



ROUND-UP

A weekly digest of happenings
in the Sons of The American Legion

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July 26, 2023

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In honor of D-Day leadership and sacrifice

[Jeff Stoffer](#) | June 6, 2023



American Legion National Commander Vincent J. "Jim" Troiola joins Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Mark Milley in a wreath laying June 5 at the Statue of Liberation dedication ceremony honoring Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt Jr. in Ste. Mere-Eglise, Normandy, France.

Photo by Jeff Stoffer

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American Legion National Commander Vincent J. "Jim" Troiola paid homage, in ceremonies leading up to the 79th D-Day anniversary, to combat officers who led U.S. troops in the World War II liberation of Normandy, France. He did so in the company of multiple U.S. officers leading America's warriors today, including Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Mark Milley.

Among the World War II leaders remembered prominently during ceremonies was Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt Jr., founding leader of The American Legion, who posthumously received the Medal of Honor for his actions while coming ashore in the first wave at Utah Beach on June 6, 1944.

A "Statue of Liberation" – first unveiled in a ceremony last year by then-National Commander Paul E. Dillard

– was formally dedicated June 5, with completed plaques telling the story of the oldest officer to storm the beaches and break through Nazi defenses, first step in an 11-month march to victory in Europe in May 1945. Roosevelt Jr. died from a heart attack five weeks after the Normandy landings and was initially laid to rest in a temporary cemetery in Ste. Mere-Eglise, first town liberated by the Allies on D-Day. Troiola visited the grave of Roosevelt Jr. at the Normandy American Cemetery and also paid his respects in a June 4 speech near La Fiere Bridge.

"His leadership style was effective, and it was unorthodox," Troiola told a crowd of active-duty troops, veterans, political leaders from the United States and France and spectators in the dedication ceremony. "When he came ashore at Utah Beach in the first wave on June 6, 1944, he was armed only with a sidearm and that cane of his. And he never drew the pistol. He just kept running across the beach, through enemy fire, delivering his men to safety, practically daring the Germans to gun him down. He was 56 years old."

Troiola noted that the 26th U.S. president's eldest son had been shot and gassed in World War I – before he set in motion plans to form The American Legion in 1919 – and that he considered it not just a duty or responsibility, but a privilege, to serve his country in times of war.

"He was just as willing in World War II, as he had been in World War I to die for the causes he believed in – justice, freedom, democracy. It is no coincidence that these words are written into the Preamble of The American Legion's Constitution ... These causes have guided America's largest organization of military veterans for over a century. In this day and age, it is both comforting – and rare – to know that certain things are timeless.

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The current SAL membership report can be accessed on the national website at

www.legion.org/membership/standings



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July 26, 2023



CHRIS CARLTON

NATIONAL COMMANDER
2022 – 2023



Chris Carlton, National Commander
Sons of The American Legion

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

PURPOSE PASSION



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MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

Third Thursday of Each Month
 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time
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Fourth Wednesday of Each Month
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Remembering the Greatest Generation

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NATIONAL COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

Advisory Committee

Joe Mayne (MN), Chairman

Americanism Commission

Chris Casey (NE), Chairman
 Fourth Thursday of Bi-monthly
 7:30 p.m. Eastern | [Join Zoom meeting](#)
 Meeting ID: 956 9846 2868 | 840 830
 (877) 853-5257

July 27



FLYING FLAGS FOR HEROES
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As of June 9, 2023, **112,397** flags have been placed and reported to honor our veterans since September 1, 2022

NEXT MEETING: JULY 27, 2023

NATIONAL AMERICANISM COMMISSION



TOP NEWS

- BOYS AND GIRLS STATE PARTICIPANTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SAMSUNG AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIP. LEARN MORE BY VISITING WWW.LEGION.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS/SAMSUNG
- MEMORIAL DAY FLAG PLACEMENTS HAVE PUSHED THE FLYING FLAGS FOR HEROES TOTALS PAST THE 100K MARK.
- THE AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR 3-POSITION AIR RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE HELD IN COLORADO SPRINGS, JULY 20-22. LEARN MORE BY VISITING WWW.LEGION.ORG/SHOOTING

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DON'T FORGET

For Legion posts holding a Flag Day event, a prepared speech is available. [Download the speech here.](#) The speech doesn't have to be recited verbatim.

And at 7 p.m. EDT on June 14 is the annual Pause for the Pledge.

Other American Legion flag resources available include:

- [Three sets of downloadable graphics](#) to share on your social media channels - Voices of Our Flag, Rally Around the Flag and Know Your Code.
- [Three youth comic books for purchase](#) - "Our Country's Flag," "I Pledge Allegiance" and "Our Country's Veterans."
- [Flag retirement ceremony](#) speech as outlined in Resolution No. 440.

Century Committee CENTCOM

Jeff Vrabel, Sr. (OH), Chairman

Second Thursday of Each Month

7:00 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 974 1352 0429 | 473 385
(877) 853-5257

Child Welfare Foundation Committee

Mark Nave (PA), Chairman

Third Wednesday of Each Month

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

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Children & Youth Committee

James A. Noble (NJ), Chairman

Second Wednesday of Each Month

7:30 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 934 1509 0014 | 403 800
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Finance Commission

William G. Hill (MD), Chairman

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 957 1342 7326 | 44846
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July 13



The American Legion Riders roll into Post 77 with a warm welcome and flags waving.

A prepared Flag Day speech for Legion events

The American Legion | June 9, 2023

On Flag Day, June 14, American Legion posts often hold a flag retirement ceremony or participate in community celebrations to commemorate the date in 1777 when the United States approved the design for the first national flag.

Internal Affairs Commission

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First Thursday of Each Month

6:00 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 917 1243 8217 | 914 458

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Legislative Commission

Thomas G. Deal (MD), Chairman

Third Thursday of ODD Months

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Member Training and Development Committee

Mike Monserud (IA), Chairman

First Monday of Each Month

8:00 p.m. Eastern | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 918 2414 1981 | 777 490

(877) 853-5258

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.

SAL Online Renewal - members can login and renew direct via www.myLegion.org or quick renew by clicking here [SAL Online Renewal](#).

SAL New Member Kit is now online and ready for purchase. [New Member Kit \(SAL\) - American Legion Flag & Emblem](#).

Additional membership information appears later in this edition.

[How to use the Online Transmittal Process](#)

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WITHOUT "U"

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REINSTATE



Tillamook Post 47 remains active with membership growth

The American Legion | June 6, 2023

At the initiative of the Department of Oregon, American Legion Post 47 in Tillamook recently underwent a revitalization effort to re-energize the 104-year-old post with the goal of restoring its active role in the community. At its highest membership, Post 47 had over 700 members following the end of World War II. But over the years, membership declined steeply, and the post became inactive.

At the launch of the revitalization effort in March 2023, the post roster stood at only five active members.

As a result of the revitalization effort and the election of new post leadership, Post 47 now has over 52 members and is on the path to once again becoming a fully active post serving the community.

The growth in membership of Post 47 is “a testament to our veterans out there. They really want and need the fellowship of the Legion,” said Larry Emery, the new post adjutant and finance officer who transferred into the post to help get it back up and running.

“Public service is in my blood, and when I learned that they were trying to reactivate this post with its long history, I just thought that this is something maybe I can help make happen,” he said. “Once our programs are up and running, it will serve our many veterans and young people. I want us to be recognized as a very positive institution in Tillamook County.”

Membership growth at Post 47 is the result of former members renewing, transfers from the Department headquarters post and new members signing up. The effort of calling previous members on the post roster and transferring members is the work of the revitalization team that included National Membership Engagement Coordinator Michelle Steinmetz, Second Vice Commander Dan Burks, Department Commander

Larry Wittmayer, Department 1st Vice Cory Brockmann, National Executive Committeeman Kevin Owens, National Vice Commander Douglas Uhrig of Wyoming, Renee Ohler, and veteran service officer Jody Marsh.

“Our department leadership has always had the opinion of not closing posts because of poor attendance or difficulty getting members to step up and take an officer position,” said Department of Oregon Adjutant Flynn Phillips. “Tillamook Post 47 has had that problem for years and previous district commanders pleaded to close the post and every time were turned down. So once again, the idea of closing Post 47 came around and Dan Burks called upon Michelle (Steinmetz) for a full-court press revitalization.

