

Round-Up



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Oratorical Champion Crowned





Earlier today, The American Legion held its 83rd National Oratorical Contest Championship in Indianapolis, Indiana.

After a long day Saturday, three finalists were selected to compete for the coveted

grand prize of a \$25,000 scholarship.

Pictured above is this year's winner is Emma Noble of Alabama, who received a scholarship in the amount of \$25,000, as well as an all-expense paid trip to the National Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin later this year.

Jackson Boone of Kentucky finished third and takes home a \$20,000 scholarship. Second place went to Ashley Tuell of Tennessee, along with a scholarship of \$22,500.00

Congratulations to the Champion, the Finalists, and all participants. Click **HERE** to watch the finals.



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Legion, Ganassi leading effort to reduce veteran suicides through 'Be the One'

By Steven B. Brooks APR 20, 2022

With the most fabled track in motor racing as the backdrop, The American Legion joined with others to address one of the most critical issues facing veterans today: a high suicide rate that a new campaign will address, starting on one of motorsports biggest stages.



With the unveiling of 2013 Indianapolis 500 champion Tony Kanaan's livery for this year's "Greatest Spectacle in Racing" came the unveiling of an effort spearheaded by The American Legion and Chip Ganassi Racing that calls on the public to become involved.

Kanaan was given the OK from teammate Alex Palou – the 2021 INDYCAR Series champ – to use the No. 1 for the race – an honor bestowed each race on the previous year's series champ. On Kanaan's No. 1 American Legion Honda is the phrase "Be the One", the name for the campaign to address veteran suicides. It's a cause that Kanaan, who finished 10th in the Legion car at the 500 in 2021, believes in strongly.

"It's such a good cause — 'Be the One," Kanaan said during the April 20 press event outside of the pagoda at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. "I made the pledge to the veterans to advocate that ... if you need help, ask. Voice it up. I've learned that 17 veterans take

their lives every day. We're here for that. Hopefully, we'll get the word out."

During the event Kanaan was joined by Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb and American Legion Chief Marketing Officer Dean Kessel, who called the number of daily suicides "the biggest issue facing this generation of veterans." He said the challenge behind the "Be the One" campaign is that that "if you can save the life of one veteran today, would you be the one to do it? You're going to be hearing that from us a lot, what we're going to be doing and how we're going to be doing it."

At the start of the press conference, a group of veterans symbolically stood behind the No. 1 Honda, a mix of American Legion Riders and Ganassi employees. "That was 17 veterans to represent the 17 veterans that take their lives daily," Kessel said. "That's got to stop. That's this generation (of veterans') biggest challenge, and we have to do something about it. And there's no organization more poised than The American Legion to do that. With our political capital on Capitol Hill. With our 1.8 million members across the country, our peer-to-peer network is unrivaled.

"This is not just a campaign. It's a generational lift. The primary goal of our 'Be the One' campaign is eliminating the stigma involved with asking for help. That is the No. 1 hurdle for veterans seeking mental help. We want to de-stigmatize that."

Holcomb, a U.S. Navy veteran, and member of Historic Fort Benjamin Harrison American Legion Post 510 in Indianapolis, drove from the Statehouse to IMS with Kanaan.

"There couldn't be a better reason why we started the day today together than this cause at this time on this hallowed ground," Holcomb said. "I think it's our duty, as citizens of this nation and state, for those (servicemembers) fortunate to make it back, to be there for them. To understand the burdens that they bring back with the orders they've received, going to some hairy and scary places in this world. We're there to help them de-stigmatize and help them get through the days ahead because of the burdens they bear for us. They stepped forward."

Holcomb said Indiana will be a part of the 'Be the One' campaign. "We could not be more proud to align all of our state efforts on mental health along-side (The American Legion)," he said. "I would just encourage everyone to be the one. You could be the one. If you don't know how to help but you want to,

get them connected with the Legion. Get them connected with the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs. Not only can they help, they want to help. It's their mission."

