



The Day I Found Out Why



A quote by Mark Twain reads, "The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why."

I received my draft notice during the building up in Vietnam. I was classified as 1Y after testing due to vision problems and declared unfit for active duty except during declared war or national emergency and then not to leave the states. It was on that day I found out why.

Every day of my life I have enjoyed the freedoms provided and protected by our nation's veterans. Wanting to serve in uniform then but unable to do so, I have served every day since to help repay for the service veterans have rendered on my behalf. Donating blood, volunteering in VA hospitals, raising money for the benefit of veterans, and being the only non-veteran on the veteran's committee where I work are just a few of the things I did.

Later, in life I found out about The American Legion. I gained my eligibility in Sons of The American Legion through my father's and my mother's service in the United States Navy during WWII.

I have served in multiple offices on all levels of our organization; Squadron, District, Detachment and National. Sixteen years ago, I was elected NEC by the Detachment of Georgia. Over the years, I have served as NEC under fifteen National Commanders, seventy-five National Vice-Commanders, and probably more than three hundred NEC's and their Alternates.

During my time in the American Legion Family, I have met six Presidents, been honored to meet twenty-six Congressional Medal of Honor recipients. I rode the first twelve American Legion Legacy Runs, probably visited over five hundred Posts in more than forty states, and have attended over thirty National Conventions. I have served on numerous national commissions and committees, including seven years as Chairman of the Sub Committee on Resolutions. I was inducted into the Sons of The American Legion Hall of Fame and honored to serve as Chief of Staff for Michael Fox during his year as National Commander.

It is with deep gratitude to the members of the Detachment of Georgia for granting me the greatest honor of all, that of representing Georgia's Sons on the national level.

As I previously announced during the Fall 2022 NEC, I will be stepping aside as NEC for Georgia effective with the upcoming National Convention taking place in Charlotte, North Carolina in the summer of 2023.

I am truly a "proud possessor of a priceless heritage." For over fifty years I have tried to be a "voice not an echo" for every man and woman who have served in the armed forces of the United States of America. God bless our veterans, wherever they serve, and those veterans who have served in the past, and may God bless America.

Bob Brown, National Executive Committeeman
Detachment of Georgia
2007 - 2023



ROUND-UP

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All information must be submitted by noon each Friday



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www.legion.org/membership/standings

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

TARGET DATE

December 14, 2022



CHRIS CARLTON

NATIONAL COMMANDER

2022 – 2023

"Purpose is why we journey;
passion is the flame that lights the way."



DAVID MENNEL

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2022 – 2023

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

Third Thursday of Each Month

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time

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2022 – 2023

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

Fourth Tuesday of Each Month

7:00 p.m. Eastern Time

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2022 – 2023

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

First Tuesday of Each Month

7:00 p.m. Mountain Time

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2022 – 2023

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING
 Second Tuesday of Each Month
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2022 – 2023

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING
 Fourth Wednesday of Each Month
 7:00 p.m. Mountain Time
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REGIONAL
UPDATES

Ohio Sons win elections

Ohio Senator Michael Rulli (33) and Ohio Representative Al Cutrona (59) of Mahoning Valley Squadron 15 in Poland won reelection to the Ohio General Assembly. Joining them for his first term is Representative-Elect David Dobos (10) from Don Gentile Squadron 532 in Columbus.



Sen. Rulli



Rep. Cutrona



Rep.-Elect Dobos

Sons of The American Legion:
Longtime commander honored

[Shannon Granholm](#)/Managing Editor | November 8, 2022



Newly elected Sons of The American Legion Commander Jeff Reinert thanks outgoing Commander Terry Dolney for his many years of service.

This will be the first Veterans Day in over a decade that Terry Dolney won't fill the role of commander for the Sons of The American Legion (SAL) based out of American Legion Post 566 in Lino Lakes.

Dolney, a resident of Lino Lakes, joined SAL 15 years ago after his sister encouraged him to sign up. At the time, he explained the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) down the road from him was getting ready to close.

"We lived in the neighborhood, and we were looking for something to do," he explained.

Dolney is not a veteran himself, but is surrounded by them in his family. His grandfather, sister and brother-in-law all served in the military. He also has many nieces and nephews that have served in the military.

When he first joined SAL, he filled the role of adjutant for a few months. When the previous commander resigned, he took over and has held the rank ever since. Each year, SAL members conduct elections and members nominate who they want to fill what role.

Dolney is credited with steadily growing the local chapter's membership for the past 15 years.

"It was a very small group ... Now it is a large group, we have almost 100 members," he explained.

Over the years, Dolney says he has enjoyed “doing stuff for the community.” In addition to the monthly meetings, SAL raises funds and donates to various community groups and causes, including local schools, Scouts, and other military groups.

“We gift our personal time to raise money to turn around and give it to other organizations,” he said.

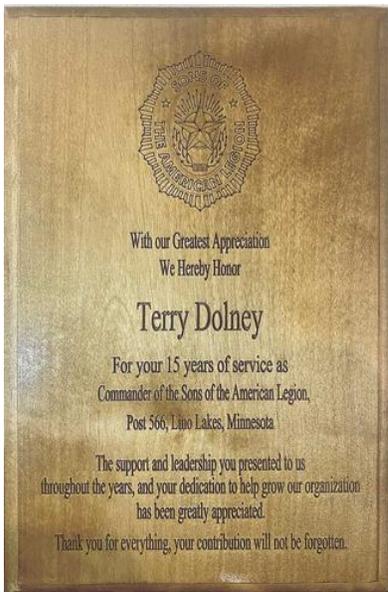
This year, when elections came up, Dolney was once again nominated for the commander role, but he decided it was time to step back.

“I chose to step down to let somebody else take over. I think I’ve done as much as I can do,” he said. “It was time to change hands.”

Dolney is not planning on leaving the organization anytime soon and remains an active member.

“Some of the other officers have been there with me since day one. We brought it up together and made it what it was,” he said.

Former Lino Lakes Mayor Jeff Reinert, the new SAL commander, is appreciative of all Dolney did. “I want to thank Terry for all his efforts to lead and help build our membership to almost 100 members,” Reinert said. “As the new commander for the Sons of The American Legion, I hope to follow in Terry’s footsteps and do as good of a job as he did.”



The Sons of The American Legion recently presented longtime Commander Terry Dolney with this plaque of appreciation for his 15 years of service to the organization.

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Americanism Commission

Chris Casey (NE), Chairman
Fourth Thursday of Each Month
7:30 p.m. Eastern
(508) 924 3315



FLYING FLAGS FOR HEROES
www.flyingflagsforheroes.com

As of November 4, 2022, 146 flags have been placed and reported to honor our veterans since September 1, 2022

Veterans Flags and Flowers



On Veterans Day 2015, Preston visited the grave of his grandfather at a Redding cemetery to place a flag and some flowers. The then 10-year-old Preston Sharp noticed the lack of flags or flowers on the graves to honor local veterans. He was so upset that veterans weren't being honored on Veterans Day.

I told Preston "You can't complain about something unless you are willing to fix it". Preston looked up at me and with a very strong voice said: "I am going to do something about it!". He started raising money for the flags and flowers immediately by asking how much money he could get if he vacuumed the floors.

That night, Preston set a goal to place a flag and flower on the graves of each of those veterans at McDonald's cemetery, in Redding CA but that goal quickly grew to include other Redding area cemeteries and grew to include cemeteries in all surrounding counties. Every time I told Preston that there was no more money for the flags and artificial carnations, he told me not to worry and to schedule him to talk in front of a group.

Preston made a goal of Honoring every town's veteran's from Redding to Sacramento CA, this goal was accomplished last summer. Preston came up with the Flag and Flower Challenge to get everyone in the US to honor

veterans. Preston has now expanded his goal to honor veterans in every state. Preston has organized the placement of more than 300,000 flags and red carnations on veterans headstones. He has accomplished this with the assistance of many in the community who come out to meet him and to clean headstones, replace weathered flags and flowers and say "Thank You" to those that have provided their services to our country.

If you come out and help Preston Sharp you have to say the veterans name out loud and then thank you for your service, place the national flag and an artificial red carnation. He says that you have to say the veterans name out loud because a veterans name not said out loud is a veteran forgotten.

Preston does not just honor the fallen veterans. He goes to the local veterans home and listens to their stories. Takes veterans out to lunch or dinner. Preston even told his mom that his Christmas wish was not to get the laptop that he had been asking for but to adopt a veteran's dog so that the veteran could still see the dog whenever he wanted. The veteran had to live in a veterans home with no dogs allowed.

On November 7, 2022, Preston was at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Wheeling, West Virginia placing flags and flowers. Participating in the event were Past National Historian Bill Towns (OH), members of Wheeling Post 1, and the Moundsville Post 3 Honor Guard.



WW Post 1 Wheeling and Post 3 Moundsville Unified Honor Guard at Mt Calvary Cemetery Flying Flags For Heroes event.



WW Post 1 Wheeling and Post 3 Moundsville Unified Honor Guard and members at Mt Calvary Cemetery Flying Flags For Heroes event with Preston Sharp and Bill Towns.



Preston Sharp looks on as WW Post 1 and Post 3 Honor Guard folds the Flag



Ohio SAL Detachment Judge Advocate Bill Towns and Veterans Flags and Flowers founder Preston Sharp.

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jeffvrabelsr@gmail.com

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

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DETACHMENT	2022 DONATIONS (FINAL)	2022 MEMBERSHIP (CURRENT)	2023 CWF GOAL	2023 DONATIONS (TO-DATE)	% OF GOAL	DONATIONS PER CAPITA
AL - ALABAMA	\$ 2,786.00	2,048	\$ 2,048.00	\$ 55.00	2.7%	\$ 0.03
AK - ALASKA	\$ 3,200.00	1,614	\$ 1,614.00	\$ 1,603.00	99.3%	\$ 0.99
AZ - ARIZONA	\$ 12,170.00	8,050	\$ 8,050.00	\$ 7,395.00	91.9%	\$ 0.92
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CT - CONNECTICUT	\$ 1,580.82	1,853	\$ 1,853.00	\$ 1,100.00	59.4%	\$ 0.59
DE - DELAWARE	\$ 1,950.00	2,426	\$ 2,426.00	\$ 50.00	2.1%	\$ 0.02
DC - DIST OF COL	\$ -	113	\$ 113.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
FL - FLORIDA	\$ 23,230.00	21,393	\$ 21,393.00	\$ 18,130.00	84.7%	\$ 0.85
FR - FRANCE	\$ -	153	\$ 153.00	\$ 100.00	65.4%	\$ 0.65
GA - GEORGIA	\$ 11,789.00	4,438	\$ 4,438.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
HI - HAWAII	\$ 1,016.00	75	\$ 75.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
ID - IDAHO	\$ 1,001.00	639	\$ 639.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
IL - ILLINOIS	\$ 11,697.83	13,204	\$ 13,204.00	\$ 1,886.78	14.3%	\$ 0.14
IN - INDIANA	\$ 32,645.05	35,733	\$ 35,733.00	\$ 25.00	0.1%	\$ 0.00
IA - IOWA	\$ 2,300.00	4,831	\$ 4,831.00	\$ 154.00	3.2%	\$ 0.03
KS - KANSAS	\$ 5,800.00	5,821	\$ 5,821.00	\$ 365.00	6.3%	\$ 0.06
KY - KENTUCKY	\$ -	2,564	\$ 2,564.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
LA - LOUISIANA	\$ 4,692.20	1,754	\$ 1,754.00	\$ 1,260.00	71.8%	\$ 0.72
ME - MAINE	\$ 2,610.00	2,592	\$ 2,592.00	\$ 100.00	3.9%	\$ 0.04
MD - MARYLAND	\$ 3,100.00	16,010	\$ 16,010.00	\$ 580.00	3.6%	\$ 0.04
MA - MASSACHUSETTS	\$ 4,011.00	5,464	\$ 5,464.00	\$ 121.00	2.2%	\$ 0.02
MX - MEXICO	\$ -	31	\$ 31.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MI - MICHIGAN	\$ 8,688.33	24,258	\$ 24,258.00	\$ 5,085.00	21.0%	\$ 0.21
MN - MINNESOTA	\$ 17,625.09	11,220	\$ 11,220.00	\$ 4,521.75	40.3%	\$ 0.40
MS - MISSISSIPPI	\$ 6,476.00	721	\$ 721.00	\$ 137.00	19.0%	\$ 0.19
MO - MISSOURI	\$ 2,332.00	3,192	\$ 3,192.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
MT - MONTANA	\$ 1,550.00	1,083	\$ 1,083.00	\$ 100.00	9.2%	\$ 0.09
NE - NEBRASKA	\$ 7,638.00	6,894	\$ 6,894.00	\$ 4,745.00	68.8%	\$ 0.69
NV - NEVADA	\$ 4,326.00	360	\$ 360.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NH - NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$ 6,634.00	5,758	\$ 5,758.00	\$ 2,488.78	43.2%	\$ 0.43
NJ - NEW JERSEY	\$ 13,902.00	9,310	\$ 9,310.00	\$ 270.00	2.9%	\$ 0.03
NM - NEW MEXICO	\$ 200.00	1,483	\$ 1,483.00	\$ 4,800.00	323.7%	\$ 3.24
NY - NEW YORK	\$ 4,620.00	29,758	\$ 29,758.00	\$ 9,606.00	32.3%	\$ 0.32
NC - NORTH CAROLINA	\$ 5,921.00	2,694	\$ 2,694.00	\$ 443.00	16.4%	\$ 0.16
ND - NORTH DAKOTA	\$ -	1,049	\$ 1,049.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
OH - OHIO	\$ 6,646.25	30,057	\$ 30,057.00	\$ 6,503.80	21.6%	\$ 0.22
OK - OKLAHOMA	\$ -	1,317	\$ 1,317.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
OR - OREGON	\$ 8,214.33	1,424	\$ 1,424.00	\$ 112.00	7.9%	\$ 0.08
PA - PENNSYLVANIA	\$ 38,798.86	60,291	\$ 60,291.00	\$ 4,585.98	7.6%	\$ 0.08
PI - PHILIPPINES	\$ 350.00	68	\$ 68.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
PR - PUERTO RICO	\$ 263.00	121	\$ 121.00	\$ 10.00	8.3%	\$ 0.08
RI - RHODE ISLAND	\$ 350.00	330	\$ 330.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
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SD - SOUTH DAKOTA	\$ 1,447.81	1,357	\$ 1,357.00	\$ 1,451.85	107.0%	\$ 1.07
TN - TENNESSEE	\$ 2,985.00	1,681	\$ 1,681.00	\$ 911.61	54.2%	\$ 0.54
TX - TEXAS	\$ 17,953.97	5,548	\$ 5,548.00	\$ 9,059.00	163.3%	\$ 1.63
UT - UTAH	\$ 185.00	442	\$ 442.00	\$ 400.00	90.5%	\$ 0.90
VT - VERMONT	\$ 8,875.23	3,814	\$ 3,814.00	\$ 1,950.00	51.1%	\$ 0.51
VA - VIRGINIA	\$ 6,532.00	4,070	\$ 4,070.00	\$ 11,100.00	272.7%	\$ 2.73
WA - WASHINGTON	\$ 1,480.00	2,502	\$ 2,502.00	\$ 600.00	24.0%	\$ 0.24
WV - WEST VIRGINIA	\$ 4,900.00	2,394	\$ 2,394.00	\$ 2,727.25	113.9%	\$ 1.14
WI - WISCONSIN	\$ 707.00	4,162	\$ 4,162.00	\$ 105.00	2.5%	\$ 0.03
WY - WYOMING	\$ 6,250.00	1,289	\$ 1,289.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -
NATIONAL HQ	\$ 4,176.00	-	\$ -	\$ 3,699.91	-	-
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2022 SAL MEMBERSHIP AS OF: NOVEMBER 10, 2022



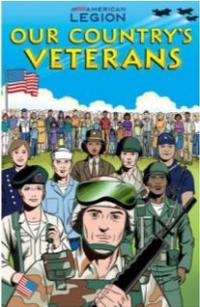
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Children & Youth Committee

James A. Noble (NJ), Chairman
Second Wednesday of Each Month
7:30 p.m. Eastern Time
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'Our Country's Veterans' comic book gets a refresh

The American Legion | November 9, 2022



The American Legion's "Our Country's Veterans" comic book educates youth about what a veteran is, the variety of roles they can do in the armed forces, their service and sacrifice, how to thank a veteran and how to be a good citizen. The comic book has gone through a recent major overhaul to update veteran war eras – to include Iraq – uniform and dress style, diversity, a representation of all six branches of services and more.