“I firmly believe that a community without an American Legion post is missing what America is all about ... someone to look to and thank for their freedom.”

It was seeing the Department of Oregon’s leadership wanting Post 47 to be an active part of the community again that got the attention of Emery and new Post 47 Commander Kevin Lindsey.

“Without them, we wouldn’t be here,” Emery said. “So, kudos to the department.”

Emery said Phillips has been “an outstanding resource for me. He’s a phone call away whenever I need him to help me learn the ropes. If the Department of Oregon leadership didn’t have our backs, we could not succeed.”

Phillips said when Emery was elected post adjutant, he called department headquarters and “I immediately began getting him registered and signed up with a new MyLegion account. I started training him on using MyLegion and showed him how to access all the resources on the website.

“We had many calls back and forth over the next several days and weeks to make him more proficient. He also traveled to the department and always felt he learned something when he left. So now they have an active post that serves the local community.”

A goal of both Emery and Lindsey is to get members engaged at the post and community level.

“My vision is to eventually see this post just being out there and helping the community,” said Lindsey, who gave an example of building wheelchair ramps for veterans.

With its inactivity over the years, national and department leadership visited businesses in the community to let everyone know who American Legion Post 47 is and its vision for being a part of the community again.

“Everywhere they went there was enthusiasm in the community for this happening,” Emery said. “So that’s why I am cautiously optimistic that we’re going to succeed, and we’re going to succeed through hard work.”

Post 47 meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m. and are hosted by the Elks Club since the post doesn’t have a home. Through possible radio advertisements and putting flyers up in local businesses letting veterans know that Post 47 is here for them, Emery is hopeful to gain more members.

“The next step is to make ourselves known in the community and we are going to do that,” he said. “I think that to me the biggest motivation is my sense that Tillamook County in Oregon with its vast numbers of military veterans, really is going to welcome us. We just have to put ourselves out there in a meaningful way.”

Lindsey added, “I’m just ready to start having these meetings and getting things figured out and hopefully seeing this post blossom because I’m going to be here for a long time.”



Register for the 2023 National Membership Workshop

The American Legion | June 7, 2023

The American Legion’s 60th National Membership Workshop will be held July 28-29 in Indianapolis at the Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel.

[Register for the workshop here.](#) Deadline to register is July 7.

National Membership & Post Activities Committee Chairman Matt Jabaut of Maine will provide opening remarks Friday before attendees break into groups to

hear presentations on the Legion’s Be the One suicide prevention initiative, membership recruiting and retention, welcoming new members, legislative priorities, veterans outreach, post/district revitalizations and more.

National Convention Committee

Christopher Byrd (NC), Chairman

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Meeting ID: 961 5391 3982 | 690 337
(877) 853-5257

National Executive Committee Liaison Committee

Jim Stewart (NV), Chairman

National Vice-Commander Selection Committee

James Hartman (MD), Co-Chairman

David Stephens (IN), Co-Chairman

Public and Media Communications Commission

Kevin Chaplin (VA), Chairman

Fourth Tuesday of Each Month

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

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Subcommittee on Resolutions

Ned Fox (CA), Chairman

Subcommittee on National Appointments

Donald Allisot, Jr. (ME), Chairman



**PROUD POSSESSORS
OF A PRICELESS HERITAGE**

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

Seth A. Rippe (NE), Chairman

Fourth Monday of Each Month

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 941 4100 3972 | 378 079
(646) 931-3860



American Legion Post 620 in Bronx, N.Y., hosted a System Worth Saving town hall.

Legion to host System Worth Saving town hall in Tuscaloosa

The American Legion | June 5, 2023

The American Legion is hosting a System Worth Saving (SWS) town hall June 12 for military veterans who live in and around Tuscaloosa, Ala.

During the town hall, veterans and their family members will be able to share their VA health-care experiences with American Legion officials, VA staff and others.

The town hall, which starts at 6 p.m., will take place in the Belk Activity Center community room at Bowers Park. The address is 2101 Bowers Park Drive, Tuscaloosa, Ala., 35405. The event is free, and no prior registration or RSVP is necessary.

American Legion Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission Chairman Autrey James will be participating in the event.

“In the past six months, The American Legion has restarted these vital visits after a pause during the pandemic,” he said. “We’ve held town halls on both coasts, in the Bronx and in Sacramento. Now, we are conducting a visit in the south so we can learn more about what issues and concerns veterans here have. We’ll then

work together with VA representatives to improve health care for veterans in and around Tuscaloosa.”

The American Legion launched the System Worth Saving initiative in 2003 as a way to work with VA to improve health care for the nation’s veterans.

Each year, the Legion’s Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission conducts a series of site visits to VA medical facilities and regional offices across the country. While on site, American Legion representatives meet with veterans, their families and VA administrators and employees to discuss issues and solutions at each site. These observations are compiled into a System Worth Saving report that is distributed to VA officials, members of Congress and the public.

Veterans Employment & Education Commission

Jim Coates (NY), Chairman

Third Wednesday of Each Month

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time | [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 935 4405 3884 | 786 114
(877) 853-5257

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



**PROUD POSSESSORS
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Sons of the American Legion Post 267, Boy Scout Troop 403 place flags on veterans' graves

The Sons of the American Legion also donated \$500 to the local Boy Scout troop
Observer Staff | June 3, 2023

The Sons of the American Legion Post 267 and other Legion members, along with Boy Scouts from Troop

403, placed flags on veterans' graves at Volusia Memorial Gardens over the Memorial Day weekend.



Members of Sons of the American Legion Post 267 and Boy Scouts from Troop 403.

Courtesy photo

The Sons of the American Legion also donated \$500 to the local Boy Scout troop, according to an email to the *Observer*.

To learn more about the Sons of the American Legion Post 267, visit floridalegion.org/findpost/northern-area/district-17/post267/.



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Share with us how your state Legacy Run did

The American Legion | June 5, 2023

Last year, the national American Legion Legacy Ride raised a record \$1.32 million for The American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund. It was the eighth time the ride's fundraising total had topped \$1 million.

Assisting greatly in those fundraising efforts has been the dedication at the department level in conducting state Legacy Runs. Last year alone, five departments raised \$83,000 or more. All of those conducted state Legacy Runs.

Some departments already have conducted their state rides, while others are coming soon. We want to hear about how your department's state Legacy Run did.



Message our page, reply in the comments or email sbrooks@legion.org and let us know how your ride went: the number of participants, miles traveled, number of days and how much was raised. We'll be posting stories on legion.org and sharing them on the [National American Legion Riders Facebook page](#) as your info becomes available to us.

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**Vickie Koutz, National President
The American Legion Auxiliary**

Sports

Palou wins again, Armstrong eighth in American Legion Honda in Detroit

The American Legion | June 5, 2023

A dominant May carried over into June for Chip Ganassi Racing's (CGR) Alex Palou.

After winning the GMR Grand Prix, and then capturing the Indianapolis 500 pole and rallying for a fourth-place finish in that race, Palou followed with an impressive showing over the weekend in Michigan. Driving the No. 10 Ridgeline Lubricants Honda that carried American Legion branding, Palou captured the pole of Chevrolet Detroit Grand Prix on Saturday. He

followed that up by leading Sunday's race by as many as nine seconds at one point before holding off the field on two late restarts to cross the finish line by 1.18 seconds ahead of second-place finisher Will Power.



The win was the second of the NTT INDYCAR SERIES season for Palou, who now leads CGR teammate Marcus Ericsson by 51 points in the series point standings. And it marked another strong day for the Ganassi entire team. Scott Dixon took fourth, while rookie Marcus Armstrong – driving the No. 11 American Legion Honda – was eighth and Ericsson ninth.

"The No. 10 Ridgeline Lubricants car was on point today," Palou said via CGR media. "Honda gave us everything we needed in fuel mileage and all the power. I am super proud of the job we did. It was tricky at the end with those tires, I couldn't really get them up to temperature, but I am proud that we got another win this year.

"It's still too early to think about the championship. We'll keep focused on the next few races—there's a few that I really love coming up. We'll keep on pushing."

