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My Fellow Legionnaires,

Whew! We as a department have just completed a wild ride of events over the past few months and we did it together! Vets Rock at Mohegan Sun was very successful for us as a Legion Family there were so many Legionnaires, Auxiliary and Sons on-site many may have thought we were at a Department Convention. Past National Commander Dan Dellinger had a great time as well and expressed his appreciation to our Department for the invitation and the hospitality.

December is a time for us to relax and spend time with our families and each other. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year! Rest up for what is about to come. We as a Legion Family are going to have a Bowling Tournament so start getting your 5 person team(s) together; you don't have a team, no problem we will ensure you'll be on one. Details coming soon!

January Mid-Winter Conference has changed a bit for this year, no AL DEC meeting on Friday night. We will have the traditional Liquor Commission training but in lieu of the DEC meeting a special non-legion related guest will speak on his experiences in the capture of Saddam Hussein, details in the Adjutants notes and Mid-Winter flyer.

By now Posts should be well underway working with your local High Schools promoting the Oratorical contest. If you need assistance in holding a contest, contact the Department Oratorical Chairman PDC Mary-Ann Roczynski at 860-569-7006 or rocznsma@att.net

Clarification from last month's letter. I appreciate the feedback from the membership on where to send the checks etc. The National Commander's Project is the National Emergency Fund; he is only asking fifty cents from each Legionnaire to help him make his goal of one million dollars. I'm asking each post to donate the fifty cents per member, make checks payable to the American Legion Department of Connecticut on the memo line write NEF. Please send to the American Legion Department Treasurer, 864 Wethersfield Ave, Hartford, CT 06114. We will make the check presentation at the National Convention in Cincinnati.

<u>The Department Commander's Project</u>: My project is to raise funds for the American Legion Centennial. We as a Department need to get excited about our 100th Birthday as a Veterans Organization. We need to build enthusiasm ramping up to a successful AL Centennial Celebration! I'm asking all posts to do their part and hold a fundraiser where the proceeds or portions of it benefit the Centennial. If you have a fundraiser contact me so we can get the Centennial Committee to attend. Please make checks payable to the American Legion Dept of CT, in the memo AL Centennial.

Please always feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

In Comradeship,

Paul Spedaliere
Commander
Department of Connecticut
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November 20, 2015

Paul Spedaliere, Commander Department of Connecticut The American Legion 587 Levita Rd. Lebanon, CT 06249-2315

Dear Commander Spedaliere and Fellow Legionnaires:

Thank you for allowing me to spend some time with you, fellow Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and Sons during my recent visit to the Department of Connecticut. I appreciate the warm hospitality that was extended to my Aide, Dewey, and to myself during my stay.

I wanted to thank you for the US Army flag and Coast Guard model, cap, and shirt. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in remembering my visit in this special way.

My theme for this year centers around three small, yet powerful, words: Duty Honor Country. These words have great meaning in my life and I hope will have great meaning to you as well. Our organization has paved the way to instruct Americanism, patriotism and service to our nation. I challenge you to live up to these words with your heart and execute these principles with your body and soul.

DUTY HONOR COUNTRY

Sincerely

DALE BARNETT

National Commander

C: Everett G. Shepard, III, Department Adjutant of Connecticut
D. Joseph Jackson, NEC of Connecticut
Wayne A. Morgan, Alt NEC of Connecticut

MEMBERSHIP

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Comrades, I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. Hope your families gave you smiles to last for another year.

We, The Connecticut American Legion, have a lot to smile about. We are right on track. And to paraphrase an Army slogan 'We have done more in five months than most people do in a year.'...This is not a knock on anyone, It's a feather in our 'The Department of Connecticut's Cap'. It proves we can do what we set out to do like its business as usual. I say "Thanks" and keep up the good work. We are using our people and programs to better serve our membership in all ways.

So far we have met our Target Dates and we are in line with the December 9 Target Date of 75%. We are at 74.015% as of this writing. I'm not worried. We will meet it. I am sure the Commander is doing his 'Peacock Strut' because he knows 'We got this'.

We have a lot of members working in the background, sometimes we fail to recognize them. I know you know who you are and I just want to say "Thank You". With this message you will find the membership incentive package. We hope you find it useful in your membership drive.

The holiday season is heavy upon us. We are also under a heightened Alert. We know these factors are heavy on our membership drive but we must press-on. Membership helps us tell Washington, D.C. what to do about our concerns to put it lightly. So let's continue to bring in those New Members and revisit the ones that have fallen by the wayside. Membership----Membership!!!

I would like to congratulate Post 209 Forrestville for their All-time High status and encourage them to keep adding to their membership, also to Post 177 Bridgeport and Post 192 Middlefield on being Quota Posts. Job well done! Keep up the good work.

Districts are 'jockeying' for positions.... District Commanders and Sr. Vice-Commanders make a few more calls Let the Posts know you are in their corner and they are not forgotten. If they have cards, send them in. 'Don't hold the cards'.

District 1 is having a Revitalization January 27-29, @ Post 142 Hartford. All are welcome. Call for more info. If you would like to do one in your District or Post contact a member of the MTF. We are willing and able to help you.

The American Legion Family has many activities scheduled in your area. Come out and support your Family

BE SAFE!!

Enjoy your Holiday!

"BRAND AWARENESS!!!"

Again Thank You for serving. Our next Target Date is December 9,2015 for 75%. Dues increase January. American Legion Department of Connecticut on the move, 99 ½% won't Do....

Yours in Comradeship,

Louie Robinson Dept. SVC

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Mid-Winter Conference

It is time to register for our 42nd Mid-Winter Conference. Treat your officers and 'up and coming members' to the Mid-Winter Conference at the Trumbull Marriott Merritt Parkway, 180 Hawley Lane, Trumbull, CT on January 29-31, 2016. See the enclosed registration flyer for details. The Saturday evening banquet will include the tenth class of inductees to the Department of Connecticut Legionnaire Hall of Fame (see list in this Bulletin!). The Hall of Fame Plaque with plates for all members will be on display. As always, we will have the Liquor Control Commission back on Friday evening. Come and ask questions regarding the laws applicable to your post Bar. We will also have a speaker from the Department of Special Revenue (lottery) to inform those posts that may have an interest about having a lottery terminal and adding KENO when it becomes available in the spring. There will be no D.E.C. meeting on Friday evening but we will have a special program of interest starting at 8:00 pm featuring Eastford Post 203 member COL Ahmed Beermann, USAFR Ret., who has had multiple deployments to Iraq and was the first person to interrogate Saddam Hussein. Featured guests and speakers on Saturday include: National Vice-Commander John Hargreaves, a Past Commander of the Department of Maine and National Assistant Membership Director Sean Sparks will have some time to talk membership (probably recruiting & retention). Saturday afternoon will have the usual breakout for Fund reps (1:00-2:00) and Service Officers (2:00-3:00). For the eighth year, we will have the door prize drawings for cash that will take place at the end of the general session (approximately 3:30 Saturday). All Connecticut Legionnaires should have received six tickets by mail. You do not need to be present to win, HOWEVER, if you are present and you win any level prize (1st through 7th), you will receive a \$250 attendance bonus. Additional tickets are available from HQ and will be available at the Conference. After the close of the general session (4:00) there will be a 40 & 8 Grand Cheminot that all Voyagers will be welcome to attend.

