



Round-Up

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Commander's Message



MICHAEL FOX
NATIONAL COMMANDER
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Dear Sons of The American Legion,

Congratulations to the 36 detachments that achieved the 75% membership goal and a special congratulations to the 19 detachments that are already over the 80% in membership. Your efforts are paying off; keep up the hard work.

The next membership target date, 80%, is March 9. Where will your detachment be by then? How much closer can you get to your 105% goal?

The next scheduled mailed renewal notice is April 22. Let's all focus hard on renewals. We

currently have just over 100,000 members that have not yet renewed. What are we waiting for? Let's pick up the phone and start calling those members.

Remember that anyone who has not renewed at this point is no longer a member with all the great benefits that come with being a Son of The American Legion.

There is no limit to the amount of good we can do.

We are the Sons of The American Legion.

We are #SALSTRONG.

God bless our veterans, God bless our military in harm's way, and God bless the United States of America.

Yours in Service,

*Michael Fox, National Commander
Sons of The American Legion
2021 – 2022*



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NOT THROUGH POSITION



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SAL membership reports are available [here](#)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

TARGET DATE



March 9, 2022

AMERICAN LEGION



American Legion calls urgent meetings on Ukraine

The American Legion
FEB 24, 2022

The head of the nation's largest veterans organization has called an emergency meeting of its top leaders to discuss the Russian invasion of Ukraine and a recommended U.S. response.

"The American Legion is deeply concerned about today's invasion of Ukraine by Russia and how this military action affects U.S. security, Europe and the rest of the world," American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard said.

"The American Legion National Security Commission is meeting urgently to address the situation with plans to recommend to the organization's National Executive Committee (board of directors) a statement of policy and recommended course of action that restores peace immediately."



Virtual conference, real results

By Paul E. Dillard, National Commander
FEB 23, 2022

Though the [2022 American Legion Washington Conference](#) will not be the massive gathering that we have enjoyed prior to the pandemic, members of the nation’s largest veterans organization can expect meaningful results to arise from our virtual advocacy.

[The legislative agenda that The American Legion presents to the second session of the 117th Congress](#) is ambitious and timely. And in many ways, it is overdue.

Veterans exposed to toxic burn pits have waited far too long for the presumption of service connection to be established. The American Legion urges Congress to pass legislation that requires VA to presume exposure for veterans deployed to areas with known environmental hazards, establishes a framework for the presumptive process and creates a list of presumptive illnesses associated with burn pits. Urgent action is needed to ensure that veterans have access to the care they need and have earned.

I am disappointed that access is still very limited at the U.S. Capitol. As I wrote in [a letter to senior congressional leaders](#) in October, “The People’s House should not be closed to groups such as ours a day longer than necessary.”

Yet, through the use of email, phone calls and personal visits to congressional district offices, there are still many ways for Legionnaires to advance our priorities. First, I recommend that you [watch the Know Before You Go video](#).

Then, return to [legion.org](#) on Tuesday, March 8, at 10 a.m. to watch a livestream of my testimony before a joint session of senators and representatives

hosted by the [House Committee on Veterans Affairs](#).

As you communicate with your representative and senators, I ask that you remember an important principle that has served our organization well for 103 years. The American Legion is nonpartisan. We are there to advance policies, not personalities. It is not the time to espouse political viewpoints, unrelated agendas, or personal attacks.

Remember, not every member of Congress is going to agree with us on every issue. Be polite and respectful in these instances and there is a good chance that the member will be willing to reconsider or work with us on other issues of importance to the Legion.

Whether we are advocating for better health care or protecting the U.S. flag from desecration, it’s important to always remember our core constituents – the men and women who went into harm’s way and defended America.

For God and Country,

*Paul E. Dillard, National Commander
The American Legion*

American Legion Washington Conference Schedule

The American Legion's Washington Conference, held annually in our nation's capital, gives our organization's leadership a chance to meet with elected officials to discuss legislative initiatives and priorities important to Legion members and their families. It also provides a forum that allows Legionnaires to hear from senators, representatives, and officials from the White House and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) as they address our members at the conference.

The 2022 Washington Conference will be held virtually.

SATURDAY MARCH 5, 2022 Legislative Commission meeting

The Legislative Commission will hold its virtual meeting at Washington Conference starting at noon EST Saturday, March 5.

To join the Legislative Commission meeting virtually, [register at this Zoom link](#).

National Security Commission meeting

The National Security Commission will hold its virtual meeting at Washington Conference starting at 10 a.m. EST Saturday, March 5.

To join the National Security Commission meeting virtually, [visit this link.](#)

Veterans Education & Employment (VE&E) Commission

The Veterans Education & Employment Commission will hold its virtual meeting at Washington Conference starting at 9 a.m. EST Saturday, March 5.

To join the VE&E Commission meeting virtually, [visit this link.](#)

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R) Commission meeting - Morning Session

The Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission will hold the morning session of its virtual meeting at Washington Conference starting at 10 a.m. EST Saturday, March 5.

