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To All Legionnaires,

I was worried about what I would write about this month, but as luck would have it during my travels this month several issues came up that need to be addressed.

1. **Membership** – During my travels this past month there have been several disturbing issues that have come to my attention.
 - A. **Online Renewals** – We still have posts out there who don't understand how to submit online renewals to department headquarters. When you submit your cards to department you must write online on the national portion of the card so they know that this person has already paid thus eliminating the double payment issues. Please spread the word so everyone understands what must be done so posts don't call the department office wondering why their membership totals were reduced because of something that is in your control to prevent.
 - B. **Deceased Members** – This issue is common across the entire department, posts need to be registered with myLegion.Org. When a member passes away it is important that the post reports the deceased member to national so they are removed from any future mailings. If they have already paid for the year their membership still counts for your post. There is nothing more embarrassing to a post when a family member calls to inform the post that their loved one passed away several months ago and you have sent them a mailing for something or they are still receiving mailings from National Headquarters, it makes it look like your post is not in touch with your membership and doesn't care about your members. The second reason it is important to report deceased members to National so when the department is asked to print out a list of deceased members for either a post or district it is as current as possible. Individual posts can print a current list out on myLegion.org as can the department and this is a valuable tool when we perform our memorial services.
 - C. **Membership Eligibility** – It has come to my attention recently that there are several posts out there who don't know what the eligibility requirements are to become members in the American Legion. I received a letter from an individual that a post turned away a potential new member because they thought they were required to serve overseas to become a member. I have also heard two stories of potential new members being turned away because posts thought individuals had to serve at least 90 days active duty to be eligible, these are all incorrect. Potential Legion members do not have to serve overseas and all potential members only need serve one day of active duty (Title 10) to be eligible to join as long as it is during any of the dates approved by congress. If anyone has eligibility questions please call the Adjutants office before turning away potential new members and in all these cases these were Iraqi War Veterans. This is unacceptable as we cannot afford to turn away any new members.
 - D. **100% Membership Goal** – As we get closer to the May 11th 100% goal set by National it has become increasingly clear that we may not make this goal, with that being said there is perhaps a more important goal at stake here. For the past two years we have continued to grow our membership without reaching the 100% goal and currently we are about 347 members behind last year's pace. We have an opportunity to again show a positive increase in membership as long as we continue to work our current membership all the way to the end of June. I am encouraging all posts in the department to take those last few membership cards and make some calls or visits to those members and get them to renew, as long as we continue to show an increase in membership each year we will make our goal of 22,000 members by the centennial year 2019. Please help us achieve our goal - it is in your hands.

We have some programs coming up and I highly encourage everyone to participate in one or all of them, these programs are what we are all about and we need to get into our communities and schools to promote them. This is how we get potential new members to join our local posts, when they see what we do and what we stand for it makes it easier for them to join when they see something that may interest them or their family.

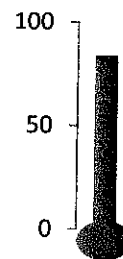
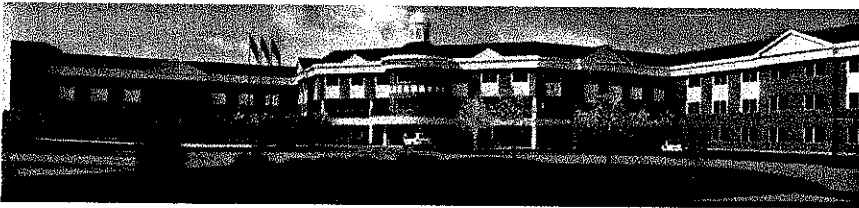
Legion Family College – Please consider sending your post members to this outstanding opportunity to learn about the history of the American Legion and also learn about how to run a post meeting, officers and their responsibilities, Legion ceremonies, Media Relations much much more. The Sons of the American Legion and the Auxiliary will also have some breakout sessions, so all are encouraged to come out for a weekend of fun, camaraderie and learning.

Boys State – All posts are encouraged to visit your local high schools and seek those students who are interested in learning about city, town and state government. This is an intense week where the delegates get hands on experience on how the government works, they will get to learn how to write bills, conduct elections at all levels, argue bills, campaign and attend lectures hosted by several public officials. The cost is \$300.00 for each student and we are looking for around 240 boys this year, please help us make this a successful program as it has been in the past.

Department Golf Tournament – Calling all posts, we are looking for golfers to come out and enjoy a day of golf and get an opportunity to meet National Commander Mike Helm. Anyone can play, it is not just for legion members, we encourage you to invite anyone who would be interested in playing and remember that all of the proceeds go towards the support of our Legion programs. The cost is \$100.00 per person which includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart, and a steak dinner at the Blackledge Country Club in Hebron, CT.

Americanism Award – Each post should have received an application for the Department Americanism Award. If you know someone whether they are a legionnaire or an individual who supports Veterans, please consider filling out the application and submitting them for consideration. The deadline is May 15th; please don't pass up an opportunity to see someone recognized who truly supports our Veterans.

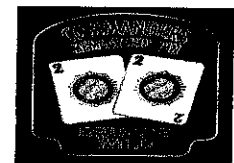
I would like to give a quick update on the Commanders Project. Thanks to your generosity we have surpassed the \$9,300.00 mark. We are fast approaching my goal of \$10,000.00 and I look forward to surpassing that goal. Again, thank you for all of the donations and for those who haven't made a donation please consider donating to a worthy project within our own state.



