



Round - Up



The Newsletter of Sons of The American Legion Central Region

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Central Region Membership
124,430 – 93.769%
Third Place as of June 25, 2020

RECRUIT!
RETAIN!
REINSTATE!

Central Region Renewals
113,004 – 86.04%
First Place as of June 29, 2020

The American Legion responds to protest questions

Response to public queries regarding protestors
July 1, 2020

Americans from all backgrounds have been moved and concerned by the serious threat that inequality represents in this great and diverse country. The American Legion certainly shares this concern and has been on record about this since our founding in 1919.

Many in professional sports have chosen to demonstrate their concern by kneeling or protesting during the national anthem. While The American Legion fully supports the U.S. Constitution and the rights enshrined in the First Amendment, we also support the U.S. Flag Code. The American Legion played a pivotal role in the code’s adoption, which was originally a 1923 collaboration of 68 patriotic organizations. While there are no criminal or civil penalties for violating the code, Title 36, Subtitle I, Part A, section 301 states:

- (1) when the flag is displayed—(A) individuals in uniform should give the military salute at the first note of the anthem and maintain that position until the last note;
- (B) members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may render the military salute in the manner provided for individuals in uniform; and
- (C) all other persons present should face the flag and stand at attention with their right hand over the heart, and men not in uniform, if applicable, should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart; and

(2) when the flag is not displayed, all present should face toward the music and act in the same manner they would if the flag were displayed...’

The American Legion realizes that there are many difficult and complex issues when it comes to protesting during the national anthem. Individuals have many constitutionally protected reasons to engage in such protests. In cases where the Constitution seems to contradict the Flag Code, the Constitution must win. For instance, The Supreme Court ruled in Texas vs. Johnson that desecration of the U.S. Flag was free speech. As a result, The American Legion has worked tirelessly to amend the U.S. Constitution and restore the right of Congress to protect the Flag. While The American Legion continues to believe that flag desecration is wrong, it is legal and, in most cases, professional athletes are not engaging in this behavior.

Those who choose to follow the Flag Code should also not have their motives questioned. As such, the best source of inquiry for the reasons behind any protests would be the actual individual and the league or host sponsoring the event (NBA/NFL/MLB/NASCAR/Other). Therefore, The American Legion will not comment on specific instances or individuals.

Whether you choose to take a knee or stand with your hand over your heart, or some other expression, The American Legion and our members have served this nation to protect the freedoms granted to us by the Constitution.

2021 is here; Don't forget 2020



**I WANT
YOU
TO RENEW!!!**

Gentlemen,

The 2020-2021 membership year is now underway, but there is still a lot of work to do on the 2019-2020 year. We need to continue to renew as many members as possible to bring our numbers up. National Commander Clint Bolt asked us to raise our membership to 400,000 members, and we need to get as close to that number as possible.

We want to change our mindset as it relates to when our members renew. We need to stop the practice of waiting to renew. We need to stop holding cards. We need to use MySAL for our transactions. We need this to happen now!

If you need additional information regarding MySAL, please contact either Doc Pfeiffer or me, and we will point you in the right direction. This tool has allowed my Squadron to process members as of July 1, and we are well on our way to QUOTA. By the time you read this, everything should be processed and positive 2021 members showing for us. It's that fast, that easy, and a much timelier way to get our membership transactions taken care of.

Who's next?

With a new membership year comes a new Central Region Challenge:

**100% MEMBERSHIP
BY AUGUST 28**

Don't be shy about sharing my short-term Central Region Challenge. This may seem unattainable to some, but we can do it! **Who's next?**

110%

Please don't forget the 2019 – 2020 Central Region Challenge Date of 110% on June 30. Although we want to hit this challenge, I won't mind if we don't as long as our renewal numbers increase.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact Doc Pfeiffer or me if you need help with anything.

Thanks for your support of this publication!

Proud Possessor of a Priceless Heritage,



#SALSTRONG

Jeff Vrabel, Sr.
Sons of The American Legion
National Membership Committee
Central Region Chairman
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**"Serving Those Who Served...
...Full Steam Ahead"**

THE AMERICAN LEGION
MEDIA ALLIANCE
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Richard "Doc" Pfeiffer,
National Vice-Commander Central

**"Serving Those Who Served" ...
Full Steam Ahead**

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[DONATE](#)

[RENEW](#)



Dear American Legion Family Members and Friends,

Some of the surviving World War II veterans are suffering a great injustice. And it is up to The American Legion [to persuade our lawmakers to correct this.](#)

It's the least we can do as we honor the courageous men and women who braved tyranny and saved democracy during the dark days of the early 1940s.

