



Round-Up



The Newsletter of Sons of The American Legion Central Region

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SCAM ALERT

We have received a few phone calls from members who have been in contact with a gentleman by the name of Billy Newman. This guy is fishing for information and tells them he is a member of The American Legion. Some have talked to him about purchasing a life membership and is trying to get them to provide their bank account information. On one of them, he has a phone number, and the caller ID comes up unavailable. The phone number that was given to me about this is 317-967-6675. I called the number, and the voicemail message says he is Billy Newman with The American Legion.

An investigation has been opened and below are the case and complaint numbers:

Indiana Attorney General's office
Case# 11641793

Federal Trade Commission
Case# 138205801

Federal Communications
Commission
Case# 4946314

If you hear from others who have fallen for this scam, please send it to me. I have a file started on this and want to keep records on it. Also, if you do talk to them, ask them how this Billy Newman contacted them – what initiated the call? Was a fishing scam? Were they trying to get a hold of someone at the National Headquarters?

Thank you.

Regards,

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National SAL & ALR Liaison
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Indianapolis, IN 46204
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www.legion.org
(317) 630-1376

2021 – 2022 Central Region Membership Challenge

- All Squadrons with 100 members or less to be quota by August 15 for the 2022 membership year
- All Squadrons to be at least 20% of quota by August 29 for the 2022 membership year

I received an email this week about my goals for this upcoming week. I think the writer was referring to the Central Region Challenge. Like last year, I put out things to help motivate folks and to help us as an organization to change the mindset of paying our dues early. Since two dates have passed, the challenge has been updated, asking Squadrons with 100 members or less to be quota, and for all Squadrons to be at least 20% by the National Convention. These are attainable goals, and we should do what we can to get there.

National Target Dates for the coming year have been set and are available later in this edition. I apologize if there was any confusion.

The writer of the email comes from a very successful detachment, and I want to congratulate him and his members for their successes and thank him for everything he does for the organization.

As we get closer to the National Convention, what card do YOU have in your wallet? Is it the new 2022 membership card? If not, please renew today! **Who's next?**

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

Proud Possessor of a Priceless Heritage,



#SALSTRONG

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

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Gentlemen,



As we close in on National Convention and the close of another administrative year, I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication these last two years.

No one gave up, no matter how bad things were going. We may not have hit 100% or set a new high in membership. But you can be proud that we lead the nation in renewals, IRAs, and Child Welfare Foundation donations.

It has been an honor for me to have served as your National Vice-Commander these last two years, and as Jeff starts his term in Phoenix, we need to rally behind him and give him our full support.

Hope to see all of you in Phoenix!

*Richard "Doc" Pfeiffer,
National Vice-Commander Central*

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Central Region Conference Call

Third Thursday of each month
7:30 p.m. Eastern Time
Call In # (774) 220-4000
Access Code 04423

**2022
National Target Date**

September 9, 2021

10%



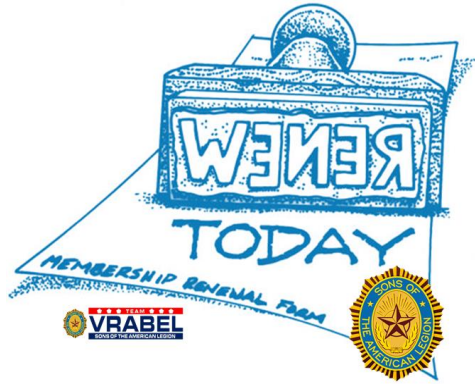
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

By Bill Venable, DL



2022 IS NOW! Renew Today

If your membership card doesn't look like this then you need to RENEW TODAY!!!



2021 Membership Report

Table with 6 columns: Region, Goal, Actual, Needed for Quota, Percent, Increase. Rows include Southern, Central, Midwest, Eastern, Western, and TOTALS.

Membership ahead/behind prior year date N/A

Table with 6 columns: Detachment, Goal, Actual, Needed for Quota, Percent, Increase. Rows include Wisconsin, Iowa, Ohio, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Missouri, and TOTALS.

Q = Quota

* Met 09/10/20 goal of 10%

Met 02/10/21 goal of 75%

^ Met 10/15/20 goal of 25%

% Met 03/10/21 goal of 80%

~ Met 11/12/20 goal of 35%

\$ Met 05/12/21 goal of 90%

? Met 12/09/20 goal of 45%

Q Met 06/09/21 goal of 100%

! Met 01/21/21 goal of 60%

] Met 07/28/21 goal of 105%

Table for Red Division with 6 columns: Detachment, Goal, Actual, Needed for Quota, Percent, Percent of Region. Rows include Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, and TOTALS.

Table for White Division with 6 columns: Detachment, Goal, Actual, Needed for Quota, Percent, Percent of Region. Rows include Illinois, Minnesota, and TOTALS.

Table for Blue Division with 6 columns: Detachment, Goal, Actual, Needed for Quota, Percent, Percent of Region. Rows include Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and TOTALS.