Finally, I am taking a moment to share details about my limited edition "Commanders Membership Pin". This pin will be awarded to anyone who recruits two new members in their post. The deadline to submit for this award is May 12th. All you have to do is send me an email with the names you recruited and I will verify them with the Adjutants office, once they have been verified you will be awarded the pin at Department Convention. If you are unable to attend the convention your pin will be mailed to you. My email address is: harryhansen13@att.net

Thank You for all that you do and continue to do on a daily basis,

Harry "Butch" Hansen
Department Commander
203-206-6343



MEMBERSHIP

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My Fellow Legionnaires,

Next Target, 100% is May 11, 2015. Please continue to contact your members that have yet to renew, it only takes a phone call. If you find they are in a financial hardship this year, consider helping a fellow Legionnaire/Veteran with their renewal.

I would like to congratulate **Post 16 Shelton, Post 42 Stratford, Post 46 Goshen, and Post 156 East Haddam** for achieving **100%+ Quota** this past month; Thank you for doing your part towards helping us reach our Department's overall Goal of 100% Plus!

First Annual Membership Round-up, though not perfectly successful, was something to bring some fun to the membership process. Hopefully we can add to the idea in the future. SAL Area East Cmdr. Richard Lurette and I traveled to the District Walk Sites and picked up 32 membership renewals. Thank you to all for participating.

2nd District Revitalization was held April 23 – 25, 2015 at Post 34 Milford in the Fowler Building. There were 7 of 29 posts represented, not a good message to send back to the National Organization. Many may not realize the effort that goes into planning and executing such an event. This was an opportunity for Posts to come together, that don't normally have the time to make phone calls to Post 200 members in their area, as well as call their own expired members. This was the last District Revitalization for our Department, as all Districts have been given the training and opportunity. 2nd District Commander Tom Flowers made a great phone script, that National took back for consideration to modify the national provided phone script. Great job!

Property Tax Relief: If you are 65 and older and your adjusted gross income is \$34,600 single, \$42,200 married. You could qualify for the Elderly Benefit a tax abatement of up to \$1200. If you qualify for the Elderly Benefit and you are a Veteran, you also qualify for an additional Veterans Exemption. Contact your Tax Assessor's Office for an application and further details that may apply for your Municipality. Just fill-out the application and provide copies of your Federal and State Income Tax Returns to your Assessor no Later than **May 15, 2015**.

Remember:

Use the tools provided to get new members into your posts. Especially consider using your Town/City Veterans Tax Exemption list.

Women may also be Veterans. While out recruiting, don't overlook the obvious.

Collectively our goal is to reach 100% membership in the Department of Connecticut.

In Comradeship,

Paul Spedaliere
Senior Vice Commander
Department of Connecticut
860-537-1372
etcdtc@sbcglobal.net

"Unity and Teamwork Build Our Future"

"What's Our Goal?""100% plus!"

"Any company that stays stuck in the past, risks its future"



American Legion Awards



DEADLINE: May 22, 2015

*The Awards Submission deadline is quickly
approaching!*



Please Remember to work on and complete the Awards application forms for your Post and submit them as soon as possible.

Nominate your Post, Officers, Program Directors, and those individuals that have done work for the community and for our Veterans.

Submit Completed Applications to:

The American Legion
Department Headquarters
P.O. Box 208
Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Richard Olson

American Legion
Department of Connecticut
Awards Director

ADJUTANT'S Notes

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Post Tax Reporting

A FINAL Reminder: Assuming that your tax year is the calendar year (01/01/2014 – 12/31/2014), and your post's gross receipts were \$50,000 or less, each post has until May 15th to go online and file Form 990-N. As long as your Post EIN is registered with Department & National HQ (and most are), this is a very simple process (unless you are filing one of the longer forms) that ***MUST*** be completed in order to maintain your Post's status as a Federal 501C(19) non-profit veterans organization. Check out the following web addresses:

<http://www.irs.gov/charities/index.html>

<http://epostcard.form990.org>

Testimonials & Banquets

The following Testimonials / Banquets are scheduled with Department:

SAL Detachment Commander John Wright, May 16th, 5:00 PM, Post 112, Montville.

National Commander's Dinner, May 18th, 6:00 PM, Post 16, Shelton.

Please always check with Department HQ before committing to a date and location for any event.

The American Legion Boys State Leadership Program

REMINDER: Because of the harsh winter, many schools may still be in session when Boys State starts. The Association of High School Principals recommends that students be allowed to take exams early in order to participate in this valuable learning experience. Make sure you suggest this if you encounter any questions about our program schedule. The 2015 program will take place Saturday, June 20 through Thursday, June 25 at Eastern Connecticut State University in Willimantic. *See the application instructions included in this Bulletin.* Give your selected delegates a copy of the instructions and ask them to complete the application on their computers, printing out the completed application for original signatures to be added. ***I challenge every Post to sponsor at least one more delegate than last year to 2015 Boys State!***

Department Convention

The official convention mailings will start around May 8th. Sign up forms for the SSMF Dinner on Friday, July 10th & the Installation Buffet on Saturday, July 11th are in this Bulletin AND will be included in the first convention mailing AND the June Bulletin. For rooms at the Trumbull Marriott call Central Reservations at 1.800.682.4095 or visit www.marriotttrumbull.com and enter the group code: **ALSALSA** in the "Special Rates & Awards". Please note that the last day to make a reservation under the block at the discounted group rate is 6.25.15, the cut-off date.

Please copy and share all Bulletin information as widely as possible!