"Our Country's Veterans" comic book is available for [purchase through Emblem Sales](#), Item No. 755.304. The cost is 75 cents apiece or 100 for 59 cents apiece. This comic book is an educational tool Legion Family members can give to elementary students to help them understand the military service of our men and women.

The story is about four youth who help with the dedication of a new veterans memorial, hear the stories and contributions of people they know who have served in military, and share in the importance of thanking America's veterans.

The update to "Our Country's Veterans" is part of the "Rally Around the Flag" campaign by The American Legion. Two other American Legion comic books, "[I Pledge Allegiance](#)" and "[Our Country's Flag](#)" have also been updated but the new version of each are not yet available.

Finance Commission

William G. Hill (MD), Chairman
8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
[Join Zoom meeting](#)
Meeting ID: 931 8495 9980 | 171 635

December 8 | February 9 | April 13
May 6 (NEC) | July 13

Internal Affairs Commission

William Clancy, III (NY), Chairman
Fourth Thursday of Each Month
6:00 p.m. Eastern Time
(605) 313-6050 | 344 590

Legislative Commission

Thomas G. Deal (MD), Chairman
Third Thursday of ODD Months
7:30 p.m. Eastern Time
(267) 807-9601 | 988 284 103#

Member Training and Development Committee

Mike Monserud (IA), Chairman
First Monday of Each Month
8:00 p.m. Eastern
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Membership Committee

Thom Skelley (TX), Chairman
Third Tuesday of Each Month
8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
(605) 472-5756 | 771 7294#

The current SAL membership report can be accessed
on the national website at
www.legion.org/membership/standings

additional membership information appears later in this edition

I am so very proud of the effort that everyone put in. Although we may have missed the bullseye of 35%, we are still on target. Our membership numbers are increasing week by week and we are ahead of last year's pace. Congratulations to the 35 Detachments and to the South, Central and Midwest Regions for their outstanding efforts. November is National Renewal Month....get the word out...get the membership in!!

RECRUIT-RENEW-REINSTATE

2023 SAL 35% TARGET DATE REPORT AS OF: NOVEMBER 9, 2022



NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
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November 10, 2022

TO: NATIONAL OFFICERS, DETACHMENT COMMANDERS & ADJUTANTS
FROM: ANTHONY W. WRIGHT (PA), NATIONAL ADJUTANT
SUBJECT: 35% - MEMBERSHIP TARGET DATE

“CONGRATULATIONS”

Thank you for all your efforts so far this membership year. Our standings as of our 35% membership target date (11-09-2022) are posted below:

2023 Membership Goal: **367,798**
Total Membership: **125,211**
Percentage Of Goal: **34.04%**
2023 Renewal Rate: **30.05%**
Detachments Making Goal: **35**

Alabama	Georgia	Louisiana	New Jersey	South Carolina
Alaska	Hawaii	Maryland	North Carolina	South Dakota
Colorado	Idaho	Mexico	North Dakota	Tennessee
Connecticut	Illinois	Mississippi	Oklahoma	Texas
Delaware	Indiana	Missouri	Oregon	Vermont
Florida	Iowa	Montana	Puerto Rico	Wisconsin
France	Kansas	Nebraska	Rhode Island	Wyoming

GREAT JOB!!

Many detachments should achieve this membership goal soon!

Next scheduled renewal notice mailed: **February 24, 2023** 2ND OF 3
Next membership target date: **December 14, 2022** 45%

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#	DETACHMENT	2023 DET. YEAR END GOAL	NEEDED TO MEET 35% TARGET 11/9/2022	2023 ACTUAL MBRSHIP	% OF YEAR END GOAL	2023 RENEWAL %
1	HAWAII	77	-55	82	106.49%	94.74
2	LOUISIANA	1,790	-596	1,222	68.27%	63.45
3	SOUTH DAKOTA	1,362	-387	864	63.44%	50.04
4	OKLAHOMA	1,348	-328	800	59.35%	49.34
5	PUERTO RICO	123	-25	68	55.28%	26.23
6	GEORGIA	4,490	-743	2,314	51.54%	45.21
7	WISCONSIN	4,187	-649	2,114	50.49%	45.77
8	MISSISSIPPI	722	-102	355	49.17%	44.46
9	MEXICO	31	-4	15	48.39%	16.13
10	ALABAMA	2,066	-269	992	48.02%	41.39
11	ILLINOIS	13,398	-1,284	5,973	44.58%	41.93
12	MARYLAND	16,058	-1,464	7,084	44.12%	40.15
13	FRANCE	158	-14	69	43.67%	43.79
14	MONTANA	1,108	-86	474	42.78%	40.00
15	OREGON	1,414	-99	594	42.01%	33.73
16	IOWA	4,857	-286	1,986	40.89%	36.97
17	NEBRASKA	7,015	-413	2,868	40.88%	39.47
18	FLORIDA	21,519	-1,222	8,754	40.68%	32.93
19	SOUTH CAROLINA	1,473	-75	591	40.12%	34.46
20	IDAHO	644	-33	258	40.06%	34.27
21	VERMONT	3,818	-187	1,523	39.89%	36.45
22	DELAWARE	2,430	-119	969	39.88%	33.58
23	WYOMING	1,298	-60	514	39.60%	34.70
24	NORTH CAROLINA	2,727	-111	1,065	39.05%	32.06
25	NORTH DAKOTA	1,056	-39	409	38.73%	32.32
26	MISSOURI	3,219	-117	1,244	38.65%	33.03
27	TENNESSEE	1,718	-48	649	37.78%	30.38
28	KANSAS	5,919	-150	2,222	37.54%	34.14
29	COLORADO	2,729	-62	1,017	37.27%	33.14
30	TEXAS	5,569	-105	2,054	36.88%	30.99
31	INDIANA	36,387	-200	12,935	35.55%	32.26
32	RHODE ISLAND	336	-1	119	35.42%	28.79
33	NEW JERSEY	9,386	-35	3,320	35.37%	31.98
34	ALASKA	1,608	-2	565	35.14%	29.16
35	CONNECTICUT	1,867	-3	656	35.14%	31.43
36	VIRGINIA	4,109	7	1,431	34.83%	29.91
37	OHIO	30,636	177	10,546	34.42%	31.49
38	NEW YORK	29,864	362	10,090	33.79%	30.53
39	MASSACHUSETTS	5,442	68	1,837	33.76%	30.39
40	MAINE	2,617	49	867	33.13%	28.00
41	NEVADA	357	7	118	33.05%	28.97
42	CALIFORNIA	10,714	245	3,505	32.71%	27.33
43	UTAH	449	12	145	32.29%	24.38
44	MICHIGAN	24,271	763	7,732	31.86%	27.21
45	NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,677	251	1,736	30.58%	27.69
46	ARKANSAS	447	21	135	30.20%	25.51
47	WEST VIRGINIA	2,362	177	650	27.52%	23.65
48	ARIZONA	8,004	651	2,150	26.86%	20.12
49	WASHINGTON	2,485	205	665	26.76%	19.94
50	MINNESOTA	11,378	981	3,001	26.38%	24.96
51	KENTUCKY	2,609	300	613	23.50%	20.35
52	NEW MEXICO	1,483	195	324	21.85%	17.80
53	PENNSYLVANIA	60,803	8,372	12,909	21.23%	18.60
54	DIST OF COL	114	23	17	14.91%	11.50
55	PHILIPPINES	70	23	2	2.86%	1.47
Grand Totals:		367,798	3,518	125,211	34.04%	30.05

2023 SAL REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

WESTERN REGION - JACK A. YOUNGS (ID)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
HAWAII	77	82	106.49%
OREGON	1,414	594	42.01%
IDAHO	644	258	40.06%
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UTAH	449	145	32.29%
ARIZONA	8,004	2,150	26.86%
WASHINGTON	2,485	665	26.76%
PHILIPPINES	70	2	2.86%
Totals:	25,822	8,084	31.31%

MIDWEST REGION - MICHAEL L. KIRSCHNER (CO)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
SOUTH DAKOTA	1,362	864	63.44%
OKLAHOMA	1,348	800	59.35%
MEXICO	31	15	48.39%
MONTANA	1,108	474	42.78%
NEBRASKA	7,015	2,868	40.88%
WYOMING	1,298	514	39.60%
NORTH DAKOTA	1,056	409	38.73%
KANSAS	5,919	2,222	37.54%
COLORADO	2,729	1,017	37.27%
TEXAS	5,569	2,054	36.88%
NEW MEXICO	1,483	324	21.85%
Totals:	28,918	11,561	39.98%

CENTRAL REGION - DAVID J. MENNEL (MI)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
WISCONSIN	4,187	2,114	50.49%
ILLINOIS	13,398	5,973	44.58%
IOWA	4,857	1,986	40.89%
MISSOURI	3,219	1,244	38.65%
INDIANA	36,387	12,935	35.55%
OHIO	30,636	10,546	34.42%
MICHIGAN	24,271	7,732	31.86%
MINNESOTA	11,378	3,001	26.38%
Totals:	128,333	45,531	35.48%

EASTERN REGION - ERNEST E. LABERGE (MA)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
MARYLAND	16,058	7,084	44.12%
FRANCE	158	69	43.67%
VERMONT	3,818	1,523	39.89%
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WEST VIRGINIA	2,362	650	27.52%
PENNSYLVANIA	60,803	12,909	21.23%
DIST OF COL	114	17	14.91%
Totals:	140,932	41,846	29.69%

SOUTHERN REGION - RONALD E. ROBERTS (MS)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
LOUISIANA	1,790	1,222	68.27%
PUERTO RICO	123	68	55.28%
GEORGIA	4,490	2,314	51.54%
MISSISSIPPI	722	355	49.17%
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VIRGINIA	4,109	1,431	34.83%
ARKANSAS	447	135	30.20%
KENTUCKY	2,609	613	23.50%
Totals:	43,793	18,189	41.53%



November is
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National Convention Committee

Christopher Byrd (NC), Chairman

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Liaison Committee

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Fourth Tuesday of Each Month
8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
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Ned Fox (CA), Chairman

Subcommittee on National Appointments

Donald Allisot, Jr. (ME), Chairman

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

Seth A. Rippe (NE), Chairman
Fourth Monday of Each Month
8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
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Meeting ID: 845 1668 0686
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Veterans Employment & Education Commission

Jim Coats (NY), Chairman
Third Wednesday of Each Month
8:00 p.m. Eastern Time



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Members of American Legion Riders Chapter 82

Maryland Riders chapter continues to serve its community

The American Legion | November 9, 2022

In 2015, Jamie Zayas and fellow veteran Kevin Kling were looking for a motorcycle riding group to join in Waldorf, Md., but were unsuccessful in finding one that fit them. So the pair reached out to then American Legion Harry White Wilmer Post 82 Commander Buddy Hindle in nearby La Plata about forming an American Legion Riders chapter at the post.

Just seven years later, Chapter 82 is thriving, involved in numerous projects benefiting its community and fundraising to the tune of more than \$20,000 last summer for the

Department of Maryland's annual Gold Star Legacy Run. That effort, along with assistance from Post 82's other Legion Family members, allowed the post to donate \$34,000 for the ride, which statewide generated \$137,000.

The chapter worked with the Maryland Blue Crabs minor league baseball team, which had worn camouflage jerseys during a military and veteran tribute night and then donated them to the chapter to auction off. The Riders also had a fundraising poker run among other activities.

"We worked really hard at it," said Zayas, Chapter 82's director and a 30-plus-year veteran of the Air Force and D.C. Air National Guard. "We really pounded the streets, and it all came together. And all of the legs of the (post's Legion Family) do a really good job of supporting each other."

In addition to fundraising, Chapter 82 stages a Toys for Tots ride in late November; provides support for the Damien Project, which provides homes to former service dogs; and hires an ice cream truck in the spring to drive to the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home to provide cool treats to residents, staff, and anyone else visiting the home that day.

The latter is particularly memorable to Zayas. "When you see the ice cream truck pull up, and you see these 80- and 90-year-old veterans line up – I remember being a kid and the ice cream truck would come and all the kids would line up. (The veterans) are doing the same thing. That really warms my heart. It's a fun thing that we do. It's pretty special for us."

Recently, members of Chapter 82 were donating their time in Nanjemoy at Lions Camp Merrick, which provides residential camping experiences for children ages 6-16 who are diagnosed diabetic type 1, and children that are hearing or visually impaired. Veterans also occasionally use the camp. The Riders were cleaning up the camp's large administrative cabin, which Chapter 82 took over sponsorship of after the chapter previously sponsoring it had closed.

"We usually put aside \$300 to \$500 a year for it," Zayas said. "It's minor maintenance. We'll do some spring cleaning, and in the fall, we knock down the vegetation around it. We've rebuilt the whole deck. We do some landscaping. We've bought a new washer for the cabin. And we'll do more than just that cabin."

"Warfighter Retreat has a week-long retreat (for veterans). They invite us to the beginning of the week for the welcoming of the veterans. And they'll have a dinner at the end of the week, and we have actually come out and played the waiters and waitresses for them."

Zayas said he has no problem finding volunteers for any of the projects taken on by the chapter. "I bring something up, and I get 20 volunteers just like that. Everybody wants to participate and be a part of it," he said. "The vast majority of us are veterans. Some are still serving in some capacities. I served for 37 years. It's in our blood. We see somebody that needs help ... and we want to jump in. And we jump in with both feet. It's really special."



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Our future branding has a new look

Set against a gold background with symbolic rays of the sun, the ALA's traditional emblem has remained a fixture during our 103 years of service. In our next era, complete with new brand marks courtesy of The American Legion, our organization will still be represented as the go-to support for military, veterans, and their families — but with a different look. Because the blue star emblem is as much of a legacy as the Auxiliary itself, it will not be going away ... it will simply be used in specific applications. Be sure to check back right here in *ALA eNews* for more updates, follow us on social media @ALAFORVeterans, and watch your mailbox for the February 2023 issue of *Auxiliary* for further details. We're excited to promote the ALA with a refreshed look and feel, which will help our members in recruiting efforts and publicizing our mission outreach to an audience we haven't touched yet.

Eventually, the ALA Branding Guide will be updated with the new information, but you can go [here](#) in the meantime for guidelines.

Apply by Dec. 15 to serve on a 2023-2024 national ALA committee

The application process for 2023-2024 national committee appointments is now open. National committee chairs and members are appointed annually and confirmed by the

National Executive Committee to serve on a wide variety of ALA committees for you to explore. The goal is to match skill sets and talents that best complement the Auxiliary's mission of serving veterans, the military, and their families. You need not have served as an officer in your district or department to be eligible for an appointment, and male spouse ALA members are welcome to apply. The application window is through Dec. 15. [Apply now!](#)

SPORTS



U.S. Air Force Academy photo

Air Force rallies past Army to win Commander-in-Chiefs Trophy

John Chuhran | November 7, 2022

After six long years, the Commander-In-Chief's (CIC) Trophy has returned to Colorado Springs.

Scoring 10 points in a second-half surge while hold the opposition scoreless for the final 30 minutes, the Air Force Falcons (6-3) scored a 13-7 win over the Army Black Knights Saturday in the Lockheed Martin Commanders Classic at Globe Life Field in Arlington, TX.

Air Force had defeated Navy 13-10 on October 1, so the triumph over Army (3-5) means that the Falcons earned the right to take the CIC Trophy – a 170-pound, 30-inch tall, three-sided black and silver monument that is awarded annually to the service academy football team that can beat the other two – back to the Air Force Academy for the next 12 months. Traditionally, the Falcons players and coaches will also be invited to the White House to meet the president and to formally be presented with the CIC Trophy.