To join the VA&R Commission morning meeting virtually, [register at this Zoom link.](#)

Health Administration Committee / Veterans Benefits Committee / National Cemetery Committee

These three committees will meet concurrently at noon EST on Saturday, March 5.

To join the Health Administration Committee virtually, [register at this Zoom link.](#)

To join the Veterans Benefits Committee virtually, [register at this Zoom link.](#)

To join the National Cemetery Committee virtually, [register at this Zoom link.](#)

The TBI-PTSD Suicide Prevention Committee meeting

The TBI/PTSD Suicide Prevention Committee will meet at 1 p.m. EST Saturday, March 5.

To join the TBI-PTSD Suicide Prevention Committee virtually, [register at this Zoom link.](#)

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R) Commission meeting - Afternoon Session.

The Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission will hold the afternoon session of its virtual meeting at Washington Conference starting at 2 p.m. EST Saturday, March 5.

To join the VA&R Commission afternoon meeting virtually, [register at this Zoom link.](#)

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022

National Commander's Testimony

National Commander Paul E. Dillard and several commission chairmen will be in Washington, D.C., to provide testimony at 10 a.m. EST on Tuesday, March 5. The testimony will be livestreamed. Check back for more details.



Stars and Stripes photo

VA proposes changing disability ratings for mental health, other conditions

By Nikki Wentling/Stars and Stripes
FEB 17, 2022

The Department of Veterans Affairs is considering changes to its disability rating system for some conditions to bring it in line with modern medicine, the agency announced.

The proposed changes were posted to the Federal Register on Tuesday. They focus on [ratings for respiratory conditions](#), as well as [mental health](#) and ear, nose and throat disorders. In some cases, such as with mental health, asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, the changes would lessen the requirements that veterans need to meet to receive a 100% disability rating.

The changes are part of a larger effort, started in 2017, to make the entire disability rating system more up to date, the department said. VA Secretary Denis McDonough said Wednesday during a news conference that the system was first developed in 1945 and “has hardly changed since.”

“We’re in the process of modernizing the schedule to account for today’s understanding of diseases and treatments to ensure that veterans getting the ratings, and therefore the care and benefits, deserved,” he said.

The amendments, if approved, will not lead to any reductions in disability ratings for veterans who are already receiving compensation. However, those veterans can apply for an increase if they think the changes mean they could secure higher ratings, the agency said.

For mental health, the VA proposes increasing the minimum disability rating that a veteran could receive for a mental disorder from 0% to 10%. In addition, the proposal would do away with a rule that states a veteran cannot receive a 100% rating for a mental health condition if they’re able to work.

“Holding down a job doesn’t prevent veterans from being rated 100% for physical health conditions, so it shouldn’t prevent them from being rated at 100% for a mental health condition,” McDonough said. “The proposed rule will right that wrong and ensure veterans don’t have to choose between a job and the benefits they deserve.”

The department is also proposing a broader change for its evaluation of mental health conditions, basing the ratings decisions on a “more robust and holistic approach,” the department said. The agency will assess how the condition affects a veteran’s cognition, interpersonal relationships, ability to complete tasks, life activities and self-care.

In addition to easing the requirements for mental health, the VA proposes making it easier for veterans to receive a 100% rating for asthma. The VA bases that rating on the results of a pulmonary function test, which shows how well a veteran’s lungs are working.

Veterans with other conditions would receive lower disability ratings under the proposal. Some veterans suffering from sleep apnea would not receive any compensation under the proposed rules. If a veteran has sleep apnea but is fully treated by a CPAP machine, they would get a rating of 0%. CPAP machines are worn over the nose and mouth

while sleeping and deliver a continuous stream of pressurized air.

Also under the changes, fewer veterans are likely to be given a rating for tinnitus, which is a ringing or buzzing in the ears. The VA proposes considering tinnitus only as a symptom of an underlying condition, rather than a stand-alone disability.

A full list of the changes can be found on the Federal Register. Members of the public have until April 18 to comment on the proposals. As of Wednesday — one day after they were posted — the changes had garnered nearly 700 comments.

“This appears to have generated interest, even overnight, with hundreds of comments on each of the proposed systems,” McDonough said. “I encourage anyone to submit a comment if they have one.”

Since September 2017, the VA has updated its rating system for nine other categories of medical conditions, including dental, gynecological, eye, heart, and skin conditions, as well as infectious diseases and others.



Using informational interviews to begin your career

From Military.com
SEP 06, 2016

If you know the industry you want to enter for your new post-military civilian career, or even if you have no idea, informational interviews can be incredibly useful in determining and pursuing your next step.

What is an informational interview? An informational interview is when you set up a fairly informal meeting with someone to discuss their job or expertise about an industry, and ask for career advice for the purpose of your career advancement.

It might start with a connection introducing you to the potential interviewee, reaching out to someone with a request to grab coffee together via social media, or any other way that you can connect with someone who has career expertise from which you can learn.

How can informational interviews be useful? For those who know what industry, company, or job they want to be in, the informational interview can be used to do the following:

- Confirm you made the right choice and that this is a good fit.
- Find out what the job is actually like and what the requirements are, so that you can better revise your resume to fit and prepare appropriate responses to interview questions.
- Learn about the culture so you are mentally prepared when you start your new job.