Legionnaire Insurance Trust

LegionCare registration forms are available from Department HQ to include with each Legionnaire's Renewal card or to provide to Paid Up For Life members. LegionCare is the enhanced Accidental Death benefit available at No-Cost to all Legionnaires. LegionCare is a one-of-a-kind benefit offered exclusively to Legionnaires and provides: \$5,000 in Accidental Death Coverage for covered accidents that occur if you are traveling on official Legion business; \$1,000 for all other covered accidents; 24/7 protection that covers Legionnaires at home, at work and while travelling away from home. IMPORTANT: This activation will be for your lifetime and will not have to be renewed every 5 years as in the past. Legionnaires may activate their coverage through the LegionCare application or by going online at www.theLIT.com. Our goal is to ensure that every Legionnaire activates this protection.

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING MEMBERSHP RENEWALS

Any Legionnaire whose renewal was *not processed at National HQ by December 8th* will receive another dues notice in January. It is vital that your renewals are at Department HQ by 3:00 PM, December 8th. **All transmittals to Department after January 1st MUST include \$29.50 per capita.** A revised Transmittal Form is included in this Bulletin. As soon as Allison is able, we will replace the form on the web-site.

A Special Note from the Auxiliary

Thank you to all Legionnaires who helped our Christmas shops be successful this year. Your monetary donations helped us buy wonderful items for the veterans to choose from for their families. Those Legionnaires who helped at our Christmas shops were greatly appreciated. You all made the holidays a little nicer for veterans and their families. Thank you all for your service and your continuous service to our veterans everyday.

Happy Holidays and New Year. Ruth Morgan, ALA VA&R CHAIRMAN

Department Potpourri

The Department of CT was well represented at our neighboring Departments' Testimonials. On 11/14, the following travelled to Pawtucket, RI to attend the Testimonial for RI CDR Richard Cartwright: CDR Paul Spedaliere; SVC Louie Robinson; ADJ Everett Shepard; NEC Joe Jackson & wife JoeAnne (ALA NEC); Alt NEC Wayne Morgan & wife Ruth (PDP); 6th Dist. CDR Jackie Evonsion; PDC John Lafontaine; PDC Bob Murray; On 11/21, the following travelled to Mariborough, MA to attend the Testimonial for MA CDR Louis Brault: CDR Paul Spedaliere; SVC Louie Robinson; NEC Joe Jackson & wife JoeAnne (ALA NEC); Alt. NEC Wayne Morgan; 6th Dist CDR Jackie Evonsion; Historian Bob DeCarlo; PDC Butch Hansen; PDC Bob Murray. There will be revitalization effort in the 1st District January 27-29. Plan now to assist.

And finally, we wish for everyone to have a very Happy Hanukkah and a very Merry Christmas. The Department Offices will be closed December 24th & 25th as well as Friday, January 1st.

Lots of holiday parties this month - please be careful and celebrate responsibly.

Prayer Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers and keep me informed of those needing our prayers (remember we are "for God And Country"). Past 3rd Dist & Post 100 CDR Tom Reed. Dept. Legislative Director Micah Welintukonis' wife Camilla. Anthony Cardillo (Post 12).

POST EVERLASTING

David T. Holloway 02/07/1951 – 10/25/2015 Post 73, Wallingford Past Post Commander

Department Calendar

<u>December 2015 – Holiday Blood Donor Drive Month</u>

04 05 05-08 07 07 07 09 09 10 12 12 13 15 16 19 20 22 24	Annual Boys State Corporation Meeting. 6 th District Christmas Party, 6:00 Social, 6:30 Dinner, Post 22, Thomaston. (\$20) ALA Christmas Shop at West Haven VA. Pearl Harbor Day — 1941. Flag at half staff. First Day of Hanukkah. 75% Membership Target Date. 2 nd District Meeting, 7:00 PM social, 8:00 PM meeting, Post 76, North Haven. 1 st District Bingo at Rocky Hill Veterans Home, hosted by District Officers. 7 th District Meeting, 6:00 PM, Post 113, Old Saybrook (Potluck & Christmas). Legion & Auxiliary leaders Gift Distribution, Rocky Hill (10:00), WHVA (1:00). ARMY-navy Game, Philadelphia. 4 th District Meeting, 2:00 PM, Post 26, Stafford Springs. Bill of Rights Day. 3 rd District Meeting, 7:30 PM, Post 74, Fairfield. 1 st District Christmas Party, 5:30-9:00 PM, Post 2, Bristol. (\$20, see flyer) Panama "Operation Just Cause" — 1989. Winter Begins. Christmas Holiday - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED.
22	Winter Begins.
25	Christmas Holiday - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED.
31	DEADLINE to order poppies from ALA.

<u>January 2016 – Mid-Winter Conference Month</u>

01 08	New Year's Day Holiday - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED. Department Baseball 15 th Annual Hot Stove Banquet, 6:30 PM, Aquaturf.
10	4 th District Meeting, 2:00 PM, Post 67, N. Grosvenordale.
13	1 st District Bingo at Rocky Hill Veterans Home, 7:00 PM, hosted by Post 2.
13	2 nd District Meeting, 7:00 PM social, 8:00 PM meeting, Post TBD.
14	7 th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 206, CVH, Page Hall, Middletown.
18	Martin Luther King JR. Day - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED.
18	80% Membership Target Date.
19	AL Department Executive Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, Post 75, Middletown.
20	3 rd District Meeting, 7:30 PM, Post 207, Middlebrook Farms.
21	5 th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 9, New London.
27	Vietnam Cease Fire, 1973.
27	1 st District Meeting, 6:30 PM food; 7:30 PM meet, Post 68, Berlin.
27-29	1 st District Revitalization.
29-31	42 nd Mid-Winter Conference, Trumbull Marriott.
29	State Liquor Commission presentation, Q&A, with Stan Burke, 6:00-7:45 PM.
29	PDC Dinner, 6:00 PM, Trumbull Marriott.
29	Mid-Winter Conference Special Program, 8:00 PM, COL Ahmed Beermann.
30	Mid-Winter Conference General Session opens at 9:00 AM.
30	SAL Detachment Executive Committee.
30	CT AL Hall of Fame Induction Banquet, 6:00 Social, 6:45 Dinner.
30	Start of the 1968 Tet Offensive.