It was the 21st CIC Trophy win for Air Force, the most of any service academy, but the first since 2016. Navy last won the trophy in 2019 and Army won it in 2020; it was shared a year ago when each team won one game.

“We’ve had some fantastic games with the service academies,” said a happy Air Force Head Coach Troy Calhoun. “All close games. It’s tremendous to bring the Commander-in-



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Chief's trophy back to Air Force. I want to commend Army; they played hard. But our defense the last 35 minutes was extraordinary."

Army Head Coach Jeff Monken was clearly disappointed with his team's performance and the outcome, but optimistic that they will rebound and play hard in their remaining games.

"That's a big game for us," Monken said. "Playing for that (CIC) trophy is a source of pride for our academy and for our program, and to have to relinquish that trophy is awfully tough. My hope is that our guys will continue to fight, fight for each other, keep playing. I think they will, I think we've got a tremendous culture in our program – a brotherhood. They love each other and they care for each other. They're not going to turn on each other."

The Air Force victory was achieved in the second half. Trailing 7-3, the Falcons began their first possession after intermission on their own 35, and four runs by halfback Brad Roberts (game-high 138 rushing yards) and quarterback Haaziq Daniels (95 rushing yards, 6-of-13 passing for 98 yards) advanced the ball to the Army 46. Daniels then found David Cormier (who finished with four receptions for 89 yards) with a 27-yard toss to the Army 19. Four plays later, Daniels bolted right and cut left around the corner, dashing 17 yards up the sideline into the end zone to give Air Force a lead it would not relinquish. Matt Dapore's second field goal – a 26-yard boot with 12:06 left in the final quarter – rounded out the scoring.

"Our offense made the plays with Zeke (Daniels) leading the way," Calhoun said. "A shooter in basketball keeps shooting and a pitcher in baseball keeps throwing strikes. He made some great passes."

Daniels was named the Player of the Game for his combined running and passing efforts.

"I thought in the first half we were shooting ourselves in the foot," Daniels said. "We had some plays that we missed. After halftime, we focused what we could control and moved on from the first half. It's an unbelievable feeling (winning the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy). It's been two tough years (losing to Army in overtime last year and needing a second-half comeback to win on Saturday)."

Army, which had struggled to find any consistent plan of attack in the first half, faced one of its stiffest challenges in memory throughout the second half. The Falcons defensive unit was remarkably effective at breaking up plays and making quick tackles, holding the Black Knights to just 20

total yards in the second half. It was a true group effort as Michael Mack II and TD Blackmon led the Falcons with six tackles each while seven other players had at least four. The Black Knights had been averaging 419.1 offensive yards per game entering the game; they were held to just 145 on Saturday.

"Our guys laid it on the line," said Calhoun, who realized that winning the CIC Trophy was something his senior players had not experienced in their first three years at Colorado Springs. "The guys were ready to play during the bye week and again during this week. These guys up here (in the interview room – seniors Blackmon, Daniels, Roberts) have been awesome. We put these guys in pressure situations and they take charge. You feel blessed to coach them and our guys are blessed to have them as teammates."

A crowd of 33,912 watched Saturday's contest, which featured the top two rushing offenses in NCAA Division I-A competition (Air Force, 336.8 yards per game; Army, 334.6 ypg). Running was the featured style of attack from the opening kickoff.

In the opening quarter, the teams traded unsuccessful series, searching for weaknesses to be exploited. With just 3:25 left on the clock in the first stanza, the Black Knights faced a fourth-and-1 situation on their own 37 and Head Coach Jeff Monken decided to go for it. Fullback Jakobi Buchanan was stopped cold, giving Air Force possession in Army territory. On the second play of the drive, Falcons running back Roberts found a hole in the line and dashed 15 yards into the secondary. Four plays later, Air Force kicker Matt Dapore booted a 19-yard field goal with just 19 seconds left before switching ends.

The teams began to experiment in the second quarter and Army surprisingly found pivotal success in the air. Quarterback Jemel Jones completed consecutive passes to Isaiah Alston (24 yards) and Ay'Jaun Marshall (31) before ending a 6-play, 68-yard drive with a 3-yard quarterback dash into the end zone to give the Black Knights a 7-3 lead at the break.

In logging their sixth win of the year, the Falcons became eligible for consideration for a post-season bowl. Before that, they have three regular-season games left against Mountain West Conference opponents – hosting New Mexico (Nov. 12) and Colorado State (Nov. 19) and visiting San Diego State (Nov. 26). Additional Mountain West playoff games may be added.

Army has four regular season games remaining – a home contest against UConn (Nov. 19) and visiting battles against

Troy (Nov. 12) and UMass (Nov. 26). The Black Knights also play at a neutral site – Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia – in the 123rd Army-Navy Game on December 10.

5 Legion alumni on Contemporary Era Baseball Hall of Fame ballot

The American Legion | November 8, 2022

Five former American Legion Baseball players are on the Contemporary Baseball Era player ballot to be considered for induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Don Mattingly, Fred McGriff, and Dale Murphy are on the ballot along with Albert Belle, Rafael Palmeiro, and Curt Schilling.

The Contemporary Baseball Era Players Committee will vote on those players on Dec. 4 at the Baseball Winter Meetings. Those players who receive votes on 75 percent of the 16-member committee's ballots will be elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 2023; the induction ceremony in Cooperstown, N.Y., is scheduled for July 23, 2023.

The Contemporary Baseball Era Players Committee considers retired players who played after 1980 and who are no longer eligible for election to the Hall of Fame by the Baseball Writers Association of America (BBWAA). Finalists for the BBWAA ballot are expected to be announced this month with results announced on Jan. 24, 2023.

The Legion Baseball alumni on the ballot:

Barry Bonds played American Legion Baseball in San Mateo, Calif. He is Major League Baseball's all-time leader in home runs with 762. Bonds played 22 seasons with Pittsburgh and San Francisco and was a 14-time All-Star, seven-time National League MVP, eight-time Gold Glove Award winner and 12-time Silver Slugger Award winner.

Roger Clemens played American Legion Baseball in Spring Woods, Ohio, and was the ALB Graduate of the Year in 1988. The 11-time All-Star and seven-time Cy Young Award winner played 24 seasons with Boston, Toronto, the Yankees, and Houston.

Don Mattingly played American Legion Baseball in Evansville, Ind., and was the 1987 ALB Graduate of the Year. A six-time All-Star during his 14 seasons as a player with the New York Yankees, he managed for 12 seasons with the Dodgers and Miami. During his time managing the Dodgers, he talked about his ALB experience in this [video](#).

Fred McGriff played American Legion Baseball for Post 248 in Tampa Bay, Fla. He was a five-time All-Star during his 19 seasons in the majors with Toronto, San Diego, Atlanta, Tampa Bay, the Cubs, and the Dodgers.

Dale Murphy played American Legion Baseball in Portland, Ore., and was the 1986 ALB Graduate of the Year. A seven-time All-Star and two-time NL MVP, Murphy played 18 seasons with Atlanta, Philadelphia, and Colorado.

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Eric Patrick 'Wilkie' Wilkinson



On Friday, October 28, 2022 Eric Patrick "Pat" Wilkinson, loving father and Grampy, passed away unexpectedly at age seventy-seven. Born to Hannah and Eric Wilkinson, Pat graduated from Auburn High School and retired as an engineer for Auburn Technology (Bombardier).

An avid fisherman, and collector of flies, Pat most enjoyed the time spent with his daughter Erin fishing.

Having been a mechanic for many years, Pat collected model cars, watched NASCAR, and attended many car shows. He delighted in talking "shop" with his son Jim and attending racing events.

He was an enthusiastic baker, providing baked goods and sweets to his friends and family whenever they stopped by. He had an infectious laugh and spoke fondly of his memories of golfing with his brother Jimmy.

Pat was an active member at the Auburn Ancient Order of Hibernians, where he would often be found on Tuesdays. He was proud to be a member of the Sons of the American Legion and an auxiliary member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, honoring his late father, who served in WWII.

He is survived by two children, Erin (Katie) Wilkinson and Jim (Renee) Noto; two grandchildren, Keria Wilkinson and MaKenna (Ian Slothower) Noto; five step-grandchildren, Kasia and Aldon Ambuski, Sarah, Riley and Aiden Sullivan;

two sisters, Maryanne (Larry) Charette, Theresa (Gary) Volk; two brothers, Jimmy (Glo) Wilkinson and Timmy Wilkinson; a brother-in-law, Leo "Mac" McMahon; many nieces and nephews; and a lifelong friend, Phyllis Conte. He was predeceased by his mother and father, Hannah and Eric Wilkinson, a sister, Kathy McMahon, and his beloved grand-dog, Violet.

A Celebration of Life was held with his immediate family on November 4, 2022 at the Springside Inn.

Arrangements by Pettigrass Funeral Home.

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Ray Arbuckle

Raymond "Ray" Lewis Arbuckle, age 74, of Hanover, Indiana, died Friday, Nov. 4, 2022, at the Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover.

He was born on Feb. 25, 1948, in Scottsburg, Indiana, to James Lanier and Doris Eloise Hall Arbuckle. He was raised in Scott County, Indiana, and was a 1966 graduate of Scottsburg High School. He became a certified licensed electrician and went to work in his father's business, Arbuckle Electric, at the age of 10. He purchased the company in 1989 and operated it until 2003 when he sold to his brother, Clay Arbuckle. He married Judy Ann Alsup on March 11, 1966, in Scottsburg, and they had three children. He was a member of English Masonic Lodge No. 622 F. & A.M. where he was a past master. He was also a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Indianapolis and the Murat Shrine. He married Deborah Jo Johnson on Dec. 28, 2004, in Nashville, Tennessee. He attended Paynesville Christian Church in Paynesville, Indiana, and was a member of the Major Samuel Woodfill Madison Post No. 9 Sons of the American Legion. He was a hunter, fisherman and enjoyed wood crafting.

Survivors include his wife of 17 years of Hanover; his daughter, Tammy Napier of Austin, Indiana; his sons, Richard "Rick" Arbuckle of Deputy, Indiana and Russel "Russ" Arbuckle of Lexington, Indiana; his brothers, Jay Arbuckle and Clay Arbuckle, both of Scottsburg; two sisters, Lana Thompson of Wilberforce, Ohio and Lacinda Richey of Scottsburg; and three grandchildren; four great grandchildren; his nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephew and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two sisters, Larita "Rita" Arbuckle Dillon, on Jan. 10, 2009 and Laraine Marie Arbuckle, on April 22, 1971.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison. Interment will follow in the New Bethel Cemetery near Chelsea, Indiana. Visitation is 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on and 10 a.m. until the time of service on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the New Bethel Cemetery Association through the funeral home. Online condolences and memorials, www.morgan-nay.com.

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FROM THE EDITOR

You may be wondering why Round-Up came out on Friday instead of Sunday. With today being Veterans Day, I wanted to get information out that is important to the day.

Later in this edition is a long list of discounts and freebies available to veterans, and in some cases, their families. The generosity of the businesses, agencies, and organizations providing these extra benefits to our veterans deserves recognition. If you happen to visit one of the establishments, please take a minute to thank the management and staff. These businesses do not have to make these offers available, and it is nice to know that they all thank and recognize our veterans and the sacrifices they made for our great nation.

It is important that this list gets shared with our veterans, so please feel free to forward this edition to all of your veteran friends, and ask them to do the same.

I want to congratulate our detachments that achieved or exceeded the national target date on November 9, and the goal of at least 35%. We have one month until our next goal, so let's all get out there and continue to work hard, remembering that November is National Renewal Month. It would be great if we hit at least 50% by then, and maybe 75% by the end of December.

It's a tall task, but we can do it. Let's get our squadron, district, and detachment membership chairmen the help they

need to reach our goals, and continue to grow our membership.

WE CAN DO IT!

Honor the Veteran Who Made You Eligible. Renew Today!

Jeff Vrabel, Sr., Editor

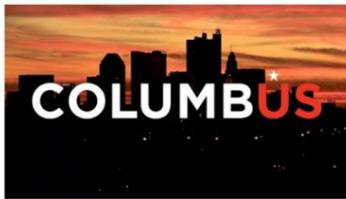
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Veterans organizations to consider joining

November 8, 2022

If you are an eligible veteran or eligible family member of a veteran, please consider joining one of the following Veteran Service Organizations (VSO) as a way of serving after you have taken off the uniform or serving in memory of a Loved One. All of these organizations are currently looking for young veterans and their families to continue their mission of helping veterans and serving the community.

American Legion Membership Eligibility: Founded September 16, 1919. Man or woman who served at least one day of active duty in the United States Armed Forces not including Annual Training and must present an Honorable Discharge (DD Form 214). Note: Overseas Service is not a requirement.

American Legion Auxiliary Membership Eligibility: Grandmothers, mothers, sisters, wives, and direct and adopted female descendants of members of the American Legion and grandmothers, mothers, sisters, wives, husbands, and direct and adopted female descendants of men and women who were in the United States Armed Forces and died in the line of duty during service, or who have received an Honorable Discharge (DD Form 214) and died after service. Copy of DD 214 must accompany application.

Sons of The American Legion (SAL) Membership Eligibility: Direct male descendant, adopted son or stepson of a member of The American Legion or direct male descendant, adopted son or stepson of a veteran who died in the line of duty during service, or who has received an Honorable Discharge (DD Form 214) and died after service. Copy of DD 214 must accompany application.

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A perfect time to reach out to veterans

November 7, 2022

Dear American Legion Family members,

The holiday season is upon us. While it is a joyous time, for many this time of year often brings sadness, loneliness, and depression. And these feelings can lead to thoughts of suicide for our veterans. This is where we need to Be the One to ask our veterans how they are doing, listen when they need to talk and reach out when they are struggling. We can help save the life of a veteran by putting our Be the One initiative into action.

There are excellent resources on the Be the One web page, betheone.org, to help you share this message and carry it with you always, especially in these next few months with the holidays. Let's all Be the One to save the life of a veteran.

This season also is an opportunity for American Legion members to reach out and perform Buddy Checks. A simple phone call will go a long way as some veterans and Legionnaires are home bound, lonely and could use a visit for camaraderie. You can invite them to your post's holiday meals or events. A little recognition and showing of care goes a long way.

A Buddy Check kit can be downloaded at legion.org/buddycheck.

When you reach out to veterans, share about the many American Legion programs that can provide needed assistance at this time. That might be The American Legion's Temporary Financial Assistance program if they have young children in the home and are facing a financial hardship with paying a bill, or they may need to speak with an American Legion service officer to help file a VA claim. Whatever the need may be, our veterans must know that we will Be the One and they are not alone.

Vincent "Jim" Troiola, National Commander
The American Legion



New reports in MyLegion

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The 2022-2023 Consolidated Post Reports and Consolidated Squadron Reports are now available in MyLegion.org for post and squadron adjutants to access.

This report can be updated throughout the year and finalized when complete. The final day to submit online for the 2022-2023 Consolidated Report is Aug. 31, 2023. When submitting online, there is no need to mail a paper form.

Follow these steps to access the reports.

1. Begin in My Groups. The dashboard will display a link for consolidated reports.
2. Click "Edit Reports" or "View/Edit Reports" from the left menu. Then view dashboard. The dashboard with consolidated report options is restricted to post and squadron adjutants.
3. My Consolidated Post Reports window will open. This window provides information for open and closed reports. Click "Edit" to open the report.
4. Click "Edit" in Preview and Final Steps to open the report fields to enter data.

Report information provides field boxes to include data. The number located at the lower right indicates the maximum characters allowed. Tab to go from one field to the next or scroll and click. Please note that the report is no longer completed in sections; it is one continuous form. At the bottom of the form are buttons to “Save as Draft,” “Next” or “Cancel.”

- Save As Draft – saves draft and allows you to return and make future entries.
- Next – provides “Submit Final” button to finalize. Finalizing the report closes the report for additional updates.

To print the report: Click “Print Friendly View” link that displays the report questions and answers. Another print link appears. Click “Print.” This report can be saved as a PDF or sent to your output printer.

Three new reports in MyLegion

New reports in MyLegion are now available. To access reports from your My Account page, enter My Groups. Go to “Reports/Labels” from the left My Views menu. Then select the desired report. Each report allows you to set parameters. Set parameters and click “View Report.”