National Convention

I will mail a registration form to all who responded in the affirmative to my email inquiry (Thank You!). A room reservation form is in this bulletin and more are available from Department HQ if you want to attend the National Convention in Baltimore, MD. Once again we will be staying at the Auxiliary Headquarters Hotel (thanks to Janet Jefford being National President), the Hyatt Regency (www.baltimore.hyatt.com) across the street from the Convention Center (connected by a skywalk) and across from the Inner Harbor. Information about activities may be found through the National web site (www.Legion.org/Convention). All Delegates, Alternates & Call-ins MUST be registered and stay in official Convention Housing. All Auxiliary attendees must make their room reservation through the Department Adjutant. All guests must be registered through the Department Adjutant. Deadline is July 13th. I am ordering tickets for the National Commander's Banquet on Tuesday, September 1st (entertainment is "The Swing Dolls", they perform a Musical USO Tribute and music made popular by The Andrews Sisters, The McGuire Sisters, and female groups of the 1960's). The ticket order includes all who have already responded to me that they wish to attend.

Department Potpourri

Legion College Update: For those attendees not participating in the classroom version of the American Legion Extension Institute Course, a round table focus group will meet on Friday evening. Also, while there is daylight, the walking trails may be used and the lake has been stocked if you are interested in fishing. Lots of Congratulations this month. To **Edward Easton**, Ezra Woods Post 31, in New Milford who was recently presented his certificate for 60 continuous years by Post CDR **Jeff McBreairty**. Senator Blumenthal presented the 2015 Red Cross Military Hero Award to **Al Meadows**, Post 16 Shelton. **Sean Coyle** (SAL 174, Oxford), of Ansonia, was selected for the West Point Summer Program. Sean is Junior Class President at Emmett O'Brien Technical High School, soccer team Captain and currently Valedictorian of his class with a 4.0 GPA.

Prayer Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers (remember we are "for God And Country").
Continued prayers for: PDP Alice Saxton, wife of PDC Boyd. Also, Unit 196 President Lee Murray, wife of PDC Bob. Add PDC Charlie Morissey.

Please remember to call or send an email to keep Department informed as to the status of our Legion family members.

POST EVERLASTING

Gary A. Kichar

06/22/1953 – 4/04/2015

David S. Miles Post 174 Oxford

Past Post Commander

Please copy and share all Bulletin information as widely as possible!

Department Calendar

May 2015 – Memorial Month

- 03 4th District Testimonial, 1:00 PM, Post 19, Willimantic. (\$20).
- 04-07 National Spring Meetings, Indianapolis, IN.
- 08 *V-E Day – 1945.*
- 08 Deadline for submission of proposed changes to Department Constitution & Bylaws.
- 08 UCONN Army ROTC Awards, U. of New Haven, Noon-2:00, Dodds Hall.
- 09 40&8 Grande Cheminot, Noon, American Steak House, Meriden.
- 09 1st District ALA Dance, 6-11 PM, Post 2, Bristol. (\$15).
- 10 *Happy Mother's Day!*
- 11 **100% Membership Target Date**
- 11 AL Department Executive Committee, 7:00 PM, Post 165 Wolcott.
- 12 3rd District Meeting, 7:30 PM, Post 141, Trumbull.
- 13 1st District Bingo at Rocky Hill Veterans Home, 7:00 PM, hosted by Post 142.
- 13 2nd District Meeting, 7:00 PM social, 8:00 PM meeting, Post 17, Naugatuck (Host 25).
- 14 7th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 66, Clinton, Memorial Service.
- 15 *Peace Officers' Memorial Day.*
- 15 DEADLINE for submission of Americanism Award Nominations, 4:00 PM.
- 15 Armed Forces Day Luncheon, 11:00 social, 12:00 lunch, Aqua Turf, Southington.
- 16 *Armed Forces Day.*
- 16 Testimonial for SAL Det. Commander John Wright, 5:00 PM, Post 112 Montville (\$25)
- 17-20 *National Commander Mike Helm visits Connecticut.*
- 17 SAL Detachment Executive Committee meeting, Noon, Post 112 Montville.
- 17 4th District, 1:00 PM, Post 26, Stafford Springs.
- 17 Benefit Dinner for Alice Saxton, 2:00-7:00 PM, Post 2, Bristol.
- 17 National Commander to attend 4th District Meeting.
- 18 Dinner Honoring National Commander Mike Helm, 6:00 PM, Post 16, Shelton.
- 19 USCGA Athletic Awards program, 5:00 PM, Roland Hall.
- 19 Nat'l Commander to attend Meeting, Post 12, Norwalk.
- 20 Nat'l Commander to meet & greet at Department Golf Tournament.
- 20 Phil Haddad Memorial Golf Tournament, 10:00 AM, Blackledge CC, Hebron.
- 21 5th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 180, Lebanon (Memorial Service).
- 22 *Maritime Day.*
- 22 DEADLINE for submission of Department Awards Nominations, 4:00 PM.
- 24 Ribbon Cutting, National Monument Lao Veterans, 11:00 Am, Bristol.
- 25 *Memorial Day Holiday - DEPARTMENT OFFICES CLOSED*
- 26 Boys State Commission Meeting, 6:30 PM, Post 96, West Hartford.
- 27 1st District Meeting, 6:30 PM Memorial Service, then social & meet, Post 80, Enfield.
- 28 6th District Meeting, 6:30 PM food, 7:00 PM meet, Post 137, Harwinton (SR Center).
- 29-30 Department Legion Family College, Camp CONNRI, Ashford.