From the win, Palou will split \$10,000 with Chip Ganassi Racing and his chosen charity, The American Legion, for his victory as part of the PeopleReady Force For Good Challenge. And with his win on the Indy road course and then Sunday's street course victory, he is two-thirds of the way to earning a \$1 million bonus for picking up victories on all three race courses. Palou can collect the bonus – which will be split with The American Legion – by getting wins at any on the three remaining oval races: a doubleheader July 22-23 at Iowa Speedway and Aug. 27 at World Wide Technology Raceway.

Armstrong continued his strong rookie season, earning a spot in the Fast 12 during qualifications and starting Sunday's race in 11th. He continued to move up during the race, picking up his second top-10 finish of the year

and maintaining a 24-point lead over Agustin Canapino in the series' rookie standings.

"It was a good race," Armstrong said. "We stayed out of trouble. We didn't do anything too crazy. We had a lot of pace. I thought we were quicker than the cars ahead. I think we did make a couple of good on-track moves which was great.

"Ultimately, the car was amazing, and I think we're capable of a lot more which is a good sign for the future. Great job to the team all around."

Ericsson's No. 8 Huski Ice Spritz Honda also featured American Legion branding over the weekend. He called Sunday a "tough day" but added, "The team did really good with strategy and pit stops, we got some overtakes to get us back in the top 10. Overall, a decent points day but disappointing. Congrats to Alex and the team on the win."

The next NTT INDYCAR SERIES race is the Sonsio Grand Prix at Road America presented by AMR on Sunday, June 18, in Elkhart Lake, Wis.

In the two INDY NXT by Firestone Detroit Grand Prix races over the weekend, CGR developmental driver Kyffin Simpson drove the No. 21 American Legion /Ridgeline Lubricants car to a 13th-place finish on Saturday and 17th on Sunday.



Sons of The American Legion Membership Application

Detachment of _____ Squadron No. _____ Birth Date _____ Date _____

Name _____ Recruited by _____

(First) (Initial) (Last) (Initial) (Last)

Address _____ (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

E-mail Address _____ Telephone _____

Veteran through whom eligibility is established _____

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

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

(c) Relationship of Applicant to Veteran _____

I hereby subscribe to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion, apply for membership, and transmit \$ _____ as annual membership dues.

Signed _____ (By Applicant or Parent)

Eligibility certified by _____ (Post Adjutant)

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By _____



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Friday, June 23, 2023 | 9 a.m.
Free and open to all



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Whether you're facing a daily stressor or experiencing adversity in your life, there are powerful resilience skills and tools to help navigate life's challenges. Explore ways to thrive in tough times and develop more meaningful connections with our Resilience Summit in partnership with the Columbus Veteran Affairs (VA) Whole Health Team.

The theme for the summit is "Mind, Body and Spirit," and will feature keynote speakers and a special guest including:

- Dr. Karen Reivich, Director of Resilience and Positive Psychology Training Programs, University of Pennsylvania
- Dr. Rachel Rubin, Assistant Clinical Professor at Georgetown University
- Gregory Gadson, Col., U.S. Army (Retired), Motivational Speaker and Actor

Our **Panel Discussion on Physical Resilience** will include panelists:

- Dr. Nicole Jackson, Whole Health National Education Faculty & DEI Consultant
- Dr. Gloria Park, The Consortium for Health and Military Performance (CHAMP)
- Armond Goss-Veteran, VA Whole Health Coach & Pastor

- Gregory Gadson, Col., U.S. Army (Retired), Motivational Speaker, Actor

Our **Panel Discussion on Psychological and Spiritual Resilience** includes panelists:

- Dr. William Kalush, Supervising Psychologist, Chalmers P. Wylie VA Outpatient Clinic
- John V. Davis, U.S. Army Veteran, the Mighty Oaks Foundation
- Major David Kuntz, U.S. Army Reserves Chaplain
- Gregory Gadson, Col., U.S. Army (Retired), Motivational Speaker, Actor

Our **Panel Discussion on Veterans Who Found Their Way to Yoga** will include:

- Alli Houseworth, Executive Director, Warriors at Ease
- Michael Keighley, U.S. Army Veteran
- Judy Buchanan, U.S. Army Veteran

Breakfast and lunch will be served. There will also be opportunities for networking.

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Paul Shingle



Paul "Beans" Shingle, 67, of Summerhill, died June 3, 2023 at home peacefully with his wife by his side.

Born June 11, 1955, in Spangler, son of the late Donald William and Dora (Nagle) Shingle. Preceded in death by brother, Michael and mother-in-law, Darlene Shevock. Survived by his wife, Marj, whom he married October 6, 2000, daughter, Heather Shingle, and son, Greg Shingle, bonus daughters: Amanda (Bryan) Gray and Victoria (Gage) Stewart, 3 grandchildren: Tiera, Taylar, and Trey Myers, brothers and sisters: Donna (Dick) Clark, William "Bill" (Donna), Sharon (Jim) Sheehan, Sandra (Roger) Tonsfeldt, twins; David (Donna) and, Daryl (Mary), Elaine Hicks, Roberta (Tom) Fry, and Mark (Barb), father -in-law, Frank Shevock, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Paul enjoyed kayaking, playing pool, and telling stories. He retired in 2007 after 34 years of service from Freight Car America, Johnstown. He was currently employed at Forest Hills Pharmacy and St. Michael Legion, where he was the proud commander of Sons of The American Legion Squadron, 551, and served in the Honor Guard. Paul is the First Vice-Commander of District 20.

Friends will be received from 4 until 8 PM Tuesday and from 9 AM until time of funeral service at 11 AM Wednesday at the Gibbons Funeral Home, 1688 Liberty St., Ashville, PA 16613, Rev. Timothy Dietrich, officiating. Interment, St. Monica Cemetery, Chest Springs.

Sons of American Legion will have a memorial service at 7:00 PM Tuesday at the funeral home.

www.gibbonsfhashvillecoalport.com

To send flowers to the family of Paul Shingle, please visit TributeStore.com.

Robert Milton Brown



Robert M. Brown, 76, of Frankfort, OH, died at 4 p.m. in his home on Friday, June 2, 2023. He was born on Saturday, October 12, 1946, the son of the late Robert E. and Norma Jean Anderson Brown.

Bob is survived by two sons; Chad (Jessica) Brown of Frankfort and Jeff (Amanda) Brown of Washington CH, six grandchildren; Kaylee Brown, Megan Wilkenson, Sean Brown, Anderson Brown, Alyssa Brown, and Addyson Jagers, three great grandchildren, Isabella, Hayden, and Andrew. He was preceded in death by one brother, Timothy Brown.

He was a graduate of the Edward Lee McClain High School. Bob retired as a truck driver after 28 years of driving. He was a member of the Frankfort Sons of the American Legion. For several years, he was a volunteer fireman with the Concord Township Fire Department.

A graveside service will be held at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at the Greenlawn Cemetery, Frankfort with Chaplain Jeremy Beverly officiating.

Calling hours will be held at the EBRIGHT FUNERAL HOME, Frankfort on Wednesday from 11 a.m. until the time of the graveside service.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Adena Hospice, 2070 Western Ave., Chillicothe, OH 45601. Those who wish to leave a memory of Bob and sign his online register may do so at www.ebright-funeralhome.com

To plant trees in memory, please visit the [Sympathy Store](http://SympathyStore.com).

Colin Kristensen

Colin Eric Kristensen, 17, of Gibson City passed away Tuesday May 30, 2023 from injuries sustained in a vehicular accident north of Gibson City.

Visitation will be held 4:00-7:00 pm Wednesday June 7, 2023 at the Gibson City Bible Church. Funeral services will be at 10:00 am Thursday June 8, 2023 at The Gibson City Bible Church. A private family burial will be held.

Memorial contributions may be made to the GCMS FFA, the Gibson City SAL -Sons of the American Legion, or the First Christian Church of Gibson City.

Colin's family asks that you wear your favorite concert t-shirt, Hawaiian shirt, or jeans, boots, and cowboy hat to remember the "Church Street Cowboy" with love. Colin was born November 9, 2005 in Naperville, Illinois. A son of Jay William and Lori Hutchcraft Kristensen.