1. Member dues history

This report is available for posts, squadrons, districts, and counties. Enter the member ID and organization (The American Legion or Sons of The American Legion) to view payment history. Payment history provided includes join date and payments (last paid year 2011 to current).

2. Paid members by post

This report is available for districts and counties. This report may take longer to generate data. The paid members report includes all members who have paid to that post.

3. Project stay active

This report is available for posts, squadrons, districts, and counties. You can find members by ZIP code that have recently moved into your area to connect with them and see if they would like to transfer to your post.

Service officers: national staff available for support

The American Legion | November 7, 2022

In September, there were 1,211 informal hearing presentations prepared by American Legion claims specialists, free

of charge, to help veterans appeal their denial of VA benefits. And 307 appeals cases from veterans disputing VA benefits decisions were ruled in favor of the veteran, thanks to free representation from American Legion benefits specialists.

Tony Cross, a Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Division veterans disability claims specialist, shared during the October Training Tuesday that there are currently 600 Board of Veterans Appeals cases under the Appeals Modernization Act, and 510 legacy cases, assigned to one of the Legion’s appeals representatives. Through the Veteran Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2017, there are three decision review options for disagreements with benefits decisions – Higher-Level Review (form 20-0996), Supplemental Claim (form 20-0995) and Appeal to the Board of Veterans Appeals.

“The request for higher level review takes on average less time than going to the Board of Veterans Appeals,” Cross said. “The board can take on average one calendar year.”

With the increase of board hearings being virtual for veterans, which has seen an increase of benefits granted rate of 56%, Dave Spivey, senior team leader in the Legion’s BVA unit, said it’s important to prepare the veteran in advance of his or her hearing.

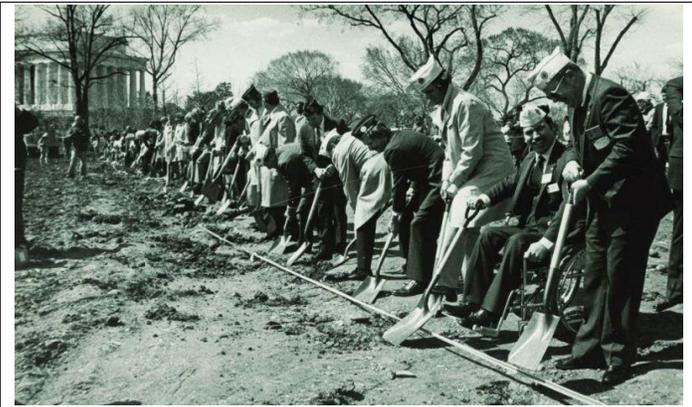
“Make sure the veteran has the ability to communicate with the judge (virtually) and make sure that virtual hearing can go without any glitches,” he said. “Communicate with the veteran much earlier than the hearing to make sure the veteran is able to connect and communicate.” Spivey recommended doing a pre-hearing to ensure all will go well during the actual hearing.

If an American Legion service officer needs help representing a veteran during a virtual board hearing, please email americanlegionhearingrequests@va.gov. National staff can provide support so a hearing is not delayed or rescheduled. And email va&r@legion.org for all other questions.



Vietnam Wall turns 40

Laura Edwards | November 8, 2022



Breaking ground on the Mall in Washington, D.C., for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial are, from right to left, Legionnaires Larry Besson of Illinois, Joe Frank Jr. of Missouri, Maryland Department Commander Doug Henley, Tom Kouyeas of the District of Columbia, Tennessee Department Commander John Maddox, Ed Pendarvis, past department commander of South Carolina, Florida Department Adjutant Dyke Shannon, Colorado National Executive Committeeman Pat Smith, Dewey Spencer of Arkansas and Bruce Thiesen, past department commander of California. Not visible from this angle, behind Thiesen, is North Carolina Department Commander E.C. Toppin. They represented fellow Vietnam vets from their states at the ceremony. At left in distance is the Lincoln Memorial.

American Legion News Service Photo

On Nov. 13, 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was formally dedicated after a process of arguments and compromises that illustrated how a complicated war can spill over into its remembrance. But the priority for The American Legion was the veterans of the war and helping bring about the catharsis that they – and the nation – needed.

Once the project and setting in the National Mall area had been approved, attention turned to the design. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund sponsored a competition that attracted more than 1,420 entries from the United States and abroad. A panel of eight architects and sculptors chose the design of 21-year-old Yale University architecture student Maya Lin – born in Ohio to Chinese-immigrant parents – and the battle was on.

As Lin describes her design on her website: “On seeing the site in Washington, D.C., over Thanksgiving break, I had an impulse to cut open the earth. I imagined cutting into the earth and polishing its open sides, like a geode My design evolved into two black granite walls, placed below grade, engraved in chronological order with the names of the men and women who gave their lives in the Vietnam War. At the apex where the two walls join, the dates 1959 and 1973 (marking the beginning and end of the war) ‘meet,’ thus closing the circle of the time span of the war. A veteran can

find his or her own time on the wall, and all visitors would be able to see themselves reflected in the names. I wanted the memorial to create a private and personal connection with each viewer to those names.”

This was the choice of the panel, and that was good enough for The American Legion. Ultimately the largest single contributor to the memorial with a total of \$1.17 million raised, it was interested more in getting a memorial built than weighing in on aesthetics. To move the process along, the Legion launched a letter-writing campaign to Washington, called a meeting with the Secretary of the Interior and prevailed on the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, the final authority on the design. The organization continued to throw its weight behind the memorial from the groundbreaking through the 1982 national convention in Chicago, where \$1 million of the Legion's donation was presented, and up to the dedication.

Uppermost in The American Legion's mind was the warfighters themselves. The Legion sponsored a four-day “National Salute to Vietnam Veterans” around the dedication, which included social events like a party at which, as *The Washington Post* commented, “Wolfman Jack, the well-known, gravel-voiced disc jockey of the 1950s and 1960s was there along with a handful of Congressional Medal of Honor [recipients], one of whom had a metal hook where his left arm had been. [They] grabbed the mike between songs and shouted to the vets that they were heroes, that this was their week at last, and they responded with shouts and cheers.” There was also a wine-and-cheese reception for the families of POWs and MIAs, and the Legion provided shuttle services to and from area hotels and the National Cathedral, where a 56-hour candlelight vigil and reading of deceased servicemembers' names was conducted.

According to the American Legion News Service, a lot of the organization's activity was more nuts-and-bolts: “Thousands of Legionnaires from across the country came individually or in small groups to be part of the historic events, which were characterized in news reports as the real end of America's longest war and a psychological bridge across the generation gap for the veterans movement. Legion posts in the departments of Maryland and Virginia provided free lodging for some Legionnaires – and non-members – who couldn't afford Washington hotel rates. Some distant posts and departments sponsored delegations. Hollywood, Calif., Post 43, for example, paid the airfare of two Vietnam veteran members, and the Department of North Dakota sent its State Legion Band. The national organization brought in one Vietnam veteran Legionnaire from every state to coordinate the participation of veterans from his or her part of the country. Headquarters staff members from

Indianapolis and Washington manned information booths at four major hotels, guided tours, solved problems and provided service to all comers.”

The dedication came after more than 15,000 Vietnam veterans marched down Constitution Avenue; says the News Service, “teary-eyed well-wishers shouted ‘God bless you, God bless America’ from the sidelines. The American Legion was very visibly represented, with blue caps in every contingent and department colors in most. Disabled Vietnam vet Joe Frank Jr. of St. Louis represented the Legion on the veterans organization float, while the Legion’s own float featured Janice and Brian Welsh, war widow and orphan of Air Force 1st Lt. Richard Welsh. Mrs. Welsh’s letter to The American Legion catalyzed the organization’s involvement with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial as a way to give meaning to all those who died in Vietnam.”

Forty years later, the Wall has been embraced for what it is: a bridge between a difficult war and today, dedicated to those from whom it exacted the ultimate price.



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2022 Veterans Day discounts

The American Legion | November 4, 2022

The following are some discounts for veterans and service-members for restaurants, retail outlets and recreational opportunities for Veterans Day, Nov. 11. While these have been verified, check your local franchise to be sure that they are honoring the discounts and for more information. These will be updated as more discounts become available.

RESTAURANTS

7-Eleven

[Veterans Advantage Connection | 7-Eleven](#)

7-Eleven, Speedway and Stripes are offering a free Quarter-Pound Big Bite 100% all-beef hot dog in honor of veterans. Available in-store and via delivery through the 7NOW app, this deal is only redeemable on November 11.

54th Street Grill

54thstreetgrill.com

Veterans and active-duty military get up to \$10 off any entrée on Veterans Day. Dine-in only. [Click here](#) for locations.

Another Broken Egg Café

anotherbrokenegg.com/

Another Broken Egg Cafe offers a Veterans Day Breakfast for Heroes. All veterans, active and retired military servicemembers can enjoy a free Patriot French Toast Combo and coffee on Nov. 11 at participating cafes. Dine-in only. [Click here](#) for details.

Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza

[Home – Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza \(acfp.com\)](http://Home - Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza (acfp.com))

Veterans and active-duty military receive a free 12-inch cheese pizza on Veterans Day.

Applebee's

[Veterans Day \(applebees.com\)](http://Veterans Day (applebees.com))

Applebee's Neighborhood Grill + Bar will give thanks to all active-duty military, veterans, reserves, and National Guard with the offer of an in-restaurant complimentary full-size entrée from an exclusive menu. And when dining at Applebee's on November 11, these special guests will also receive a \$5 Bounce Back Card to redeem for dine-in, To Go, or delivery within a three-week redemption window.

Aroma Joe's Coffee

aromajoes.com/

All veterans a free 24 oz. drink on November 11.

Arooga's Grille House & Sports Bar

[Arooga's Grille House & Sports Bar \(arogas.com\)](http://Arooga's Grille House & Sports Bar (arogas.com))

Active-duty military and veterans with a valid ID can choose a free item from a special menu on Veterans Day at [participating locations](#). The menu includes Arooga's buffalo pretzel, chopped or caesar salad, cheeseburger, grilled cheese and bacon with creamy tomato basil soup, spicy Italian wrap, boneless wings and original boli.

Aspen Creek Grill

Aspen Creek Grill | Comfort Fresh Food

On Veterans Day, all veterans and active-duty military can select from a complimentary menu, from 11 a.m. to close.

Aspen Tap House

Aspen Tap House |

A complimentary meal from a special menu for veterans and active-duty military! The offer is available from open to close on Veterans Day.

Bad Ass Coffee of Hawaii

Home Page – Bad Ass Coffee of Hawaii

A free cup of coffee for veterans and active-duty military.

Bad Daddy's Burger Bar

[Home | Bad Daddy's Burger Bar \(baddaddysburgerbar.com\)](http://Home | Bad Daddy's Burger Bar (baddaddysburgerbar.com))

On Veterans Day, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., veterans and active-duty servicemembers receive a free Big Daddy's All-American burger and side with valid military ID. In-person only.

Bagger Dave's

www.baggerdaves.com

Active, nonactive, reservists, retired personnel and first responders with proof of military identification get one great American cheeseburger and fries on Veterans Day.

Bandana's BBQ

WWW.bandanasbbq.com

Veterans and active-duty military get a free budget-buster meal on Veterans Day.

Bar Louie

Bar Louie | The Original Gastrobar

On Veterans Day, Louie Nation is offering a free craft burger or flatbread of your choice to all active-duty military and veterans.

Beef 'O' Brady's

[Beef 'O' Brady's Family Sports Restaurant - a team, parent, and kid friendly restaurant for the whole family \(beefobradys.com\)](http://Beef 'O' Brady's Family Sports Restaurant - a team, parent, and kid friendly restaurant for the whole family (beefobradys.com))

A free meal for veterans with a purchase of equal or greater value up to \$10 on Veterans Day.

Ben's Soft Pretzels

[Ben's Soft Pretzels | Amish-Inspired Gourmet Pretzels \(benspretzels.com\)](http://Ben's Soft Pretzels | Amish-Inspired Gourmet Pretzels (benspretzels.com))

Free pretzel for veterans and active military on Veterans Day.

BIBIBOP Asian Grill

Honoring All Who Serve - BIBIBOP Asian Grill

BIBIBOP is giving all veterans and active-duty military a free bowl on Veterans Day.

Big Boy

Big Boy® Restaurants - Dine In, Delivery, Carry Out & Catering

Veterans can come in on Veterans Day with a valid ID and pick up a voucher for a free future meal. Participating locations only. Limit 200 per store.

Bigby Coffee

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On Veterans Day, Bigby Coffee will be offering free brewed coffee for veterans.

Billy Sims BBQ

[Billy Sims BBQ - Smoked On-Site - Dine in or Order Online](#)

Veterans and active-duty military can enjoy a free pulled pork or chicken sandwich, one regular side and a regular drink. Offer good for dine-in and carryout only. Valid only on Veterans Day.

Black Rock Bar & Grill

[Black Rock Bar and Grill - Award Winning Steakhouse \(blackrockrestaurants.com\)](#)

FREE steak dinner for veterans and active-duty military. Dine-in guests only, proof of service required.

BJs Restaurant and Brewhouse

[Home | BJ's Restaurants and Brewhouse \(bjsrestaurants.com\)](#)

On November 11, all current and former military members receive a free entree from a select menu. Dine-in only.

Black Angus Steakhouse

[Black Angus Steakhouse](#)

Black Angus Steakhouse invites all current and past members of the military to enjoy a free meal on Veterans Day this November 11 at all locations from noon to 3 pm. Recipients are asked to bring a photo ID verifying their military service. This deal is not available to-go.

Bob Evans

[Bob Evans | Veterans Day](#)

On November 11 Bob Evans will offer a special menu of seven homestyle favorites available to veterans and active-duty military free at their local Bob Evans Restaurant. Dine-in only, beverage not included. Show proof of military service.

Bombshells Restaurant and Bar

[Bombshells Restaurants and Bars \(4bombshells.com\)](#)

All 12 Bombshells Restaurant & Bar locations in Texas will provide free entrees for veterans on Veterans Day, Friday, November 11. Other items will be discounted 20%. In addition, families accompanying veterans as well as active servicemembers and accompanying families will receive a 20% discount on entrees and other items on Veterans Day. Alcoholic beverages are excluded from all Bombshells discount programs.

Break Time

[Break Time \(mybreaktime.com\)](#)

Break Time will give all veterans a free fountain drink or coffee on Veterans Day.

Bruegger's Bagels

[Bruegger's Bagels - Everything You Need In A Single NY Bagel \(brueggers.com\)](#)

Veterans can grab a free medium fresh-brewed hot or iced coffee with their breakfast on Veterans Day.

Buffalo Wild Wings

[Locations | Wings and Rings](#)

Veterans and active-duty military with valid ID will receive three free tenders and a drink on Veterans Day at participating locations. Valid for dine-in only.

Burntwood Tavern

[Burntwood Tavern](#)

All veterans and active-duty servicemembers will get a free meal on Veterans Day.

Calhoun's Restaurant

[Mission & Values | Calhoun's \(calhouns.com\)](#)

All veterans and active-duty military members can enjoy a free meal on Veterans Day.

California Dreaming

[Happenings - CentraArchy Restaurants](#)

On November 11, California Dreaming is honoring veterans and active-duty military with 50% off of an entrée.

California Pizza Kitchen

[California Pizza Kitchen \(cpk.com\)](#)

On Friday, November 11, veterans, and active-duty military receive a complimentary non-alcoholic beverage and choice of one entrée from a special menu.

Cantina Laredo

[Cantina Laredo](#)

Veterans and active-duty military can receive a complimentary meal on Veterans Day.

Caribou Coffee

[Caribou Coffee® | Life Is Short. Stay Awake For It®](#)

Veterans, active military members and their spouses receive a free hot brewed coffee on Veterans Day, November 11.

Carolina Ale House

[Home - Carolina Ale House](#)

On Veterans Day, November 11, veterans, and military members get a free rib platter with the purchase of a drink. Each rib platter comes with a half rack of ribs, coleslaw, and fries.