June 2015

- 05 DEADLINE for submission of Post & District Histories for judging, 4:00 PM.
05 Nathan Hale Day Program, Noon, State Capitol, Hartford.
06 D-Day – 1944.
06 ALA Junior Girls Convention, 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM, Post 16, Shelton.
10 2nd District, 7:00 PM social, 8:00 PM meet, Post 83, Branford (Host 48). (Elections)
11 7th District Mtg, 7:00 PM, Post 61, Deep River (Winthrop Baptist Church). (Elections)
14 Flag Day – 7:00 PM EDT, *Pause for the Pledge*.
14 1st District Meeting, 1:00 PM, Post 2, Bristol (Elections).
14 4th District Meeting, 2:00 PM, Post 14, Rockville (Elections).
17 3rd District Meeting, 7:30 PM, Post 16, Shelton (Elections).
18 5th District Meeting, 7:00 PM, Post 128, Niantic (Elections).
21 *Happy Father's Day!*
20-25 74th Annual AL Boys State Leadership Program, ECSU.
25 Korean War started – 1950.
25 6th District Meeting, 6:30 PM food, 7:00 PM meet, Post 22, Thomaston (Elections).
25 DEADLINE for Department Convention room reservations at the Trumbull Marriott.
27 2nd District "Day at the Beach", Noon-5:00 PM, Post 196, Milford (\$25).
27-Jul 2 ALA Laurel Girls State Program, ECSU.

July 2015

- 04 Independence Day Celebration, Capitol Hall of Flags, hosted by Legion.
05-11 16th Annual AL State Police Youth Week.
09-11 97th Department Convention, Trumbull Marriott.
10 58th Annual SS&M Fund Dinner, 5:00 PM, Trumbull Marriott (\$40).
11 Installation of Officers and Dinner Buffet, 6:00 PM, Trumbull Marriott (\$30).
11-12 "Honor and Remember" Vietnam Veterans, CT Air National Guard Base.
12 **DEADLINE to REGISTER with Dept. HQ for NAT'L CONVENTION, Baltimore, MD.**
27 End of Korean War – 1953.

August – 2015

- 02 Invasion of Kuwait, "Operation Desert Shield" – 1990.
05 Gulf of Tonkin, Vietnam – 1964.
05-09 AL Baseball Northeast Regional Tournament, Muzzy Field, Bristol.
07 Purple Heart Day.
07-08 National Membership Workshop & DSO School, Indianapolis.
09 53rd Annual VJ Day Parade, Moosup, CT, 1:01 PM.
14 V-J Day – 1945.
13-18 89th American Legion Baseball World Series, Shelby, NC.
28-Sep 3 97th National Convention, Baltimore, MD.

Future Events - 2015

We have a page or two of Post Activities in each monthly bulletin. We can not include a one page flyer for every post activity, but we can include 2 or 3 lines of info. I will forward appropriate announcements (flyers) to my 'Legion email list'. Forward your post activities to me via email at: DeptAdj@ctlegion.necoxmail.com

Department Calendar – Post Activities

May 2015

- 02 **Post 44, Bantam**, 10:00 Am, 317th Consecutive Veteran of the Month program, All Wars Memorial, Bantam.
- 03 **Post 36, Windsor Locks**, Family Breakfast. \$4 Adults, \$3 Children!
- 06 **Post 141, Trumbull**, 6:30 PM, Every Wednesday Bingo, 1 Veterans Circle, Trumbull. Doors open 5:00 PM. 20 games. Jackpots as high as \$1,600. Info: 203-913-1276.
- 08 **Post 12, Norwalk**, 8:30 PM – 12:30 AM, "Juke Box" night. Listen to your favorite tunes. 60 County St., Norwalk. Public invited. 203-866-8249.
- 08 **Post 52, Coventry**, 6:00 PM, Baked Stuffed Shrimp Dinner, \$15. (860-742-7197, Reservations required)
- 09 **Post 12, Norwalk**, 8:30 PM – 12:30 AM. Oldies Dance with radio personality Lee Moore. Dance & listen to your favorites from the 50s, 60s, 70s. No cover. All welcome. 203-866-8249
- 09 **Post 209, Forrestville**, bus trip to USS Nautilus Museum, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Post 112 Montville. Payment deadline is 4/25. Make checks payable to A.L. Post 209 and mail to: American Legion Post 209, c/o Chuck Woodin, PO Box 9408, Forrestville, CT, 06011-9408. Only 56 seats available!
- 11 **Unit 12, Norwalk**, 7:00 PM, Bingo at Post 12, 60 County St. Norwalk. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Kitchen open. Smoke free. Public invited. Plenty of free parking. 203-866-8249
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- 21 **Post 117, Newington**, West Meadow Cemetery flag placements.
- 22 **Post 12, Norwalk**, 8:30 PM – 12:30 AM, Karaoke with Rita, 60 County St., Norwalk. Public invited. No cover. Come & sing or just listen. Lots of free parking. Call 203-866-8249.
- 22 **Post 154, Thompsonville**, 5:30 PM, Annual Banquet at Grassmere Country Club. Dinner 6:30 PM. Tickets \$25.00 per person. Contact Lucien Lefevre at 860-463-7168 or Jim Raynor at 860-745-3611, no later than May 13, 2015.
- 23 **Post 12, Norwalk**, 8:30 PM – 12:30 AM. Oldies Night. Listen & Dance to the music of Pete Leone. No cover. All welcome. Singles invited. 203-866-8249
- 23 **Post 117, Newington**, march in Newington Memorial Day Parade.
- 24 **Post 154, Thompsonville**, 1:00 PM, Enfield Memorial Day Parade, looking for riders. Monica Owen, smo281@cox.net. Meet 12:30 Enfield Street School. Contact Don Uricchio at 860-670-6221.