The veteran who is still trying to figure out what industry or company is a good fit will find informational interviews useful for the following:

- Find out what companies are the main players in specific industries.
- Understand what types of jobs these companies have, so you can target your resume and begin career planning toward that newly discovered dream job.
- Learn about the day-to-day specifics of a particular job to know early on if applying for it would be worth your time, or if doing the job would drive you insane.

Some questions for you to consider. Your next step is to know what you will discuss during your informational interview. To help you in this step, here are some questions that you might want to ask:

- What is the day-to-day like? What do you actually do, and how does that contribute to the team?
- How much do politics play into work life?
- Is there much of a work-life balance?
- How did you land your position, and what would you have done differently, if anything?
- Have you seen anything applicants have done wrong in the job application or interview process?
- What advice do you have for someone in their first year in the company, to help them stand out and advance their career?

- Is there much growth potential? How do people in this company move up?
- What is the culture of the industry/company/team? Does this fit well with military culture?
- If you were to describe the CEO as a Disney villain, who would it be?

That last question should probably not be asked. We included it here to remind you to keep it light.

This should be a conversation, not a boring actual interview. This is your chance to talk with someone who understands your potential industry, get to know them, and maybe gain a contact who will vouch for you down the road.

So, approach the informational interview in a friendly yet professional manner, offer to pay for their coffee, and remember to thank them for their time. You will have, we hope, left a lasting impression with said person, but also come away with a better understanding of where you might want to take your career.

This is your career we're talking about – do your homework. Don't simply jump in blind, or you might soon find yourself lost.



MEETINGS AND REPORTS OF NATIONAL COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

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

50th Convention Commemoration Committee *Joseph Gladden (MD), Chairman*

Advisory Committee *Robert McBride (OH), Chairman*

One of the most powerful questions a leader can ask their people is, "What can I do to help you?"

-NATE MILLER

Americanism Commission

Joseph Navarrete (NM), Chairman

Fourth Thursday of each month
7:30 p.m. Eastern | 6:30 p.m. Central
5:30 p.m. Mountain | 4:30 p.m. Pacific
Call in # (508) 924 3315
Access Code: NONE

<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/x19ct26>

Conference Call Schedule:

March 24, 2022 | April 28, 2022
May 27, 2022 | June 23, 2022
July 28, 2022 | August 25, 2022

Century Committee (CENTCOM)

Joe Paviglianti (NY), Chairman

Child Welfare Foundation Committee

Mark Nave (PA), Chairman

Third Wednesday of each month
8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Call in # (605) 472-5332
Access Code: 808 417
Online Meeting ID:

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

Children & Youth Committee

James A. Noble (NJ), Chairman

Second Monday of each month
7:30 p.m. Eastern Time
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/82612571196?pwd=dERwNDJNcWwzNG9UYUJlMmpEMm53QT09>

Meeting ID: 826 1257 1196
Passcode: bJDV9V

Watch the National Children & Youth
Academy promo video [HERE](#)

Committee on Committees

Ron Roberts, (MS), Chairman

Finance Commission

William G. Hill (MD), Chairman



FLYING FLAGS FOR HEROES

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Tim Aboudara, Sr.,
National Service Project Coordinator

**As of Saturday, 184,742 flags
have been placed and reported
to honor our veterans**

Internal Affairs Commission

William Clancy, III (NY), Chairman

Fourth Thursday of each month
6:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Call in # (605) 313-6050
Access Code: 344590

The IA Commission is challenging itself to look at ways to make improvements to the organization that might not fall under any other commission, committee, or National Officer. We are looking at a number of topics, referring some ideas to others to see if it is their 'turf' and taking on some ourselves.

The IA Commission will still review and resolutions as they present themselves - this is not changing.

Following is a summary of The IA Commission Jan 27. Conf. Call. All members were in attendance.

IA Chairman Clancy summarized the changes of the prior 2 months - namely that the goal originally assigned to the IA Commission (update the constitution and bylaws) had been reassigned to TAL Judge Advocate, and that the IA commission now had capacity to look at other ways to make impact, think broadly about improvements that do NOT fall under other Comm. or Committees. He reported that Membership/MTD and Convention were all working well towards their goals. No resolutions had yet presented themselves for consideration at spring NEC.

Resolution Deadline before spring NEC. It was discussed that a deadline for submission of any resolutions should be set 3 weeks prior to spring NEC. This would allow IA and Nat. Adj. Anything Wright to present a bundle of any resolutions to all NEC men in advance of the meeting. This was agreed upon without any dissent. We have deferred to Nat. Adj Anthony Wright for input.

How Nat. Appointees are Notified of their Appointment. Discussion that began in our Dec. meeting continued. Members seemed in general agreement that this was a good idea that this could be improved upon and codified. Multiple approaches on how to achieve this were discussed but it was generally agreed that a resolution would be the best. IA Vice-Chair Bear Weinzirl offered to draft such resolution for consideration.