For CGR team owner Chip Ganassi, the issue of veteran suicides "is something that needs attention brought to it, first and foremost. When you're losing 17 veterans a day to suicide, that's something you can almost see with your bare eyes. How do you make the awareness of such an issue? How do you bring it to light? There is no better place to do it than in Indianapolis on Memorial Day – the day that we have put aside to honor veterans. And these guys need honored, believe me. They've seen things that none of us will ever see in our lifetime."

Ganassi said partnering with The American Legion – an <u>official charity of INDYCAR</u> – opened his eyes to the issue he and the Legion are addressing with "Be the One."

"It just brought a new awareness to me personally, I guess, being involved with the Legion here on Memorial Day in Indianapolis," Ganassi said. "I just want to help."

Among the group of American Legion Riders that escorted Kanaan and Holcomb from downtown Indianapolis to the track were ALR National Advisory Committee Chairman Mark Clark.

"The fact that the Chip Ganassi Racing team has partnered with The American Legion ... to help us fight the veteran suicide crisis that's occurring in our country today, to be a part of that is humbling," Clark said. "I know veterans that have taken their own life. I'm hopeful that this campaign will bring awareness to the challenge (and) help folks understand it's the right thing to seek out help. But more importantly, to bring attention to the resources that are available to veterans. I really think this campaign can open a lot of doors for us."

Kessel said the campaign is focused on making an incremental change that will long-term continue to grow. "We want to stop talking about the 17 and focus on the one," he said. "If we can save one a day, that number will come down, and that's the goal of everything that we're doing here."

Watch the entire press event <u>here</u>.



50th Convention Commemoration Committee

Joseph Gladden (MD), Chairman

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Americanism Commission

Joseph Navarrete (NM), Chairman Fourth Thursday of each month 7:30 p.m. Eastern | 6:30 p.m. Central

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

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Joe Paviglianti (NY), Chairman

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

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Gentlemen,

I encourage all to reach out to not-for-profit organizations who serve the youth in our communities to apply for a 2023 American Legion Child Welfare Foundation grant. Application that will need to be completed and submitted to National between May 1 and July 15.

What great public relations it is when an organization in your state receives a grant and to know that your donations is what funds them!

Continue the great work gentlemen!

Please click **HERE** to review the grant application.

We are oh so close to reaching \$9 million dollars and Squadrons are getting their donations in. As they achieve \$1 per member, please encourage them to complete the 100% Per Capita Banner form and submit to National by June 1. They will receive 2021-2022 CWF banner to proudly display.



American Legion Child Welfare Foundation

"Dedicated to the betterment of all children"

100% Per Capita Banner Program Request Form 2021 – 2022

Each American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit, Sons of The American Legion squadron, or Eight and Forty salon donating at least one dollar for each member during the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation's award year (1 June - 31 May) may receive a beautiful banner/streamer.

To qualify for the 2021-2022 year a post, unit, squadron, or salon must donate one dollar per member based upon its official membership total from their national organization as of June 1, 2021. The post, unit, squadron, or salon has from June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022 to submit this form, along with the donation, to the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation.

Post, unit, squadron, or	salon name	
Address		
City	State	Zip
Post, unit, squadron, or	salon membership total as o	of June 1, 2021:
Total enclosed: \$		

Banner Request Form Send completed form to: nerican Legion Child Welfare Foundation PO Box 1055