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- 30 **Post 80 SAL, Enfield**, Noon – 6:00 PM, Veteran Cook-Out Fundraiser, benefit South Park Inn homeless Veterans programs. \$10 suggested donation. Music, Food, Games! 566 Enfield St.
- 31 **Post 101, Somers**, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Legion Flea Market, 452 South Road (Rte 83), Somers. Reserve your space today – email Post at Info@SomersPost101.org

June 2015

- 03 **Post 141, Trumbull**, 6:30 PM, Every Wednesday Bingo, 1 Veterans Circle, Trumbull. Doors open 5:00 PM. 20 games. Jackpots as high as \$1,600. Info: 203-913-1276.
- 05 **Post 16, Shelton**, 8:00 AM shotgun start, 5th Annual Golf Tournament, \$75 (golf, cart, beer, steak!), Highland Golf Club, Sign-up by May 27th. 18 hole scramble, limited to 64 golfers.
- 06 **Post 12, Norwalk**, 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM, 9th Annual "Thank You to Our Veterans – Weekend at the Post". Military vehicles & gear on display, re-enactors, "Touch-a-Truck", Police & Fire, Community Groups, VA Reps, Photo ops, Flag Retirement 4:00 PM, All invited. Contact CDR Rich Olson (203-327-1493).
- 07 **Post 36, Windsor Locks**, Family Breakfast. \$4 Adults, \$3 Children!
- 12 **Post 45, Meriden**, 10:00 AM shotgun start, 1st Annual Patriot Golf Tournament, \$125 (golf, cart, gift bag, prizes, cont. breakfast, lunch, dinner), Hunters Golf Club. American Legion & Marine Corps League. Contacts: Ken Benoit (203-443-5610), Steve Fahy (860-966-4540). Also seek Sponsors.
- 21 **Post 52, Coventry**, 1:00 PM, Fathers Day Lobster Dinner, \$25. (860-742-7197, Reservations required)



THE AMERICAN LEGION *Centennial celebration*

OUR FIRST PILLAR

Quote taken from the 6th Department Convention minutes, page 162

I call you back to the inception of The American legion, here in Connecticut: June 10, 1919; some 96 years ago. Our paramount issue, our first pillar, was the caring for our returning veteran, who was disabled. Since those early days, we have spread our wings to help all veterans with such diseases as Agent Orange and muster gas.

Harold McCullough, liaison to the US Veterans' Bureau, New York office, noted in an Address to our 6th Department Convention, held in Torrington in 1924, said "*...so long as our American Legion Legislates in Washington for our disabled, so long as we think...of our disabled, then The American Legion goes on. But the day that we forget and the day that we hesitate to think of those lads whose blood is that which is contained in the Poppy alone in the color, the blood that they shed on the fields of Flanders, when we forget them then we must turn in our charters.*"

Remembering, talking about the past, present and future will remind us what is important!

When we were kids, birthdays were a big thing. Now, we have milestones like 29, 50, 70 and 100, these are the times we celebrate.

When I was 50, a friend put a sheet on my fence...noting FRAZIER is 50! My mom baked me a cake, my wife took me out to dinner and the kids gave me a birthday card.

That's what I would like us to do. Bake a cake, put up a billboard, march in a parade, dance the night away and celebrate this unbelievable milestone at the Post, District and Department. We need to tell the story about The American Legion, these last 96 years.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION 2019

The Centennial Celebration – the committees

Parades, Centennial & Department website, uniforms, Camp Niantic outing, Gala, History, Department program book, District History or pamphlet, souvenirs, billboards, media relations, Post and District coordination, the Forest, dances, National Commander visit, conventions/mid-winter conference, honorary friends, organizations, Nathan Hale, WWI memorabilia, and the list goes on

The week of April 13, Tuesday & Wednesday, Laura Edwards, Legion Magazine/Media Relations person from Indianapolis and Annalisa Russell-Smith, a photojournalist/storyteller from Local Planet Productions, LLC in Berlin, were here, talking with me on what we have been doing in Connecticut. I noted that we were taking baby steps. I noted the Nov. 10, 2014 Resolution (in the December 2014 Bulletin), our 96th Birthday Party & Cake at the latest DEC Meeting on March 16 in Lebanon and noted some of the articles that I have written for every bulletin since September 2013. I talked about this dream, I have and the early help. We talked about the VJ Day Parade, baseball, the Hall of Fame, the S,S & M Fund, the American Legion State Forest, the Kids Walk and the Veteran of the Month.

With Your help, I would like to recognize the Posts and Districts, who climb aboard this Centennial dream and once again remember our birthday and heritage. Those Posts will be recognized in our Department Bulletin. The Centennial Website Person will receive The National Centennial Pin from me, when more than just a logo and name are added.

Please be an ambassador for the Centennial Celebration, catch the spirit, Today!

Frazier Brinley, Chairman

1942 Department Convention, Hotel Griswold, Groton

Convention Room Rates

<u>Rooms offered</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Price</u>
50	Single rooms without Bath	\$7 per night
100	Single rooms with Bath	\$8 per night
50	Double rooms without Bath	\$12 per night
223	Double rooms with Bath	\$14 per night

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION 2019



THE AMERICAN LEGION *Centennial celebration*

The following Uniform Committee Report, paraphrased, was taken from the 1930 Department Convention, Bridgeport Central School, p 93-95.

Report of the Connecticut American Legion Uniform Committee

The uniform committee:

H. C. Jackson: Chairman

E. L. White

C. C. Scarborough

A. T. Parker

W. C. Murray

The following design was adopted by the committee. On 30 April 1930, the design was approved by the Department Executive Committee, embodying the following specifications.