“About The SAL” How we describe who we are / what we do. It was discussed that when we, as an organization, are describing ourselves in literature, on our website tab etc., the description lacks any reference to the massive amount of youth-oriented programs and youth fundraising we do, and that a ‘repositioning’ of what the SAL is about would help our efforts to broaden our appeal to families and youth.

There was no notable disagreement that this should be considered, but noted that this may fall under the PR Commission. This topic has been referred to PR Chrm. Parsons for an opinion.

Engaging New Members to Increase Enthusiasm & Retention. It was discussed that the information about the SAL given to new members varies wildly from squadron to squadron, and generally does a poor job of conveying how big, dynamic, and impactful we are on a Detachment or National Level. Several ways were discussed as how to achieve this, but what was settled upon was the concept of an annual ‘Welcome Message/Challenge from the National Commander to new members posted as a PDF on the National Website, and updated annually.

The letter would be bold and bulleted, not long, and boring, taping key details from the National CSR summary of our aggregate accomplishments, which are impressive and inspiring in and of themselves. Det. Adjs would then be encouraged to drive squadron adjutants to give this to new members with their new membership card. It was agreed that the commission would try to draft such a letter for the commission to review and share with Commander Fox for his opinion.

Engaging Members at renewal to drive Enthusiasm & Retention. Basically, the same message as above, get an impactful message to all members and at the time of their renewal. In this case however, it was felt that this might fall under the Membership Committee. This has been re-

ferred to Membership Chrm. Skelley for consideration.

Any best practices from informal regional meetings to be shared? Various discussion, some regions meet informally some do not. It was discussed if there were merits / pros/cons to different types of gatherings in regions or between detachments. It was agreed to table this topic at this point and focus on other initiatives.

Internal Affairs Monthly Meetings – All Are Most Welcome to Join or Submit Ideas. We agreed that the 4th Thursday of every month at 6PM EST would be our monthly meeting. Call in Number: 605-313-6050. IDCODE: 344590. Moderator code: Bill167 - Whoever gets on 1st, feel free to enter the moderator code.

Legislative Commission

Thomas G. Deal (MD), Chairman

First Thursday of each month
7:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Call in # (267) 807-9601
Access Code 988 284 103#

Member Training and Development Committee

Michael Monserud (IA), Chairman

First Monday of each month
8:00 p.m. Eastern
Call in # (605) 468-8772
Access Code: 625764#



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YOU
TO RENEW!!!**

Sub-Committee on Resolutions

Ned Fox (CA), Chairman

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

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 845 1668 0686

Passcode: 243945

Veterans Employment & Education Commission

Chuck Treat (AZ), Chairman

Third Wednesday of Each Month

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

Call In # (508) 924-3315

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March 16, 2022

April 20, 2022 | May 18, 2022

June 15, 2022 | July 17, 2022

August 25, 2022

Sons of The American Legion Veterans Employment and Education Commission SOP for Detachments. The creation of a Veterans Employment and Education Committee (or Sub-committee) within a Detachment can greatly benefit the Sons of The American Legion. While VE&E and VA&R are closely tied and often associated together, they cover completely different issues America's veterans are facing.

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation. Program Outline

- I. Volunteer Services
- II. Support Military Troops
 - a. USO
 - b. Squadron/Individual Support (Phone cards, Care Packages)
 - c. POW/MIA Issues
 - d. AL Operation Comfort Warrior
- III. My Healthy Vet III. Collaborative Program Efforts
 - a. National Veterans Assistance Day
 - b. Fisher House

- c. Veterans Suicide Prevention as well as other programs.

Veterans Employment and Education deals with programs involving veterans education, small business, employment, veterans preference, VA home loans, homeless veterans, training, licensing and certification, transition, USERRA, and other issues related to economics. so, you can see, there is too much ground to cover by only one committee/commission.

Suggested responsibilities for a Detachment VE&E Committee would include (not limited to):

- Coordinate with the national VE&E Commission (attend meetings and conference calls)
- Coordinate with your respective Department VE&E Commission to assist in job/career fairs, homeless stand-downs, or other events.
- Disseminate the information provided by the VE&E Commissions on the state and national level to the District/County and Squadron levels.
- Identify the active community-based Veteran Service Providers in your areas
- Educate yourselves and your members on veteran homelessness so you may educate others.
- Promote local businesses that hire veterans
- Hold a fundraiser/make a donation to a veterans outreach program
- Contact local officials to see what is being done to end veteran homelessness-become an advocate

In short, there are numerous ways that your Detachment can advocate for, assist, and promote Veterans Employment and Education.