Indianapolis, IN 46206

ALL REQUEST FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY May 31, 2022



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DETACHMENT	2021 Donations (final)	2021 Membership (final)	202	22 CWF Goal (final)		2022 Donations	% of Goal		nations Capita
AL - ALABAMA	\$ 4,508.00	2,004	\$	2,004.00	\$	1,736.00	86.6%	\$	0.87
AK - ALASKA		1,584	\$	1,584.00	\$	3,125.00	197.3%	\$	1.97
AZ - ARIZONA	\$ 13,998.00	7,573	\$	7,573.00	\$	8,595.00	113.5%	\$	1.13
AR - ARKANSAS	\$ 623.00	458	\$	458.00			0.0%	\$	-
CA - CALIFORNIA	\$ 916.00	10,330	\$	10,330.00	\$	3,267.48	31.6%	\$	0.32
CO - COLORADO	\$ 25,897.00	2,711	\$	2,711.00	\$	16,771.00	618.6%	\$	6.19
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	Г		0.0%	\$	-
GA - GEORGIA	\$ 3,733.04	4,207	\$	4,207.00	\$	5,250.00	124.8%	\$	1.25
HI - HAWAII	\$ 360.00	46	\$	46.00	\$	300.00	652.2%	\$	6.52
ID - IDAHO	\$ 61.00	599	\$	599.00	\$	75.00	12.5%	\$	0.13
IL - ILLINOIS	\$ 33,953.53	13,541	\$	13,541.00	\$	1,662.00	12.3%	\$	0.12
IN - INDIANA	\$ 27,291.00	35,862	\$	35,862.00	\$	2,149.98	6.0%	\$	0.06
IA - IOWA	\$ 2,145.00	4,488	\$	4,488.00	\$	1,350.00	30.1%	\$	0.30
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	Т		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	\$	2,100.00	13.6%	\$	0.14
MA - MASSACHUSETTS	\$ 5,445.00	5.087	s	5,087.00	\$	511.00	10.0%	s	0.10
MX - MEXICO	,	25	\$	25.00	1		0.0%	\$	-
MI - MICHIGAN	\$ 5,992.00	22.623	\$	22.623.00	\$	7,511,33	33.2%	\$	0.33
MN - MINNESOTA	\$ 4,220.00	11,017	\$	11,017.00	\$	10,120.09	91.9%	\$	0.92
MS - MISSISSIPPI	\$ 1,950.00	818	\$	818.00	\$	1,350.00	165.0%	s	1.65
MO - MISSOURI	\$ 2,013.00	3,246	s	3,246,00	\$	1,082.00	33.3%	s	0.33
MT - MONTANA	\$ 1.500.00	1,129	s	1,129.00	\$	50.00	4.4%	s	0.04
NE - NEBRASKA	\$ 5,912.00	6.835	s	6.835.00	\$	5.988.00	87.6%	s	0.88
NV - NEVADA	\$ 500.00	343	\$	343.00	\$	3.251.00	947.8%	\$	9.48
NH - NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$ 3.764.00	5.449	s	5.449.00	\$	5.863.00	107.6%	s	1.08
NJ - NEW JERSEY	\$ 6,717.00	9,214	\$	9,214.00	\$	5,901.00	64.0%	\$	0.64
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	s	2,572.00	s	3,921.00	152.4%	s	1.52
ND - NORTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,000.00	874	s	874.00	s	1.000.00	114.4%	s	1.14
OH - OHIO	\$ 21,618.74	29.552	s	29,552,00	s	5.646.25	19.1%	s	0.19
OK - OKLAHOMA	\$ 21,010.74	1.349	s	1.349.00	Ť	0,040.20	0.0%	s	0.10
OR - OREGON	\$ 7,967.00	1,321	\$	1,321.00	\$	4,264.33	322.8%	\$	3.23
PA - PENNSYLVANIA	\$ 22,534.70	58,710	\$	58,710.00	S	16,508.59	28.1%	\$	0.28
PI - PHILIPPINES	\$ 300.00	65	\$	65.00	s	175.00	269.2%	\$	2.69
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	s	1.038.00	\$	904.76	87.2%	s	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	\$	13,231.00	245.2%	\$	2.45
UT - UTAH	\$ 505.00	488	\$	488.00	\$	75.00	15.4%	\$	0.15
VT - VERMONT	\$ 5,702.00	3.596	\$	3.596.00	S	2.250.00	62.6%	\$	0.13
VA - VIRGINIA	\$ 4,950.00	4.027	\$	4.027.00	S	3,430.00	85.2%	S	0.85
WA - VIRGINIA WA - WASHINGTON	\$ 4,950.00	2,100	\$	2,100.00	\$	475.00	22.6%	\$	0.85
WV - WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 1,164.00	2,100	\$	2,100.00	\$	3.900.00	172.3%	\$	1.72
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WY - WYOMING NATIONAL HQ	\$ 5,600.00	1,274	\$	1,274.00	\$	1,000.00	78.5%	\$	0.78
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GRAND TOTALS:	\$ 317,190.89	355,162	\$	355,162.00	\$	175,885.01	49.5%	\$	0.50