These Uniform specifications are for all Connecticut American Legion posts.

MATERIAL: William Whitman 14 ounce Blue Serge No. 2684, shade 887

STYLE: Single breasted, peak lapel collar, straight front sack made to fit easy over the chest and shoulders and to be slightly fitted at the waist so as to conform to the figure. The coat should be buttoned down the front with four gilt American Legion buttons of adopted standard, equally spaced, the top button to be placed approximately on a horizontal line with the armpits, the lower edge of the lower button to be on a line with the top of the lower pocket flap.

LENGTH: Coat to extend about one (1) inch below the crotch according to the height of the wearer.

COLLAR: The Collar should be approximately 15 ½ on a size: 36. And along the outside edge with the ends cut slightly back, should not be more than 1 ¾ inches wide at center back and not more than 2 inches wide at the notches.

LAPELS: Top line of the lapel to be horizontal and not more than 2/3 inches wide at notch, to be approximately 9 inches in length along the outer edge.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION 2019

NOTCH: The notch located between the collar and lapel should not be wider than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch nor narrower than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch.

SKIRT: The skirt should cover and full over the hips with back centre vent not over 10 inches in length. Front edge to overlap and appear straight from lapel and remain overlapped without the use of hooks and eyes.

POCKETS: Two breast pockets with flaps, flaps to be cut square and buttoned with small buttons, pockets to have box pleat $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width on vertical centre line. Breast pockets should be a suitable size according to the size of the coat button but not to exceed $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep, $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches wide at top. Lower pockets to be hung inside the lining in the body of the skirt covered with square flaps, flaps to be buttoned with small buttons and to measure approximately $2\frac{7}{8}$ inches wide, $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches at top and $8\frac{3}{4}$ inches at the bottom.

LININGS: Coats to be full lined of Black Imported Venetian lining to be the matching color of outside material.

ORNAMENTS: On left sleeve head to have seal of the State with letters Connecticut below. Seal outline and letters to be submitted in yellow silk with grapevines of bright dark green and white background. Ornament size will be 3 inches long and $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide. On each lapel embroidered American Legion emblem as adopted style $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch from outside and 1 inch top edges of lapel also Colonial buff braid on cuffs, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch wide; On lower collar edge $\frac{1}{2}$ inch from edge shall be work gilt metal numerals designating Post number, size of numerals to be $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, block style.

BUTTONS: The coat to be fastened with thirty ligne buttons, pocket flaps with 24 ligne buttons. American Legion buttons will be used that are the old or new style as supplied by National Headquarters.

TROUSERS: Trousers will be made of the same material as the coat: Plain button style. A stripe will be placed on the side seams. The stripe should be $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch wide and the color should be Colonial buff, like the present Department Hat/cap top.

HATS/CAPS: Caps should be regulation National American Legion Style buff tops.

BELT: The Uniform Belt should be the "Roundabout Fairleather" belt that is $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches wide with a square brass buckle with centre prong.

WOMEN: A Woman's uniform should be similar to a man's uniform, substituting skirt for trousers. Skirts should be the same material, plain circle style with two side kick plaits.

The American Legion



For God and Country

★ NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS ★ PO BOX 1055 ★ INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206-1055 ★
(317) 630-1200 ★ FAX (317) 630-1223 ★ WEBSITE www.legion.org ★

April 13, 2015

D. Joseph Jackson
National Executive Committeeman
110 Turnbull Rd.
New Hartford, CT 06057-4136

Dear Joe:

The American Legion has a long standing of service to America's veterans and their families.

For nearly ten years we have been responding to a challenge that I am a big supporter -- a challenge to ensure that the children of those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in defending freedom since September 11, 2001 are afforded the opportunity to go to college. The American Legion is providing this support through The American Legion Legacy Fund.

And each year you have met that challenge. A total of just over \$1 million was raised in 2014. We can do it again in 2015!

The Fund provides educational assistance to the child/children, or the legally adopted child/children, of active duty United States military, Guard, and Reserve personnel who were federalized and died on active duty on or after September 11, 2001. Since 2004, more than 150 grants of educational assistance have been awarded, and the number of grant requests continues to grow sharply each year as more and more children enter college. We do not want to turn any eligible child away. We must continue to grow the Fund.

Legacy Run Challenge

April 13, 2015

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The American Legion Riders have organized and will execute the tenth annual American Legion Legacy Run. The American Legion Legacy Run is scheduled for August 23-26, starting in Indianapolis, and ending in Baltimore, the site of The American Legion's 97th National Convention. On August 30, the Legion Riders will lead the National Convention Parade in downtown Baltimore.

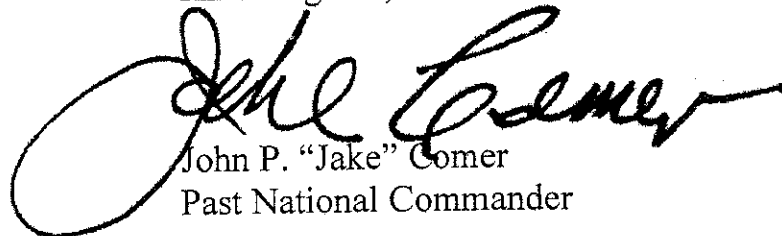
As you know, National Commander Mike Helm's 4X4 fundraising goal for the Legion family charity programs his year is \$4 million. Since the Legacy Scholarship Fund is a major part of that family charity, we have established a supporting goal of \$600,000 for the Legacy Fund by the beginning of the national convention. Monies raised will go directly into The American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund. In order to meet this goal we need your support. Even better let's strive to exceed last year's total of \$ 1 million.