February 2016 - Americanism Month

07 07-13 08 10 10 10 11 12 13 14 14 15 17 17 21-24 23 24 24 28	Religious Emphasis Week. 85% Membership Target Date. Ash Wednesday. 1st District Bingo at Rocky Hill Veterans Home, 7:00 PM, hosted by Post 154. 2nd District Meeting, 7:00 PM social, 8:00 PM meeting, Post TBD. 7th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 103, Westbrook (Oratorical contest). Lincoln's Birthday State Holiday - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED. Deadline for completion of District Oratorical Contests. Valentine's Day. 4th District Meeting, 2:00 PM, Post 95, Hebron. President's Day Holiday - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED. 3rd District Meeting, 7:30 PM, Post 160, Easton. 5th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 138, Bozrah. Washington Conference. Iwo Jima Flag Raised 1945. Start of "Operation Desert Storm" 1991. 1st District Meeting, 6:30 PM, Post 142, Hartford, Americanism Program. End of "Operation Desert Storm" 1991.
	March 2016 – Legion Birthday Month
01 05 07 10 12 13 13 15 16 17 17 19 20 23 20 25 27	Eagle Scout of the Year Applications <u>due at Department HQ</u> . Department Oratorical Contest, 7:45 AM, Goodwin College, East Hartford 90% Membership Target Date . 7 th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 75, Middletown. Baseball Managers / Coaches Summit, 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM, Post 165, Wolcott. <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i> . 4 th District Meeting, 2:00 PM, Post 52 Coventry. AL Birthday 15-17, 1919. 3 rd District Meeting, 7:30 PM, Post 207, Middlebrook (Trumbull). <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> . 5 th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, hosted by Post 161, Waterford, Start of "Operation Iraqi Freedom" 2003. Spring Begins. 1 st District Meeting, 6:30 PM refreshments, 7:30 PM, meet, Post 142, Hartford. Palm Sunday. SAL Detachment Executive Meeting, Noon, Post 2, Bristol. Good Friday Holiday - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED Easter.

Future Events – 2016

Apr 09	Kids Walk. (Multiple locations) – See Bulletin Inserts!
Apr 23	4 th District Testimonial, 5:00 PM, Post 26, Stafford Springs.



2016 CONNECTICUT – AMERICAN LEGION CALENDAR

\$10.00 per 2016 Calendar plus \$2.50 shipping for each.

Total Calendars Available: 200 Check Payable to: The American Legion – Calendar

Mail Order to:

The American Legion – Calendar P.O. Box 208 Rocky Hill, CT 06067-0208

Inquiries may be e-mailed to Frazier Brinley at fb.pnh05@gmail.com	
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CENTENNIAL PHOTO CONTEST – CALENDAR ORDER FORM

# Copies:	X \$12.50 each = \$	Check #		_enclosed.
Mail to:				
Name				
Address				
City		State	Zip Code	



Material taken from Department Permanent Charter Application File At Dept. Headquarters, Rocky Hill, CT.

ORANGE POST 127

Post Application for Permanent Charter Sept. 15, 1932

Names of Officers:
Commander Harry D. Bean
Adjutant George A. Hayes
Treasurer Levi O. Peterson
Historian Nelson D. Booth
Service Officer Harold B. Forman
News Correspondent H.D. Bean

Current membership: 32

Previous year: 23

Current quarters were donated by the town

"The Post was organized in April 1930 with twenty one members. We immediately found rooms which were refinished and furnished, at least with the necessities, by the co-operative efforts of the members. The War Memorial was erected by the town this year thru' our efforts. We supplied the town grammar school with eight handsome American Flags on staffs, out of the Post Funds Planted three trees in front of the school. Held two dances last year and netted about \$90 with which post colors were purchased. Have held one service funeral and cooperated with the town in the observance of Memorial Days. The post needs suggestions on the entertainment of small groups, and service decorations which would embellish the Post quarters.

Signed: George Ansel Hayes, Post Adjutant H.D. Bean, Post Commander Permanent Charter date Oct 8, 1932"

What is a Basis Point? http://www.investopedia.com/terms/b/basispoint

A basis point is a common unit of measure for interest rates and other percentages in finance. One basis point is equal to 1/100th of 1%, or 0.01% (0.0001), and is used to denote the percentage change in a financial instrument. The relationship between percentage changes and basis points can be summarized as follows: 1% change = 100 basis points, and 0.01% = 1 basis point.

Copied from 1926 Convention and Department Treasurer Clarence Scarborough report that he read and the Commander's appointments. Material is at Department Headquarters, Rocky Hill, pg 70-75

1926 Convention Appointments:

Credentials Committee

Robert R. Northam, Jr 1st District

William S. Barnes (Chairman) New Haven

Fred Collins Greenwich

George N. Brigham Rockville

Theodore F. Anderson Mystic

Torrington

Albert E. Anderson

Cromwell

Resolutions Committee

Eddy Ogren (Chairman) New Britain

F.B. Towle

John Ryan

Seymour

George Moore

Bridgeport

William Harrington

Danielson

M.W. Peck

Lyme

C.A. Whitbeck

Salisbury

Joseph Petrofsky

Cromwell

Rules Committee

Frank Anderson

Wethersfield

Ernest Averill (Chairman) Branford

Andrew Goodwin

Bridgeport

William Valentine

Central Village

N.M. Terry

Lyme

H.I. Hawkins

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Arthur B. Watson

Portland

Constitutional Amendments Committee

Earl Panzer

West Hartford

R.H. Alcorn

Westville

Philo Calhoun (Chairman) Bridgeport Frank Bradford

New London

Carl Anderson

Danielson

H.B. Lynch

Thomaston

Joseph P. Bransfield

(left blank, Portland)

Time and Place Committee

Iames Paul

Plainville

W.S. Alexander

Meriden

James R. Case (Chairman) Danbury

Joseph Burton

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William A. Anderson Norwich

Frank P. Chase

New Milford

Forest Thatcher

East Hampton

Audit Committee (committee of five)

Edward Stillman

Hartford

George O. Nye

North Haven

W. Parker Seeley

Bridgeport

Earle F. Richards

West Haven

George Lilley

Southington

Chairman was Edward Stillman

Department Treasurer: Clarence C. Scarborough, West Hartford - Written & Oral Report

"American Legion, Connecticut Dept. Statement of Income and Expenditures. From January, 1926 to August 25, 1926.