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FRANCE	\$ 300.00	222	\$ 222.00	s .	0.0%	s .	GEORGIA	s	3,733.04	4.207	s	4.207.00	5	5.250.00	124.8%	8	1.25
MAINE	8 -	2,458	\$ 2,458.00	8 2,610,00	106.2%	8 1.06	KENTUCKY	s	520.00	2,620	s	2,620.00	s		0.0%	8	
MARYLAND	\$ 4,200.00	15,453	\$ 15,453.00	\$ 2,100.00	13.6%	\$ 0.14	LOUISIANA	8	850.00	1,783	8	1,783.00	8	4,532.20	254.2%	\$	2.54
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NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$ 3,764.00	5,449	\$ 5,449.00	\$ 5,863.00	107.6%	\$ 1.08	NORTH CAROLINA	5	3,400.00	2,572	5	2,572,00	8	3,921.00	152.4%	\$	1.52
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NEW YORK	\$ 400.00	29,262	\$ 29,262.00	\$ 4,620.00	15.8%	\$ 0.16	SOUTH CAROLINA	s	3,110.00	1,362	s	1,362.00	s	2,126.00	156.1%	8	1,56
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VERMONT	\$ 5,702.00	3,596	\$ 3,596.00	\$ 2,250.00	62.6%	\$ 0.63	Total:	5	85,585.04	42,053	5	42,053.00	5	32,302.20	76.8%	5	0.77
WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 1,164.00	2,263	\$ 2,263.00	\$ 3,900.00	172.3%	\$ 1.72							_				
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OHIO	\$ 21,618,74	29.552	\$ 29,552,00	\$ 5,646.25	19,1%	\$ 0.19	SOUTH DAKOTA	\$	1,001.00	1,038	s	1,038.00	s	904.76	87.2%	\$	0.87
WISCONSIN	\$ 170.00	3,902	\$ 3,902.00	\$ 560.00	14.4%	\$ 0.14	TEXAS	s	7,947.83	5,395	s	5,395.00	s	13,231.00	245.2%	\$	2.45
Total:	\$ 97,403.27	124,231	\$ 124,231.00	\$ 30,081.65	24.2%	\$ 0.24	WYOMING	s	5,600.00	1,274	s	1,274.00	s	1,000.00	78.5%	8	0.78
							Total:	8	56,818.88	28,284	5	28,284.00	5	39,464.76	139.5%	8	1.40
Western Region	1																
ALASKA	5 -	1,584	\$ 1,584.00	\$ 3,125.00	197.3%	\$ 1.97	National HQ	١.			\$		\$	2,370.00			
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PHILIPPINES	\$ 300.00	65	\$ 65.00	\$ 175.00	0.0%	\$ 2.69											
UTAH	\$ 505.00	488	\$ 488.00	\$ 75.00	15.4%	\$ 0.15											
WASHINGTON	6 50.00	2.402	8 3 400 00	E 475.00	22.60	6 0.22											

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/85189484607?pwd=M TkvTo9XYkdvZ1MoeW5RTHg4dW94QTo9

Meeting ID: 851 8948 4607 Passcode: xZztq6

Watch the National Children & Youth Academy promo video <u>HERE</u>

April is Children and Youth Month

Committee on Committees

Ron Roberts, (MS), Chairman

Finance Commission

William G. Hill (MD), Chairman



Tim Aboudara, Sr., National Service Project Coordinator

As of Saturday, 199,975 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



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#

Dear American Legion members and friends,

Victory is in sight for granting VA healthcare to toxic-exposed veterans - but we need everyone in the fight. The largest veterans' health care-expansion package in our generation will be culminating in an upcoming Senate vote, and we need you to spread the word to take action by demanding your Senators vote YES for the Honoring Our PACT Act.