He is survived by his proud parents of Gibson City. Twin sister and best womb-mate Kate Noelle Kristensen of Gibson City, little brother Evan Landers-Kristensen of Gibson City, maternal grandmother Carol Hutchcraft of Gibson City, paternal grandmother Janet Kristensen of Batavia, Aunt Beth Hutchcraft Smith (Uncle Brian and cousin Payton) of Mattoon, Illinois, Uncle Brett Kristensen (Aunt Tina, Cousins Kyle and Kayden) of Batavia, Illinois. Also, many other great aunts and uncles, cousins and so many dear friends. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather Noel R. Hutchcraft and paternal grandfather Eric A. Kristensen.

Colin was looking forward to being a senior at GCMS High School where he was a proud member of the GCMS FFA Chapter and took pride in being the audio technician for the schools performing arts program since 8th grade. He had also been a member of the Falcon Football team and Track & Field team. He loved hunting and fishing with his dad and friends, and winter survival hikes with his outdoor loving friends.

Colin loved music of all genres, his favorite being country, the older the better. He was an old soul who loved listening to music with his best buds around a bonfire, attending concerts, and always some dancing when the music started. Colin had started to write his own songs which helped him express how he felt about love, his friends, being loved and the crazy world around him. He was a true patriot and loved his country fiercely.

Colin was a member of the First Christian Church of Gibson City where he was baptized on December 1, 2019. He openly confessed his faith in God and Jesus Christ and proudly led prayer with his friends on the football field, and at school. The absence and loss of Colin to love daily will be immeasurable, but he is now a part of that great cloud of witnesses singing songs for the Lord. He will be forever young.

Rosenbaum Funeral Home in Gibson City is assisting the family with their arrangements.

Troy Love



Troy Love, a man whose bellowing laugh could be heard from miles away, quietly, and unexpectedly left this world on

June 2, 2023.

He was born on February 2, 1972, in Vincennes, IN, the son of William L. "Bill" Love & Paula Jeanette "Sue" Love. A couple of weeks before his birth, Troy's father, Bill, was involved in a bus-train collision, and he succumbed to his injuries soon after Troy and his twin brother Todd were born. Troy was also preceded in death by his brother, Billy Love, and his grandparents, James "Junior" & Mildred Love, and Sherman & Paula Weger. Such adversity never managed to dampen Troy's spirits, and he navigated life with a unique blend of infectious humor, arms-wide-open generosity, and the kind of curious energy that sparked countless adventures (and, perhaps, just a few misadventures).

Following his graduation from Robinson High School in 1990, Troy charted a course through adulthood that led him from the oil fields to the pottery to the Crawford County Sheriff's Department (a period of time filled with those infamous late-night squad car sneak-ups!!!) and finally, to a successful general contracting business. Along the way, Troy devoted considerable energy to helping others, lending a hand to anyone in need, and supporting his favorite watering hole, the Flat Rock American Legion Post #132, by helping raise its new building. So devoted was he to the Legion that he became president of the Sons of the American Legion Post #132.

On August 15, 2020, Troy married Melinda (Ham), who survives him and will undoubtedly cherish memories of their short but magical time together. As a father to Chance and MacKenzie Love, Troy bequeathed to his children a passion for life, a generous heart, and a deep love of country music, good food, and the great outdoors-particularly when traversed on a muddy four-wheeler or with a cold Busch in hand! Troy's many friends and family members will no doubt swap stories of the legendary prankster, remembering laughter that never failed to bring a smile to their faces, practical jokes that sometimes teetered on the edge of sanity, and the relentless curiosity and energy that propelled him to explore everything from the insides of a broken-

down engine to the outer reaches of the Grit channel's film catalog. Whether he was cooking up his famous biscuits and gravy, gaming before video gaming was cool, or displaying an offbeat (and possibly age-inappropriate) immaturity, Troy Love lived life to its fullest and inspired those around him to do the same. Generous, friendly, spirited: these are the words the world will remember him by, but to those who knew him best, Troy was simply an unforgettable force of nature. His wife, Melinda, and children, Chance and MacKenzie, could never forget this once-in-a-lifetime soul, nor could his mother, Sue Weger; his step-father, Randy Weger; his brothers Tim (and his wife Christine) and Todd Love; nor his sister, Trisha Weger. Numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family members will long cherish memories of a life marked by an enduring passion for country living, a fearless drive toward adventure, and a selfless generosity that reminded us all that it's not what you get out of life that matters, but what you give.

A graveside service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 8th, at the Jones Cemetery, rural Flat Rock, with Celebrant Curt Goodwine officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the "Flat Rock American Legion Post #132". Envelopes will be available at the cemetery. The Goodwine Funeral Home in Flat Rock is in charge of arrangements.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Troy, please visit our floral store.

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Carl T. Galvin



Carl T. Galvin, beloved son of the late Andrew D. and Mary (Becker) Galvin. Brother of Mary Dockham of Dedham, Paul Galvin of Dedham, Jean Clark of Dedham, Judith Dorn of East Sandwich, Carol Keefe of Yarmouth Port, and the late Andrew Galvin III. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. He also leaves his beloved dog, Sarah.

Carl was a graduate of Dedham High School class of 1968, and a member of the Sons of the Dedham American Legion Post 18.

Visiting Hours will be held at the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-

Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., DEDHAM, on Friday, June 9 from 4-7 pm. His Funeral will be held from the funeral home on Saturday, June 10, at 9 am followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Mary's Church, Dedham at 10 am. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment in Brookdale Cemetery, Dedham.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Carl's memory to St. Mary's Church, 420 High St., Dedham, MA 02026.

Online guestbook at www.gfdoherty.com. George F. Doherty & Sons Dedham (781) 326-0500.

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FROM THE EDITOR

CONGRATULATIONS Sons of The American Legion for reaching quota. Not only have we surpassed the 100% goal, we did it with an 86.63% renewal rate. BUT WE ARE NOT DONE!

In just six-and-a-half weeks, the 105% Delegate Target Strength goal will be upon us. On July 26, let's make sure we are well above 105%.

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The American Legion has a great story to share

June 7, 2023

Dear American Legion Family Members and Friends,

The heart and soul of The American Legion is found at the post level. That's where dedicated American Legion Family members serve their communities, states, and nation.

It's where members preserve the memories of those who have fallen. They lead Memorial Day commemorations, carry out honor guard duties and more.

It's where posts raise funds to support those in need. These donations go toward providing college scholarships, raising the spirits of disabled veterans, and providing immediate grants to fellow Legionnaires recovering from natural disasters.

It's where members mentor our youth in our many wholesome activities. This dedication is critical to developing the leaders of tomorrow in government, business and even Major League Baseball.

I appreciate all the hard and meaningful work conducted by posts throughout the year, which will undoubtedly continue this summer. At the same time, we also want to recognize your dedication. Additionally, we want to have as thorough a documentation as possible to tell the real success story of The American Legion.

That is why it is so important to have as complete of a Consolidated Post Report (CPR) as possible. These are not just to record what large posts do in their communities. Small- and medium-sized posts also have great successes to share. If your post fulfills honor guard duties, participates in a youth program, holds a Memorial Day or other remembrance service, teaches flag etiquette, or does any of the other American Legion initiatives, we want to know about it.

June 30 is the target date for finishing CPRs. As of today, National Headquarters has only received and recorded 2,869 CPRs from our 12,112 American Legion posts, for a completion rate of 23.7%. Many departments established a deadline of mid-June for 100% CPR reporting to the department. National Headquarters stands ready to tabulate those immediately upon receipt at Geiger Operations Center.

Posts may submit their reports via an online form at MyLegion or [download this form](#) and then mail (or fax) the CPR to their departments.

Thank you for what you do every day to fulfill our obligation to community service, from coast to coast and beyond.

Vincent J. “Jim” Troiola, National Commander
The American Legion

Flag that survived fire re-presented to family of veteran it honored

The American Legion | June 6, 2023

Last winter, an apartment fire in Claremont, N.H., destroyed all of Levi Blake’s possessions, with the exception of two: the flag presented to Levi’s family at the funeral for his father, Vietnam War U.S. Army veteran Levi Leo Blake Jr., and Levi Jr.’s dog tags.

Levi Jr., a member of Claremont American Legion Post 29, died in 2009. His son, a member of Sons of The American Legion Squadron 29, still remembers what it felt like when he realized the flag had survived the fire. “Goosebumps. That’s the first thing that comes to mine,” Levi said. “The fact is everything in that fire was a 110-percent total loss. The flag case burned around the flag, but the flag didn’t burn. You figure it would. That flag shouldn’t have survived, but it did.”