On hand Jan. 1, 1926:	•	٠
Office furniture, Adjutant's office	\$635.87	
Treasurer's office	147.00	
Accounts Receivable	3.80	
Flags	15.00	
Certificate of Deposit	700.00	
Cash	324.65	1,831.07
Receipts		
National Dues 1926	8,390.00	
State dues 1926	7,468.40	•
National Dues 1925	16.00	
State Dues 1925	12.80	
Florida Trophy	180.00	
Overpayment to posts	15.40	
Interest	17.05	
Poppies	2.00	16,102.45
	•	17,933.52
Expenditures from Jan. 1 to August 25, 1926		
National Dues 1926	8,390.00	
National Dues 1925	19.00	
Adjutant's Office Expense	1,618.77	•
Treasurer's Office Expense	649.65	
Historian's Expense	81.31	
State Commander's Expense	484.48	
Past State Commander's Expense	400.00	
General Expense	332.20	
Membership Drive	81.31	
Florida Trophy	<u>180.00</u>	12,156.81
On Hand August 25, 1926		
Office furniture, Adjutant's office	\$635.87	
Treasurer's office	215.50	
Accounts Receivable	2.80	
Flags	15.00	
France Travel	20.25	
Certificate of Deposit	1,488.40	
Cash	<u>3,396.89</u>	<u>5,776.71</u>

Lengthy comments on this report are unnecessary. Our balance is \$3,396.89. Last year we had a balance of \$2,517.44, so that our balance shows an increase of \$879.45 over last year.

We are without a doubt as a Department in the healthiest financial condition we have ever attained during our brief history. We shall have a larger balance on December 31, 1926, the end of our fiscal year, than we have ever had. This is due, in my opinion, to the fact that we have a budget system operating successfully about a year and a half under the wonderful eyes of our Finance Committee, consisting this year of Commander Jackson, Adjutant White, W. Parker Seeley, E.A. Stillman, the State Treasurer and the State Executive Committee.

Necessary and wise expenses have been approved always within our limited means. Any proposals for expenses which might be questioned have been carefully scrutinized.

We have no outside income other than from dues. We are able to run the Department pretty successfully on that income, but in order to take care of necessary expenses and put aside something, which is good business, we must have that income as now regulated and no attempt to reduce that income should be given consideration.

Our membership today is a cause for hearty congratulation to all those who have labored hard and long to bring it up to 8,390, the biggest enrollment since the first year of the Legion's existence. August 26, 1925 we had 7,250 and August 27, 1924, we had 7,920. We had 828 more members than we had Dec. 31, 1925.

In making up the Department Record Cards and Legion weekly cards in the future Post Adjutants should see that names and addresses are either typewritten or printed. .. (Since) it has been next to impossible to decipher some of the names and addresses. Some of the Legion weekly cards are sent directly to National Headquarters. They should come to the treasurer's office with the record cards.

The Allington Fund remains at \$312.15 – no withdrawals have been made this year by the Disabled Veteran Post no. 99.

The expenses in connection with the presentation of the Florida Trophy have not been fully met, a balance of \$67.00 remaining outstanding. Those posts who have not contributed would confer a great favor on the Treasurer's Office by taking care of this matter at an early date.

Respectively submitted, Clarence C. Scarborough, State Treasurer."

Department Bulletin # 18, December 12, 1930

RIDGEFIELD POST PLANS

"Everett Ray Seymour Post No. 78 of Ridgefield announces plans for a New Year's Eve Masquerade Ball to be held at Odd Fellows Hall in Ridgefield., Wednesday evening, Dec. 31. Prizes will be awarded.

This same post is now conducting weekly Saturday evening moving picture shows in the town hall. Saturday, Jan. 19, 1931 has been designated as 'Legion Night..."

SERVICE OFFICE COMMUNIQUE

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December 1, 2015 Special to Department Bulletin

CDC to release new report on Camp Lejeune Contaminated Water Dec.4

An article by the Fayetteville Observer (NC) appearing in the Stars and Stripes on November 30 reports that authors of various health studies on the "health effects of contaminated drinking water at Camp Lejeune" will present their findings to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry in Tampa Florida on December 4th.

ASTDR is a part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and will coordinate the public hearing which will focus on how generations of Marines and their families who were stationed at Camp Lejeune from the 1950's to 1985 and used water from contaminated wells on base.

The Department of Veterans Affairs , following passage of the "Honoring Americas Veterans and Caring for Camp Lejeune Families Act of 2012" generated regulations to guide the dissemination of healthcare benefits to potentially millions of veterans and family members . The new law generated much excitement among the veteran population, advocates and politicians alike. Connecticut's US Senator Richard Blumenthal co-sponsored the measure in the Senate.

The benefits afforded by the legislation continue to confuse those who may have been exposed to contaminates and afflicted any one of fifteen presumptive diseases. In a nutshell, benefits are VA healthcare for veterans and reimbursement for medical costs for family member's affected from exposure. Presumptive service connected disability compensation was not contained in the legislation and cases are heard individually by a team at the Louisville KY Regional Office.

Recently DSO K. Robert Lewis spoke to one of the specialized raters at Louisville regarding a claim and inquired how many claims had been awarded service connected status in the past two years. The answer was less than five, and more likely zero. According to the employee, the VA's scientific "experts' have established that exposure at Camp Lejeune had to be for a period of five years.

Information and live streaming on the web at www.astdr.cdc.gov/sites/lejeune/capmeetings.html and wwww.astdr.cdc.gov/sites/lejeune/capmeetings.html and <a href="www.astdr.cdc.gov/s



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THE AMERICAN LEGION, 1ST DISTRICT CHRISTMAS PARTY

POST 2 22 Hooker Ct Bristol, CT 06010

DECEMBER 19, 2015 5:30-9 PM \$20 per person Buffet Dinner

Cheer Raffle
PLEASE BRING A \$10 GRAB BAG GIFT
Reservation Deadline December 11, 2015

Chuck Berry, Finar	nce Officer (203) 715-233	0		
The American Legi	on			
1 st District				
110 Castle Rd				
Bristol, CT 06010				
	lowing tickets for 1 st Distric		Party. <u>The American Legion 1st District</u>	
	@ \$20.00 per pers	on	No. of persons	
Post/Unit No.	Name:			
District No.	Address:		·	
Town/City:	Zi	p:	Phone:	



CONNECTICUT AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL COMMITTEE 15TH ANNUAL HOT STOVE BASEBALL DINNER

Friday, January 8, 2016 – Aqua Turf Club at Plantsville, CT Cocktails at 6:30 PM – Dinner at 7:00 PM (Tickets - \$45)

MC: Rich Coppola, WTIC-TV, Channel 61

Honorees Include:

American Legion Baseball Hall of Fame Class of 2016

Lou Ernst, Fran Slattery, Phil Anger

- Alumni of the Year
 - Tom Signore
- Contributor Award
 - Everett Shepard, Tri-Town, Department Adjutant
- Friend of the Game
 - Pete Kokinis
- Minor League Player of the Year
 - Mike Gibbons, St. Lucie Mets, Simsbury
- College Player of the Year
 Dan Fein, Salisbury University
- 19 U Coach of the Year
 - TJ Grande, RCP
- 17 U Coach of the Year
 - Jim Nursick, RCP
- 15 U Coach of the Year
 - Ken Lewis, Stamford
- High School Coach of the Year
 Bob DeMayo, North Haven High School
- Committee Leadership Award
 - Paul Iverson, New Milford
- Media Award
 - Dave Heuschkel, The Valley Press
- Umpire Award
 - Lew Wilby

	Reservation F	orm	
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Enclosed is my check for \$	to cover the cost of	reservation(s). Cost per pe	erson is \$45.