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer announced that he would bring the Honoring Our Pact Act to a vote on the Senate floor this year in what will likely be the final time before the August recess. But there is still opposition from those who believe that the bill is too expensive, and a significant chance the bill will fail without bipartisan support. It is for this very reason that it took decades for VA to provide relief for veterans of Vietnam exposed to Agent Orange. The U.S. government still has yet to finish its work for Vietnam veterans, and we have begun the cycle anew with the current generation of service members who served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

We must break this cycle of care that is considered "too little, too late" for our veterans. They cannot wait decades to receive the care they need and rightfully deserve. Our National Commander said in a statement, "Too many veterans continue to suffer from the poisons of war. The House of Representatives passed a landmark bill called the Honoring Our PACT Act. We call on the Senate to follow suit. If this bill arrives on the president's desk soon, this Memorial Day we can honor fallen veterans by properly caring for their sick comrades. This nation must always remember the debt owed to its heroes."

We need you to follow American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard's lead and contact your Senators and tell them to pass this landmark legislation, and share with your fellow Legionnaires, friends, and family.

Take Action Now

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#

Membership Committee



Thom Skelley (TX), Chairman
Third Tuesday of each month
8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Call In # (605) 472-5756
Access Code 7717294

Another outstanding report as we continue to gain members and take another step towards our ultimate goal of exceeding 105%. Keep your foot on the gas, keep the faith and keep that membership rolling in!!

2022 SAL Membership Report as of: April 21, 2022

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	IISSISSIPPI	795	150	645	81.13%	57.65
-	EVADA	334	64	270	80.84%	70.06
	ENTUCKY	2.648	768	1,880	71.00%	60.18
	RANCE	233	83	150	64.38%	64.00
	Grand Totals:	356,725	25,241	331,484	92.92%	82.43

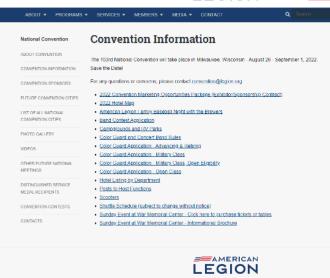
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Sub-Committee on Resolutions

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

<u>Join Zoom Meeting</u>

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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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May 18, 2022 June 15, 2022 | July 17, 2022 August 25, 2022

One week remains to deadline for Marvin P. Nay Award deadline

The VE&E Commission thanks those who have submitted candidates for the Marvin P. Nay Award and encourages those who have members they believe to be worthy of the award — time is short to honor their efforts!

SAL members engaged in efforts deemed beneficial to homeless veterans, veterans' employment or veterans' education qualify and should be submitted for this award. Please do not let their efforts go unnoticed!

Completed nominee forms must arrive before Spring NEC, April 29, 2022. The Commission in regular

session will consider those submittals during the Spring NEC and make the final decision.

At this point submittals are sent to <u>sal@legion.org</u> with notation in the subject line: "SAL VE&E - Marvin P. Nay Award."

Please see the attached criteria for the award for further details. The Nomination Form is also attached to this e-mail.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter — is greatly appreciated!



Atlantic City Regional Stand Down set for May 25

The American Legion APR 13, 2022

The American Legion Department of New Jersey and other veterans service organizations will conduct the annual Atlantic City Regional Stand Down on May 25.

The event to assist homeless and at-risk veterans targets six of New Jersey's 21 counties but is open to all who come.

The stand down will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at All Wars Memorial Soldiers Home, 1510 Adriatic Ave., Atlantic City, N.J. Services include VA medical, mental health, benefits, claims, housing, employment, and men's and women's clothing and hygiene products. Lunch will also be provided.

Participating organizations include The American Legion, Department of Veterans Affairs, Catholic Charities Diocese of Camden, Red Cross, DAV, and VFW.







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Congratulations Detachment of Michigan!!!