Later on, Levi mentioned to members of Post 29 that his father’s flag had survived, but the display case had not. He asked whether or not something could be done to clean the flag.



Kevin Brown/Eagle Times

“I said, ‘Bring it in,’” Post 29 honor guard commander Dennis Shea Jr. said. “When he brought it in, it was in a plastic bag, and it was soaking wet and smelled like fire, obviously. We took it upon ourselves, (Post 29 Commander Steve Blish) and I, to take possession of that flag and told Levi not to worry about it, that we would have it cleaned and that we would get a new display case for him. And when did that, we would refold it.”

Shea said one of Post 29’s members, Joe Upperman, runs a series of laundry and dry-cleaning businesses in the area and cleaned it multiple times to make the flag presentable.

With Memorial Day approaching, Shea said the decision was made to return the flag to Levi during the post’s public observance of the holiday. “We could have done it two weeks before, but in order to have the whole honor guard there, and to present the flag, fold it and then present it to (Levi) with a crowd around, it seemed more appropriate to do it that way,” Shea said, adding that being able to give the flag back to Levi felt good.

“It was really emotional,” Shea said. “I’m usually the one in the honor guard that presents flags when there’s no military contingent available for a veteran’s funeral. So anytime I present a flag to a family member, it’s emotional.”

“But this one was a little special in its own right because of the story and being involved with it from the beginning. And then being able to give this gentleman back his father’s casket’s flag, it’s special.”

It also was a special moment for Levi. “I felt beyond grateful and blessed,” he said. “Knowing that (the flag) is the only thing besides my father’s dog tags that survived the fire, I just know I was blessed. And I’m grateful for The American Legion. They’re just really good people, and I’m thankful for them.”

“I don’t really know how to explain it, to be honest. I know my dad’s still with me, and I strongly feel that.”

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That is why this Statue of Liberation is so important. That is why future generations must read these panels and learn from them.”

The second Statue of Liberation – to honor Supreme Allied Commander Europe Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower – is scheduled for dedication in 2024, for the 80th anniversary of the liberation. The American Legion is the lead supporter of the Statues of Liberation project, along with Operation Democracy of Locust Valley, N.Y., Amis des Veterans Americains (AVA) of Normandy and the City of Ste. Mere-Eglise. Like the Roosevelt Jr. statue – sculpted by internationally acclaimed artist Pablo Eduardo of Gloucester, Mass. – the Eisenhower statue will contain metals from shell casings, mortars and other materiel recovered from the Normandy battlefields.

The American Legion national commander walked in the paths of heroes at Omaha Beach, Pointe du Hoc and Utah Beach during his trip. At the Lone Sailor Memorial, dedicated in 2022 in a project spearheaded by American Legion Department of France member Valerie Prehoda, Troiola placed a wreath and rendered a salute for those from his branch of service who made the ultimate sacrifice in Normandy.

Prior to his remarks at La Fiere Bridge, Troiola met with more than 30 World War II veterans in attendance for a parachute jump there. Among them was Louisiana Legionnaire Norris Morvant, who was taken by all the gratitude shown by the French. “This is wonderful,” he said. “I’m not only here for myself. I’m here for the people who didn’t come back.”

Another was 101-year-old Navy veteran Martin Vedelet of Fairfield, Ala., who has been an American Legion member since 1946. “This is great,” he said of the appreciation shown to him and his fellow veterans. “You

see people from all walks of life in the service. I get a kick out of when one of them from the Army, Air Force or Marines tells me, ‘We thank you for helping us win the war.’”

He explained that growing up in the Great Depression prepared him and many of his fellow veterans for the challenges they would face in World War II. “We had to do without a lot of things, and it educated us on the importance of loving other people and depending on them, and letting them depend on you. That’s the reason they call us the ‘Greatest Generation.’”

Bartlett, Ill., Legionnaire Jack Kinyon, 100, who flew across nearly every hemisphere during his World War II service with the 503rd Army Air Corps, expressed gratitude to the Normandy citizens who treat U.S. veterans with such respect. “It feels good to be here in France,” he said, between signing autographs. “They are so gracious to us, kind to us, and it’s really a pleasure.”

“Normandy is a very special place,” Gen. Milley told attendees of the Statue of Liberation ceremony. “The echoes of D-Day continue to reverberate through our generations. Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno, Sword. All-Americans, Screaming Eagles, Big Red One, 29th Division, British Airborne. Eisenhower, Gavin, Montgomery and, of course, Roosevelt Jr. These are not mere names. They are hallowed symbols of courage and resilience and sacrifice. They represent the countless brave souls who faced the fury of war on these beaches.”

Each of those officers, he explained, “represents the epitome of the servant leader. (Roosevelt Jr.) sought no comfort, despite his upbringing. He could have avoided combat, but he didn’t. He fought in World War I and World War II. Here, he was denied twice, and on his third request, he was finally allowed to accompany his troops ashore. He was a soldier’s soldier. He landed a mile off course, but he opted to fight where he landed as his famous quote is, ‘We’ll start the war from right here.’

“He rallied those around him and steadied them when otherwise they would have been terrified by the sound of war. He was a soldier’s soldier. Today, we pay tribute to him, but not just him – all those who landed on these beaches and all those who fought in World War II because they fought for a much greater cause. They fought side by side. And they died side by side. They were united by a common purpose – the unyielding belief in the values of freedom and liberty. The legacy of this day, the true meaning of Normandy, is in the hearts of all those who understand the magnitude and

bravery and live with the liberty that was granted to all of us. It reminds us that the freedoms we enjoy today were paid for in the blood of those on these beaches. May their names be forever etched in our memory ... What has been paid for in blood must never be lost.”

79th anniversary of D-Day

The American Legion | June 5, 2023

American Legion National Commander Jim Troiola honors combat leaders, including Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt Jr.'s Statue of Liberation during observances of the World War II liberation of France. In Normandy, the national commander and top U.S. military leaders saluted the sacrifices necessary to rid the world of Nazi tyranny in the days leading up to the 79th anniversary of the D-Day invasion.



A special month for The American Legion

The American Legion | June 6, 2023

The month of May was a special one for The American Legion. Throughout the month, American Legion members demonstrated their commitment to communities, states, and nation, while the premier program, [Be the One](#), took center stage at racing's most notable event. Among the highlights:

1 — Place INDYCAR driver Alex Palou took at the GMR Grand Prix, driving the Legion's Be the One car. Palou also took the pole position at the Indy 500 and led for 36 laps before rallying after a crash to take fourth overall.

1.4 million+ — Dollars awarded to American Legion Legacy Scholarship recipients, a record.

8,285 — Number of Memorial Day ceremonies with participation by American Legion posts during the previous May, according to the Consolidated Post Report, with roughly 70% of posts reporting.

The American Legion's full May 2023 Membership Impact Report, as well as others from previous months, can be [downloaded and viewed here](#).



National Commander Troiola listens to a presentation about the D-Day invasion from Normandy American Cemetery Superintendent Scott Dejardins.



National Commander Troiola places a wreath at the Lone Sailor monument at Utah Beach.





Former U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, now the administrator of NASA, speaks with soldiers at the June 5 Statue of Liberation ceremony in Ste. Mere-Eglise.



A ball carrier for the 82nd Airborne Division rushes around the end in the Patton Foundation Remembrance Bowl flag football game at Chef du Pont during commemoration of the D-Day anniversary events in Normandy.



National Commander Troiola greets one of more than 30 World War II veterans who gathered in Normandy for the 79th anniversary of D-Day.



American Legion National Commander Jim Troiola gathers with members of the Amityville, NY, pipe and drum unit during commemorations to honor the 79th anniversary of D-Day.



National Commander Troiola addresses the crowd at the June 5 Statues of Liberation ceremony in Normandy.