Please make your checks payable to: THE AMERICAN LEGION LEGACY FUND.
You can send your checks to:

The American Legion
Legacy Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 361626
Indianapolis, Indiana, 46236-1626

Thanks for your continued support of The American Legion Legacy Run.

Kind Regards,



John P. "Jake" Comer
Past National Commander

c: Mike Helm, National Commander
Daniel S. Wheeler, National Adjutant
Department Commander of Connecticut
Department Adjutant of Connecticut

THIS COPY FOR

PASTA DINNER
TO BENEFIT ALICE SAXTON

Sunday May 17, 2015
Dinner Served From 2:00 to 7:00 PM

Place: American Legion Post 2 Bristol
22 Hooker Court Bristol, CT 06010

MENU

Bread and Butter, Salad, Ziti, Meatballs,
Desserts and Hot and Cold Beverages

Donation: \$20.00

RAFFLES

For information call: Julie Carney 203-453-2612
Rachel Wache 860-621-0890
Linda March 860-942-7444

**RESERVED TICKETS ONLY BY MAY 10, 2015 – NO TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR
(ALL TICKETS GIVEN OUT AT DOOR UPON ARRIVAL)**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: JULIE CARNEY AND MAIL TO HER AT:

**260 WEST LAKE AVE
GUILFORD, CT 06437-1308**

Number of Tickets Reserved: _____

**PLEASE LIST NAMES ON BACK OF ORDER FORM FOR MULTIPLE
TICKETS**

National Commander's Dinner

May 18, 2015 at 6:00 PM

American Legion Post 16

295 Old Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT, 06484



Meet and Greet American Legion

National Commander Mike Helm

Donations will be accepted to the National Commander's
Projects. Called the 4 by 4 Plan with a goal of

\$4,000,000.00

Helping Injured Service Members

Disaster Victims

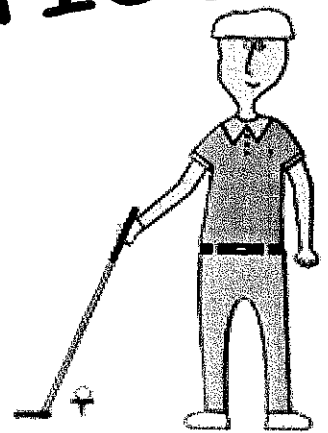
Military Families with Children in Need

And others through The American Legion Family

This dinner is compliments of Post 16, so for planning, attendees must respond to Robert.Turner@ctsal.org to let the post know who will be attending.



THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPT. OF CONNECTICUT 2015 PHILLIP HADDAD MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



WEDNESDAY, MAY 20TH, 2015

BLACKLEDGE COUNTRY CLUB, HEBRON, CT

REGISTRATION - \$100.00

INCLUDES GREENS FEES, GOLF CART, STEAK DINNER
SHOTGUN START 10:00 AM - SCRAMBLE FORMAT

FREE RAFFLE AND PRIZES!

SPECIAL GUEST: Come and meet National Commander Mike Helm of Nebraska!!

- RETURN BOTTOM PORTION -

PHILLIP HADDAD MEMORIAL AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT
2015 GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

FOURSOME

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

SINGLES ACCEPTED -
WE WILL PLACE YOU
IN A FOURSOME

FIRST COME - FIRST SERVED
GET YOUR ENTRY IN EARLY!

NO ENTRY ACCEPTED
WITHOUT PAYMENT

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY
FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2015

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

REMIT PAYMENT TO:

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT
864 WETHERSFIELD AVENUE, HARTFORD, CT 06114



The American Legion Family Department of Connecticut Leadership College 2015



CAMP CONNRI

28 Happy Hill Lane
Ashford, CT 06278

May 29-30, 2015

(Deadline for Registration: May 18, 2015)

A Time to Learn, a Time to Grow

Welcome to the 2015 session of the Department of Connecticut Legion Leadership College!

As we move forward in the Department of Connecticut and with the changes in the National Organization the challenges before us grow. In order to meet these challenges we believe that it is proper and necessary to provide the best training to the members of our Department. The future of our organization depends on your abilities and skills. Our Legion College will offer a fun experience and provide an opportunity to expand your organizational knowledge. Our highly qualified instructors will enable you to become a more effective leader within our organization. They will teach you how to do things right the first time. You will receive a Certificate and CT Legion College Pin. Feel free to speak with any member of our staff and to ask them questions. We are here to serve you. Join us in this learning experience and enjoy the opportunity to network with your Legion Family!

We will be serving Dinner on Friday night, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on Saturday. Housing accommodations are MOTEL quality, two-person rooms. Take this opportunity to meet new friends and share experiences. **Those who stay Friday night will complete the American Legion Extension Institute Classroom Course at no additional cost** (*This course is required to become a Department Officer or attend the National Legion College*).

**This is a wonderful, fun, and energetic weekend, all for \$85
Or Day Student \$65**

**Friday: Registration 4-9 pm, Dinner 6:00, followed by Welcome & ALEI Course
Reveille Saturday morning at 7:00 am, breakfast 7:30-8:30 am; classes.**

Enjoy- Learn and Mentor the Future

**Trainers are Connecticut National American Legion College Graduates and other Legion
Volunteers are expected to speak on a number of important topics.**

For those attendees not participating in the classroom version of the American Legion Extension Institute Course, a round table focus group will meet on Friday evening. Also, while there is daylight, the walking trails may be used and the lake has been stocked if you are interested in fishing.

