVATE
INSPIRE
TEAMWORK**

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
CWF - DONATIONS REPORT**

As of: **October 15, 2021**
Page 1 of 2

Place a flower at the Tomb

The American Legion
OCT 19, 2021

DETACHMENT	2021 Donations (final)	2021 Membership (current)	2022 CWF Goal	2022 Donations	% of Goal	Donations Per Capita
AL - ALABAMA	\$ 4,508.00	2,440	\$ 2,440.00	\$ 136.00	5.6%	\$ 0.08
AK - ALASKA	\$ -	1,603	\$ 1,603.00	\$ 3,050.00	190.3%	\$ 1.90
AZ - ARIZONA	\$ 13,998.00	8,219	\$ 8,219.00	\$ 3,100.00	37.7%	\$ 0.38
AR - ARKANSAS	\$ 623.00	529	\$ 529.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
CA - CALIFORNIA	\$ 916.00	12,808	\$ 12,808.00	\$ 151.48	1.2%	\$ 0.01
CO - COLORADO	\$ 25,897.00	2,777	\$ 2,777.00	\$ 1,200.00	43.2%	\$ 0.43
CT - CONNECTICUT	\$ 2,000.00	1,935	\$ 1,935.00	\$ 1,500.00	77.5%	\$ 0.78
DE - DELAWARE	\$ 150.00	2,481	\$ 2,481.00	\$ 500.00	20.2%	\$ 0.20
DC - DIST OF COL	\$ -	88	\$ 88.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
FL - FLORIDA	\$ 61,550.00	23,128	\$ 23,128.00	\$ 5,930.00	25.6%	\$ 0.26
FR - FRANCE	\$ 300.00	229	\$ 229.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
GA - GEORGIA	\$ 3,733.04	4,662	\$ 4,662.00	\$ 4,950.00	106.2%	\$ 1.06
HI - HAWAII	\$ 360.00	53	\$ 53.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
ID - IDAHO	\$ 61.00	905	\$ 905.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
IL - ILLINOIS	\$ 33,953.53	14,135	\$ 14,135.00	\$ 1,330.00	9.4%	\$ 0.09
IN - INDIANA	\$ 27,291.00	36,788	\$ 36,788.00	\$ 455.00	1.2%	\$ 0.01
IA - IOWA	\$ 2,145.00	4,606	\$ 4,606.00	\$ 350.00	7.6%	\$ 0.08
KS - KANSAS	\$ 7,861.05	6,374	\$ 6,374.00	\$ 320.00	5.0%	\$ 0.05
KY - KENTUCKY	\$ 520.00	2,648	\$ 2,648.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
LA - LOUISIANA	\$ 850.00	1,836	\$ 1,836.00	\$ 1,457.20	79.4%	\$ 0.79
ME - MAINE	\$ -	2,854	\$ 2,854.00	\$ 2,610.00	91.5%	\$ 0.91
MD - MARYLAND	\$ 4,200.00	15,548	\$ 15,548.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MA - MASSACHUSETTS	\$ 5,445.00	5,662	\$ 5,662.00	\$ 299.00	5.3%	\$ 0.05
MX - MEXICO	\$ -	27	\$ 27.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MI - MICHIGAN	\$ 5,992.00	22,848	\$ 22,848.00	\$ 4,875.33	21.3%	\$ 0.21
MN - MINNESOTA	\$ 4,220.00	11,435	\$ 11,435.00	\$ 3,772.57	33.0%	\$ 0.33
MS - MISSISSIPPI	\$ 1,950.00	845	\$ 845.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MO - MISSOURI	\$ 2,013.00	3,410	\$ 3,410.00	\$ 332.00	9.7%	\$ 0.10