While most of these veterans are using VA services, some are not. Through no fault of their own, these veterans were dropped from the VA system or are being subjected to means testing.

In 1996, Congress passed the Veterans Health Care Eligibility Act, establishing means testing for access to VA for some veterans, while also exempting all Spanish American War and World War I veterans from that criteria. Now it's time to do the same for The Greatest Generation.

That is why The American Legion [National Executive Committee approved Resolution 3](#) at the 99th national convention in Reno, Nev., which calls for supporting legislation to amend the 1996 act "to extend the exemption from a means test to World War II veterans."

But nothing has changed in the three years since that resolution was approved.

That is why I am calling on you today to help recognize these heroes with actions far more meaningful than words.

We can never truly thank the Greatest Generation enough for what they did in the Pacific and European theaters. But one way we can express our gratitude to those still living is to right this wrong on their behalf. Join me in [contacting your congressional representatives](#) today to tell them to open VA to all World War II veterans.

Thank you for your support of our American Legion programs, legislative agenda and, of course, our World War II veterans.

Stay safe, my friends and comrades.

James W. "Bill" Oxford
National Commander

**National Commander Clint Bolt's
2019-2020 Goals**

Please remember as you travel and promote the Sons of The American Legion and National Commander Clint Bolt's goals for Membership and all Legion Charities.

🔴 **RECRUIT, RETAIN, AND REINSTATE**

to reach **400,000** members

🔴 **Renewal rate above 95%**

🔴 **Obtain 105% in membership by National Convention in Louisville, KY**

🔴 **Recognize our achievements**

🔴 **Child Welfare Foundation** \$500,000

🔴 **National Emergency Fund** \$100,000

🔴 **Soldiers Wish** \$100,000

🔴 **Legacy Scholarship** \$100,000

🔴 **Veterans & Children's Fund** \$100,000

🔴 **Operation Comfort Warriors** \$100,000

**2019 – 2020
NATIONAL TARGET DATE**

July 29, 2020

105%

REVISED

**Detachment Membership Standings
as of June July 1, 2020**

| DET | GOAL | ACTUAL | % |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| WI Q2 * | 3,744 | 3,954 | 105.609 |
| IA Q1 * 🏠 | 4,375 | 4,620 | 105.600 |
| IL | 14,546 | 14,272 | 98.116 |
| OH | 31,133 | 29,486 | 94.710 |
| MN | 11,748 | 10,880 | 92.612 |
| MI | 24,083 | 22,427 | 92.124 |
| IN | 39,364 | 35,983 | 91.144 |
| MO | 3,705 | 2,808 | 75.789 |
| TOTALS | 132,698 | 124,430 | 93.769 |

Q = QUOTA – CONGRATULATIONS!!!

🏠 = All Time High

* = Met July 29 National Target of 105%

^ = Met June 30 Central Region Challenge of 110%

**National Membership Standings
as of July 1, 2020**

| REGION | GOAL | ACTUAL | % |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Southern | 42,763 | 41,937 | 98.068 |
| Western | 26,395 | 24,956 | 94.548 |
| Central | 132,698 | 123,747 | 93.255 |
| Midwest | 30,366 | 27,928 | 91.971 |
| Eastern | 146,273 | 133,275 | 91.114 |
| TOTALS | 378,495 | 351,843 | 92.958 |

* = Met July 29 National Target of 105%

-10,832 ahead of last year

**Detachment Renewal Rates
as of June 22, 2020**

| DET | 2019 | RENEWED | % |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| IA | 4,452 | 4,098 | 92.05 |
| IL | 14,431 | 13,111 | 90.85 |
| OH | 30,456 | 27,138 | 89.11 |
| MN | 11,565 | 10,030 | 86.73 |
| WI | 3,945 | 3,420 | 86.69 |
| MI | 24,126 | 20,337 | 84.29 |
| IN | 38,876 | 32,293 | 83.07 |
| MO | 3,485 | 2,577 | 73.95 |
| TOTALS | 131,336 | 113,004 | 86.04 |