Marvin P. Nay
Veterans Employment and Education
Outstanding Contributor Award
Criteria

- The nominee shall be a member in good standing in the Sons of The American Legion
- The nominee shall be engaged in the fundraising, distribution of funds or goods, and/or volunteering at an event deemed beneficial to veterans' employment and/or education (to include homelessness)
- At least one picture of the nominee at the event must be submitted with the nomination form
- The nominee must be wearing identifiable SAL clothing (cover, cap, shirt, jacket or combination)
- The nomination form must be signed by the nominator and "attested to" by a Post/Squadron officer, to include title

Mail completed nomination form to: (include pictures)

The American Legion National Headquarters
 c/o Sons of The American Legion
 P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206-1055
 RE: Marvin P. Nay VE&E Award Nomination
 OR

Scan & email to: sal@legion.org (write in subject line: "Marvin P. Nay VE&E Award Nomination")

- All nominations must be received prior to the Veterans Employment and Education Commission meeting during the Spring NEC meetings for consideration (the award recipient will be voted on at that time to ensure proper time for presentation at the National Convention)
- A Detachment may submit more than one (1) nominee
- A Sons of The American Legion member may nominate himself



Marvin P. Nay
Veterans Employment and Education
Outstanding Contributor Award
Nomination Form

Nominee: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone/email: _____
 Squadron name/number: _____ Detachment: _____
 Membership I.D. # _____

Contribution Details

How many events: _____
 Total volunteer hours: _____
 Total money raised/donated: _____

Description details (who, where, when, what) include picture(s):

Submitted by: _____ Title: _____
 Attested by: _____ Title: _____



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
<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/jeffvrabelsr>
 Call In # (425) 436-6280
 Access Code 464549*

You are doing an amazing job! As of Friday's national membership report, five Detachments in the Central Region are at 81.44% or higher. Collectively, the Central Region came in at 80.65%, but still in second place behind the Eastern Region, who reported 81.73% of its members paid.

The Central Region needs 24,178 to reach quota, while the Eastern Region needs 24,892 for the goal.

This will be a very interesting race to the finish, with the Southern Region right behind us.

What will you do to help us reach quota before any other Region? Will you make Buddy Checks? Will you recruit? Can you help process membership cards? What will YOU do to get us there? **Who's next?**

Congratulations to Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, and Ohio for passing the 80% mark. Keep up your great work. Illinois, Missouri, and Indiana are right there knocking on the door, and I am very confident that these Detachments will be at the 80% mark well before the March 9 target date.

Now is the time for every member of our organization to do whatever is necessary to help renew our 70,000+ members who have not renewed to do so, and to do so now.

Remind the delinquent member that he is honoring the veteran who made him eligible by paying his dues. For some of us, we cannot talk to that veteran any more, but we can honor them everyday by being a Proud Possessor of a Priceless Heritage, and a member of Sons of The American Legion.

As a region, let's hit 90% by March 9. Are you up to the challenge?

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.

		02/24/22
	Detachment	Renewal %
1	Iowa	77.98%
2	Wisconsin	77.71%
3	Ohio	75.41%
4	Minnesota	74.75%
5	Illinois	74.37%
6	Michigan	73.59%
7	Indiana	71.54%
8	Missouri	69.64%
	NATIONAL	72.36%



Is your name Jeff? Email me.
jeffvrabelsr@gmail.com

2022 Central Region Membership Report

2022 MEMBERSHIP					02/24/22
Region	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase
1 Eastern 6, 7	136,233	111,341	24,892	81.73%	1,632
2 Central 4, 6	124,977	100,799	24,178	80.65%	1,709
3 Southern 3, 4, 5, 6	42,593	33,989	8,604	79.80%	489
4 Midwest 3, 4	28,508	22,075	6,433	77.43%	260
5 Western 4	24,414	18,510	5,904	75.82%	290
TOTALS	356,725	286,714	70,011	80.37%	4,380

Membership ahead/behind prior year target date N/A

Central Region - Jeff Vrabel, Sr. (OH)						
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	National Rank
1 Michigan 1, 5, 6, 7	21,985	18,832	3,153	85.66%	470	10
2 Wisconsin 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	3,914	3,304	610	84.41%	60	13
3 Iowa 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	4,571	3,835	736	83.90%	28	14
4 Minnesota 1, 4, 5, 6, 7	11,091	9,037	2,054	81.48%	5	21
5 Ohio 1, 4, 5, 6, 7	29,946	24,387	5,559	81.44%	402	22
6 Illinois 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	13,602	10,832	2,770	79.64%	9	27
7 Missouri 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	3,211	2,507	704	78.08%	22	33
8 Indiana 1	36,657	28,065	8,592	76.56%	713	40
TOTALS	99,078	78,663	20,415	79.40%	1,709	

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% - DATE REVISED TO 02/16/22
- 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	3,304	610	84.41%	4.20%
Iowa	4,571	3,835	736	83.90%	4.88%
Missouri	3,211	2,507	704	78.08%	3.19%
TOTALS	11,696	9,646	3,751	82.47%	12.26%

White Division					
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Percent of Region
Minnesota	11,091	9,037	2,054	81.48%	11.49%
Illinois	13,602	10,832	2,770	79.64%	13.77%
TOTALS	13,602	10,832	2,770	79.64%	13.77%

Blue Division					
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Percent of Region
Michigan	21,985	18,832	3,153	85.66%	23.94%
Ohio	29,946	24,387	5,559	81.44%	31.00%
Indiana	36,657	28,065	8,592	76.56%	35.68%
TOTALS	66,603	52,452	14,151	78.75%	66.68%



BUDDY CHECK

LET THEM KNOW WE CARE!