Michigan is #1! The hardworking Sons of Michigan have worked hard over the past three years on their membership program, and last Friday that

hard work paid off. Michigan surpassed quota and leads the Central Region.

As of Friday's National Membership Report, the Detachment of Michigan is has collected 22,122 membership cards, which represents 100.62% if members paid. This is a tremendous accomplishment, and Michigan Sons should be very proud! Congratulations!

The Eastern Region is still in first place with 94.20% members paid. The Central Region continues to hold on to second place with 92.65% of our membership paid. The Southern Region still hold third place, with only 0.32% separating the two.

Now it the time to step up and get our delinquent members paid. We can no longer wait. The 100% target is March 11, and we all need to do whatever it takes to hit the mark. WE CAN DO IT!

This weekend, I had the honor of representing National Commander Michael Fox at the National Oratorical Contest. I believe that this is one of the best youth programs that The American Legion conducts. This was my first time being at the national championship, and I was truly amazed at the talented young men and women who competed. Every time a contestant gave their speech, I learned something that I either didn't know or that I forgot.

For Squadrons that do not participate in this program, please take a look at it, and see if there is interest. If so, you will be very proud to sponsor someone, especially if they advance beyond the District competition.

As always, if there is anything I can do to help, please let me do, and I will help how I can.

 ${f W}$ e are Sons of The American Legion.

We are #SALSTRONG!!!



2022 Central Region Renewal Report

		04/21/22
	Detachment	Renewal %
1	lowa	87.99%
2	Wisconsin	87.70%
3	Minnesota	84.54%
4	Michigan	85.63%
5	Ohio	84.65%
6	Indiana	81.87%
7	Illinois	81.90%
8	Missouri	76.46%
	NATIONAL	82.43%



2022 Central Region Membership Report

	2022 MEMBERSHIP					
	B	61		Needed		
	Region	Goal	Actual	for Quota	Percent	Increase
1	Eastern 6, 7, 8	136,233	128,325	7,908	94.20%	712
2	Central 4, 6, 8	124,977	115,795	9,182	92.65%	386
3	Southern 3, 4, 5, 6	42,593	39,328	3,265	92.33%	345
4	Western 4	24,414	22,325	2,089	91.44%	139
5	Midwest 3, 4	28,508	25,711	2,797	90.19%	211
	TOTALS	356,725	331,484	25,241	92.92%	1,793

Membership ahead/behind prior year target date

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Central	Central Region - Jeff Vrabel, Sr. (OH)							
			Needed			National		
Detachment	Goal	Actual	for Quota	Percent	Increase	Rank		
1 Michigan 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	21,985	22,122	(137)	100.62%	111	7		
2 Wisconsin 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	3,914	3,820	94	97.60%	14	12		
3 lowa 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	4,571	4,417	154	96.63%	9	15		
4 Minnesota 1, 4, 5, 6, 7	11,091	10,320	771	93.05%	8	25		
5 Ohio 1, 4, 5, 6, 7	29,946	27,652	2,294	92.34%	144	31		
6 Indiana 1	36,657	32,577	4,080	88.87%	30	45		
7 Illinois 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	13,602	12,084	1,518	88.84%	45	43		
8 Missouri 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	3,211	2,803	408	87.29%	25	44		
TOTALS	124,977	115,795	9,182	92.65%	386			

- Q = Quot
- 1 Met 09/22/21 goal of 10%
- 2 Met10/14/21 goal of 25%
 - 7 Met 03/09/22 goal of 80%
- 3 Met 11/10/21 goal of 35%
- 8 Met 04/13/22 goal of 90%
- 4 Met 12/08/21 goal of 45% 5 Met 01/21/22 goal of 60%
- 9 Met 05/11/22 goal of 100%10 Met 07/28/22 goal of 105%

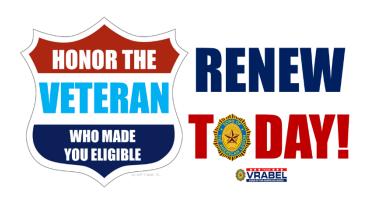
6 Met 02/09/22 goal of 75% - DATE REVISED TO 02/16/22