**National Renewal Rates
as of June 22, 2020**

| REGION | 2019 | RENEWED | % |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Central | 131,317 | 113,004 | 86.04 |
| Eastern | 144,840 | 122,301 | 84.42 |
| Southern | 42,858 | 35,795 | 83.48 |
| Midwest | 29,920 | 24,639 | 82.33 |
| Western | 26,524 | 20,947 | 78.95 |
| TOTALS | 375,540 | 316,686 | 84.33 |

PLEASE SEND 2020 – 2021
OFFICERS, DEC, AND COMMITTEE/COMMISSION
CHAIRMEN CONTACT INFORMATION TO ME AND
DOC AS THEY ARE AVAILABLE

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THANK YOU!!!

**2020 – 2021
Central Region
Membership Challenge
from Jeff Vrabel, Sr.**

**August 28, 2020
100%**

Who's next?

Membership Committee Call

6:00 PM MST

Call in # (515) 604-9644 Access Code: 889133

<http://join.freeconferencecall.com/jrnavarr>

The National Membership Committee holds its monthly Conference Calls on the **third Tuesday of each month**. It is important that we get the message out to as many Membership Chairmen as possible. Please share this with your District and Squadron leadership and ask them to join us.

The American Legion myLegion Request Form - Squadron



Sign up for mySAL! The American Legion National Headquarters has designed a secure internet site to assist Squadron Adjutant's in their day-to-day membership processing duties. This site serves as a direct portal from the local squadron to National Headquarters' membership system. **You must have internet access to use this tool.**

Features include:

- View and edit member information.
- Membership Processing: Renew, Add and Transfer Paying Members
- Generate membership reports
- Submit Consolidated Squadron Report electronically
- View Squadron Information

Prior to creating a site, a Request Form must be on file at National Headquarters signed by **both** the Post Adjutant and the Squadron Adjutant. No other signatures will be accepted.

** Note: Membership Processing is not available to all squadrons, based on Detachment approval.

Submit Form

Email: mylegion@legion.org

Fax: 317-860-3131

Mail To: The American Legion
IT, Product Support Specialist
5745 Lee Road
Indianapolis, IN 46216

Already have an account?

If your squadron already has an account, you do not need to complete a new form.

Call the myLegion Support Team at 833-253-9995 to assist with log in instructions.

Post/Squadron # _____ State: _____

Squadron Adjutant (Printed): _____

Signature *Required, must be Squadron Adjutant* _____ Member ID# _____

Post Adjutant (Printed): _____

Signature *Required, must be Post Adjutant* _____ Member ID# _____

Contact Information:
Does not have to be Squadron Adjutant. The information below provides us where to send correspondence and registration instructions to register a mySAL log in. Please note: Once the site is registered, only the Squadron Adjutant can request a username or password re-set.

Contact Name (if not Squadron Adjutant): _____

Daytime Phone #: _____

E-mail **(required)** _____

Updated 3/4/2020



2019 - 2020 Individual Recruitment Award

The National Membership Committee offers a recruitment pin award for those members recruiting five (5) new members into the Sons of The American Legion within a membership year. This pin is suitable to wear upon your cover or lapel. You must meet the requirements and directions listed below:

- Recruit five (5) **new** members to S.A.L. **Must be new members only**, no renewals.
- All information must be legible. **Un-readable forms will not be accepted.**
- **The new members membership record must be available on the national database.**
- **This form must be sent prior to midnight July 31, 2020.**
- American Legion Family members are also eligible for this award.
- Only one (1) award pin per member regardless of the total new members recruited

Recruiter Information

Name _____ Member ID# _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Full Squadron Name/Number _____ Detachment _____

Email _____ Phone _____

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

New Member Information

#1 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____

#2 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____

#3 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____

#4 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____

#5 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____

VERIFYING SIGNATURES

SQUADRON / POST COMMANDER _____ DATE _____

SQUADRON / POST ADJUTANT _____ DATE _____

RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO: (Regional Membership Chairman)

East - Richard Huntley, Jr. (ME) dickie_huntley@hotmail.com 38 Whale Cove Rd., Machiasport, ME 04655

South - Jason Roberts (GA) robertsjason215@gmail.com 215 Oak Hollow Ct., White, GA 30184

Central - Jeffrey Vrabel, Sr. (OH) jeffvrabelsr@gmail.com 2222 Birch Bark Trl., Grove City, OH 43123

Midwest - Juan Torres (TX) juantorres10@hotmail.com 10828 Sycamore Dr. S, La Porte, TX 77571

West - Leslie "Jim" Stewart (NV) controller@bordertowncasino.com 664 Sheffield Ct., Sparks, NV 89431

PINS WILL BE MAILED UPON VERIFICATION AND APPROVAL

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MySAL

MEMBERSHIP DATABASE



THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



NEW MEMBERSHIP CARDS ARE OUT

We want 100% by August 28, 2020.