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#	DETACHMENT	2023 DET. YEAR END GOAL	NEEDED TO MEET 105% TARGET 7/26/2023	2023 ACTUAL MBRSHP	% OF YEAR END GOAL	2023 RENEWAL %
1	HAWAII	77	-28	109	141.56%	100.00
2	PUERTO RICO	123	-24	153	124.39%	95.08
3	SOUTH DAKOTA	1,362	-152	1,582	116.15%	89.48
4	WEST VIRGINIA	2,362	-50	2,530	107.11%	86.16
5	OREGON	1,414	-25	1,510	106.79%	81.11
6	GEORGIA	4,490	-80	4,794	106.77%	88.16
7	FLORIDA	21,519	-9	22,604	105.04%	83.32
8	MICHIGAN	24,271	113	25,372	104.54%	89.80
9	COLORADO	2,729	29	2,836	103.92%	84.81
10	ALASKA	1,608	27	1,661	103.30%	79.89
11	ARIZONA	8,004	139	8,265	103.26%	80.37
12	MEXICO	31	1	32	103.23%	54.84
13	NEVADA	357	7	368	103.08%	77.47
14	VIRGINIA	4,109	89	4,225	102.82%	85.02
15	OKLAHOMA	1,348	30	1,385	102.74%	79.14
16	WASHINGTON	2,485	64	2,545	102.41%	77.90
17	DELAWARE	2,430	67	2,485	102.26%	85.08
18	MAINE	2,617	73	2,675	102.22%	86.59
19	SOUTH CAROLINA	1,473	50	1,497	101.63%	84.38
20	MARYLAND	16,058	546	16,315	101.60%	89.26
21	WISCONSIN	4,187	147	4,249	101.48%	86.00
22	RHODE ISLAND	336	13	340	101.19%	86.06
23	NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,677	228	5,733	100.99%	86.29
24	CALIFORNIA	10,714	444	10,806	100.86%	81.69
25	MISSOURI	3,219	160	3,220	100.03%	84.20
26	PHILIPPINES	70	4	70	100.00%	100.00
27	OHIO	30,636	1,539	30,629	99.98%	89.98
28	PENNSYLVANIA	60,803	3,229	60,614	99.69%	89.45
29	NEW MEXICO	1,483	82	1,475	99.46%	77.70
30	FRANCE	158	9	157	99.37%	89.10
31	NEW JERSEY	9,386	554	9,301	99.09%	86.07
32	TEXAS	5,569	329	5,518	99.08%	78.18
33	TENNESSEE	1,718	106	1,698	98.84%	78.83
34	INDIANA	36,387	2,333	35,873	98.59%	88.12
35	ILLINOIS	13,398	866	13,202	98.54%	87.25
36	VERMONT	3,818	255	3,754	98.32%	87.64
37	NEW YORK	29,864	2,005	29,352	98.29%	87.90
38	MISSISSIPPI	722	49	709	98.20%	79.70
39	KANSAS	5,919	431	5,784	97.72%	85.93
40	IDAHO	644	50	626	97.20%	77.11
41	ALABAMA	2,066	162	2,007	97.14%	81.65
42	LOUISIANA	1,790	143	1,737	97.04%	84.46
43	IOWA	4,857	393	4,707	96.91%	84.36
44	NORTH CAROLINA	2,727	239	2,624	96.22%	76.82
45	NEBRASKA	7,015	655	6,711	95.67%	89.99
46	MASSACHUSETTS	5,442	515	5,199	95.53%	82.65
47	NORTH DAKOTA	1,056	103	1,006	95.27%	82.70
48	MINNESOTA	11,378	1,145	10,802	94.94%	85.20
49	CONNECTICUT	1,867	189	1,771	94.86%	82.90
50	MONTANA	1,108	121	1,042	94.04%	86.02
51	WYOMING	1,298	173	1,190	91.68%	79.24
52	ARKANSAS	447	80	389	87.02%	71.43
53	UTAH	449	91	380	84.63%	68.93
54	KENTUCKY	2,609	545	2,194	84.09%	69.74
55	DIST OF COL	114	33	87	76.32%	59.29
Grand Totals:		367,798	18,289	367,899	100.03%	86.63

2023 SAL REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

WESTERN REGION - JACK A. YOUNGS (ID)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
HAWAII	77	109	141.56%
OREGON	1,414	1,510	106.79%
ALASKA	1,608	1,661	103.30%
ARIZONA	8,004	8,265	103.26%
NEVADA	357	368	103.08%
WASHINGTON	2,485	2,545	102.41%
CALIFORNIA	10,714	10,806	100.86%
PHILIPPINES	70	70	100.00%
IDAHO	644	626	97.20%
UTAH	449	380	84.63%
Totals:	25,822	26,340	102.01%

MIDWEST REGION - MICHAEL L. KIRSCHNER (CO)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
SOUTH DAKOTA	1,362	1,582	116.15%
COLORADO	2,729	2,836	103.92%
MEXICO	31	32	103.23%
OKLAHOMA	1,348	1,385	102.74%
NEW MEXICO	1,483	1,475	99.46%
TEXAS	5,569	5,518	99.08%
KANSAS	5,919	5,784	97.72%
NEBRASKA	7,015	6,711	95.67%
NORTH DAKOTA	1,056	1,006	95.27%
MONTANA	1,108	1,042	94.04%
WYOMING	1,298	1,190	91.68%
Totals:	28,918	28,561	98.77%

CENTRAL REGION - DAVID J. MENNEL (MI)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
MICHIGAN	24,271	25,372	104.54%
WISCONSIN	4,187	4,249	101.48%
MISSOURI	3,219	3,220	100.03%
OHIO	30,636	30,629	99.98%
INDIANA	36,387	35,873	98.59%
ILLINOIS	13,398	13,202	98.54%
IOWA	4,857	4,707	96.91%
MINNESOTA	11,378	10,802	94.94%
Totals:	128,333	128,054	99.78%

EASTERN REGION - ERNEST E. LABERGE (MA)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
WEST VIRGINIA	2,362	2,530	107.11%
DELAWARE	2,430	2,485	102.26%
MAINE	2,617	2,675	102.22%
MARYLAND	16,058	16,315	101.60%
RHODE ISLAND	336	340	101.19%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,677	5,733	100.99%
PENNSYLVANIA	60,803	60,614	99.69%
FRANCE	158	157	99.37%
NEW JERSEY	9,386	9,301	99.09%
VERMONT	3,818	3,754	98.32%
NEW YORK	29,864	29,352	98.29%
MASSACHUSETTS	5,442	5,199	95.53%
CONNECTICUT	1,867	1,771	94.86%
DIST OF COL	114	87	76.32%
Totals:	140,932	140,313	99.56%

SOUTHERN REGION - RONALD E. ROBERTS (MS)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	% of Goal
PUERTO RICO	123	153	124.39%
GEORGIA	4,490	4,794	106.77%
FLORIDA	21,519	22,604	105.04%
VIRGINIA	4,109	4,225	102.82%
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,473	1,497	101.63%
TENNESSEE	1,718	1,698	98.84%
MISSISSIPPI	722	709	98.20%
ALABAMA	2,066	2,007	97.14%
LOUISIANA	1,790	1,737	97.04%
NORTH CAROLINA	2,727	2,624	96.22%
ARKANSAS	447	389	87.02%
KENTUCKY	2,609	2,194	84.09%
Totals:	43,793	44,631	101.91%

06/08/23		NATIONAL Christopher Carlton (IN), National Commander				
Region	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Quota Date
Western 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Q	25,822	26,340	518	102.01%	89	05/25/23
Southern 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	43,793	44,631	838	101.91%	84	05/17/23
Central 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	128,333	128,054	(279)	99.78%	195	
Eastern 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	140,932	140,313	(619)	99.56%	534	
Midwest 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	28,918	28,561	(357)	98.77%	61	
TOTALS 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Q	367,798	367,899	101	100.03%	874	06/08/23



06/08/23	CENTRAL REGION David Mennell (MI), National Vice-Commander							
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
Michigan 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	24,271	25,372	1,101	104.54%	83	89.80%	8	04/27/23
Wisconsin 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	4,187	4,249	62	101.48%	11	86.00%	21	05/17/23
Missouri 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	3,219	3,220	1	100.03%	7	84.20%	25	06/08/23
Ohio 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	30,636	30,629	(7)	99.98%	7	89.98%	27	
Indiana 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	36,387	35,873	(514)	98.59%	24	88.12%	34	
Illinois 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8	13,398	13,202	(196)	98.54%	54	87.25%	35	
Iowa 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	4,857	4,707	(150)	96.91%	1	84.36%	43	
Minnesota 5, 6, 7, 8	11,378	10,802	(576)	94.94%	8	85.20%	48	
TOTALS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	128,333	128,054	(279)	99.78%	195			