Please return this form with your check (payable to CT American Legion Baseball) to Chuck Berry, 110 Castle Road, Bristol, CT 06010 before Friday, January 1, 2016. Include the names of other members of your party on the back of the form. For further questions call Chuck Berry at 203-715-2330 cberry1@comcast.net or email Dave Farr, Dfarralbb@aol.com More information is available on the CT American Legion Baseball Web Site: www.ctlegionbball.com Walk in reservations cannot be accepted!



2016 Connecticut Legionnaire Hall of Fame

The 2016 American Legion Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner will take place January 30, 2016, 6:00 Cash bar, 6:45 Dinner, 7:45 Induction, at the Trumbull Marriott Merritt Parkway, 180 Hawley Lane, Trumbull, CT. Tickets are \$40/person and must be purchased in advance. Make checks payable to The American Legion, Dept. of Conn. Mail to: Attn: Ian Lilly, Asst. Dept. Treasurer, The American Legion, 864 Wethersfield Ave., Hartford, CT 06114.

OR

- use the Mid-Winter Conference flyer in this Bulletin and sign up for the entire weekend.

Get a room & Get away.

Inductees for 2016 – 10th Class

ROGER H. ANDERSON	Post 133, South Windsor	(VN era)
*CLARENCE SCARBOROUGH	Post 96, West Hartford	(WWI)
FRED McCARTHY	Post 88, Hamden	(VN era)
GEORGE E. DUCANIC	Post 3, Stamford	(Korea)
TED C. GRAZIANI	Post 62, Ellington	(VN era)
ALVIN L. BUTTERS	Post 104, Taftville	(VN era)
DONALD R. GROMAN	Post 28, New Hartford	(Korea)
*MARTIN HILLS	Post 113, Old Saybrook	(VN era)

^{*}deceased

If you have information to share on any of the inductees or know of family members, please contact Frazier Brinley, at fb.pnh05@gmail.com, or 16 Pepperbush DR, Clinton, CT 06413.



THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT 42ND ANNUAL MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

TRUMBULL MARRIOTT, TRUMBULL, CT JANUARY 29-30-31, 2016

The annual Mid-Winter Conference will be held at the Trumbull Marriott Merritt Parkway, 180 Hawley Lane, Trumbull, CT. Conference will begin on Friday with the Liquor Commission @ 6:00 PM, There will NOT be a Department Executive Committee meeting, but will be a special program of interest starting at 8:00 pm featuring Eastford Post 203 member COL Ahmed Beermann, USAFR Ret., who has had multiple deployments to Iraq and was the first person to interrogate Saddam Hussein. A full range of American Legion programs, tailored for the "Blue Cap" Legionnaire will be held all day on Saturday and Sunday morning. Saturday morning will feature National Vice-Commander John Hargreaves (ME). See December Adjutant's Notes for more details. Saturday afternoon will have the usual breakout for Service Officers & SSM Fund Reps. Saturday evening banquet features the induction of the 10th class into The Connecticut American Legion Hall of Fame. Hotel rate: \$94.00 + 9% tax (single or double). Call Marriott Reservations at 1-800-682-4095 ask for AMERICAN LEGION ROOM BLOCK or visit www.marriotttrumbull.com and enter the group code: ALCALCA in the "special Rates & Awards".

HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE JANUARY 15, 2016.

Registration only: Hall of Fame Dinne	er (Sat.,	6:00 cash bar, 6:45 dinne	\$ 5.00 r) \$40.00
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Assigned Topics

The assigned topic discourse must not consume less than three (3) minutes or more than five (5) minutes for delivery. The purpose of the assigned topic discourse is to test the speaker's knowledge of the subject, the extent of his or her research, and the ability to discuss the topic as related to the basic principles of government under the Constitution.

The assigned topic shall be drawn by the contest official in full view of the audience immediately before the last speaker begins delivery of his or her prepared oration and will be made known to the audience and each contestant approximately five (5) minutes prior to the time of delivery. The topic will be on some phase of the U.S. Constitution, selected from Articles and Sections as listed under assigned topics for the current year's contest in this brochure.

All contestants at each contest level are required to speak in the English language on the same assigned topic.

Amendment 8

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Amendment 26

Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States, who are eighteen years of age or older, to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of age.

Section 2. The Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Article 1 Section 9 Paragraph 2

The privilege of the Writ of Habeas Corpus shall not be suspended, unless when in Cases of Rebellion or Invasion the public Safety may require it.

Article 1 Section 6 Clause 1

The Senators and Representatives shall receive a Compensation for their Services, to be ascertained by Law, and paid out of the Treasury of the United States. They shall in all Cases, except Treason, Felony and Breach of the Peace, be privileged from Arrest during their Attendance at the Session of their respective Houses, and in going to and returning from the same; and for any Speech or Debate in either House, they shall not be questioned in any other Place.

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PHILIPS Lifeline

Poppies – December, 2015

As of November 16, 2015, a total of 66,200 poppies have been ordered. Many Posts and Units have not submitted order forms and the deadline is creeping up very quickly. Please complete your order forms and submit it with a check to the Auxiliary's Dept. office before the end of December!

In September, order forms were located in both the Legionnaire and Auxiliare bulletins to be completed and to be forwarded to the Auxiliary office;

In October, a recommendation was to contact the Art teachers at your local schools and to begin planning work on the Poppy Poster Contests;

At November meetings, reminders were to discuss how poppy revenue could be increased and that a sharing of ideas between Post and Unit members would be helpful;

Now it's December and time is really moving along! This month, the juniors were encouraged to design what Miss Poppy's outfit would look like on distribution days and at parades.

Ahead of us, we face locking in distribution days at local businesses and grocery stores. Has your Post or Unit contacted any Walmart stores, Stop & Shop, etc.?

Below is the last order form that will be printed in these bulletins. Remember that any amount of poppies can be ordered. The cost is \$120.00 for each thousand. **N-O-W** is the time if it hasn't been sent in yet. Have a joyous holiday season and God Bless!

POPPY ORDER FORM

Complete this poppy order form and mail it with your payment to: American Legion Auxiliary, Dept. of
CT., P.O. Box 266, Rocky Hill, CT 06067-0266. Full payment must accompany order for it to be
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the Poppy Team!
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Beverly F. Dean, Poppy Chairman

Phone: (203) 281-3642

e-mail: bevied@frontier.com (NEW)

Everett Shepard

Subject:

A book by John White about the start of the Vietnam War

To all on Legion email list:

John is a 26 year member of Post 92 in Cheshire and when we had our Department Newspaper was a member of that Commission and a prolific contributor to the editorial content.