SAL membership reports are available here



22nd Annual



Sons of The American Legion, Sqd 8, Wellington Ohio 2021 "Super Gun Raffle" Saturday October 2nd, 2021 9:00am-5:00pm 50 New Rifles, Shotguns, Handguns, and Crossbows

- List of 50 firearms including Ruger Winlander 22LR, Savage 99R17 EXP 17 HMR w/scope, etc.

Grand Prize:

\$5,000 (cash or check) (To be drawn at 5:00pm)

Guns/Merchandise provided by Fin Feather & Fur of Ashland, Ohio

Many other raffles!!! - Steaks, Hams, Bacon & Hunting Equipment

For ticket information call/visit American Legion Post 8, 518 S. Main St., Wellington OH 44090. Phone (440)-647-6334. Or call Cary "Dewey" Kuhl, (440)-935-2487 and leave message if necessary. I will get back to you. Or carv.kuhl@gmail.com Tickets \$20 or 6 for \$100

1 Ticket required for each person attending. Hat, Dog, Ham & Bean Soup, Chili & Beverages provided. All Door Prizes paid in cash. Every winning ticket is returned to the drum and can win multiple times. Winner need not be present.

Proceeds to benefit American Legion Charities



I WANT YOU TO RENEW!!!



Public and Media Communications Commission

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

Fourth Monday of each month

7:00 p.m. Central Time

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6354565336?pwd=STBkdUlJQlRoQTRndnJPN1hsVktHQTo9>

Meeting ID: 635 456 5336

Passcode: 405160

Call In # (646) 876-9923

Americanism Commission

First Thursday bi-monthly

January, March, May, July

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Call In # (515) 606-5134

Access Code: 451074

Child Welfare Foundation Committee

Third Wednesday of each month

8:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Call in # (605) 472-5332

Access Code: 808417

Children & Youth Committee

Third Wednesday of each month

8:00 p.m.

Call in # (605) 472-5332

Access Code: 808417

Legislative Commission

First Thursday bi-monthly

February, April, June, 7 August

7:00 p.m.

Call in # (712) 775-7031

Access Code: 988284103

Membership Committee

Third Tuesday of each month

6:00 p.m. Mountain time

Call in # (515) 604-9644

Access Code: 889133

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



My Fellow Sons,

For many months, this past membership year we discussed the VA & R program that runs in the Detachment and Department of California called "Helmets for Heroes". It is a simple enough approach whereas piggy banks shaped like real military combat helmets are placed at various locations (bars, restaurants, coffee shops, etc.) that then collect customers change. It is an easy way for people of all walks of life to give back to our veterans in a painless no pressure environment, and it makes a BIG difference!

Below you will see some totals that illuminate this point. In a year of lockdowns, stay at home orders, and confusion; this program still managed to raise some significant numbers.

Helmets For Heroes in California collected \$48,660.00 from July 2020 to June 2021. El Dorado County alone collected \$7,333.00. All funds collected stay in California to help past, present, and future Veterans.

If you would like to run this program in your Detachment or Department (with all proper permissions received in advance), please contact Mr. Bill

Bryant of Placerville Squadron 119 of the Detachment of California (Contact email below) and he can assist you with running this easy program to the benefit of Veterans in your area!



Congratulations to fellow SAL member [Bill Bryant](#) and the Detachment of California for a job well done!

For God and Country,

*Harl "Butch" Ray, Chairman
Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission*

Veterans Employment & Education Commission

Third Wednesday of each month
8:00 p.m. Eastern time
Call In # (605) 313-4111
Access Code: 893821



**PROUD POSSESSORS
OF A PRICELESS HERITAGE**



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

AGENDA FOR THE 49TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION
AUGUST 27 - 29, 2021 PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

S.A.L. REGISTRATION - WEST BLDG., 301 BALLROOM, 300 LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26 TH	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27 TH	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
SATURDAY, AUGUST 28 TH	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
S.A.L. CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS - FRIDAY, AUGUST 27TH	
NORTH BLDG., ROOM 121, 100 LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
8:30 AM	VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION
10:00 AM	MEMBERSHIP
11:30 AM	FINANCE
NORTH BLDG., ROOM 124, 100 LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
8:30 AM	CHILDREN AND YOUTH
10:00 AM	INTERNAL AFFAIRS
11:30 AM	CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
NORTH BLDG., ROOM 131, 100 LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
8:30 AM	AMERICANISM
10:00 AM	COMMUNITY SERVICE SCRAPBOOK / HISTORY BOOK
11:30 AM	LEGISLATIVE AND RULES
WEST BLDG., 301 BALLROOM, 300 LEVEL PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
11:00 AM	CREDENTIALS
S.A.L. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS	
NORTH BLDG., ROOM 122, 100 LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27 TH	10:00 AM PRE-CONVENTION NEC
NORTH BLDG., EXHIBITION HALL 6, LOWER LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
SUNDAY, AUGUST 29 TH	2:00 PM POST-CONVENTION NEC
S.A.L. GENERAL SESSIONS	
NORTH BLDG., EXHIBITION HALL 6, LOWER LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27 TH	1:00 PM - OPENING
SATURDAY, AUGUST 28 TH	9:00 AM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 29 TH	8:00 AM
S.A.L. TRANSITIONAL MEETING	
NORTH BLDG., ROOM 124, 100 LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
MONDAY, AUGUST 30 TH	8:00 AM
(NATIONAL OFFICERS, CHAIRMEN ONLY)	
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S.A.L. NATIONAL OFFICE & STAFF	
WEST BLDG., 301 BALLROOM, 300 LEVEL - PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER	
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25 TH	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26 TH	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27 TH	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
SATURDAY, AUGUST 28 TH	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 29 TH	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY NIGHT AT CHASE FIELD