Are you up to the challenge?



As fundraising doesn't take a break, let's continue to raise donations and work towards the \$9 million dollar mark. We are less than \$500,000 away.

Continue to reach out non-profit organizations to apply for a CWF grant. The deadline for applications is July 15.

The SAL CWF aprons will continue to be sold during this CWF donation year. Aprons are \$20.

Continue the great work!

In Comradeship,

Mark Nave, Chairman
Child Welfare Foundation

"Serving those who served...full steam ahead"



| Detachment | 2020 Donations | 2020 Membership (to-date) | 2021 CWF Goal | 2021 Donations | % of Goal | Donations Per Capita |
|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| AL - ALABAMA | \$ 3,133.00 | 2,195 | \$ 2,195.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| AK - ALASKA | \$ 1,500.00 | 1,285 | \$ 1,285.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| AZ - ARIZONA | \$ 14,325.00 | 7,282 | \$ 7,282.00 | \$ 250.00 | 3.4% | \$ 0.03 |
| AR - ARKANSAS | \$ 1,690.00 | 499 | \$ 499.00 | \$ 36.00 | 7.2% | \$ 0.07 |
| CA - CALIFORNIA | \$ 1,700.00 | 11,057 | \$ 11,057.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| CO - COLORADO | \$ 14,001.00 | 2,725 | \$ 2,725.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| CT - CONNECTICUT | \$ 1,000.00 | 1,669 | \$ 1,669.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| DE - DELAWARE | \$ 2,100.00 | 2,104 | \$ 2,104.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| DC - DIST OF COL | | 123 | \$ 123.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| FL - FLORIDA | \$ 22,620.00 | 19,503 | \$ 19,503.00 | \$ 850.00 | 4.4% | \$ 0.04 |
| FR - FRANCE | | 259 | \$ 259.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| GA - GEORGIA | \$ 5,615.00 | 4,622 | \$ 4,622.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| HI - HAWAII | \$ 330.00 | 50 | \$ 50.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| ID - IDAHO | \$ 614.00 | 672 | \$ 672.00 | \$ 61.00 | 9.1% | \$ 0.09 |
| IL - ILLINOIS | \$ 5,693.78 | 14,272 | \$ 14,272.00 | \$ 50.00 | 0.4% | \$ 0.00 |
| IN - INDIANA | \$ 16,635.27 | 35,983 | \$ 35,983.00 | \$ 1,305.00 | 3.6% | \$ 0.04 |
| IA - IOWA | \$ 4,421.00 | 4,620 | \$ 4,620.00 | \$ 50.00 | 1.1% | \$ 0.01 |
| KS - KANSAS | \$ 653.52 | 6,323 | \$ 6,323.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| KY - KENTUCKY | | 2,632 | \$ 2,632.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| LA - LOUISIANA | \$ 3,270.00 | 2,061 | \$ 2,061.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| ME - MAINE | | 2,292 | \$ 2,292.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| MD - MARYLAND | \$ 3,000.00 | 15,512 | \$ 15,512.00 | \$ 100.00 | 0.6% | \$ 0.01 |
| MA - MASSACHUSETTS | \$ 5,307.50 | 5,116 | \$ 5,116.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| MX - MEXICO | | 0 | \$ - | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| MI - MICHIGAN | \$ 8,761.00 | 22,427 | \$ 22,427.00 | \$ 1,250.00 | 5.6% | \$ 0.06 |