Casey's General Stores

[Casey's Partners With Pepsi to Support Veterans and Their Families - CStore Decisions](#)

Service members past and present receive a free cup of freshly brewed coffee by visiting their local Casey's store on Veterans Day, Nov. 11.

CC's Coffee House

[CC's Coffee House | CC's Coffee House \(ccscoffee.com\)](#)

Free tall brewed coffee for all veterans and active-duty military this Veterans Day. (Participating locations only.)

Cattlemen's Steakhouse

[Veterans Day Special \(cattlemens.com\)](#)

Cattlemen's offers all active, non-active and retired military personnel a complimentary sirloin steak dinner in honor of Veterans Day. Sign up on their website on or before November 11 to receive your steak certificate. Veterans and active duty simply show proof of service. The offer will be emailed on November 12 and is valid November 12 through 22 during regular business hours for outdoor dining or dine-in. The offer is not valid on takeout orders and is valid at California Cattlemen's locations only.

Charley's Philly Steaks

[Home | Charley's Cheesesteaks](#)

Charley's Philly Steaks is honoring veterans and active-duty military with free Gourmet Fries in-store with no purchase necessary on November 11, 2022.

In addition, Charley's locations on military bases are offering free gourmet fries with the purchase of a cheesesteak and drink for all customers – guests can visit their store for more details.

Chelo's Hometown Bar & Grill

[Chelo's Hometown Bar and Grille](#)

Veterans will receive a free meal on Veterans Day with a valid military I.D.

Chicken Salad Chick

[chickensaladchick.com/](#)

Chicken Salad Chick is offering a free meal to all veterans and active-duty military on Veterans Day, November 11. This offer is valid at all Chicken Salad Chick locations for service members in uniform or those with a valid military ID. [Click here](#) for locations.

Chili's

[www.chilis.com](#)

Veterans and active-duty servicemembers get a free meal from a select menu on November 11. Available for in-restaurant only. Visit the [Chili's website](#) for details.

Chop House

[The Chop House: American Steakhouse, Seafood Restaurant and Wine Bar | Steaks, Chops, and Seafood](#)

On Friday, November 11, Chop House restaurants are offering 50% off entrees to veterans and active-duty servicemembers.

Cici's Pizza

[Home - Pizza, Pasta, Salad & Desserts | Cici's Pizza - Carryout or Delivery](#)

Cici's Pizza is offering a free adult buffet to all active and retired military personnel for Veterans Day on Friday, November 11. The offer is valid for dine-in only and it does not include a drink. A valid active duty or retired military ID must be presented at the time of purchase.

Claim Jumper

[Claim Jumper](#)

On November 11, veterans who show valid ID may receive a free entrée from a special menu and a \$5 bounce-back card for the next visit. This offer is valid for dine-in only at participating restaurants.

Coco's Bakery & Restaurant

[Home - Coco's \(cocosebakery.com\)](#)

All veterans and active-duty military receive a free slice of pie with proof of service. Plus, buy one, get one free entrée for breakfast, lunch, or dinner on Veterans Day.

Colton's Steak House

[Colton's Steak House - home page \(coltonssteakhouse.com\)](#)

Veterans eat free on Veterans Day 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free entrée valid for all active, former, or retired military when ordering from the Veterans Day menu.

Cotton Patch Café

[Celebrating Causes - Cotton Patch Cafe](#)

Every Veterans Day, all our restaurants are proud to serve our Award Winning Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Fried Chicken FREE to all veterans and active duty military.

Country Kitchen

[Country Kitchen Restaurants | Serving Healthy Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner Every Day](#)

Active and retired military get a free Country Scramble on November 11 at participating locations with proof of service.

Cracker Barrel

crackerbarrel.com/

Veterans and active-duty military get a complimentary slice of Double Chocolate Fudge Coca-Cola® Cake, in-store and online, with any purchase. Use code VETSDAY22 at checkout.

From November 1 through 14, Cracker Barrel is also offering 25% off military apparel and drinkware, in-stores and online, to help honor U.S. veterans and active-duty military on Veterans Day.

Crooked Pint Ale House

[Crooked Pint Ale House: Restaurant & Sports Bar](#)

Veterans and active military eat free on Veterans Day.

Davanni's Pizza

www.davannis.com

Get a free solo one-item pizza and a regular soda for all veterans and active servicemembers on Veterans Day.

D'Angelo Grilled Sandwiches

dangelos.com/

50% off your entire order for all veterans and active military members. Valid on Veterans Day only (11/11/22) at participating locations. Valid for dine-in or carry out orders. Not valid online. Not valid on lobster or gift cards.

Denny's

[Homepage | Denny's \(dennys.com\)](#)

On November 11, [Denny's](#) will be offering any veterans or active-duty military with a valid ID a free Build Your Own Grand Slam breakfast from 5 a.m. until noon.

Dickey's Barbecue Pit

[Current Deals | Dickey's Barbecue Pit \(dickeys.com\)](#)

Free pulled pork classic sandwich is available this Veterans Day. To redeem in-store, veterans and current military personnel must present a military ID or valid proof of service.

Drake's

[Home - Drake's Come Play \(drakescomeplay.com\)](#)

Veterans and active-duty military will receive a complimentary meal at participating locations on Veterans Day.

Duck Donuts

[Local Donut Shop | Duck Donuts](#)

All veterans and active-duty servicemembers with IDs can get a free doughnut on Veterans Day at participating Duck Donuts locations.

Duffy's Sports Grill

[Duffy's Sports Grill \(duffysmvp.com\)](#)

Veterans and active-duty service members eat free on Veterans Day.

Dunkin' Donuts

[Dunkin'® | America's Favorite Coffee, Espresso and Donuts \(dunkindonuts.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, veterans and active-duty military can enjoy a free donut at Dunkin' Donuts restaurants nationwide, no purchase necessary.

East Coast Wings + Grill

[East Coast Wings + Grill - America's Best Wings](#)

On Veterans Day, have a free meal. Available all day, dine-in or takeout.

Eat'n Park

[Eat'n Park Restaurants | The Place for Smiles \(eat-npark.com\)](#)

All former and current military personnel will receive 10% off for themselves and their entire party each time they dine in for the entire month of November. Proof of service is required for this discount.

Einstein Bros. Bagels

www.einsteinbros.com

Einstein Bros. Bagels is offering veterans and active-duty military a free hot or iced coffee (any size) with a purchase in-store on November 11.

El Chico Café

[El Chico](#)

Veterans and active military eat free on Veterans Day. Limit \$20.

El Fenix

[El Fenix Mexican Restaurants - The Original Tex Mex - Best Mexican Food in TX](#)

Veterans eat a free taco dinner on Veterans Day. Choose from two chicken or beef tacos, served with rice and beans.

Emmet's Social Table

[Welcome - Emmet's Social Table \(emmet SNC.com\)](#)

FREE meal (\$15-value) for veterans and active-duty military on November 11.

Exchange

[Exchange | Military Discount - Tax Free Shopping \(shop-myexchange.com\)](#)

The Exchange will feature one-day-only specials on Veterans Day, including a free coffee for all shoppers at Express and participating Exchange restaurant locations. From November 8 to November 14, the Exchange will also feature deals in stores and online at ShopMyExchange.com.

Famous Dave's

[Famous Dave's BBQ Restaurant | Best Barbecue Restaurant \(famousdaves.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, all former and current military personnel will receive a free Georgia chopped pork sandwich plus a side. Dine-in or to go.

Farmer Boys

[Farmer Boys® - Welcome home!](#)

Veterans and active-duty military with valid proof of service get a free big cheese cheeseburger on Veterans Day.

Fatz Café

[fatz.com/locations](#)

Veterans and active-duty military are invited to join us for a free Calabash Chicken Basket on November 11. Dine-in only.

Food City

[Food City](#)

Veterans and active military members eat free at the Food City deli on Veterans Day. Bring your military ID card or proof of service with your ValuCard.

Fogo de Chão

[fogodechao.com/location/](#)

Fogo de Chão is offering veterans and active-duty personnel 50% off food and 10% off food for up to three guests. [Click here](#) for locations.

Fox & Hound

[Fox & Hound \(foxandhound.com\)](#)

This Veterans Day, get a free meal. Dine-in only. Not available at Schaumburg, Ill., and Arlington Heights, Ill., locations.

Freebirds World Burrito

[Freebirds World Burrito | Texas' No. 1 Burrito](#)

Free chips and dip for veterans and active-duty military. Choose from queso blanco, guacamole or salsa.

[Fred's Frozen Custard and Steakhburgers](#)

[Home | Fred's Frozen Custard & Steakhburgers \(fred-dys.com\)](#)

All veterans and active military personnel who visit Freddy's on Veterans Day will receive a free Freddy's Original Double with Cheese combo meal card. No purchase is necessary to receive this special offer. Cards may be redeemed through November 30, 2022.

Fricker's Restaurants

[Fricker's Wings Sports Bar | Live Sports, Great Beer & Food \(frickers.com\)](#)

Veterans get 10 free wings (boneless or traditional) on Veterans Day.

Friendly's

[Friendly's | Family Restaurant & Ice Cream \(friendlyrestaurants.com\)](#)

Friendly's is treating veterans and active military, with a valid military ID or honorable discharge card, to a free all-American meal for lunch or dinner, which consists of the all-American burger, served with a side of fries and a drink on Veterans Day. The burger can be upgraded to a cheeseburger for free.

Glory Days Grill

[glorydaysgrill.com/](#)

Free appetizer or a regular order of boneless or grilled boneless wings on Veterans Day.

Gold Star Chili

[Get A Free 3-Way This Veteran's Day | Gold Star Chili](#)

Enjoy a free three-way and drink on Veterans Day. For all who served.

Golden Corral

[Golden Corral | Endless Buffet | America's #1 Buffet Restaurant](#)

Golden Corral is hosting their Military Appreciation Night on Monday, November 14, 2022 from p.m. to close. This includes a free "thank you" meal when dining in. Visit the [Golden Corral](#) website for details.

Gordon Biersch Brewery Restaurants

[Visit Our Louisville Brewery Restaurant | Gordon Biersch \(gordonbierschrestaurants.com\)](#)

Participating locations will offer veterans and active-duty military a complimentary free entrée from a special menu on Veterans Day.

Graeter's Ice Cream

[Graeter's Ice Cream - Ice Cream Delivery & Gifts \(graeters.com\)](#)

This Veterans Day, Graeter's Ice Cream will offer a free sundae to all veterans and active-duty servicemembers.

Grady's BBQ

[Grady's BBQ \(gradysbbq.com\)](http://gradysbbq.com)

Grady's BBQ is celebrating Veterans Day with a free meal for active-duty military and veterans.

Granite City Brewery

[Granite City Food & Brewery | Craft Beer | Lawless Brunch \(gcfb.com\)](http://gcfb.com)

Veterans and active-duty military are offered a free lunch and drink from a special lunch menu on November 11. Available for dine-in and to go from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Greene Turtle

[The Greene Turtle, Sports Bar and Grille, Family Restaurant | The Greene Turtle](#)

Current servicemembers and veterans can enjoy a free meal on Veterans Day.

Green Mill Restaurant and Bar

[Green Mill Restaurant & Bar: Dine In, Take Out, Or Delivery](#)

Green Mill honors our military on Veterans Day with a free menu item. Free meal offer includes any single item from the menu for dine-in only. Active-duty military and veterans must show proof of service. Available on November 11, 2022, at participating Green Mill Restaurants only.

Grillsmith

[Grillsmith: Craft By Fire](#)

This Veterans Day, Grillsmith offers a complimentary entrée for all veterans and active-duty military members.

Grub Burger Bar

[Grub \(grubkitchenandbar.com\)](http://grubkitchenandbar.com)

All active-duty military and veterans get a complimentary entrée, which excludes the Cadillac Wagyu burger. This offer is dine-in only. Please show proof of service, military ID or be in uniform.

GuacAmigos

[GuacAmigos – Tequila & Tacos on the Bay](#)

Veterans get a free entrée and \$5 towards a future meal this Veterans Day. Offer is only available on items up to \$15.

Hamburger Stand

[Hamburger Stand - Premium Hamburgers and Hot Dogs](#)

On Veterans Day, all veterans and active-duty with a valid military ID receive a free hamburger, regular fries, and a small Pepsi.

Hard Rock Café

[Hard Rock Cafes | Local Delivery and Pickup at our Music Themed Restaurants Around The World](#)

On November 11, both active-duty and retired military can receive a free Legendary Steak Burger at the Hard Rock Cafe. They can also take advantage of the Hard Rock Cafe's military discount of 15% off other items.

Hawaiian Bros

[Menu - Plate Lunch, Sides, Drinks, Desserts | Hawaiian Bros Island Grill](#)

Hawaiian Bros offers a free plate lunch from 11 am to 11pm on November 11. Includes friends and family of veterans and active military too.

Hickory Tavern

[Hickory Tavern: Your neighborhood gathering place. \(thehickorytavern.com\)](http://thehickorytavern.com)

Hickory Tavern is offering veterans and active-duty military a free menu item of their choice, up to \$15 this year on Veterans Day.

Hooters

[Hooters Restaurants | Online Ordering, Takeout, Delivery](#)

On Friday, November 11, all veterans who present a military ID or proof of service and purchase a beverage at any participating Hooters location nationwide will receive a free entrée from a special Hooters Veterans Day Menu (available for dine-in only).

Hopdoddy burger bar

[Hopdoddy Burger Bar | Fresh, Handmade Burgers](#)

Free classic burger with cheese for veterans on Veterans Day. Redeemable for in-store dining or to-go orders placed by phone.

Hoss's Family Steak & Sea House

[Home | Hoss's Steak & Seahouse \(hosss.com\)](http://hosss.com)

Veterans and active duty servicemembers receive 20% off any meal and beverage purchase on November 11. Visit the Hoss's website for locations.

Houlihan's

houlihans.com/

Receive a free entrée from a select menu on Veterans Day with proof of veteran status or active service in the military.

Huddle House

huddlehouse.com/

Huddle House is offering a free MVP Breakfast Platter on Veterans Day, November 11 to active-duty military members and veterans with proper ID.

Huey Magoo's

[Huey Magoo's Chicken Tenders | Voted Best Fried Chicken in Florida \(hueymagoos.com\)](#)

Treat a veteran or active military member with proper ID to a free meal for one when you purchase a meal for one and two beverages on Veterans Day.

The Human Bean Coffee

[The Human Bean: Drive Thru Coffee Franchise](#)

Free 16-ounce drink to all veterans and military personnel on Veterans Day.

Hurricane Grill & Wings

[Hurricane Grill & Wings \(hurricanewings.com\)](#)

All veterans and active-duty military receive a complimentary entrée on Veterans Day at participating locations.

Hy-Vee, Free Breakfast

[Hy-Vee to Offer Free Drive-Thru Breakfast for Veterans and Active-Duty Military on Veterans Day - Company - Hy-Vee - Your employee-owned grocery store](#)

Enjoy a free curbside pickup breakfast for veterans and active military members on Veterans Day, 6 – 10 a.m. Plus, get 15% off groceries when shopping Aisles Online or in stores.

IHOP

[IHOP® Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Restaurants - Pancakes 24/7](#)

Veterans and active-duty military can get free Red, White and Blueberry pancakes at any IHOP on November 11. This offer is only valid if you dine in with proof of service.

Ikea

[ikea.com/](#)

Enjoy a free meal at Ikea on Veterans Day. Military ID required.

Incredible Pizza

[Incredible Pizza - Incredible Pizza](#)

Incredible Pizza Company is offering free buffets for veterans Nov. 11-13, 2022.

Insomnia Cookies

[Insomnia \(insomniacookies.com\)](#)

Veterans and active military can enjoy a free six-pack in-store with any purchase on Veterans Day (just show military ID in-store to redeem).

Iron Hill Brewery and Restaurant

[\(3\) Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant | Facebook](#)

Veterans and active-duty servicemembers get a free brewski burger or either of our fried chicken sandwiches and soft drink on Veterans Day.

J. Christopher's

[J. Christopher's | Familiar with Flair \(jchristophers.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, those who served receive a free meal.

Joe's Crab Shack

[Joe's Crab Shack | Seafood Chain in the US \(joescrabshack.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, all veterans can enjoy 20% off. Valid for parties up to four.