AUGUST 30, 2021 • 6:40P.M.

Arizona Diamondback vs. San Diego Padres



Please click [HERE](#) to reserve tickets or copy and paste the link into your internet browser:

<https://fevo.me/americanlegion>

Cost per ticket is \$22.00 or \$29.00—cost depends on the seat location you select. Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis.

For questions or orders of 10 or more tickets, please contact Garrett King at 602-462-4238 or gking@dbacks.com.



SERVING THOSE WHO SERVED FULL STEAM AHEAD

National Commander Clint Bolt's 2020 – 2021 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 Phoenix, AZ
- 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



2021 - 2022 SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERSHIP TARGET DATES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2021	10%
OCTOBER 14, 2021	25%
NOVEMBER 10, 2021	35%
DECEMBER 8, 2021	45%
JANUARY 20, 2022	60%
FEBRUARY 9, 2022	75%
MARCH 9, 2022	80%
APRIL 13, 2022	90%
MAY 11, 2022	100%
*JULY 28, 2022	105%

*DELEGATE STRENGTH TARGET DATE

2021-2022
MEMBERSHIP
YEAR

The John Taylor Memorial

26th Annual

Saturday, September 25, 2021
LOYAL OAK Golf Course

2909 Cleveland Massillon Road, Barberton, OH 44203 • (330) 825-2904



5th District S.A.L. Golf Scramble
(established 1996)



**SHOTGUN START
10:00 A.M.**

**\$55 per golfer
\$220 per team**

Includes Green Fees • Cart
Food at the Turn • Dinner • Prizes
**Open to all members of
The American Legion Family**

ENTRY DEADLINE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

For additional information, please contact ... Cary "Dewey" Kuhl at (440) 935-2487



Please make checks payable and mail entries to:
S.A.L. 5th District Golf Outing
c/o Dave Brown
2814 Twp. Rd. 2812, Loudonville, OH 44842
Ph: 419-651-4681 • Email: dwb257@gmail.com



detach here

Contact Person: _____
Contact Address: _____
Contact Phone: _____
Post/Sqd./Unit #: _____

Sons of The American Legion Membership Application

Detachment of _____ Squadron No. _____ Birth Date _____ Date _____
Name (First) (Initial) (Last) Recruited by _____ (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) 00-001 (2013)



RECEIPT

Date _____
Received of _____

For God and Country

\$ _____ in payment of dues for 20 _____ in

Squadron _____, Detachment of _____

By _____



VETERANS

STRENGTHENING AMERICA

The American Legion will never forget

By James W. "Bill" Oxford, National Commander
AUG 09, 2021



Next month marks the 20-year anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. It's a time in history that The American Legion will never forget.

For nearly two decades, American Legion posts across the nation have conducted ceremonies on 9/11 to ensure that their communities don't forget the lives lost that day or those lost while fighting the global war on terrorism prompted by the attack.

To commemorate the 20th anniversary of 9/11, The American Legion will conduct a special podcast series – 20 stories, 20 episodes, 20 years. Starting Aug. 16 and concluding Sept. 10, The American Legion's Tango Alpha Lima podcast will release one of the 20 episodes each weekday.

Special guests include:

- A Legionnaire and ferry boat captain who helped people flee New York City.
- A then-18-year-old college student who – motivated by the attacks – became an Army Ranger, surprising nearly everyone who knew him.
- A retired Marine lieutenant colonel who spent the day with the president and vice president as they discussed America's response.
- Jessica Lynch, the first female POW to be rescued.
- An air traffic controller for Flight 93 who has not returned to work since 9/11.

Visit www.legion.org/tangoalphalima to download each episode in audio format or watch on YouTube.

The nearing of the 20th anniversary of 9/11 also means the drawdown of the men and women who

are currently deployed for the global war on terrorism.

As our men and women come home, I ask all Legionnaires to welcome them home. You can do this by hosting a welcome home dinner, adding them to your Buddy Check calls, assisting them with veterans benefits and programs of The American Legion that will support them and their families.

We want to hear from you on how your post is planning to welcome home our post-9/11 veterans. Please share your story on www.legiontown.org under the category "Support for Post-9/11 Vets."