From: John White [mailto:jwhite8011@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 1:18 PM

To: deptadj@ctlegion.necoxmail.com

Subject: A book by John White about the start of the Vietnam War

THE GULF OF TONKIN EVENTS—FIFTY YEARS LATER tells how the Vietnam War got started through a false-flag operation by the Department of Defense and a lie to Congress by President Johnson. Among the many books written about the war, half a dozen note a 1967 letter to the editor of the New Haven Register which blew the whistle on the Tonkin Gulf coverup and was instrumental in pressing the Johnson administration to tell the truth about how the war was started. The letter was mine. On the 50th anniversary of the Tonkin events, this is an account of my role and its aftermath.

Review (on Amazon)

The modest subtitle of this short book states that it is "a footnote to the history of the Vietnam War". Perhaps it does merit only footnote status. But, as the old saw has it, the devil is in the details, and John White's footnote is an important detail of that devilish, misguided, and blood-drenched escapade.

White served four years (1961-1965) as an officer in the U.S. Navy. In August 1964 he was nuclear weapons officer on the USS Pine Island when it was deployed to the war zone in response to the "attack" on the destroyers Maddox and Turner Joy that precipitated the Tonkin Gulf Resolution. (That Resolution, in turn, gave Presidents Johnson and Nixon congressional authorization to expand exponentially American involvement in Vietnam.) Based on information acquired both then and later, White came to the conclusion that there had been no attack, and in December 1967 he publicly expressed that view in a letter to a newspaper. His letter was instrumental in the launching of the investigation into the Tonkin Gulf events by Senator William Fulbright and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The White House and the Pentagon denied and obfuscated, however, and it took decades for the truth to be established beyond cavil: there had been no attack by the North Vietnamese on August 4, 1967 (the American ships were dodging spurious images on their sonar scopes); the Pentagon and President Johnson misrepresented matters to Congress (almost certainly deliberately); and therefore the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution was based on (at best) false information or (more likely) outright lies. In THE GULF OF TONKIN EVENTS — FIFTY YEARS LATER John White tells that story briefly, along with his role in bringing the subterfuge to light and the ensuing besmirchment of his character for doing so.

About the Author

JOHN WHITE is an internationally known author who writes about the human mind and spirituality and their relationship to social and political affairs. He has published 20 books, including *The Meeting of Science and Spirit, What Is Enlightenment?*, A Practical Guide to Death and Dying and (for children) The Christmas Mice. His writing has appeared in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Reader's Digest, Esquire, Woman's Day and many other newspapers and magazines. His books have been translated into ten languages.

Mr. White was born in 1939. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Dartmouth College (1961) and a Master of Arts in Teaching from Yale University (1969). He has taught English and journalism on the secondary and college levels.

After college, Mr. White served four years in the U.S. military as a naval officer, primarily in antisubmarine warfare and nuclear weaponry. In 1972, Mr. White worked with Apollo 14 astronaut Dr. Edgar Mitchell to create The Institute of Noetic Sciences, a research organization founded by Dr. Mitchell to study the human potential for personal and planetary transformation. Now retired, Mr. White lives in Cheshire, Connecticut, where he is active in veterans affairs and youth education.

The book is available through Amazon and can be found by entering the title. You can also go to my website: www.AmericanSpiritPress.com.

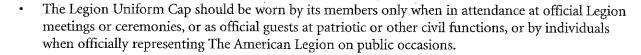
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Cap Etiquette

- The left side (emblem side) of the cap is reserved only for the Legion emblem, city, county, district, or state lettering.
- If desired, the following items must be placed on the right side of the cap:
 - A) additional lettering, restricted to either the name of a Post, or to an officer title (such as "Past Commander"),
 - B) cap insignias or badges (for Past or Present officers),
 - C) consecutive membership insignia, membership stars, and/or authorized Legion or military services decorations.
- · Names or nicknames of individual members cannot be used on caps.



- A member is considered to be in uniform if wearing an official Legion Uniform Cap. Therefore, it is not proper to wear the cap while eating a meal at an official Legion or civic luncheon or dinner.
- The cap should be worn in a place of worship only by the Guard of Honor, Color Guard and Commander of same while in marching order or standing guard. When returned to and seated in pews, the cap should be removed.
- Legion posts marching in formation into a place of worship should uncover, at the door, hold the cap
 with the right hand over the heart until the arrival in the pews and commanded to take seats,
 remaining uncovered during the entire service. At the close of the service, upon command, the post
 shall arise, the members holding the cap with the right hand over the heart will march out of the
 place of worship, and recover after marching through the door.
- Legion members not in formation will uncover upon entering the place of worship and remain uncovered during the entire service, and will recover after leaving the place of worship.
- When at a funeral, the cap should be held over the heart as one approaches the casket, and is not at any time worn in a place of worship (except by the Guard of Honor, Color Guard or Commander of same while in marching order or standing guard). At the graveside, the cap should be held in the right hand over the heart during the entire service. In cold and inclement weather, the cap should not be worn.
- In Legion meetings, the cap should be worn except during moments of the Pledge of Allegiance, prayer, and when standing in silent reverence in memory of departed comrades, when the cap should be held with the right hand over the heart.
- Female members of the Legion should wear their caps in the manner prescribed for female personnel of the armed services.





2015-2016 MEMBERSHIP TARGET DATES

DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

EARLY BIRD/NEF KICKOF	F 10,500	SEPTEMBER 8,2015	(2 ND Tue)	50%	
FALL MEETINGS	11,550	OCTOBER 13, 2015	(2 nd Tue)	55%	
VETERANS DAY	13,650	* NOVEMBER 10, 2015	(2 nd Tue*)	65%	
PEARL HARBOR DAY	15,750	*DECEMBER 7, 2015	(1 st Mon)	75%	
MID-WINTER	16,800	JANUARY 18, 2016	(3 rd Mon)	80%	
PRESIDENT'S DAY	17,850	FEBRUARY 8, 2016	(2 nd Mon)	85%	
LEGION BIRTHDAY	18,900	MARCH 7, 2016	(1 st Mon)	90%	
CHILDREN & YOUTH	19,950	APRIL 11, 2016	(2 nd Mon)	95%	
ARMED FORCES DAY	21,000	MAY 9, 2016	(2 nd Mon)	100%	
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2016 RENEWAL SCHEDULE

CUTOFF DATES

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For Changes at Nat'l	RENEWAL NOTICE DATES
May 15, 2015	July 3, 2015
Sept. 11, 2015	Oct. 2, 2015
Oct. 16, 2015	Nov. 16, 2015
Dec 11, 2015	Jan 8, 2016
Feb 12, 2016	Feb. 26, 2016
April 15, 2016	April 27, 2016

^{*} The November National Target date will be on a Friday due to Veterans Day falling on that previous Wednesday

National Target Dates are one or two days after the Department dates. All membership must be into Department on the morning of these dates to count for making the target date.