Joella's Hot Chicken

[Joella's Hot Chicken \(joellas.com\)](#)

All veterans, active duty and reservists get a free meal of two jumbo tenders, one southern side, dippin' sauce and drink on Veterans Day.

Juice It Up

[Juice It Up - Smoothies - Juice Bar - Bowls](#)

This Veterans Day, all veterans and active military will receive a free 20-ounce classic smoothie.

K&W Cafeteria

[K&W Cafeterias | Catering Services | Family Restaurant \(kwcafeterias.com\)](#)

Free dessert with the presentation of your military ID on Veterans Day. Offer valid 11 a.m. to closing. Dine-in or take-out.

Kolache Factory

[Kolache Factory Breakfast Bakery & Cafe](#)

On November 11, Kolache Factory stores nationwide are offering a free kolache and a cup of coffee to all veterans and all those who are actively serving our country in the U.S. armed forces from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Krispy Kreme

[Krispy Kreme - Doughnuts, Coffee & Drinks](#)

On Veterans Day, a doughnut and coffee will be on the house.

Lamar's Donuts & Coffee

[LaMar's Donuts & Coffee \(lamars.com\)](#)

Free donut and a 12-ounce coffee for all veterans and active military on Veterans Day.

Lion's Choice

[Lion's Choice - Lion's Choice \(lionschoice.com\)](#)

Lion's Choice celebrates Veterans Day on Friday, November 11 with a free original roast beef sandwich for active-duty and retired members of the armed forces. While there, veterans can also take advantage of the standing 20% discount offered daily for veterans and active-duty military. Guests can request their free sandwich and additional discount at

check-out by stating they are a veteran or showing a valid ID. [Click here](#) for locations.

[Little Caesars® Pizza](#) (11:00 am – 2:00 pm).

[Little Caesars® Pizza: Best Value Delivery and Carryout](#)

On Veterans Day, veterans and active-duty military can get a free Lunch Combo from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Little Caesars. Only select Little Caesars are participating, so make sure you call ahead to your local one before you head over.

[Logan's Roadhouse](#) (3 pm – 6 pm).

[Logan's Roadhouse | Steaks. Ribs. Spirits. \(logansroadhouse.com\)](#)

Veterans and active-duty military personnel can enjoy a free meal between 3 and 6 p.m. from a special menu at participating locations on November 11.

[Lucille's Smokehouse BBQ](#)

[Lucille's Smokehouse BBQ \(lucillesbbq.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, active and former military can enjoy a complimentary dessert and a 20% discount with proof of service. Veterans receive 20% off the entire month of November for military family month.

[Lucky's](#)

[Lucky's Steakhouse - The Best Steak in Town](#)

This Veterans Day, all veterans and active-duty military personnel can receive a free entrée up to \$20.

[Luna Grill](#)

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Luna is offering a buy-one-get-one-free deal November 11 to November 13 to any active-duty or veteran member of the armed forces at all locations.

[Margarita's Mexican Restaurant](#)

[HOME | Margaritas Mexican Restaurant \(margs.com\)](#)

All veterans and active-duty military receive 50% off their entrée. Valid for dine-in only with valid military ID.

[Max & Erma's](#)

[Max & Erma's | The Neighborhood Gathering Place \(maxandermas.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, participating Max & Erma's locations celebrate veterans and active military personnel with a free cheeseburger, endless fries, fountain drink and a chocolate chip cookie.

[Melting Pot](#)

[The Melting Pot Events and Specials in Louisville, CO](#)

Veterans eat for free on Veterans Day at select Melting Pot locations with the purchase of regular-priced four-course meals. Veterans must show military IDs.

[McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants](#)

[mccormickandschmicks.com/](#)

Veterans, National Guard, Gold Star parents and Gold Star spouses can enjoy a select half-priced entrée on Sunday, November 13, 2022. Reservations are strongly recommended.

[Menchie's Frozen Yogurt](#)

[mccormickandschmicks.com/](#)

Cool off with a free six ounces of frozen yogurt when you present your military ID on November 11.

[Metro Diner](#)

[Metro Diner Offers | Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Restaurant](#)

Veterans and active-duty military will receive 50% off on November 11, 2022. Visit the [Metro Diner](#) website for locations.

[Miller's Ale House](#)

[Miller's Ale House - Your Neighborhood Restaurant and Sports Bar \(millersalehouse.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, Miller's Ale House will be offering military members and veterans 50% off their entrée of choice with proof of service on Friday, November 11.

[Mission BBQ](#)

[Home - MISSION BBQ \(mission-bbq.com\)](#)

Veterans and active duty military will receive a free sandwich on Veterans Day.

[MOD Pizza](#)

[\(4\) MOD Pizza | Facebook](#)

Sign up to receive a buy-one-get-one-free MOD-size pizza or salad with military ID by November 8, and MOD will send you a coupon on Nov. 9 to redeem on Veterans Day.

[Native Grill & Wings](#)

[\(4\) Native Grill & Wings | Facebook](#)

All veterans and active-duty military are invited to enjoy a free menu item (up to \$11.99) on Veterans Day.

[Nekter Juice Bar](#)

[Juice Bars | Acai Bowl | Juice Cleanse | Nekter Juice Bar - Nékte Juice Bar](#)

All veterans are invited to come into their local Nekter and enjoy a free fresh juice or superfood smoothie (16 ounce) on Veterans Day.

Ninety Nine Restaurant & Pub

[99 Restaurants: Bar Restaurant With Classic Pub Food](#)

On Veterans Day, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., veterans and active military can receive a free entrée from a special Veterans Day menu with the purchase of any other entrée. Dine-in only.

Noah's Bagels

[\(4\) Noah's Bagels | Facebook](#)

Veterans can grab a free medium fresh-brewed hot or iced coffee with their breakfast on Veterans Day.

O'Charley's

[Home - O'Charley's Restaurant & Bar \(ocharleys.com\)](#)

Veterans can get a free meal—a \$10 value—at participating O'Charley's locations on November 11 if they show military ID. O'Charley's offers a special "Veterans Thank You Menu" that you can choose from. Just check beforehand to see if your nearby O'Charley's is participating.

Olive Garden

[Specials | Olive Garden Italian Restaurant](#)

This Veterans Day, Olive Garden is offering veterans and active-duty servicemembers a free entrée from a special menu. All entrees include Olive Garden's famous breadsticks and choice of soup or salad.

On The Border

[On The Border - Mexican Grill & Cantina - Tex Mex Restaurant](#)

This Veterans Day, veterans and active-duty military will receive a free pick-two combo meal.

Orange Leaf Frozen Yogurt

[Orange Leaf Frozen Yogurt | \(orangeleafyogurt.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, all veterans and active-duty military can enjoy half off a cup of froyo.

Outback Steakhouse

[Outback Steakhouse](#)

This Veterans Day, all military veterans and active servicemembers can enjoy a free bloomin' onion and Coca-Cola.

Papa Gino's

[Papa Gino's Pizzeria: Best Pizza Delivery & Carryout in New England \(papaginos.com\)](#)

50% off pizzas for all veterans and active military members. Valid on Veteran's Day only (11/11/22) at participating locations. Valid for dine-in or carry out orders. Valid on whole pizzas only. Not valid online.

Parry's Pizza

[Veterans Day Special - Parry's Pizzeria & Taphouse | Parry's Sliceria & Taps \(parryspizza.com\)](#)

This Veterans Day, all veterans and active-duty military get a free full-size entrée and fountain drink. Offer is available for dine-in or takeout.

Peet's Coffee

[The Original Craft Coffee | Peet's Coffee \(peets.com\)](#)

In honor of Veterans Day, Peet's Coffee will serve complimentary drip coffee and tea all day on Nov. 11 to members of the U.S. armed forces (active-duty, reserves, National Guard, retired military), military spouses, and veterans. Must mention military status when ordering.

Perkin's Restaurant

[Home | Perkins Restaurant & Bakery \(perkinsrestaurants.com\)](#)

On Friday, November 11, 2022, active duty, retired military, and veterans are invited to their local Perkins to enjoy a Free Magnificent Seven meal. To receive the offer, please present a valid military ID.

Perry's Steakhouses

[Perry's Steakhouse & Grille | A Fine Dining Restaurant \(perryssteakhouse.com\)](#)

Free pork chop dinner for U.S. active military and veterans on Veterans Day with the purchase of a dinner entrée.

Petro Stopping Centers

[Country Pride Restaurants - In TA | TravelCenters of America \(ta-petro.com\)](#)

All active duty military, veterans, and reservists with proof of service can enjoy a complimentary meal from a select menu that includes a beverage on Veterans Day, at any participating Country Pride or Iron Skillet restaurant nationwide.

Pie Five Pizza

[Home - Pie Five Pizza](#)

On Veterans Day, get a free personal pizza at participating locations. Dine-in only.

Pizza Inn

[Home | Pizza Inn](#)

Participating Pizza Inn locations offer free buffets and other deals for active and retired military members on Veterans Day.

Pilot Flying J

[Pilot Flying J | Travel Centers and Gas Station for Fueling](#)

In honor of Veterans Day, Pilot Company is offering a free meal to military servicemembers and their families at more than 750 participating Pilot, Flying J and One9 Fuel Network travel centers across the country. From November 11 through 13, 2022, servicemembers and their families verified through ID.me in the myRewards Plus app will receive a free meal credit, valued up to \$12.

Pluckers

[Pluckers](#)

Veterans and active-duty military with a valid ID get a free meal (entree, side, and non-alcoholic beverage) at any Pluckers location on November 11.

Primanti Bros

[Almost Famous, Always A Favorite. Since 1933! | Primanti Bros](#)

Free classic sandwich on Veterans Day.

PrimoHoagies

[PrimoHoagies - Italian Specialty Sandwiches](#)

Veterans receive a free 20-ounce beverage and one-ounce bag of chips when you purchase a Primo-size hoagie on Veterans Day.

Quaker Steak & Lube

[Quaker Steak & Lube's® Specials / Promotions | Quaker Steak & Lube® \(thelube.com\)](#)

All veterans and active-duty and reservist servicemembers receive free or discounted meals (up to \$15), plus a free nonalcoholic beverage at participating locations on Veterans Day.

Rapid Fired Pizza

[Home - Rapid Fired Pizza](#)

Veterans and active-duty military get a free dessert pizza or cheezy bread with the purchase of an entrée on Veterans Day.

Red Lobster

[Red Lobster® Offers Free Walt's Favorite Shrimp, Fries, and Coleslaw for Veterans Day](#)

Red Lobster is offering veterans, active-duty military and reservists a free Walt's Favorite Shrimp, Fries, and Coleslaw. The offer is available for dine-in and To Go orders placed in-restaurant between 11:00am and 4:00pm local time on Friday, November 11, 2022. Show a valid military ID or proof of service to redeem this offer.

Red Robin

[Family Friendly Burger Restaurant | Red Robin](#)

All veterans and active-duty military get a free Red's Tavern Double when dining in on November 11, 2022. This classic burger also comes with free refills of Bottomless Steak Fries®.

Rock & Brews

[Veterans Day - Rock & Brews - American Restaurant \(rockandbrews.com\)](#)

Rock & Brews is offering all active-duty military, veterans and first responders a free pulled pork sandwich or strawberry fields salad on Veterans Day at participating locations nationwide.

Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery

[Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery](#)

All veterans can enjoy a free entrée from a select Veterans Day menu on Veterans Day

Rodizio Grill, Nov. 9 – 12, 2021.

[Rodizio Grill Birthday Parties | Anniversary Dinner Restaurant | Date Night Dining](#)

From November 9 to November 12, veterans eat free with the purchase of at least one adult full-size Rodizio meal. Must show proof of service to receive a discount. Dates may vary by location.

Schlotzsky's

[Schlotzsky's - Order Online \(schlotzskys.com\)](#)

Schlotzsky's is offering free chips and a small drink with an entree purchase to veterans and active-duty servicemembers with a valid military ID on Veterans Day, November 11 through November 30. Offer valid at participating locations, in-store only. Not valid with any other offer or reward.

Seven Doors Kitchen & Cocktails

[Seven Doors Kitchen & Cocktails](#)

Veterans and active-duty military get one free entrée and one non-alcoholic beverage at Seven Doors Kitchen & Cocktails on Veterans Day, November 11 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dine in or take away only. Must show proof of military service.

Shane's Rib Shack, Nov. 11 – 13, 2022

[Home - Shane's Rib Shack \(shanesribshack.com\)](#)

Military personnel and veterans will receive a free sandwich combo meal at participating Shane's Rib Shack locations. Offer valid November 11-13.

Shari's Restaurant

[Shari's | Shari's Restaurant \(sharis.com\)](https://sharis.com)

Free slice of pie and buy-one-get-one-free entrée for all current and former military on Veterans Day. Valid for dine-in and takeout only.

Sheetz

[Sheetz](https://sheetz.com)

On Veterans Day, veterans and active-duty military can enjoy a free 6-inch turkey sub and a regular-size fountain drink at any location. Plus, a free car wash.

Shoney's

[Delicious Food & Friendly Service, Since 1947 - Shoney's \(shoneys.com\)](https://shoneys.com)

Shoney's says thank you to America's heroes by offering a free all-you-care-to-eat breakfast to all veterans and active-duty military on Veterans Day until 11 a.m.

Silver Fox

[Silver Fox \(silverfoxcafe.com\)](https://silverfoxcafe.com)

Veterans and active-duty military personnel are offered a free entrée up to \$45 in value on Veterans Day. An empty table will be set to remember the fallen who never returned home.

Smashburger

[Smashburger: A Better Burger Restaurant | Order Online!](https://smashburger.com)

Veterans and active-duty military get a free double classic smash on Veterans Day.

Smokey Bones

[Smokey Bones Bar & Fire Grill | BBQ Restaurant | Takeout & Delivery](https://smokeybones.com)

Free desserts on Veterans Day, 11 a.m.-11 p.m. for active-duty members and veterans.

Smoothie King

[Smoothie King | Rule The Day® at Smoothie King - Order Online](https://smoothieking.com)

Free 20-ounce smoothie with a military ID on Veterans Day.

Sonny's BBQ

[Sonny's BBQ | Home \(sonnysbbq.com\)](https://sonnysbbq.com)

On Veterans Day, veterans and active-duty military with valid ID will receive a free pulled or sliced pork sandwich plus a voucher for free BBQ egg rolls on a future visit. Dine-in or takeout only.

Starbucks

[Starbucks Coffee Company](https://starbucks.com)

As with previous years, Starbucks will offer a free tall (12-oz) hot brewed coffee for veterans, military

servicemembers and military spouses at participating U.S. Starbucks stores on November 11. As a new addition in 2022, Starbucks is expanding this offer to include a free tall (12-oz) iced coffee.

Sticky Fingers Ribhouse

[Sticky Fingers](https://stickyfingers.com)

Veterans can enjoy a free pulled pork sandwich and fries all day on Veterans Day.

TA Stopping Centers

[Country Pride Restaurants - In TA | TravelCenters of America \(ta-petro.com\)](https://ta-petro.com)

All active-duty military, veterans, and reservists with proof of service can enjoy a complimentary meal from a select menu that includes a beverage on Veterans Day, at any participating Country Pride or Iron Skillet restaurant nationwide.

Taco Cabana

[5\) Taco Cabana | Facebook](https://tacocabana.com)

All veterans and active-duty military can enjoy a free ground beef or shredded chicken taco on Veterans Day and on the second Tuesday of every month. Use COUPON290.

Taco John's

[Taco John's | Original Tacos, Burritos, Potato Olés® and more \(tacojohns.com\)](https://tacojohns.com)

On Veterans Day, all active, reserve, retired and honorably discharged members of the U.S. military can get a free small beef #1 combo meal by redeeming the offer in the Taco John's app.

Taffer's Tavern

[Taffer's Tavern - Food & Spirits by Jon Taffer \(tafferstavern.com\)](https://tafferstavern.com)

Veterans and active-duty servicemembers with valid military ID one complimentary handheld from November 11 to 13.

Tap House Grill

[Home - TAP HOUSE GRILL \(taphousegrills.com\)](https://taphousegrills.com)

On Veterans Day, all active, inactive, and retired military personnel can get a free meal and a Sam Adams pint while supplies last.