	Red I	Division			
			Needed		Percent
Detachment	Goal	Actual	for Quota	Percent	of Region
Wisconsin	3,914	3,820	94	97.60%	3.30%
Iowa	4,571	4,417	154	96.63%	3.81%
Missouri	3,211	2,803	2,405	87.29%	2.42%
TOTALS	7,782	7,220	2,559	92.78%	6.24%

White Division						
			Needed		Percent	
Detachment	Goal	Actual	for Quota	Percent	of Region	
Minnesota	11,091	10,320	771	93.05%	8.91%	
Illinois	13,602	12,084	1,518	88.84%	10.44%	
TOTALS	24,693	22,404	2,289	90.73%	19.35%	

	Blue	Division			
			Needed		Percent
Detachment	Goal	Actual	for Quota	Percent	of Region
Michigan	21,985	22,122	(137)	100.62%	19.10%
Ohio	29,946	27,652	2,294	92.34%	23.88%
Indiana	36,657	32,577	4,080	88.87%	28.13%
TOTALS	88,588	82,351	6,237	92.96%	71.12%







Saturday Night Live alum Joe Piscopo headlining fundraiser for Illinois post

The American Legion APR 20, 2022

Joe Piscopo is going from SNL to the SAL.

Piscopo, a cast member on Saturday Night Live from 1980-84, will be inducted into the Sons of The American Legion on May 14 in Woodstock, Ill., before he performs two shows to help raise funds for Post 491 in nearby McHenry.

"Very proud that I will be there with the McHenry American Legion Post 491 and remembering my dad who served in the second World War in the United States Army Air Corps," Piscopo said in a video announcing the shows.

Piscopo, who now hosts a talk radio show in New York City, will perform stand-up comedy and music in shows at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. May 14 at the Woodstock Opera House. Tickets for both shows are on sale at woodstockoperahouse.com.

Phil Sweeney, second vice commander at Post 491, said the post is hoping for a large turnout for both shows in order to raise funds for the post's programs for veterans. A portion of the ticket sales will go to Post 491 to put toward veterans' assistance programs.

Before the shows, at 1 p.m. in the Woodstock town square gazebo, Piscopo will be inducted into the Sons of The American Legion. That event will be open to the public.





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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 3468542#

Eastern Region - Ric	hard "Dicl	kie" L. Hun	tley, Jr. (ME)
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent
DIST OF COL	92	108	117.39%
RHODE ISLAND	316	329	104.11%
MASSACHUSETTS	5,074	5,030	99.13%
DELAWARE	2,229	2,201	98.74%
VERMONT	3,576	3,498	97.82%
MAINE	2,482	2,395	96.49%
MARYLAND	15,533	14,854	95.63%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,336	5,078	95.16%
WEST VIRGINIA	2,183	2,067	94.69%
PENNSYLVANIA	58,902	55,676	94.52%
CONNECTICUT	1,820	1,679	92.25%
NEW YORK	29,246	26,905	92.00%
NEW JERSEY	9,211	8,355	90.71%
FRANCE	233	150	64.38%
Totals:	136,233	128,325	94.20%

as of April 21, 2022

Sons lead Patriots' Day celebration in Westfield, Mass.

The American Legion APR 20, 2022

Members of the Sons of The American Legion led the first Patriots' Day ceremony in Westfield, Mass., in four years on April 18, commemorating some of the first battles of the American Revolution.

Squadron 124 Commander Gene Theroux served as master of ceremonies for the event. He said it was important to remember the battles of Lexington and Concord and noted his family's history included Medford Minutemen who responded to Lexington on April 19, 1775.

Keynote speaker Mac Mahoney, a member of Squadron 124 who will represent Massachusetts in this weekend's American Legion National Oratorical Contest in Indianapolis, spoke about Westfield native Gen. William Shepard. Shepard served in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War and led the defense of the Springfield armory during Shays' Rebellion in 1786.