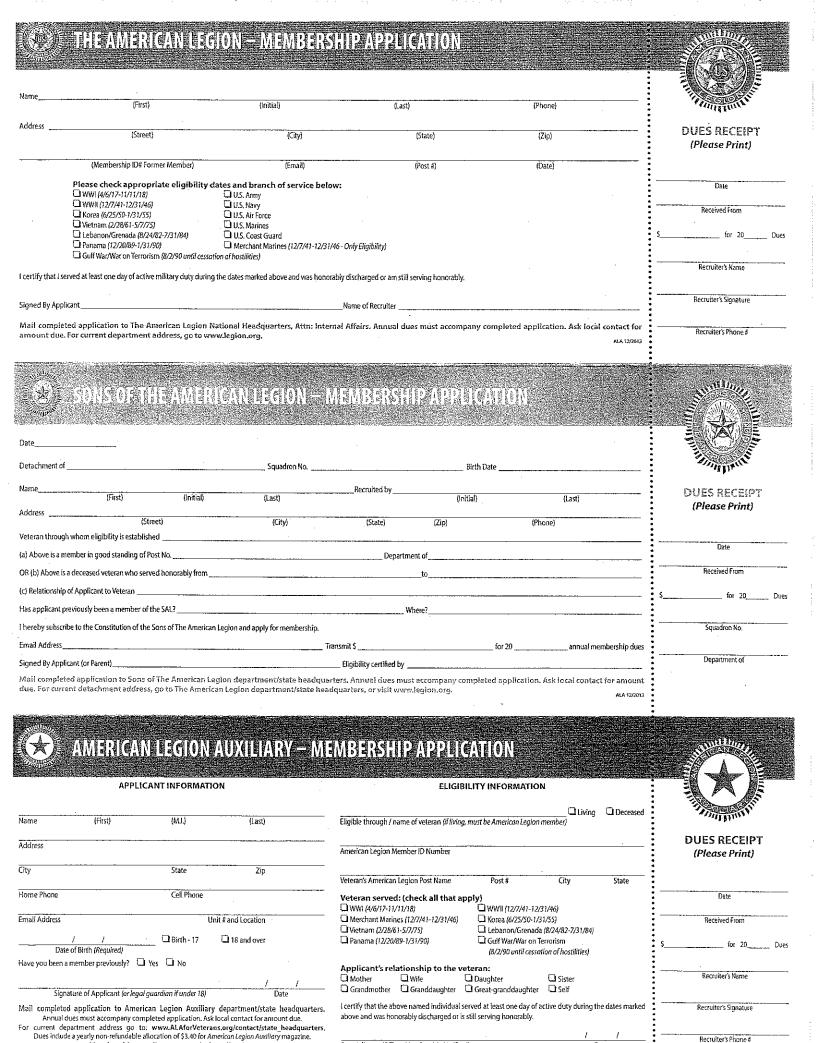
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THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

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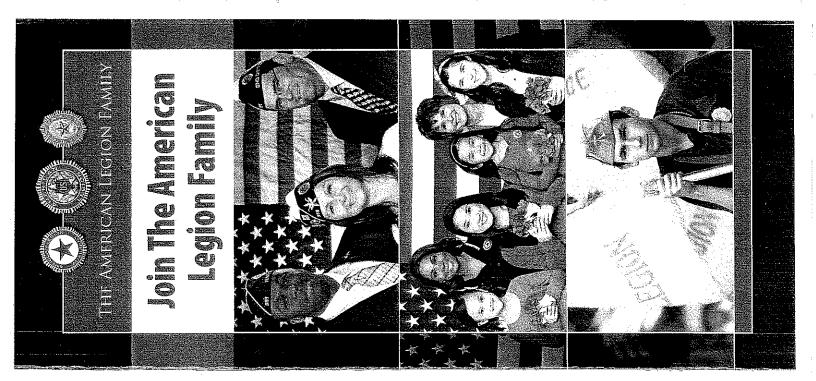
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174	Oxford	 	59	42	45	39	16	and the second of the second o	9% 107.14%		41.6
177	Bridgeport		16	16	26	40	46		162.50%	153.85%	115.
194	Prospect	2					2				
195	Oakville	6		33	38	38	31	75.0	Manual Con-		81.
196	Milford	2	41	50	50		46				80.
197	Marlborough	1	82	82	75	77	25	100.			32.
199	Plainville	1	15	15	15			100.	100.00%	0.00%	
209	Forrestvîlle	1					13				
 	Governor's Footguard	1	11	11	9	10	9	100.0	00% 81.82%	111.11%	90.0
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		D. S. C. L.		GOAL	<u>2016</u>	% Goal					GOAL	<u>2016</u>	% Goal
2		Bristol		685	452	66.0%	73		Wallingford		171	134	78.4%
6 8		New Britain Hartford		80 44	60 30	75.0%	76 70		North Haven		169	163	96.4%
23		Wethersfield		92	30 72	68.2% 78.3%	79 83		Madison		122	91	74.6%
32		Unionville		23	18	78.3% 78.3%	os 88		Branford		250	168	67.2%
33		Plainville		120	65	76.3% 54.2%	89		Hamden		230 210	143	62.2%
36		Windsor Locks		309	231	54.2% 74.8%	92		East Haven Cheshire		∠10 65	153 45	72.9%
40		East Windsor		66	35	53.0%	127				127	45 109	69.2%
53		Farmington		25	12	48.0%	132		Orange New Haven		50	30	85.8%
56		Glastonbury		133	104	46.0% 78.2%	135				39	30 15	60.0%
59		Windsor		51	29	56.9%	147		Waterbury Southbury		38	30	38.5%
68		Berlin		235	168	71.5%	150		Hamden		37	30 31	78.9% 83.8%
72		Southington		602	440	73.1%	162		New Haven	D	50	29	
77		East Hartford		25	20	80.0%	165		Wolcott	D	230	150	58.0% 65.2%
80		Enfield		285	222	77.9%	174		Oxford		243	175	
, 84		Simsbury		100	84	84.0%	187		Wallingford		157	145	72.0%
90		Collinsville		39	7	17.9%	194		Prospect		45	34	92.4% 75.6%
94		Suffield	D	15	•	0.0%	196		Milford		424	328	
96		West Hartford	U	400	305	76.3%	204		Heritage Village		90	520 58	77.4% 64.4%
102		Manchester		185	152	82.2%	TOTAL		riemage visiage		4112	2996	72.9%
116		Bloomfield	D	15	5.	33.3%	TOTAL				7112	2550	12.976
117		Newington	,	121	91	75.2%	DISTRI	T.	IO. 3 FAIRFIE	ם ו:	25 POS	eTC	
122		Burtington		20	- 3	15.0%	Digital	J , ,	CO. O I AII CIL	- 6	20100	,10	
123		Rocky Hill		50	38	76.0%					GOAL	2016	% Goal
131		Hartford	D	. 15	3	20.0%	3		Stamford		140	<u>2010</u> 96	68.6%
133		South Windsor	_	135	124	91.9%	11		Bridgeport		41	29	70.7%
142		Hartford		200	131	65.5%	12		Norwalk		400	308	77.0%
154		Thompsonville		201	117	58.2%	16		Shelton		457	362	79.2%
182		Granby		96	62	64.6%	29		Greenwich		91	62	68.1%
197		Mariborough		168	109	64.9%	30		New Canaan		24	19	79.2%
199		Plainville		34	14	41.2%	42		Stratford		68	53	77.9%
201		Avon		30	20	66.7%	60		Danbury		300	174	58.0%
209	Q	Forrestville	Α	40	44	110.0%	63		Westport		35	15	42.9%
1771		Gov. Foot Guard		125	93	74.4%	74		Fairfield		200	148	74.0%
TOTAL				4764	3360	70.5%	78		Ridgefield		144	107	74.3%
							86		Wilton		81	57	70.4%
							98		Georgetown		16	8	50.0%
DISTRI	CT	NO. 2 NEW HAY	VEN	29 PO	STS		100		Bethel		200	139	69.5%
							134		Bridgeport		20	12	60.0%
				GOAL	2016	% Goal	140		Bridgeport		94	22	23.4%
1		Waterbury		129	94	72.9%	141		Trumbull		162	128	79.0%
10		Seymour		197	119	60.4%	143		Stratfield		180	125	69.4%
17		Naugatuck		181	130	71.8%	160		Easton		35	25	71.4%
24		Derby		151	109	72.2%	167		Bridgeport		32	4	12.5%
25	Q	Beacon Falls		63	63	100.0%	176		Monroe		86	70	81.4%
34		Milford		66	56	84.8%	177	Q	Bridgeport		98	98	100.0%
45		Meriden		263	187	71.1%	202		Newtown		43	24	55.8%
48		Guilford	,	88	62	70.5%	207		Middlebrook		31	29	93.5%
50		Ansonia		81	56	69.1%	208		Ridgefield		23		0.0%
71		West Haven		146	89	61.0%	TOTAL				3001	2114	70.4%