TCBY

[tcb.com/](https://tcb.com)

First six ounces are free for veterans and active military on Veterans Day.

Texas Roadhouse

[Homepage | Texas Roadhouse](#)

All active and retired military or military veterans can receive a meal voucher on November 11, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Please be prepared to provide military ID, Veterans Affairs card, or discharge papers. These vouchers are good for dine in or carry out. If it cannot be used that day during those times, the voucher is good until May 30, 2023. There will be a specific menu to select from. Be sure to call [your local Texas Roadhouse](#) for details.

TravelCenter of America

[TravelCenters of America \(ta-petro.com\)](#)

TravelCenters of America offers active-duty military and veterans a free breakfast, lunch or dinner at a participating full serve or quick serve restaurant on Friday, November 11 with proof of service.

Tuscan Brands

[Brazilian Churrasco Restaurant - Tucanos Brazilian Grill](#)

On Veterans Day, November 11, Tuscan Kitchen, Tuscan Sea Grill & Bar, and Toscana Italian Chop House & Wine Bar will be serving a family style meal to veterans and one guest from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Veterans and their guest can RSVP by calling the restaurant located in the town they reside. Visit the [Tuscan Brands](#) website for details.

Twin Peaks

[Twin Peaks Restaurants - Scratch American Food, Draft Beer, Rare Bourbons & Sports](#)

All veterans, active-duty military and reservists can eat for free from a select menu on Veterans Day.

Uno Pizzeria & Grill

[Chicago Deep Dish Pizza | Original Chicago Style Pizza | Uno Pizzeria & Grill \(unos.com\)](#)

On Veterans Day, all past and present military members get a free entrée or individual pizza with the purchase of a second of equal or greater value.

Village Inn

[Dentist in Bloomington, Indiana - Todd Whitlock Dentistry](#)

Free V.I.B. breakfast on Veterans Day.

Wendy's

[Wendy's® | Home of Fresh, Never Frozen Beef Since 1969 \(wendys.com\)](#)

Wendy's nationwide are offering a free small breakfast combo with a valid military ID on Veterans Day. No purchase is necessary.

Wienerschnitzel

[Wienerschnitzel Premium Hot Dogs - The World's Largest Hot Dog Chain](#)

On Veterans Day, Wienerschnitzel is offering a free chili dog with a small fry and a small Pepsi to veterans and active-duty servicemembers. Bring your military ID or dress in a uniform.

White Castle

[Home - White Castle](#)

White Castle is celebrating Veterans Day by offering a free Combo Meal or Breakfast Combo Meal to all veterans and active-duty servicemembers who dine at a participating White Castle restaurant on Friday, November 11.

Wild Wing Café

[www.wildwingcafe.com](#)

Get a complimentary meal from a select menu (12-piece nuggets, entrée salad, specialty burger or wrap) on Veterans Day.

Yard House

[Specials & Events | Yard House Restaurants](#)

Veterans and active-duty military will receive a complimentary appetizer on Veterans Day with a valid military ID. The offer is valid for dine-in only.

Yogurtology

[Yogurtology® | the art + science of frozen yogurt®](#)

On Veterans Day, Yogurtology will offer a free five-ounce frozen yogurt to all veterans and active military personnel.

Zaxby's

[Zaxby's | Facebook](#)

At participating locations only, all veterans and current military get free boneless wings on Veterans Day.

ATTRACTIONS

[9/11 Memorial and Museum](#)

[Homepage | National September 11 Memorial & Museum \(911memorial.org\)](#)

Throughout Salute to Service (Sunday, Nov. 6 through Sunday, Nov. 13), the military and veteran community, including U.S. active and retired military, U.S. military veterans, and Blue & Gold Star Families, receive complimentary museum admission. Due to capacity constraints, reservations are encouraged.

Akron Zoo

[Veteran's Appreciation Days | Akron Zoo](#)

Veterans, past and current, receive free admission with valid military ID, and immediate family members receive 50% off admission, November 9 through 13. To receive a

Veterans Appreciation Days discount, go to the ticket counter to purchase tickets. Visit the [Akron Zoo](#) website for details.

Alabama State Parks

[alapark.com/](#)

Free admission for veterans and active-duty servicemembers to the parks that charge an entrance fee or day-use fee. Please visit the Alabama State Parks website for details.

Aquarium of the Pacific

[Aquarium of the Pacific \(aquariumofpacific.org\)](#)

In celebration of Veterans Day, the Aquarium of the Pacific honors veterans and active military personnel. These individuals are invited to enjoy the Aquarium with free admission on Veterans Day. Advance reservations made online are required for everyone, including those receiving free admission, and no walk ups will be available.

Birmingham Zoo

[The Birmingham Zoo - Inspiring Passion to Conserve the Natural World](#)

The Birmingham Zoo will be offering free admission to veterans, active-duty military, and their dependents (up to six total) Friday, November 11 through Sunday, November 13. Guests must show proof of military service (military ID card, dependent ID card, or driver's license with veteran's designation) at the ticket booth to receive free entry.

Blue Star Museums

[Blue Star Museums | National Endowment for the Arts](#)

[Blue Star Museums](#) is a collaboration among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense, and museums across America to offer free admission to the nation's active-duty military personnel, including the National Guard and reserves, and their families.

Cincinnati Zoo

[Welcome to the Cincinnati Zoo - Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden®](#)

All members of the military will receive free admission to the zoo on Veterans Day. The offer also allows military personnel to purchase up to six (6) half-price admission tickets for members of their immediate family. Military personnel who qualify for the free admission ticket and discount offer for family members include active military, retired military, National Guard, veterans with honorable or medical discharge and reserve officers training corps with government issued ID.

Colonial Williamsburg

[Colonial Williamsburg | The World's Largest Living History Museum](#)

Active-duty military, reservists, National Guard personnel, retired military and veterans receive complimentary admission once annually for themselves and up to three direct dependents Veterans Day weekend.

Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, Columbus, Ohio

[Columbus Zoo and Aquarium - Home](#)

Military personnel, both past and present, can enjoy half-priced admission to the Zoo on November 11. Present military ID or proof of service.

Crunch Fitness

[Best Gym Membership - Top-Rated Fitness Centers & Health Clubs | Crunch Fitness](#)

Crunch Fitness is offering a seven-day free trial gym membership and an exclusive offer to active military and veterans that launches Nov. 7 in honor of Veterans Day. The additional discounted offer includes \$0 enrollment and \$3 off standard recurring dues on Peak Results. Crunch Fitness is holding an open house week from Nov. 7-13 for active military veterans and their families to work out for free all week long.

Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden

[HOME - Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden - Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden \(dmbotanicalgarden.com\)](#)

The Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden offers veterans free admission for Veterans Day on November 11, 2022. Visit the [Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden](#) website for details.

Jefferson Lines

[Bus Line Transportation Services Near You | Jefferson Lines](#)

This Veterans Day, Jefferson Lines is offering its 8th annual Free Veterans Travel event. From November 11 to November 23, 2022, all military members past and present can travel free on any Jefferson Lines route.

Veterans and active military members must obtain tickets in-person at a Jefferson Lines-owned depot by showing their DD 214 Form/appropriate military ID and a personal ID, such as a driver's license. Veterans and active military members can obtain these free tickets anytime from November 1, 2022 through November 11, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. Free tickets are available for travel departing on November 11 through November 23 for both one-way and round-trip tickets. Veterans and active military members with round-trip tickets are welcome to return at a later date anytime through December 31, 2022. [Click here](#) for details.

Killington Resort

[Killington Ski Resort - Ski, Snowboard, Mountain Bike & Golf Vermont](#)

Active-duty, retired and honorably discharged members of the military receive a free lift ticket on November 11. Visit the [Killington](#) website for details.

Knott's Berry Farm

[Knott's Berry Farm Theme Park Destination | Knott's Berry Farm \(knotts.com\)](#)

Active, retired, and veteran U.S. military personnel may receive discounted admission to Knott's Berry Farm for themselves and up to 5 guests during Military Tribute Days, November 1 through November 17, and November 28 through December 15, 2022. Tickets can be purchased online for \$19.99 (plus taxes and fees) at Knotts.com or at the Knott's Berry Farm ticket booths. Discounted admission is also available at a participating Military Ticket Office for \$20. Spouses and children are not eligible to purchase these tickets without the military member present.

La Quinta by Wyndham

[La Quinta by Wyndham | Book Hotel Discount Rates & Deals \(wyndhamhotels.com\)](#)

Eligible military members enjoy 12% off their Best Available Rate at participating La Quinta by Wyndham hotels across the U.S. Plus, in honor of Veterans Day, Wyndham Rewards members receive 1,000 bonus points for qualified stays booked by December 11 and completed by December 12, 2022. Visit the [La Quinta](#) website to book.

Montgomery Zoo, Montgomery, Ala.

[City of Montgomery, AL | Home zoo \(montgomeryzoo.com\)](#)

Veterans, active-duty military personnel, and their dependent family members receive a 50% discount on regular daytime admission to the Montgomery Zoo and Mann Wildlife Learning Museum, November 6 through 12. Visit the [Montgomery Zoo](#) website for details.

Monticello, Charlottesville, Va.

[To Do in the Charlottesville Area | Thomas Jefferson's Monticello](#)

Monticello offers U.S. military veterans complimentary admission to Monticello for Veterans Day weekend, November 11 through 13, 2022. Admission is for the Monticello Self-Guided Pass, Gardens and Grounds Pass, or the Highlights Tour. The discount does not apply for special or after-hours tours, such as the Private Behind-the-Scenes Tour, and is based on availability. Visit the [Monticello](#) website for details.

Montpelier

[Explore History At Our House | Montpelier](#)

On Veterans Day, Montpelier says, "thank you" to all U.S. veteran and active-duty military servicemembers with a free "Highlights of Montpelier" tour and Museum Shop discount.

Mount Vernon, Mount Vernon, Va.

[Mount Vernon Salutes Veterans - George Washington's Mount Vernon](#)

All active-duty, former, or retired military personnel are admitted for free on November 11. Visit the [Mount Vernon](#) website for details.

Nashville Zoo

[Nashville Zoo at Grassmere | Nashville, TN](#)

Nashville Zoo offers active-duty military personnel, veterans and their immediate families free admission during Military Appreciation Day on Sunday, November 13. Advance reservations are not required.

National Parks

[National Parks](#)

On November 11, veterans will get free admission to all National Park Service sites that charge an entrance fee.

National WWI Museum and Memorial

[Home | The National WWI Museum | New Orleans \(nationalww2museum.org\)](#)

Admission to the Museum and Memorial is free for veterans and active-duty military personnel, November 11 through 13, 2022. Visit the [National WWI Museum and Memorial](#) website for details.

NEW Zoo & Adventure Park

[NEW Zoo & Adventure Park](#)

Veterans, active-duty military personnel, and their immediate families get free zoo admission on November 11. [Click here](#) for details.

North Carolina Zoo

[The North Carolina Zoo - Asheboro, NC | North Carolina Zoo \(nczoo.org\)](#)

In honor of Veterans Day, the North Carolina Zoo is offering free admission for military personnel and veterans and free admission for one accompanying guest for Military Appreciation Week, November 7 through 13, 2022. When you arrive at the admissions booths, look for the Military Appreciation Table to get your vouchers upon confirmation of your military ID.

Pro Football Hall of Fame

[Pro Football Hall of Fame | Pro Football Hall of Fame Official Site \(profootballhof.com\)](#)

The Pro Football Hall of Fame will hold a Veterans Day Event & Expo to honor military veterans on Nov. 11 by offering: Free admission and parking to all U.S. service members, National Guard members and veterans plus one (1) guest. Free admission and parking for Blue Star Mothers and Gold Star Families. A free commemorative Veterans Day pin (while supplies last). 20% discount at the Hall of Fame Store.

Red Roof

[Find & Book Cheap Hotels | Red Roof Inn](#)

Red Roof is offering all military members and veterans 15% off bookings and stays from November 1 through Dec. 30, 2022 with code: VP 623095, at participating Red Roof locations.

San Antonio Zoo

[San Antonio Zoo | Named Best Zoo In Texas | Plan Your Visit \(sazoo.org\)](#)

Active-duty, retired, veteran members of the military, National Guard and reserves get free admission throughout November. Plus, up to four immediate family members can receive 50% off single day tickets on date of visit. Visit the [San Antonio Zoo](#) website for details.

Super 8 by Wyndham

[wyndhamhotels.com/](#)

Eligible military members can save 15% on the Best Available Rate at participating Super 8 by Wyndham hotels in the U.S. and Canada. Plus, for a limited time, Wyndham Rewards members receive 1,000 bonus points for qualified stays booked by December 11 and completed by December 12, 2022.

True REST Float Spa

[True REST Float Therapy | Sensory Deprivation | Pain Relief & Relaxation](#)

Active-duty military members and veterans get a free 60-minute float therapy session on the 11th of every month, including November 11. All spa locations will close on Veterans Day to the public to serve service members. Visit the [True REST Float Spa](#) website to learn more and find a location.

Westgate Resorts

[westgateresorts.com/](#)

Westgate Resorts is celebrating its 11th annual Military Weekend celebration, in which 1,000 active-duty U.S. military members, veterans and Gold Star families will be honored with a free three-day, two-night vacation in Orlando

December 9–11, 2022. Registration opens on November 11, 2022, at 9 a.m. exclusively on the Westgate Resorts Mobile App.

Winchester Mystery House

[Welcome to the Winchester Mystery House® - Winchester Mystery House](#)

Veterans and their family members get 30% off for Winchester Mystery House Daily Estate Tour Tickets, November 11 through December 31. Must buy at box office and show valid Military ID.

World of Coca-Cola

[Atlanta Attraction, Museum, & Venue | World of Coca-Cola](#)

Military members (active duty, reserves, and retirees) can enjoy a visit to World of Coca-Cola free of charge year-round. In honor of Veterans Day, military members can also purchase up to 4 general admissions tickets for 50% off for their friends and family from November 4 through 13. Use promo code VETS2022 at check out. Advanced purchase necessary. Military ID must be presented upon entry.

RETAIL

AARP

[join.aarp.org](#)

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Alpine Rings

[alpinerings.com/](#)

In honor of Veterans Day 2022, Alpine Rings is doubling their normal military discount to 30%. This sale is open to all U.S. veterans and their families. Service connection must be verified.

Bed and Breakfast for Vets

[Home \(bandbsforvets.org\)](#)

B&Bs for Vets are offering one free room night on November 10 and 11. Preference will be given to “first timer” Veterans and active-duty personnel; those who have not participated in the program in the past will be given preference. Offer is valid in all 50 U.S. states. Visit the B&Bs for Vets website for additional details and locations.

Bed Bath and Beyond

[bedbathandbeyond.com/](#)

For active-duty U.S. military, veterans and spouses, Bed Bath and Beyond is offering 25% off any in-store purchase on November 11, 2022. Call or visit your nearest location for details.

Branded Bills brandedbills.com/

Veterans, active-duty military, and their dependents get 25% off online November 11 through 13.

Brides Across America Free Wedding Gown Events bridesacrossamerica.com/

Brides Across America holds a wedding gown giveaway for military in partnership with bridal salons across the country in November. Qualifying brides register to attend the event at a participating bridal salon by completing the registration form. There is a \$75 tax-deductible donation required when registering for the event. Attend the event and select one of the designated gowns on display. Visit the [Brides Across America](https://bridesacrossamerica.com/) website for more details.

Devil – Dog Dungarees devil-dog.com/

Dungarees is offering a Veterans Day Promo of 50% off from November 3 through 13. This discount will be available to all veterans with their ID ME code during these dates.

Dollar General [Dollar General | Save time. Save money. Every day.](#)

Veterans, active-duty military, National Guard and reserve and their immediate family members can save 20% November 10 through 13, 2022 on qualifying, in-store purchases.

Food Lion [Grocery Store | Food Lion](#)

Active military personnel and veterans save 10% on their in-store shopping purchase total before taxes on Veterans Day, November 11, 2022. Show your military ID and MVP Card at checkout to receive discount. Excludes alcohol (beer & wine), tobacco, gift cards, lottery, pharmacy, postage stamps & services.