RICHARD HUNTLEY
NATIONAL VICE-COMMANDER
EASTERN REGION 2021-2022

dickie_huntley@hotmail.com

MONTHLY CONFERENCE CALL

Fourth Tuesday of each month

7:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Call In # (605) 313-4388

Access Code 3468542#

Eastern Region - Richard "Dickie" L. Huntley, Jr. (ME)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent
DIST OF COL	92	92	100.00%
RHODE ISLAND	316	277	87.66%
DELAWARE	2,229	1,936	86.86%
VERMONT	3,576	3,032	84.79%
MAINE	2,482	2,098	84.53%
MARYLAND	15,533	13,019	83.82%
PENNSYLVANIA	58,902	49,253	83.62%
MASSACHUSETTS	5,074	4,241	83.58%
CONNECTICUT	1,820	1,475	81.04%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,336	4,299	80.57%
NEW YORK	29,246	22,969	78.54%
WEST VIRGINIA	2,183	1,682	77.05%
NEW JERSEY	9,211	6,835	74.20%
FRANCE	233	133	57.08%
Totals:	136,233	111,341	81.73%

as of February 24, 2022



JUAN TORRES
NATIONAL VICE-COMMANDER
MIDWEST REGION 2021-2022

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MONTHLY CONFERENCE CALL

First Tuesday of Each Month
 7:00 p.m. Mountain Time/8:00 p.m. Central
 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time
 Call in # (605) 313-5379
 Access Code 830520



JASON ROBERTS
NATIONAL VICE-COMMANDER
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

Midwest Region - Juan R. Torres (TX)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent
SOUTH DAKOTA	1,052	1,052	100.00%
NORTH DAKOTA	916	861	94.00%
MEXICO	26	23	88.46%
NEBRASKA	6,959	5,986	86.02%
WYOMING	1,273	987	77.53%
OKLAHOMA	1,380	1,061	76.88%
COLORADO	2,632	1,998	75.91%
MONTANA	1,160	847	73.02%
KANSAS	6,424	4,587	71.40%
TEXAS	5,425	3,852	71.00%
NEW MEXICO	1,261	821	65.11%
Totals:	28,508	22,075	77.43%

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Southern Region - Jason S. Roberts (GA)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent
PUERTO RICO	88	93	105.68%
ALABAMA	2,020	1,690	83.66%
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,382	1,144	82.78%
FLORIDA	20,745	16,919	81.56%
GEORGIA	4,316	3,512	81.37%
LOUISIANA	1,808	1,445	79.92%
TENNESSEE	1,681	1,336	79.48%
VIRGINIA	4,023	3,178	79.00%
NORTH CAROLINA	2,619	2,068	78.96%
ARKANSAS	468	351	75.00%
MISSISSIPPI	795	527	66.29%
KENTUCKY	2,648	1,726	65.18%
Totals:	42,593	33,989	79.80%

as of February 24, 2022

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JIM STEWART
NATIONAL VICE-COMMANDER
WEST REGION 2021-2022

controller@bordertowncasinorv.com

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/j/96562303887?pwd=SjZJek04MHJpNjdibWptUTU0UGptZz09>

Western Region - L. Jim Stewart (NV)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent
HAWAII	49	56	114.29%
OREGON	1,317	1,034	78.51%
ALASKA	1,560	1,204	77.18%
CALIFORNIA	10,338	7,978	77.17%
WASHINGTON	2,086	1,606	76.99%
IDAHO	606	451	74.42%
ARIZONA	7,566	5,561	73.50%
NEVADA	334	245	73.35%
UTAH	492	338	68.70%
PHILIPPINES	66	37	56.06%
Totals:	24,414	18,510	75.82%

as of February 24, 2022



Squadron Everlasting

Please email information to jeffvabelsr@gmail.com to include a member.



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DUES RECEIPT
(please print)

Date _____

Received from _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ dues

Squadron No. _____

Department of _____

Date _____

Detachment of _____ Squadron No. _____ Birth date _____

Name _____ Recruited by _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

Veteran through whom eligibility is established _____

(a) Above is a member in good standing of Post No. _____ Department of _____

OR (b) Above is a deceased veteran who served honorably from _____ to _____

(c) Relationship of applicant to veteran _____ Where? _____

Has applicant previously been a member of the SAL? _____

I hereby subscribe to the Constitution of the Sons of the American Legion and apply for membership.

Email _____ Transmit \$ _____ for 20 _____ annual membership dues

Signed by applicant (or legal guardian if under 18) _____ Eligibility certified by _____

Mail completed application to Sons of The American Legion department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current detachment address, go to The American Legion department/state headquarters, or visit www.legion.org.