| MN - MINNESOTA | \$ 5,634.49 | 10,880 | \$ 10,880.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| MS - MISSISSIPPI | \$ 1,500.00 | 901 | \$ 901.00 | \$ 1,350.00 | 149.8% | \$ 1.50 |
| MO - MISSOURI | \$ 1,740.00 | 2,808 | \$ 2,808.00 | \$ 150.00 | 5.3% | \$ 0.05 |
| MT - MONTANA | \$ 1,500.00 | 1,176 | \$ 1,176.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| NE - NEBRASKA | \$ 9,099.16 | 6,661 | \$ 6,661.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| NV - NEVADA | | 407 | \$ 407.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| NH - NEW HAMPSHIRE | \$ 340.00 | 5,446 | \$ 5,446.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| NJ - NEW JERSEY | \$ 9,944.00 | 8,847 | \$ 8,847.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| NM - NEW MEXICO | \$ 770.40 | 1,417 | \$ 1,417.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| NY - NEW YORK | \$ 8,703.93 | 27,561 | \$ 27,561.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| NC - NORTH CAROLINA | \$ 5,369.00 | 2,476 | \$ 2,476.00 | \$ 50.00 | 2.0% | \$ 0.02 |
| ND - NORTH DAKOTA | | 759 | \$ 759.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| OH - OHIO | \$ 14,676.00 | 29,486 | \$ 29,486.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| OK - OKLAHOMA | | 1,362 | \$ 1,362.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| OR - OREGON | \$ 3,250.00 | 1,418 | \$ 1,418.00 | \$ 500.00 | 35.3% | \$ 0.35 |
| PA - PENNSYLVANIA | \$ 31,959.96 | 58,728 | \$ 58,728.00 | \$ 360.00 | 0.6% | \$ 0.01 |
| PI - PHILIPPINES | \$ 400.00 | 83 | \$ 83.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| PR - PUERTO RICO | | 106 | \$ 106.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| RI - RHODE ISLAND | | 246 | \$ 246.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| SC - SOUTH CAROLINA | \$ 2,100.00 | 1,275 | \$ 1,275.00 | \$ 1,250.00 | 98.0% | \$ 0.98 |
| SD - SOUTH DAKOTA | | 860 | \$ 860.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| TN - TENNESSEE | \$ 638.00 | 1,627 | \$ 1,627.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| TX - TEXAS | \$ 4,908.00 | 5,667 | \$ 5,667.00 | \$ 2,067.83 | 36.5% | \$ 0.36 |
| UT - UTAH | \$ 501.00 | 498 | \$ 498.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| VT - VERMONT | \$ 10,289.00 | 3,716 | \$ 3,716.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| VA - VIRGINIA | \$ 14,431.64 | 4,130 | \$ 4,130.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| WA - WASHINGTON | \$ 1,188.00 | 2,395 | \$ 2,395.00 | \$ 50.00 | 2.1% | \$ 0.02 |
| WV - WEST VIRGINIA | \$ 3,159.81 | 2,262 | \$ 2,262.00 | \$ 1,114.00 | 49.2% | \$ 0.49 |
| WI - WISCONSIN | \$ 440.00 | 3,954 | \$ 3,954.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| WY - WYOMING | \$ 3,000.00 | 1,129 | \$ 1,129.00 | | 0.0% | \$ - |
| National | \$ 1,032.34 | | \$ - | | | |
| Grand Totals | \$ 252,944.80 | 353,564 | \$ 353,564.00 | \$ 10,843.83 | 3.1% | \$ 0.03 |