06/09/23		WESTERN REGION Jack Youngs (ID) National Vice-Commander							
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	109	32	141.56%	-	100.00%	1	10/10/22
2	Oregon 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	1,414	1,510	96	106.79%	6	81.11%	5	04/17/23
3	Alaska 3, 6, 8, Q	1,608	1,661	53	103.30%	52	79.89%	10	06/05/23
4	Arizona 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	8,004	8,265	261	103.26%	7	80.37%	11	05/15/23
5	Nevada 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	357	368	11	103.08%	-	77.47%	13	05/08/23
6	Washington 7, 8, Q	2,485	2,545	60	102.41%	15	77.90%	16	06/01/23
7	California 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, Q	10,714	10,806	92	100.86%	9	81.69%	24	06/01/23
8	Phillippines 8, 9	70	70	-	100.00%	-	100.00%	26	04/10/23
9	Idaho 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8	644	626	(18)	97.20%	-	77.11%	40	
10	Utah 5	449	380	(69)	84.63%	-	68.63%	53	
TOTALS 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Q		25,822	26,340	518	102.01%	89			05/29/23

06/08/23		SOUTHERN REGION Ron Roberts (MS), National Vice-Commander							
Detachment		Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1	Puerto Rico 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	123	153	30	124.39%	-	95.08%	2	03/02/23
2	Georgia 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q, 10	4,490	4,794	304	106.77%	1	88.16%	6	04/19/23
3	Florida 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	21,519	22,604	1,085	105.04%	23	83.32%	7	04/24/23
4	Virginia 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	4,109	4,225	116	102.82%	-	85.02%	14	05/08/23
5	South Carolina 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	1,473	1,497	24	101.63%	7	84.38%	19	05/15/23
6	Tennessee 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8	1,718	1,698	(20)	98.84%	28	78.83%	33	
7	Mississippi 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	722	709	(13)	98.20%	-	79.70%	38	
8	Alabama 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	2,066	2,007	(59)	97.14%	6	81.65%	41	
9	Louisiana 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	1,790	1,737	(53)	97.04%	1	84.46%	42	
10	North Carolina 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	2,727	2,624	(103)	96.22%	12	76.82%	44	
11	Arkansas 1	447	389	(58)	87.02%	3	71.43%	52	
12	Kentucky	2,609	2,194	(415)	84.09%	3	69.74%	54	
TOTALS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q		43,793	44,631	838	101.91%	84			05/17/23

06/08/23		MIDWEST REGION Michael Kirschner (CO), National Vice-Commander							
	Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1	South Dakota 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q, 10	1,362	1,582	220	116.15%	2	89.48%	3	02/09/23
2	Colorado 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	2,729	2,836	107	103.92%	29	84.81%	9	05/15/23
3	Mexico 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	31	32	1	103.23%	-	54.84%	12	03/13/23
4	Oklahoma 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	1,348	1,385	37	102.74%	-	79.14%	15	05/11/23
5	New Mexico 8	1,483	1,475	(8)	99.46%	21	77.70%	29	
6	Texas 1, 3, 4, 5, 8	5,569	5,518	(51)	99.08%	5	78.18%	32	
7	Kansas 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	5,919	5,784	(135)	97.72%	-	85.93%	39	
8	Nebraska 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	7,015	6,711	(304)	95.67%	1	89.99%	45	
9	North Dakota 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8	1,056	1,006	(50)	95.27%	-	82.70%	47	
10	Montana 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	1,108	1,042	(66)	94.04%	2	86.02%	50	
11	Wyoming 1, 4, 5, 6	1,298	1,190	(108)	91.68%	1	79.24%	51	
TOTALS 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8		28,918	28,561	(357)	98.77%	30			

06/08/23		EASTERN REGION Ernie LaBerge (MA) National Vice-Commander							
	Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1	West Virginia 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	2,362	2,530	168	107.11%	57	86.16%	4	04/17/23
2	Delaware 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	2,430	2,485	55	102.26%	2	85.08%	17	05/08/23
3	Maine 5, 6, 7, 8, Q	2,617	2,675	58	102.22%	38	86.59%	18	05/22/23
4	Maryland 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	16,058	16,315	257	101.60%	77	89.26%	20	05/17/23
5	Rhode Island 4, 5, 7	336	340	4	101.19%	-	86.06%	22	05/08/23
6	New Hampshire 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Q	5,677	5,733	56	100.99%	8	86.29%	23	06/09/23
7	Pennsylvania 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	60,803	60,614	(189)	99.69%	202	89.45%	28	
8	France 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	158	157	(1)	99.37%	-	89.10%	30	
9	New Jersey 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	9,386	9,301	(85)	99.09%	114	86.07%	31	
10	Vermont 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	3,818	3,754	(64)	98.32%	12	87.64%	36	
11	New York 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	29,864	29,352	(512)	98.29%	23	87.90%	37	
12	Massachusetts 4, 6, 7, 8	5,442	5,199	(243)	95.53%	1	82.65%	46	
13	Connecticut 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	1,867	1,771	(96)	94.86%	-	82.90%	49	
14	Dist. of Columbia	114	87	(27)	76.32%	-	59.29%	55	
TOTALS 4, 5, 6, 7, 8		140,932	140,313	(619)	99.56%	534			

06/08/23		2023 SUPER SIX STANDINGS							
	Detachment	Goal	Actual	Needed for Quota	Percent	Increase	Renewal Rate	National Rank	Quota Date
1	Florida 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Q	21,519	22,604	1,085	105.04%	23	83.30%	7	04/24/23
2	Michigan 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	24,271	25,372	1,101	104.54%	83	89.80%	8	04/27/23
3	Ohio 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	30,636	30,629	(7)	99.98%	7	89.98%	27	
4	Pennsylvania 5, 6, 7, 8	60,803	60,614	(189)	99.69%	202	89.45%	28	
5	Indiana 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	36,387	35,873	(514)	98.59%	24	88.12%	34	
6	New York 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	29,864	29,352	(512)	98.29%	23	87.90%	37	
TOTALS		203,480	204,444	964	100.47%	362			

National Totals 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Q	367,798	367,899	101	100.03%	2,012	86.63%		
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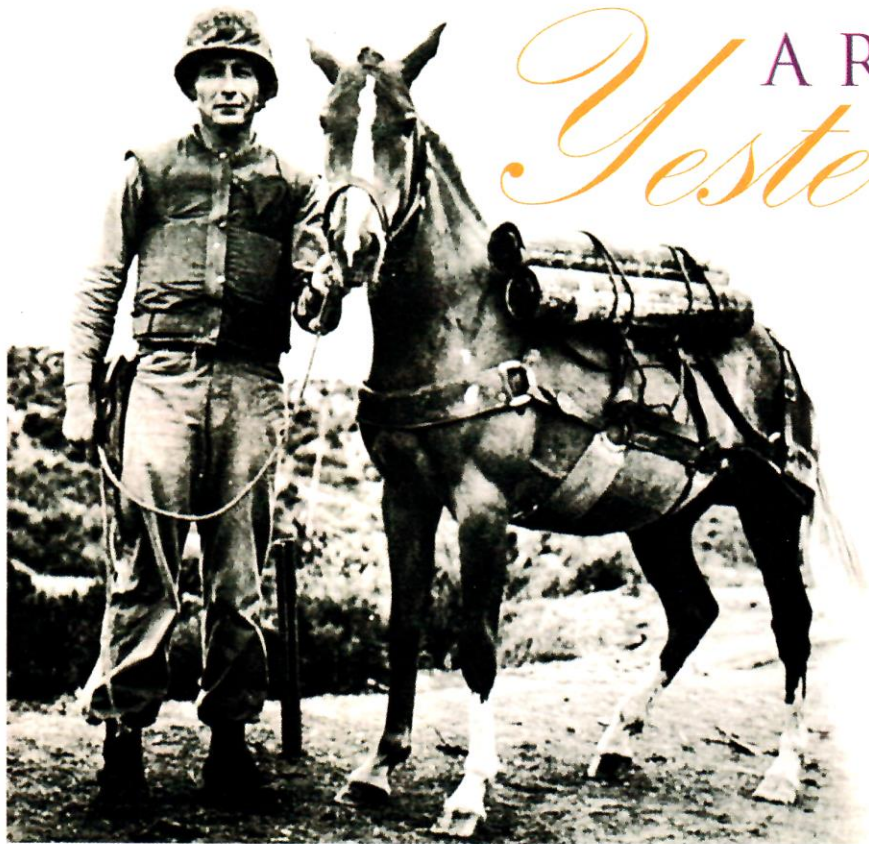


Q Quota

- 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 07/26/23 goal of 105%





A RETURN TO *Yesterday*

How One Horse Leaped Her Way into America's Hall of Heroes

Many horses, *like humans*, are petrified of the insidious sounds of warfare. But not Sgt. Reckless. While other steeds trotted to their stables, this five-year-old mare galloped toward the rifle ammunition and straight into America's Hall of Heroes.