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SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
CWF - DONATIONS REPORT

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DETACHMENT	2021 Donations (final)	2021 Membership (final)	2022 CWF Goal (final)	2022 Donations	% of Goal	Donations Per Capita
AL - ALABAMA	\$ 4,508.00	2,004	\$ 2,004.00	\$ 1,636.00	81.6%	\$ 0.82
AK - ALASKA		1,584	\$ 1,584.00	\$ 3,050.00	192.6%	\$ 1.93
AZ - ARIZONA	\$ 13,998.00	7,573	\$ 7,573.00	\$ 8,270.00	109.2%	\$ 1.09
AR - ARKANSAS	\$ 623.00	458	\$ 458.00		0.0%	\$ -
CA - CALIFORNIA	\$ 916.00	10,330	\$ 10,330.00	\$ 3,086.48	29.9%	\$ 0.30
CO - COLORADO	\$ 25,897.00	2,711	\$ 2,711.00	\$ 2,100.00	77.5%	\$ 0.77
CT - CONNECTICUT	\$ 2,000.00	1,824	\$ 1,824.00	\$ 1,550.00	85.0%	\$ 0.85
DE - DELAWARE	\$ 150.00	2,209	\$ 2,209.00	\$ 1,900.00	86.0%	\$ 0.86
DC - DIST OF COL		88	\$ 88.00		0.0%	\$ -
FL - FLORIDA	\$ 61,550.00	20,473	\$ 20,473.00	\$ 6,730.00	32.9%	\$ 0.33
FR - FRANCE	\$ 300.00	222	\$ 222.00		0.0%	\$ -
GA - GEORGIA	\$ 3,733.04	4,207	\$ 4,207.00	\$ 4,950.00	117.7%	\$ 1.18
HI - HAWAII	\$ 360.00	46	\$ 46.00		0.0%	\$ -
ID - IDAHO	\$ 61.00	599	\$ 599.00		0.0%	\$ -
IL - ILLINOIS	\$ 33,953.53	13,541	\$ 13,541.00	\$ 1,630.00	12.0%	\$ 0.12
IN - INDIANA	\$ 27,291.00	35,862	\$ 35,862.00	\$ 2,055.00	5.7%	\$ 0.06
IA - IOWA	\$ 2,145.00	4,488	\$ 4,488.00	\$ 350.00	7.8%	\$ 0.08
KS - KANSAS	\$ 7,861.05	6,295	\$ 6,295.00	\$ 320.00	5.1%	\$ 0.05
KY - KENTUCKY	\$ 520.00	2,620	\$ 2,620.00		0.0%	\$ -
LA - LOUISIANA	\$ 850.00	1,783	\$ 1,783.00	\$ 4,532.20	254.2%	\$ 2.54
ME - MAINE		2,458	\$ 2,458.00	\$ 2,610.00	106.2%	\$ 1.06
MD - MARYLAND	\$ 4,200.00	15,453	\$ 15,453.00	\$ 2,000.00	12.9%	\$ 0.13
MA - MASSACHUSETTS	\$ 5,445.00	5,087	\$ 5,087.00	\$ 299.00	5.9%	\$ 0.06
MX - MEXICO		25	\$ 25.00		0.0%	\$ -
MI - MICHIGAN	\$ 5,992.00	22,623	\$ 22,623.00	\$ 6,375.33	28.2%	\$ 0.28
MN - MINNESOTA	\$ 4,220.00	11,017	\$ 11,017.00	\$ 5,421.09	49.2%	\$ 0.49
MS - MISSISSIPPI	\$ 1,950.00	818	\$ 818.00	\$ 800.00	97.8%	\$ 0.98
MO - MISSOURI	\$ 2,013.00	3,246	\$ 3,246.00	\$ 782.00	24.1%	\$ 0.24
MT - MONTANA	\$ 1,500.00	1,129	\$ 1,129.00	\$ 50.00	4.4%	\$ 0.04
NE - NEBRASKA	\$ 5,912.00	6,835	\$ 6,835.00	\$ 5,350.00	78.3%	\$ 0.78
NV - NEVADA	\$ 500.00	343	\$ 343.00		0.0%	\$ -
NH - NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$ 3,764.00	5,449	\$ 5,449.00	\$ 5,363.00	98.4%	\$ 0.98
NJ - NEW JERSEY	\$ 6,717.00	9,214	\$ 9,214.00	\$ 5,101.00	55.4%	\$ 0.55
NM - NEW MEXICO	\$ 100.00	1,359	\$ 1,359.00	\$ 200.00	14.7%	\$ 0.15
NY - NEW YORK	\$ 400.00	29,262	\$ 29,262.00	\$ 4,620.00	15.8%	\$ 0.16
NC - NORTH CAROLINA	\$ 3,400.00	2,572	\$ 2,572.00	\$ 1,650.00	64.2%	\$ 0.64
ND - NORTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,000.00	874	\$ 874.00	\$ 1,000.00	114.4%	\$ 1.14
OH - OHIO	\$ 21,618.74	29,552	\$ 29,552.00	\$ 1,410.25	4.8%	\$ 0.05
OK - OKLAHOMA		1,349	\$ 1,349.00		0.0%	\$ -
OR - OREGON	\$ 7,967.00	1,321	\$ 1,321.00	\$ 3,189.33	241.4%	\$ 2.41
PA - PENNSYLVANIA	\$ 22,534.70	58,710	\$ 58,710.00	\$ 11,519.91	19.6%	\$ 0.20
PI - PHILIPPINES	\$ 300.00	65	\$ 65.00		0.0%	\$ -
PR - PUERTO RICO	\$ 191.00	86	\$ 86.00	\$ 242.00	281.4%	\$ 2.81
RI - RHODE ISLAND	\$ 350.00	310	\$ 310.00	\$ 350.00	112.9%	\$ 1.13
SC - SOUTH CAROLINA	\$ 3,110.00	1,362	\$ 1,362.00	\$ 2,126.00	156.1%	\$ 1.56
SD - SOUTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,001.00	1,038	\$ 1,038.00	\$ 904.76	87.2%	\$ 0.87
TN - TENNESSEE	\$ 200.00	1,643	\$ 1,643.00	\$ 2,985.00	181.7%	\$ 1.82
TX - TEXAS	\$ 7,947.83	5,395	\$ 5,395.00	\$ 12,631.00	234.1%	\$ 2.34
UT - UTAH	\$ 505.00	488	\$ 488.00		0.0%	\$ -
VT - VERMONT	\$ 5,702.00	3,596	\$ 3,596.00	\$ 2,250.00	62.6%	\$ 0.63
VA - VIRGINIA	\$ 4,950.00	4,027	\$ 4,027.00	\$ 2,150.00	53.4%	\$ 0.53
WA - WASHINGTON	\$ 50.00	2,100	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 400.00	19.0%	\$ 0.19
WV - WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 1,164.00	2,263	\$ 2,263.00	\$ 3,900.00	172.3%	\$ 1.72
WI - WISCONSIN	\$ 170.00	3,902	\$ 3,902.00	\$ 460.00	11.8%	\$ 0.12
WY - WYOMING	\$ 5,600.00	1,274	\$ 1,274.00		0.0%	\$ -
NATIONAL HQ			\$ -	\$ 2,370.00		
GRAND TOTALS:	\$ 317,190.89	355,162	\$ 355,162.00	\$ 130,669.35	36.8%	\$ 0.37