As of: 7/2/2020

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|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| (Eastern Region) | | | | | | | (Southern Region) | | | | | | |
| CONNECTICUT | \$ 1,000.00 | 1,669 | \$ 1,669.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | ALABAMA | \$ 3,133.00 | 2,195 | \$ 2,195.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| DELAWARE | \$ 2,100.00 | 2,104 | \$ 2,104.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | ARKANSAS | \$ 1,690.00 | 499 | \$ 499.00 | \$ 36.00 | 7.2% | \$ 0.07 |
| DIST OF COL | \$ - | 123 | \$ 123.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | FLORIDA | \$ 22,620.00 | 19,503 | \$ 19,503.00 | \$ 850.00 | 4.4% | \$ 0.04 |
| FRANCE | \$ - | 259 | \$ 259.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | GEORGIA | \$ 5,615.00 | 4,622 | \$ 4,622.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| MAINE | \$ - | 2,292 | \$ 2,292.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | KENTUCKY | \$ - | 2,632 | \$ 2,632.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
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| NEW YORK | \$ 8,703.93 | 27,561 | \$ 27,561.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | SOUTH CAROLINA | \$ 2,100.00 | 1,275 | \$ 1,275.00 | \$ 1,250.00 | 98.0% | \$ 0.98 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | \$ 31,959.96 | 58,728 | \$ 58,728.00 | \$ 360.00 | 0.6% | \$ 0.01 | TENNESSEE | \$ 638.00 | 1,627 | \$ 1,627.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| RHODE ISLAND | \$ - | 246 | \$ 246.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | VIRGINIA | \$ 14,431.64 | 4,130 | \$ 4,130.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| VERMONT | \$ 10,289.00 | 3,716 | \$ 3,716.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | Totals | \$ 60,366.64 | 42,027 | \$ 42,027.00 | \$ 3,536.00 | 8.4% | \$ 0.08 |
| WEST VIRGINIA | \$ 3,159.81 | 2,262 | \$ 2,262.00 | \$ 1,114.00 | 49.2% | \$ 0.49 | (Mid-Western Region) | | | | | | |
| Totals | \$ 75,804.20 | 133,881 | \$ 133,881.00 | \$ 1,574.00 | 1.2% | \$ 0.01 | COLORADO | \$ 14,001.00 | 2,725 | \$ 2,725.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| (Central Region) | | | | | | | KANSAS | \$ 653.52 | 6,323 | \$ 6,323.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| ILLINOIS | \$ 5,693.78 | 14,272 | \$ 14,272.00 | \$ 50.00 | 0.4% | \$ 0.00 | MEXICO | \$ - | - | \$ - | \$ - | #DIV/0! | #DIV/0! |
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| OHIO | \$ 14,676.00 | 29,486 | \$ 29,486.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | SOUTH DAKOTA | \$ - | 860 | \$ 860.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| WISCONSIN | \$ 440.00 | 3,954 | \$ 3,954.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | TEXAS | \$ 4,908.00 | 5,667 | \$ 5,667.00 | \$ 2,067.83 | 36.5% | \$ 0.36 |
| Totals | \$ 58,001.54 | 124,430 | \$ 124,430.00 | \$ 2,805.00 | 2.3% | \$ 0.02 | WYOMING | \$ 3,000.00 | 1,129 | \$ 1,129.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - |
| (Western Region) | | | | | | | Totals | \$ 33,932.08 | 28,079 | \$ 28,079.00 | \$ 2,067.83 | 7.4% | \$ 0.07 |
| ALASKA | \$ 1,500.00 | 1,285 | \$ 1,285.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | National | \$ 1,032.34 | | \$ - | \$ - | | |
| ARIZONA | \$ 14,325.00 | 7,282 | \$ 7,282.00 | \$ 250.00 | 3.4% | \$ 0.03 | Grand Total | \$ 252,944.80 | 353,564 | \$ 353,564.00 | \$ 10,843.83 | 3.1% | \$ 0.03 |
| CALIFORNIA | \$ 1,700.00 | 11,057 | \$ 11,057.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | As of: 7/2/2020 | | | | | | |
| HAWAII | \$ 330.00 | 50 | \$ 50.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | | | | | | | |
| IDAHO | \$ 614.00 | 672 | \$ 672.00 | \$ 61.00 | 9.1% | \$ 0.09 | | | | | | | |
| NEVADA | \$ - | 407 | \$ 407.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | | | | | | | |
| OREGON | \$ 3,250.00 | 1,418 | \$ 1,418.00 | \$ 500.00 | 35.3% | \$ 0.35 | | | | | | | |
| PHILIPPINES | \$ 400.00 | 83 | \$ 83.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | | | | | | | |
| UTAH | \$ 501.00 | 498 | \$ 498.00 | \$ - | 0.0% | \$ - | | | | | | | |
| WASHINGTON | \$ 1,188.00 | 2,395 | \$ 2,395.00 | \$ 50.00 | 2.1% | \$ 0.02 | | | | | | | |
| Totals | \$ 23,808.00 | 25,147 | \$ 25,147.00 | \$ 861.00 | 3.4% | \$ 0.03 | | | | | | | |

Children & Youth



Good wishes and Good health to you all!

As we have obviously faced challenges this year, the C&Y Committee agreed on our last call to launch a push to make April 2021 the biggest C&Y Month ever.

A push to have EVERY Squadron host a well-publicized event in support of one of our C&Y Programs could lead to record level fundraising and enthusiasm for the Sons and the greater American Legion Family.