Grace for Vets [Home | Grace For Vets](#)

Car washes from around the world who join this program offer free car washes to veterans and service members on November 11. Visit the [Grace for Vets](#) website for details and to find a location.

Great Clips [Haircuts for Men, Women, & Kids | Great Clips Hair Salons](#)

On Friday, November 11, 2022, veterans and active service-members can go into any U.S. Great Clips salon and get a free haircut or a free haircut card for a future visit. In addition, non-military customers who get a haircut on Veterans Day at Great Clips salons will also have the opportunity to pay it forward. They can receive a free haircut card to give to an active service member or veteran they know as

a way of saying thank you. The cards can be redeemed for a free haircut from November 12 through December 9, 2022.

HYTELE [HYTELE | Premium Men's and Women's Fitness Apparel](#)

HYTELE will be offering two military promotions for Veterans Day from November 11 through November 13. For an extra 10% off service league pricing shoppers can use code "VET10" or for \$20 off a \$100 purchase shoppers can use the code "VET20". Only one code may be applied per order, but either code will work as long as the shopper is logged into a HYTELE service league account.

JB's Gourmet Spice Blends [JB's Gourmet Spice Blends \(jbspiceblends.com\)](https://jbspiceblends.com/)

Get a 15% discount on your entire order from JB's Gourmet Spice Blends during the week of Veterans Day (November 6 through 13, 2022) with code Veteran. To redeem simply place an order for rubs, seasonings, apparel, or grilling accessories on [Jbspiceblends.com](https://jbspiceblends.com) and use code during checkout.

Kohl's www.kohls.com

Veterans, active and former military personnel, and their families get 30% off in-store purchases from Friday, November 11 through Sunday, November 13. Valid military ID is required.

Magnolia Wash Holdings www.magnoliawashholdings.com

On Veterans Day, November 11, participating Magnolia Wash Holdings locations will be offering free car washes to all veterans. Whistle Express, Camel Premium Express and The Wave Carwash are operated by Magnolia Wash Holdings. These leading express car wash brands have locations across the Southeast, including Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, and Virginia.

Publix [Home | Publix Super Markets](#)

Veterans and active military personnel are invited to save 10% on groceries on Veterans Day, November 11, 2022. This offer excludes prescriptions, alcohol, tobacco, gift cards, lottery tickets, postage stamps, and money services. Valid for in-store purchases only. Customer is responsible for all applicable taxes. Please present one of the following at purchase: veteran ID card, military ID card, discharge document, or a driver license with veteran designation.

QALO

qalo.com/

Veterans and active-duty military get a free U.S. Military Ring with verification from November 1 through 11.

Office Depot and OfficeMax

[Office Depot OfficeMax | Official Online Store](#)

From Friday, November 11 through Sunday, November 13, veterans, active duty and retired military personnel, reservists, and their dependents, can enjoy 25% off qualifying regular and sale-priced purchases in Office Depot and OfficeMax stores nationwide in honor of Veterans Day. To take advantage of this special discount, shoppers must present [this coupon](#) and a valid military ID, military dependent ID or form of veteran ID at the time of purchase.

Rack Room Shoes

rackroomshoes.com/

Military personnel and their dependents get a 20% discount off their entire purchase in store on November 11. Visit the [Rack Room Shoes](#) website for a location near you.

Scrubadub

[Scrubadub Car Wash – Clean Fast Fun since 1966](#)

Scrubadub is inviting all veterans and current military service personnel to enjoy a free car wash at any of their 20 tunnel locations in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Maine, on November 11. Show your active or past military ID to receive a free Express Wash.

Sleep Number

sleepnumber.com/

Active-duty military and veterans receive 20% off most Sleep Number 360® smart beds, all bases, and most bedding purchases. This offer is valid November 1 through 14.

Southeastern Grocers

[Southeastern Grocers | Winn-Dixie, Fresco y Más & Harveys \(segrocers.com\)](#)

Southeastern Grocers is offering an 11% discount to veterans and active-duty military servicemembers with valid documentation this Veterans Day, Friday, November 11.

Sport Clips

[Haircuts for Men & Boys | Check-in Online | Sport Clips 2022](#)

On November 11, participating locations will provide free haircuts to veterans and active-duty servicemembers with valid proof of service. Visit the [Sport Clips](#) website for details and locations.

Target

[Target : Expect More. Pay Less.](#)

Target is offering a 10% military discount from October 30 through November 12 to all U.S. active-duty military personnel, veterans, and their families. The 10% discount can be used on two separate transactions and applies to all in-basket items, online and in-store.

TOPS Market

[Tops Friendly Markets – Your Neighborhood Store With More \(topsmarkets.com\)](#)

Veterans and active military personnel receive an 11% discount off of a total order on November 11. [Click here](#) for details.

Tractor Supply Company

tractorsupply.com/

Tractor Supply Company will honor active and former military members and their dependents with a 15% discount in stores nationwide in honor of Veterans Day. On Friday, Nov. 11, all service members, veterans and their dependents with a valid military ID or proof of service are eligible for the promotion.

Vitamin shoppe

<https://www.vitaminshoppe.com/>

From November 10 to 13, veterans receive a 25% discount on their entire purchase at any in-store location of The Vitamin Shoppe and Super Supplements.

Walgreens

[Walgreens: Pharmacy, Health & Wellness, Photo & More for You](#)

On November 11 through 14, veterans, military and their families will receive 20% off eligible regular price items in Walgreens or Duane Reade stores. This offer is valid in store only.

Waterdrop

Waterdrop is offering active-duty military, veterans, and their dependents a 20% discount coupon on all products from November 4 to 30. This 20% discount is only applicable during 4th-30th of November. But a 15% discount remains valid throughout the year.

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11/09/22		2023 NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP STANDINGS				
Region	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Quota Date
1 Southern 1, 2, 3	43,793	18,189	(25,604)	41.53%	736	
2 Midwestern 1, 3	28,918	11,561	(17,357)	39.98%	539	
3 Central 1, 3	128,333	45,531	(82,802)	35.48%	1,441	
4 Western 1	25,822	8,084	(17,738)	31.31%	507	
5 Eastern	140,932	41,846	(99,086)	29.69%	3,557	
TOTALS 1	367,798	125,211	(242,587)	34.04%	6,780	

11/09/22		2023 CENTRAL REGION STANDINGS						
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1 Wisconsin 1, 2, 3, 4	4,187	2,114	(2,073)	50.49%	102	45.77%	7	
2 Illinois 1, 2, 3	13,398	5,973	(7,425)	44.58%	68	41.93%	11	
3 Iowa 1, 3	4,857	1,986	(2,871)	40.89%	10	36.97%	16	
4 Missouri 1, 2, 3	3,219	1,244	(1,975)	38.65%	33	33.03%	26	
5 Indiana 1, 3	36,387	12,935	(23,452)	35.55%	178	32.26%	31	
6 Ohio 1	30,636	10,546	(20,090)	34.42%	283	31.49%	37	
7 Michigan	24,271	7,732	(16,539)	31.86%	740	27.21%	44	
8 Minnesota	11,378	3,001	(8,377)	26.38%	27	24.96%	50	
TOTALS 1, 2, 3	128,333	45,531	(82,802)	35.48%	1,339			

11/09/22		2023 WESTERN REGION STANDINGS						
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1 Hawaii 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q, 10	77	82	5	106.49%	1	94.74%	1	10/10/22
2 Oregon 1, 3	1,414	594	(820)	42.01%	22	33.73%	15	
3 Idaho 1, 2, 3	644	258	(386)	40.06%	11	34.27%	20	
4 Alaska 3	1,608	565	(1,043)	35.14%	3	29.16%	34	
5 Nevada	357	118	(239)	33.05%	1	28.97%	41	
6 California 1	10,714	3,505	(7,209)	32.71%	190	27.33%	42	
7 Utah	449	145	(304)	32.29%	7	24.38%	43	
8 Arizona	8,004	2,150	(5,854)	26.86%	127	20.12%	48	
9 Washington	2,485	665	(1,820)	26.76%	145	19.94%	49	
10 Phillipines	70	2	(68)	2.86%	-	1.47%	55	
TOTALS 1	25,822	8,084	(17,738)	31.31%	507			

11/09/22		2023 SOUTHERN REGION STANDINGS						
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1 Louisiana 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	1,790	1,222	(568)	68.27%	35	68.27%	2	
2 Puerto Rico 1, 2, 3, 4	123	68	(55)	55.28%	-	26.23%	5	
3 Georgia 1, 2, 3, 4	4,490	2,314	(2,176)	51.54%	17	45.21%	6	
4 Mississippi 1, 3, 4	722	355	(367)	49.17%	2	44.46%	8	
5 Alabama 1, 2, 3, 4	2,066	992	(1,074)	48.02%	59	41.39%	10	
6 Florida 1, 3	21,519	8,754	(12,765)	40.68%	390	32.93%	18	
7 South Carolina	1,473	591	(882)	40.12%	43	34.46%	19	
8 North Carolina 1, 2, 3	2,727	1,065	(1,662)	39.05%	11	32.06%	24	
9 Tennessee 1, 3	1,718	649	(1,069)	37.78%	7	30.38%	27	
10 Virginia	4,109	1,431	(2,678)	34.83%	140	29.91%	36	
11 Arkansas 1	447	135	(312)	30.20%	-	25.51%	46	
12 Kentucky	2,609	613	(1,996)	23.50%	32	20.35%	51	
TOTALS 1, 2, 3	43,793	18,189	(25,604)	41.53%	701			

11/09/22		2023 MIDWESTERN REGION STANDINGS						
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1 South Dakota 1, 2, 3, 4	1,362	864	(498)	63.44%	89	50.04%	3	
2 Oklahoma 1, 2, 3, 4	1,348	800	(548)	59.35%	27	49.34%	4	
3 Mexico 1, 2, 3, 4	31	15	(16)	48.39%	-	16.13%	9	
4 Montana 1, 3	1,108	474	(634)	42.78%	28	40.00%	14	
5 Nebraska 1, 3	7,015	2,868	(4,147)	40.88%	68	39.47%	17	
6 Wyoming 1	1,298	514	(784)	39.60%	122	34.70%	23	
7 North Dakota 1, 3	1,056	409	(647)	38.73%	14	32.32%	25	
8 Kansas 3	5,919	2,222	(3,697)	37.54%	19	34.14%	28	
9 Colorado 1	2,729	1,017	(1,712)	37.27%	96	33.14%	29	
10 Texas 1, 3	5,569	2,054	(3,515)	36.88%	64	30.99%	30	
11 New Mexico	1,483	324	(1,159)	21.85%	12	17.80%	52	
TOTALS 1, 3	28,918	11,561	(17,357)	39.98%	450			

11/09/22		2023 EASTERN REGION STANDINGS						
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1 Maryland 1, 3	16,058	7,084	(8,974)	44.12%	435	40.15%	12	
2 France 1, 2, 3	158	69	(89)	43.67%	-	43.79%	13	
3 Vermont 1, 3	3,818	1,523	(2,295)	39.89%	71	36.45%	21	
4 Delaware 1, 3	2,430	969	(1,461)	39.88%	16	33.58%	22	
5 Rhode Island	336	119	(217)	35.42%	13	28.79%	32	
6 New Jersey	9,386	3,320	(6,066)	35.37%	160	31.98%	33	
7 Connecticut	1,867	656	(1,211)	35.14%	45	31.43%	35	
8 New York	29,864	10,090	(19,774)	33.79%	857	30.53%	38	
9 Massachusetts	5,442	1,837	(3,605)	33.76%	80	30.39%	39	
10 Maine	2,617	867	(1,750)	33.13%	150	28.00%	40	
11 New Hampshire	5,677	1,736	(3,941)	30.58%	165	27.69%	45	
12 West Virginia	2,362	650	(1,712)	27.52%	202	23.65%	47	
13 Pennsylvania	60,803	12,909	(47,894)	21.23%	1,363	18.60%	53	
14 Dist. of Columbia	114	17	(97)	14.91%	-	11.50%	54	
TOTALS	140,932	41,846	(99,086)	29.69%	3,557			

11/09/22		2023 SUPER SIX STANDINGS						
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1 Florida 1, 3	21,519	8,754	(12,765)	40.68%	390	32.93%	18	
2 Indiana 1, 3	36,387	12,935	(23,452)	35.55%	178	32.26%	31	
3 Ohio 1	30,636	10,546	(20,090)	34.42%	283	31.49%	37	
4 New York	29,864	10,090	(19,774)	33.79%	857	30.53%	38	
5 Michigan	24,271	7,732	(16,539)	31.86%	740	27.21%	44	
6 Pennsylvania	60,803	12,909	(47,894)	21.23%	1,363	18.60%	53	
TOTALS	203,480	62,966	(140,514)	30.94%	3,811			

National Membership Totals	367,798	125,211	(242,587)	34.04%	6,780	30.05%		
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- 1 Met 09/14/22 goal of 10%
- 2 Met 10/13/22 goal of 25%
- 3 Met 11/09/22 goal of 35%
- 4 Met 12/14/22 goal of 45%
- 5 Met 01/19/23 goal of 60%
- 6 Met 02/15/23 goal of 75%
- 7 Met 03/15/23 goal of 80%
- 8 Met 04/19/23 goal of 90%
- 9 Met 05/17/23 goal of 100%
- 10 Met 07/16/23 goal of 105%





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Sons' 50th National Convention: Nod to past, vision for future

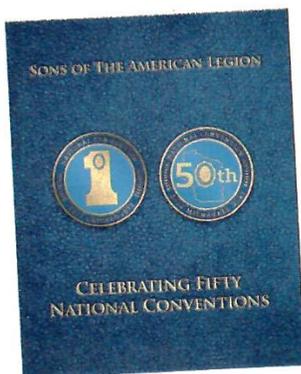
Standing at the podium in Milwaukee's Miller High Life Theater, J.R. Stillwell couldn't help but compare the venue for Sons of The American Legion's 50th National Convention to its workshops in the years preceding the first convention.

"You could probably put 20 of (those rooms) in this one," he said. "Look around at what we've come to."

From 1970 to 1971, Stillwell served as SAL national chairman, an office that became national commander when the Legion's National Executive Committee approved a new constitution and bylaws for the Sons in May 1972, three months before their first national convention in Chicago. Stillwell was one of many past chairmen/commanders and other guests in Milwaukee to celebrate a double milestone for the Sons.

"Our organization has come a long way in supporting our nation's heroes and their families since our inception in 1932," National Commander Michael Fox told the crowd. "In our 90 years of existence and 50 years of holding national conventions, we have transformed into the greatest program The American Legion has, something each and every one of you should be proud of."

More than 600 members of the Legion Family filled the Hilton Milwaukee City Center's Crystal Ballroom for the Sons' convention banquet, including American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard, Auxiliary National President Kathy Daudistel and Legacy Run Chief Road Captain Mark Clark, a member of SAL Squadron 21 in Missouri.



All agreed the Legion Family's work would be difficult without the help of the Sons, who have raised millions for the Child Welfare Foundation and other causes.

"If we can pack a room like this, what can we do 10 years from now?" Fox asked. "How much better can we be for The American Legion? They need us, we need them. It's a family unit."

Banquet attendees received a challenge coin and bookazine commemorating the Sons' 50 national conventions.

"We gave \$500,000 this year. How much can we give next year?"

Newly elected SAL National Commander Chris Carlton of Indiana, voicing his support for American Legion National Commander Jim Troiola's goal of raising \$2 million for the Veterans & Children Foundation

"I don't belong up here, but in the name of my father, I appreciate it. I am so proud and humbled to be part of such a devout and patriotic group of American citizens."

Joe Piscopo, "Saturday Night Live" alumnus and radio show host, who spoke at the Sons' 50th National Convention banquet after his induction as a member in Woodstock, Ill., in May

"I have absolute confidence and great optimism about ... where Sons of The American Legion is going."

Joseph Paviglianti, chairman of the SAL Century Committee, asking the Sons to support an "audacious" goal of 1 million members by 2032, the program's 100th birthday. Paviglianti stepped down as SAL's top legal counsel after 43 years in national leadership.