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DETACHMENT	2021 Donations (final)	2021 Membership (final)	2022 CWF Goal (final)	2022 Donations	% of Goal	Donations Per Capita
Eastern Region						
CONNECTICUT	\$ 2,000.00	1,824	\$ 1,824.00	\$ 1,550.00	85.0%	\$ 0.85
DELAWARE	\$ 150.00	2,209	\$ 2,209.00	\$ 1,900.00	86.0%	\$ 0.86
DIST OF COL	\$ -	88	\$ 88.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
FRANCE	\$ 300.00	222	\$ 222.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MAINE	\$ -	2,458	\$ 2,458.00	\$ 2,610.00	106.2%	\$ 1.06
MARYLAND	\$ 4,200.00	15,453	\$ 15,453.00	\$ 2,000.00	12.9%	\$ 0.13
MASSACHUSETTS	\$ 5,445.00	5,087	\$ 5,087.00	\$ 299.00	5.9%	\$ 0.06
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NEW JERSEY	\$ 6,717.00	9,214	\$ 9,214.00	\$ 5,101.00	55.4%	\$ 0.55
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WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 1,164.00	2,263	\$ 2,263.00	\$ 3,900.00	172.3%	\$ 1.72
Total:	\$ 52,726.70	136,145	\$ 136,145.00	\$ 41,462.91	30.5%	\$ 0.30
Central Region						
ILLINOIS	\$ 33,953.53	13,541	\$ 13,541.00	\$ 1,630.00	12.0%	\$ 0.12
INDIANA	\$ 27,291.00	35,862	\$ 35,862.00	\$ 2,055.00	5.7%	\$ 0.06
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WISCONSIN	\$ 170.00	3,902	\$ 3,902.00	\$ 460.00	11.8%	\$ 0.12
Total:	\$ 97,403.27	124,231	\$ 124,231.00	\$ 18,483.67	14.9%	\$ 0.15
Western Region						
ALASKA	\$ -	1,584	\$ 1,584.00	\$ 3,050.00	192.6%	\$ 1.93
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Total:	\$ 24,657.00	24,449	\$ 24,449.00	\$ 17,985.81	73.6%	\$ 0.74

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Total:	\$ 85,885.04	42,053	\$ 42,053.00	\$ 27,801.20	66.1%	\$ 0.66
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OKLAHOMA	\$ -	1,349	\$ 1,349.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
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WYOMING	\$ 5,600.00	1,274	\$ 1,274.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
Total:	\$ 56,818.88	28,284	\$ 28,284.00	\$ 22,555.76	79.7%	\$ 0.89
National HQ	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 2,370.00		
Grand Total:	\$ 317,190.89	355,162	\$ 355,162.00	\$ 130,669.35	36.8%	\$ 0.37
DONATIONS AS OF: FEBRUARY 25, 2022						
MEMBERSHIP AS OF: DECEMBER 31, 2021						