Towards this goal - I am asking if we could invite the Detachment level C&Y Chairmen as well as Detachment Commanders to take part in a one of your regional calls.

Perhaps in the month of September (or August - but I know August is a bad month with Vacations etc.).

I have drafted a note to explain the initiative and invite to all of the Detachment C&Y Chairmen as well as Detachment Commanders. If you're agreeable, you could forward it within your regions.

It reads as an invitation to the September call, but if anyone would like to do it in August, I can change it. (It's in Word so any of you can feel free to change it also.)

I recently started a new job working nights, but I will be sure to join each of the regional calls this month to get your input.

I hope everyone is well, and as always, Thank You for your support of our C&Y Programs.

Challenging times make for a stronger future...and the future for the Sons and our nation's kids remains very bright! :-)

Enthusiastically,

*Bill Clancy, Chairman
SAL National C&Y Committee*

"Serving Those Who Served...Full Steam Ahead"



National Children & Youth Committee

To: All Detachment Children & Youth (C&Y) Chairmen and Detachment Commanders
From: SAL, National Children & Youth Committee
Re: April 2021 is American Legion Children & Youth Month – LET'S MAKE IT THE BIGGEST ONE EVER!

Comrades:

Good health and prayers to you, your family and your local American Legion Family.

COVID-19 has thrown a wrench into many SAL activities this year, but we are looking to the future and making a giant positive impact on our Nations Kids by supercharging all of the American Legion Children and Youth Programs in 2021!

April is American Legion C&Y Month and we would like your help in making April 2021 the biggest American Legion Children and Youth Month EVER!

We're asking every one of our 6,000+ Squadrons to host an event in support of any one of our Children and Youth Programs – and to highly publicize those events locally.

We want to LOUDLY let the whole Nation know who we are and what we do for Kids!

If we succeed in getting a vast number of squadrons to host an event and publicize it – The positive impact & energy for the SAL & broader American Legion Family will be enormous.

So, we are asking all Detachment C&Y Chairmen to join a couple of conference calls and email distribution lists and help us spread the call to action to the local squadron level.

As a First Next Step – We would like each Detachment C&Y Chairman or Representative to join their regional National Call in the Month of September. The information for that Call will go out from each of your regional National Commanders

The National C&Y Committee will have a few minutes on that Call to talk up plans for the 10 months until April 2021 That is ample time to planning out a big success!

We look forward to connecting with each of you on that call!

Until then, Continue to Carry on For God & Country!

Enthusiastically,

The SAL National Children & Youth Committee

Sons of the American Legion 2019-2020-2021 Children & Youth Committee Members

Phillip Shipley (IL) - John Lawrence (LA) - James Nobel (NJ) - Christopher Sherman (WI) - Bill Clancy (NYC)





THE AMERICAN LEGION
MEDIA ALLIANCE

TALMA revving up training for members

Dear TALMA members,

Last week was historic for The American Legion Media Alliance as it conducted its first virtual training session for members. For years, probably decades, volunteers like you have pleaded for national to provide such training for communicators.

During the one-hour session, Department of Michigan Public Relations Director Mark Sutton and Department of Indiana Communications Director Josh Marshall provided real information on the topic of how to get your post's events in your local media. Participants also asked great questions which were answered in real time by Sutton and Marshall.

One of the attendees sent an email afterward, which I believe represents the consensus of the participants:

"Thank you! Wonderful and informative!"

But we're not stopping there. Thanks to the successful debut of the virtual training session, we are planning to continue to these presentations monthly. (If you missed the first one, you can view the video in [the members-only TALMA Facebook group](#))

The next virtual training session will focus on best practices for social media — what to post and what not to post. It will be held **Wednesday, July 29 at 7 p.m. Eastern via Zoom**. If you have questions you would like to submit beforehand or suggested topics to be addressed, feel free to [email them in advance](#). During the session, participants will be able to type questions into the chat window.

The session will feature panelists Sutton, Holly Lewis, adjutant of Post 557 in Wintersville, Ohio, and Dean Noechel, commander of the Department of Colorado.

In the coming months, we plan to cover other topics such as an overview of using resources from national, shooting and editing video, interviewing and story writing tips, creating graphics for your social media platforms, and podcasting.

Thank you for all that you do on behalf of The American Legion Family, our veterans, their families, and communities throughout this great nation.

Sincerely,

Walter Ivie, Chairman