MT - MONTANA	\$ 1,500.00	1,422	\$ 1,422.00	\$ 50.00	3.5%	\$ 0.04
NE - NEBRASKA	\$ 5,912.00	7,004	\$ 7,004.00	\$ 1,050.00	15.0%	\$ 0.15
NV - NEVADA	\$ 500.00	401	\$ 401.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NH - NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$ 3,764.00	5,429	\$ 5,429.00	\$ 5,358.00	98.7%	\$ 0.99
NJ - NEW JERSEY	\$ 6,717.00	9,221	\$ 9,221.00	\$ 2,236.00	24.2%	\$ 0.24
NM - NEW MEXICO	\$ 100.00	1,476	\$ 1,476.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NY - NEW YORK	\$ 400.00	29,153	\$ 29,153.00	\$ 4,620.00	15.8%	\$ 0.16
NC - NORTH CAROLINA	\$ 3,400.00	4,190	\$ 4,190.00	\$ 1,400.00	33.4%	\$ 0.33
ND - NORTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,000.00	964	\$ 964.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
OH - OHIO	\$ 21,618.74	30,229	\$ 30,229.00	\$ 1,360.25	4.5%	\$ 0.04
OK - OKLAHOMA	\$ 7,967.00	1,514	\$ 1,514.00	\$ 2,559.00	169.0%	\$ 1.69
OR - OREGON	\$ 22,534.70	58,316	\$ 58,316.00	\$ 2,401.91	4.1%	\$ 0.04
PA - PENNSYLVANIA	\$ 300.00	65	\$ 65.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
PR - PUERTO RICO	\$ 191.00	88	\$ 88.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
RI - RHODE ISLAND	\$ 350.00	315	\$ 315.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
SC - SOUTH CAROLINA	\$ 3,110.00	1,725	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 876.00	50.8%	\$ 0.51
SD - SOUTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,001.00	1,119	\$ 1,119.00	\$ 904.76	80.9%	\$ 0.81
TN - TENNESSEE	\$ 200.00	2,104	\$ 2,104.00	\$ 2,460.00	116.9%	\$ 1.17
TX - TEXAS	\$ 7,947.83	6,167	\$ 6,167.00	\$ 10,159.00	164.7%	\$ 1.65
UT - UTAH	\$ 505.00	993	\$ 993.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
VT - VERMONT	\$ 5,702.00	3,772	\$ 3,772.00	\$ 2,250.00	59.7%	\$ 0.60
VA - VIRGINIA	\$ 4,950.00	4,187	\$ 4,187.00	\$ 500.00	11.9%	\$ 0.12
WA - WASHINGTON	\$ 50.00	3,234	\$ 3,234.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
WV - WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 1,164.00	2,233	\$ 2,233.00	\$ 3,800.00	170.2%	\$ 1.70
WI - WISCONSIN	\$ 170.00	4,071	\$ 4,071.00	\$ 200.00	4.9%	\$ 0.05
WY - WYOMING	\$ 5,600.00	1,393	\$ 1,393.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NATIONAL HQ	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,895.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grand Totals	\$ 317,190.89	374,225	\$ 374,225.00	\$ 80,398.50	21.5%	\$ 0.21