Other speakers at the event in Westfield's Parker Memorial Park included Mayor Mike McCabe and State Sen. John Velis, who thanked Theroux for bringing back the event after a four-year absence. "I think it speaks volumes about the community, I think it speaks volumes for all the people who are here today," Velis said.

SAL PNC Clifford Smith urged those in attendance to focus on their choice of attitude.

"Our country is great today because of the choice of attitude of all those brave men and women who have fought for our freedoms in this great country," Smith said.



SAL Past National Commander Clifford Smith speaks during the Patriots' Day event in Westfield, Mass., on April 18, 2022. Photo by Jeff Zaleski.

McCabe and Theroux also recognized ninth-grader Jillian Battles, who made 800 care packages for troops and veterans. "It's the most important thing we all can do, is to appreciate our troops and veterans," she said.





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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

Midwest Region - Juan R. Torres (TX)					
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent		
SOUTH DAKOTA	1,052	1,247	118.54%		
NORTH DAKOTA	916	1,000	109.17%		
NEW MEXICO	1,261	1,230	97.54%		
MEXICO	26	25	96.15%		
NEBRASKA	6,959	6,554	94.18%		
WYOMING	1,273	1,142	89.71%		
OKLAHOMA	1,380	1,199	86.88%		
TEXAS	5,425	4,713	86.88%		
COLORADO	2,632	2,218	84.27%		
KANSAS	6,424	5,409	84.20%		
MONTANA	1,160	974	83.97%		
Totals:	28,508	25,711	90.19%		

as of April 21, 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	Actual	Percent		
PUERTO RICO	88	114	129.55%		
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,382	1,323	95.73%		
NORTH CAROLINA	2,619	2,487	94.96%		
FLORIDA	20,745	19,669	94.81%		
GEORGIA	4,316	4,059	94.05%		
VIRGINIA	4,023	3,738	92.92%		
TENNESSEE	1,681	1,560	92.80%		
ALABAMA	2,020	1,855	91.83%		
LOUISIANA	1,808	1,608	88.94%		
ARKANSAS	468	390	83.33%		
MISSISSIPPI	795	645	81.13%		
KENTUCKY	2,648	1,880	71.00%		
Totals:	42,593	39,328	92.33%		

as of April 21, 2022





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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=SjZJek04MHJp NjdibWptUTU0UGptZz09

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Western Region - L. Jim Stewart (NV)					
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent		
HAWAII	49	57	116.33%		
IDAHO	606	598	98.68%		
WASHINGTON	2,086	2,018	96.74%		
OREGON	1,317	1,272	96.58%		
ARIZONA	7,566	6,957	91.95%		
ALASKA	1,560	1,425	91.35%		
PHILIPPINES	66	60	90.91%		
CALIFORNIA	10,338	9,251	89.49%		
UTAH	492	417	84.76%		
NEVADA	334	270	80.84%		
Totals:	24,414	22,325	91.44%		

as of April 21, 2022



LEADERSHIP THROUGH ACTION NOT THROUGH POSITION





2021-2022



Squadron **Everlasting**

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

Dear District Commander om. That only leaves about five of us to do the work, and we really haven't done much on to the Post when he can but he's quite busy with Boy Scouts. He's really good g them all about the flag and how to properly display it. The Squadron spent \$300 this aber for a long time but his father is now seriously ill and in a UA hospital. Paul can't stop by the Post as much as he used to because he's started working with some hold one. It's all we can handle just selling sandwich plates down at the Post. Oh yoah, please find a \$100 check enclosed for Child Welfare. It was a good week for sandwich plates. We'll be doing same for CIA, Special Olympics and Gifts For Yanks just as soon as we sell some more plates Anutown, USA

Letter submitted by Bill Towns, District 14 - Ohio Sons of The American Legion Submitted by National Historian Bill Towns. This was originally written for the March 1998 edition of National Update.





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

eteran through whom eligibility is established

Has applicant previously been a member of the SAL?

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

igned by applicant (or legal guardian if under 18)