After being traded to troops for \$250 at a Korean racetrack in 1953, Sgt. Reckless baffled the troops with her quick understanding of how to step over enemy communication lines, get down on command, and stay quiet through the trails—*talk about a horse of all trades*.

After 51 trips—on her own—through the tumultuous firing sites, this mare *single-hoofedly* transported 9,000 pounds of ammunition and shielded troops during an attack. The attack she intervened in saved the lives of those she shielded, though she did suffer several injuries to herself which she fully recovered from. Afterward, during her recovery, she was offered a well-deserved pension of an unfathomable supply of hay funded by our military. The celebration was led by a march of the 1,700 troops she heroically saved as she watched with pride before her rightful pinning—or shall we say *saddle packing*—ceremony.

In a time of pampered comfortability, let us not forget those (animals and humans) who served our country with courage, pride, and perseverance in God's world. ★

Alexa Astuto

Photo: *Reckless with her main caretaker, US Marine Sergeant Joseph Latham; circa 1952-1953*

Consolidated Squadron Report (CSR)

We have reports from 450 of our 5,874 SAL squadrons that have submitted their data for a completion rate of 7.7%. The CPR and CSR are available for submission via myLegion.org and they can be scanned to mssforms@legion.org.

2022-2023 Consolidated Squadron Report as of June 7, 2023

Detachment	No. of Squadron	CSR submitted	CSR%
DELAWARE	14	6	42.9%
NEVADA	16	5	31.3%
TENNESSEE	46	14	30.4%
OREGON	34	9	26.5%
MARYLAND	102	21	20.6%
SOUTH DAKOTA	41	8	19.5%
FLORIDA	190	35	18.4%
MONTANA	51	9	17.6%
NORTH CAROLINA	72	12	16.7%
WISCONSIN	124	20	16.1%
ALABAMA	68	10	14.7%
OHIO	307	45	14.7%
ARIZONA	78	11	14.1%
INDIANA	294	41	13.9%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	62	7	11.3%
SOUTH CAROLINA	27	3	11.1%
CONNECTICUT	50	5	10.0%
FRANCE	11	1	9.1%
CALIFORNIA	210	19	9.0%
GEORGIA	119	10	8.4%
WYOMING	25	2	8.0%
VIRGINIA	88	7	8.0%
KENTUCKY	77	6	7.8%
IDAHO	26	2	7.7%
UTAH	42	3	7.1%
KANSAS	128	9	7.0%
MISSISSIPPI	44	3	6.8%
COLORADO	63	4	6.3%
WEST VIRGINIA	49	3	6.1%
MICHIGAN	207	11	5.3%
OKLAHOMA	96	5	5.2%
NEBRASKA	161	8	5.0%
TEXAS	253	12	4.7%
PENNSYLVANIA	467	22	4.7%
ALASKA	22	1	4.5%
NEW JERSEY	211	7	3.3%
IOWA	152	5	3.3%
NEW YORK	581	19	3.3%
NEW MEXICO	34	1	2.9%
VERMONT	35	1	2.9%
ILLINOIS	284	8	2.8%
WASHINGTON	71	2	2.8%
MAINE	72	2	2.8%
LOUISIANA	73	2	2.7%
MASSACHUSETTS	196	5	2.6%
MINNESOTA	267	6	2.2%
NORTH DAKOTA	45	1	2.2%
MISSOURI	118	2	1.7%
ARKANSAS	29	0	0.0%
DISTRICT OF COL	3	0	0.0%
HAWAII	11	0	0.0%
MEXICO	5	0	0.0%
PHILIPPINES	5	0	0.0%
PUERTO RICO	6	0	0.0%
RHODE ISLAND	12	0	0.0%
Total	5874	450	7.7%

Regional Breakdown as of June 7, 2023

Central	NVC Mennel (MI)		
Detachment	Sqdn	Submitted	CSR%
WISCONSIN	124	20	16.1%
OHIO	307	45	14.7%
INDIANA	294	41	13.9%
MICHIGAN	207	11	5.3%
IOWA	152	5	3.3%
ILLINOIS	284	8	2.8%
MINNESOTA	267	6	2.2%
MISSOURI	118	2	1.7%
Totals	1753	138	7.9%

Midwest	NVC Kirschner (CO)		
Detachment	Sqdn	Submitted	CSR%
SOUTH DAKOTA	41	8	19.5%
MONTANA	51	9	17.6%
WYOMING	25	2	8.0%
KANSAS	128	9	7.0%
COLORADO	63	4	6.3%
OKLAHOMA	96	5	5.2%
NEBRASKA	161	8	5.0%
TEXAS	253	12	4.7%
NEW MEXICO	34	1	2.9%
NORTH DAKOTA	45	1	2.2%
MEXICO	5	0	0.0%
Totals	852	58	6.8%

Western	NVC Young (ID)		
Detachment	Sqdn	Submitted	CSR%
NEVADA	16	5	31.3%
OREGON	34	9	26.5%
ARIZONA	78	11	14.1%
CALIFORNIA	210	19	9.0%
IDAHO	26	2	7.7%
UTAH	42	3	7.1%
ALASKA	22	1	4.5%
WASHINGTON	71	2	2.8%
HAWAII	11	0	0.0%
PHILIPPINES	5	0	0.0%
Totals	1865	132	7.1%

Eastern	NVC Laberge (MA)		
Detachment	Sqdn	Submitted	CSR%
DELAWARE	14	6	42.9%
MARYLAND	102	21	20.6%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	62	7	11.3%
CONNECTICUT	50	5	10.0%
FRANCE	11	1	9.1%
WEST VIRGINIA	49	3	6.1%
PENNSYLVANIA	467	22	4.7%
NEW JERSEY	211	7	3.3%
NEW YORK	581	19	3.3%
VERMONT	35	1	2.9%
MAINE	72	2	2.8%
MASSACHUSETTS	196	5	2.6%
DISTRICT OF COL	3	0	0.0%
RHODE ISLAND	12	0	0.0%
Totals	1865	99	5.3%

Southern	NVC Roberts (MS)		
Detachment	Sqdn	Submitted	CSR%
TENNESSEE	46	14	30.4%
FLORIDA	190	35	18.4%
NORTH CAROLINA	72	12	16.7%
ALABAMA	68	10	14.7%
SOUTH CAROLINA	27	3	11.1%
GEORGIA	119	10	8.4%
VIRGINIA	88	7	8.0%
KENTUCKY	77	6	7.8%
MISSISSIPPI	44	3	6.8%
LOUISIANA	73	2	2.7%
PUERTO RICO	6	0	0.0%
ARKANSAS	29	0	0.0%
Totals	839	102	12.2%

Comparison			
Year	Sqdn	Submitted	CSR%
2022-2023	5874	450	7.7%
2021-2022	5827	1553	26.70%
2020-2021	6211	1163	18.72%
2019-2020	6211	1353	21.78%
2018-2019	6211	1638	26.37%
2017-2018	6211	1723	27.74%

U.S. Constitution Crossword Puzzle

Across

5. A major source of income for the government

6. The branch of government that houses the Supreme Court

9. The first 10 Amendments of the Constitution

12. The branch of government that houses the President and Vice-President

13. This Article outlines how laws are made

14. This Article says that 9 states must ratify the Constitution

Down

1. There are Seven of these in the Constitution

2. This Article outlines the responsibilities of our President

3. The branch of government that houses Congress

4. changes made to the Constitution

7. This Article states that the Constitution is the "Supreme Law of the Land"

8. This Article describes the branch of the government that is responsible for "interpreting the law"

10. This Article explains how Amendments are made

11. the introduction to the Constitution