For the first time in nearly 100 years, the public will be able to walk on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Plaza at Arlington National Cemetery, as part of the Tomb's Centennial Commemoration.

The Public Flower Ceremony, to be held Nov. 9-10, will be free and open to the public and will allow them to personally pay their respects to the Unknown Soldier by laying flowers in front of him. This is a rare opportunity to walk next to the Tomb, a privilege otherwise given only to the sentinels of the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment, "The Old Guard."



An American Legion wreath made of 25,000 poppies was laid at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery on Friday, Feb. 23, 2018. Photo by Justin T. Geller-son.

**Sons of The American Legion
CWF - Donations by Region**

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DETACHMENT	2021 Donations (final)	2021 Membership (current)	2022 CWF Goal	2022 Donations	% of Goal	Donations Per Capita
Eastern Region						
CONNECTICUT	\$ 2,000.00	1,935	\$ 1,935.00	\$ 1,500.00	77.5%	\$ 0.78
DELAWARE	\$ 150.00	2,481	\$ 2,481.00	\$ 500.00	20.2%	\$ 0.20
DIST OF COL	\$ -	88	\$ 88.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
FRANCE	\$ 300.00	229	\$ 229.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MAINE	\$ -	2,854	\$ 2,854.00	\$ 2,610.00	91.5%	\$ 0.91
MARYLAND	\$ 4,200.00	15,548	\$ 15,548.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MASSACHUSETTS	\$ 5,445.00	5,662	\$ 5,662.00	\$ 299.00	5.3%	\$ 0.05
NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$ 3,764.00	5,429	\$ 5,429.00	\$ 5,358.00	98.7%	\$ 0.99
NEW JERSEY	\$ 6,717.00	9,221	\$ 9,221.00	\$ 2,236.00	24.2%	\$ 0.24
NEW YORK	\$ 400.00	29,153	\$ 29,153.00	\$ 4,620.00	15.8%	\$ 0.16
PENNSYLVANIA	\$ 22,534.70	58,316	\$ 58,316.00	\$ 2,401.91	4.1%	\$ 0.04
RHODE ISLAND	\$ 350.00	315	\$ 315.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
VERMONT	\$ 5,702.00	3,772	\$ 3,772.00	\$ 2,250.00	59.7%	\$ 0.60
WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 1,164.00	2,233	\$ 2,233.00	\$ 3,800.00	170.2%	\$ 1.70
Total:	\$ 52,726.70	137,236	\$137,236.00	\$25,574.91	18.6%	\$ 0.19
Central Region						
ILLINOIS	\$ 33,953.53	14,135	\$ 14,135.00	\$ 1,330.00	9.4%	\$ 0.09
INDIANA	\$ 27,291.00	36,788	\$ 36,788.00	\$ 455.00	1.2%	\$ 0.01
IOWA	\$ 2,145.00	4,606	\$ 4,606.00	\$ 350.00	7.6%	\$ 0.08
MICHIGAN	\$ 5,992.00	22,848	\$ 22,848.00	\$ 4,875.33	21.3%	\$ 0.21
MINNESOTA	\$ 4,220.00	11,435	\$ 11,435.00	\$ 3,772.57	33.0%	\$ 0.33
MISSOURI	\$ 2,013.00	3,410	\$ 3,410.00	\$ 332.00	9.7%	\$ 0.10
OHIO	\$ 21,618.74	30,229	\$ 30,229.00	\$ 1,360.25	4.5%	\$ 0.04
WISCONSIN	\$ 170.00	4,071	\$ 4,071.00	\$ 200.00	4.9%	\$ 0.05
Total:	\$ 97,403.27	127,522	\$127,522.00	\$12,675.15	9.9%	\$ 0.10
Western Region						
ALASKA	\$ -	1,603	\$ 1,603.00	\$ 3,050.00	190.3%	\$ 1.90
ARIZONA	\$ 13,998.00	8,219	\$ 8,219.00	\$ 3,100.00	37.7%	\$ 0.38
CALIFORNIA	\$ 916.00	12,808	\$ 12,808.00	\$ 151.48	1.2%	\$ 0.01
HAWAII	\$ 360.00	53	\$ 53.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
IDAHO	\$ 61.00	905	\$ 905.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NEVADA	\$ 500.00	401	\$ 401.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
OREGON	\$ 7,967.00	1,514	\$ 1,514.00	\$ 2,559.00	169.0%	\$ 1.69
PHILIPPINES	\$ 300.00	65	\$ 65.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
UTAH	\$ 505.00	993	\$ 993.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
WASHINGTON	\$ 50.00	3,234	\$ 3,234.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
Total:	\$ 24,657.00	29,795	\$ 29,795.00	\$ 8,660.48	29.7%	\$ 0.30