PUFL credits & ONLINE + HQ renewals through September are included.* Adjustments (mainly negative, for duplicate payments) are current.

*October online NOT available until after 11/16/2015

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DISTRICT	NO. 4 WINDHAM/T	OLLAND	14 POS	гѕ	DISTRIC	TN	O. 6 LITCHFIELD	20 POST	S	
		GOAL	2016	% Goal				GOAL	2016	% Goal
13	Putnam	98	87	88.8%	20		Terryville	190	134	70.5%
14	Rockville	279	206	73.8%	22		Thomaston	190	122	64.2%
19	Willimantic	260	181	69.6%	27		Litchfield	140	84	60.0%
21	Danielson	115	88	76.5%	28		New Hartford	89	61	68.5%
26	Stafford Springs	211	187	88.6%	31		New Milford	. 108	94	87.0%
52	Coventry/Mansfield	107	75	70.1%	38		Torrington	155	111	71.6%
62	Ellington	' 95	73	76.8%	43		Winsted	110	62	56.4%
67	N Grosvenordale	210	138	65.7%	44		Bantam	85	51	60.0%
91	Moosup	245	206	84.1%	46		Goshen	70	57	81.4%
95	Hebron	125	81	64.8%	49		Canaan	15	9	60.0%
101	Somers	218	160	73.4%	70		Salisbury	17	12	70.6%
106	Hampton	16	10	62.5%	. 87		Washington	63	46	73.0%
111	Woodstock	116	82	70.7%	126		Sharon	55	35	63.6%
203	Eastford	25	15	60.0%	137		Harwinton	60	34	56.7%
TOTAL		2120	1589	75.0%	146		Bethlehem	68	56	82.4%
					153		Kent	44	41	93.2%
					155		Woodbury	64	29	45.3%
					159		Riverton	39	27	69.2%
DISTRICT	STS		173		Morris	28	15	53.6%		
					195		Oakville	211	189	89.6%
		<u>GOAL</u>	<u>2016</u>	% Goal	TOTAL			1801	1269	70.5%
4	Norwich	223	158	70.9%						•
9	New London	140	62	44.3%	DISTRIC	TN	O. 7 MIDDLESEX	14 POST	S	
15	Jewett City	170	125	73.5%						
41	Lyme	83	71	85.5%				<u>GOAL</u>	<u>2016</u>	% Goal
54	Colchester	172	105	61.0%	18		Essex	52	40	76.9%
58	Stonington	42	32	76.2%	61		Deep River	67	53	79.1%
85	Baltic	50	37	74.0%	64	Q	East Hampton	70	71	101.4%
104	Taftville	92	69	75.0%	66		Clinton	92	86	93.5%
112	Montville	250	186	74.4%	69		Portland	46	42	91.3%
114	Groton	65	38	58.5%	75		Middletown	248	210	84.7%
115	Noank	55	41	74.5%	97		Chester	47	33	70.2%
128	Niantic	300	225	75.0%	103		Westbrook	80	59	73.8%
138	Bozrah	42	32	76.2%	105		Cromwell	129	76	58.9%
152	Pawcatuck	48	33	68.8%	113		Old Saybrook	185	130	70.3%
161	Waterford	45	36	80.0%	156		East Haddam	196	149	76.0%
180	Lebanon	126	104	82.5%	184		Durham	30	18	60.0%
205	Gales Ferry	30	19	63.3%	192	Q	Middlefield	25	29	116.0%
TOTAL	•	1933	1373	71.0%	206		Middletown	62	45	72.6%
Q	= Quota Post	A = All-Tim	e High P	ost	TOTAL			1329	1041	78.3%
	DISTRICT	QUOTA		2016			PERCENTAGE			
	7	1,329		1,041			78.330%			
	4	2,120		1,589			74.953%			
	2	4,112		2,996			72.860%			
	5	1,933		1,373			71.029%			
	1	4,764		3,360			70.529%			
	6	1,801		1,269			70.461%			
	3	3,001		2,114			70.443%			
		19,060		13,742			72.099%			٠.
1903	CT State Police	0		1						
1900	HQ Post 200	1,940		1,784			91.959%			
	TIC FUSE ZUV	1,540		1,/04 45 507			72.029%			

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