DETACHMENT	2021 Donations (final)	2021 Membership (current)	2022 CWF Goal	2022 Donations	% of Goal	Donations Per Capita
Southern Region						
ALABAMA	\$ 4,508.00	2,440	\$ 2,440.00	\$ 136.00	5.6%	\$ 0.06
ARKANSAS	\$ 623.00	529	\$ 529.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
FLORIDA	\$ 61,550.00	23,128	\$ 23,128.00	\$ 5,930.00	25.6%	\$ 0.26
GEORGIA	\$ 3,733.04	4,662	\$ 4,662.00	\$ 4,950.00	106.2%	\$ 1.06
KENTUCKY	\$ 520.00	2,648	\$ 2,648.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
LOUISIANA	\$ 850.00	1,836	\$ 1,836.00	\$ 1,457.20	79.4%	\$ 0.79
MISSISSIPPI	\$ 1,950.00	845	\$ 845.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NORTH CAROLINA	\$ 3,400.00	4,190	\$ 4,190.00	\$ 1,400.00	33.4%	\$ 0.33
PUERTO RICO	\$ 191.00	88	\$ 88.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
SOUTH CAROLINA	\$ 3,110.00	1,725	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 876.00	50.8%	\$ 0.51
TENNESSEE	\$ 200.00	2,104	\$ 2,104.00	\$ 2,460.00	116.9%	\$ 1.17
VIRGINIA	\$ 4,950.00	4,187	\$ 4,187.00	\$ 500.00	11.9%	\$ 0.12
Total:	\$ 85,585.04	48,382	\$ 48,382.00	\$ 17,709.20	36.6%	\$ 0.37
Midwest Region						
COLORADO	\$ 25,897.00	2,777	\$ 2,777.00	\$ 1,200.00	43.2%	\$ 0.43
KANSAS	\$ 7,861.05	6,374	\$ 6,374.00	\$ 320.00	5.0%	\$ 0.05
MEXICO	\$ -	27	\$ 27.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MONTANA	\$ 1,500.00	1,422	\$ 1,422.00	\$ 50.00	3.5%	\$ 0.04
NEBRASKA	\$ 5,912.00	7,004	\$ 7,004.00	\$ 1,050.00	15.0%	\$ 0.15
NEW MEXICO	\$ 100.00	1,476	\$ 1,476.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NORTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,000.00	964	\$ 964.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
OKLAHOMA	\$ -	2,567	\$ 2,567.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
SOUTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,001.00	1,119	\$ 1,119.00	\$ 904.76	80.9%	\$ 0.81
TEXAS	\$ 7,947.83	6,167	\$ 6,167.00	\$ 10,159.00	164.7%	\$ 1.65
WYOMING	\$ 5,600.00	1,393	\$ 1,393.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
Total:	\$ 56,818.88	31,290	\$ 31,290.00	\$ 13,683.76	43.7%	\$ 0.44
National HQ	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,895.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grand Total:	\$ 317,190.89	374,225	\$ 374,225.00	\$ 80,398.50	21.5%	\$ 0.21
<i>Donations listed above are as of: October 15, 2021</i>						
<i>Membership numbers listed are as of: October 15, 2021</i>						

The hours to participate are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The flower ceremony will start on Nov. 9 at 8 a.m. with representatives from the Crow Nation placing flowers at the Tomb and reciting the prayer given 100 years ago by Chief Plenty Coups. Interpretive talks will be given from the Memorial Amphitheater west steps throughout the day. The ceremony will end on Nov. 10 at 4 p.m. with the original benediction recited by Army Chief of Chaplains Maj. Gen. Thomas L. Solhjelm. On Nov. 11, the public will be invited to observe a joint full honors proces-

sion (meant to replicate elements of the World War I Unknown Soldier's 1921 funeral procession), and a joint service flyover (aerial review) with aircraft from all branches of the military. The public is invited to stand along a special procession route to participate.

Visitors are encouraged to bring their own flowers, but complimentary roses, gerbera daisies and sunflowers will be available. All visitors must have a government-issued ID for access. Registration is required at [Eventbrite](#).




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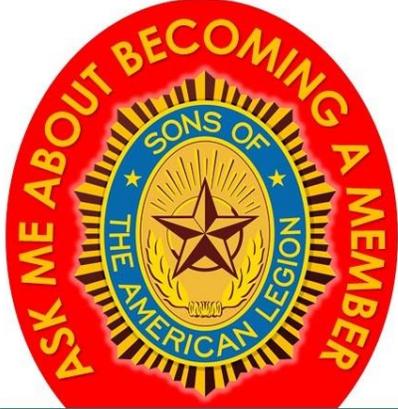
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