*American Legion Family Leadership College
Department of Connecticut*

*Camp CONNRI
28 Happy Hill Lane
Ashford, CT 06278
May 29-30, 2015*

REGISTRATION FORM

*Registration FEE \$85.00 Fri – Sat / \$65 Saturday only
Please one individual per form only.*

Name: _____ Unit/
Post: _____ Dist: _____
/Squad.

Address: _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____
(Work) _____

E-Mail Address _____

Dietary restrictions: _____

I Prefer to room with: _____ Smoker ___ or Non-smoker ___

REGISTRATION FEE \$85.00

Includes 4 meals, Graduation Certificate and Lodging

If you can't come for the entire event, you may register for Saturday only for \$65

Meals for Day students: Breakfast [] Lunch [] Dinner [] please check the ones you will be eating.

Registration fee, via check only, must be submitted with completed form.

Make checks payable to: American Legion Family College

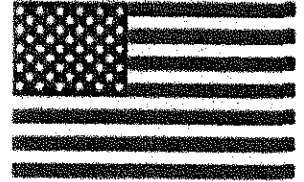
Mail the completed form and check to: **Dan Smith, Asst. Treasurer**
864 Wethersfield Ave
HARTFORD CT 06114

Registration form and fee must be received no later than May 18, 2015.

Questions I would like to have answered:



SGU. LAO VETERANS U. S. SECRET ARMY, INC.



**A non- profit Organization
Connecticut and National Headquarters
28 Indian Hill Road, Windsor, CT 06095-145
Tel. (860) 219-0863, Cell (860) 899-4370
Fax (860) 219-0863 Email <sarp1942@yahoo.com>**

March 14th 2015

Honorable to all our American Legion members

On behalf of the SGU. Special Guerilla Unit, Lao Veterans, U.S. SECRET ARMY that Served and fought alongside United State Forces during Vietnam War in Laos, 1960-1975

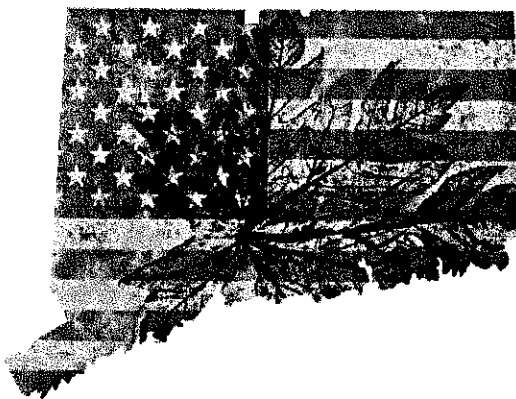
You are cordially invited to join us on Sunday May 24th 2015, for the ribbon cutting ceremony to commence the National Monument honoring the SGU for its service in Laos during the Vietnam War. We would be honored with your presence and participation.

The ceremony will be held in Bristol, CT, near the entrance to Memorial Park Blvd on Downs St. beginning at 11.00 AM, Sunday May 24th, 2015.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 15th, 2015 by the Using the a address means in the above letterhead.

Sincerely,

Sar Phouthasack, President



The American Legion Department of Connecticut Boys' State Leadership Program

Welcome to The American Legion, Department of Connecticut Boys' State Leadership Program. We are so excited to be offering a new way to apply for this exciting program in 2015. You should access this application at <http://www.ctlegion.org> or <http://ctboysstate.com> and **TYPE** the application prior to printing it. To complete the application, print the **TYPED** application and have it signed with **ORIGINAL** signatures. If you do not have access to a computer or you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 860-436-9986 and we will be happy to assist you.

Below is a checklist that will help you submit your application. The Dates of The Boys' State Leadership Program are Saturday, June 20, 2015 – Thursday, June 25, 2015.

Your application WILL NOT be processed unless all required information is enclosed

Please return your completed application to your Local Post

POSTS please return completed applications to:

The American Legion
Department Headquarters
Attn: Boys State
PO Box 208
Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Checklist

- | | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Application (TYPED) completed and with 4 signatures
(Parent, Applicant, School Principal, Post representative) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Medical Waiver Form completed and with 2 Parent Signatures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Permanent Resident Card if NOT a U.S. Citizen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Please check potential date conflicts i.e. school end/graduation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Check for \$300.00
(provided by sponsoring Post or organization) |



AMERICAN LEGION CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE YOUTH WEEK



2015 ANNOUNCEMENT

The American Legion Department of Connecticut and the Connecticut State Police, announce their joint sponsorship of the 16th Annual State Police Youth Week. The program, a law enforcement practicum for high school students completing their JUNIOR YEAR in 2015 at an accredited high school in the state of Connecticut, will be held at the State Police Training Academy in Meriden, CT, from Sunday, July 5th, to Saturday, July 11th, 2015.

The program offers insight into the training, duties and expectations of Law Enforcement Officers. The program provides realistic experience, patterned after recruit training at the Connecticut State Police Academy, and affords individuals considering a law enforcement career the opportunity to gain knowledge of the professional life of a police officer.

Cadets will participate in a variety of mentally and physically demanding instructional sessions, including patrol techniques, the Connecticut Penal and Motor Vehicle Codes, criminal and accident investigation, firearms safety and training, water safety training, team-building and confidence training, defensive driving techniques, and other law enforcement skill training. Cadets will experience the daily activities of recruit training, including 5:15 reveille, physical conditioning, inspection of quarters, and participation in assigned details.

***COMPLETED APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING PERSONAL STATEMENTS
AND RECOMMENDATIONS, ACCOMPANIED BY THE \$125.00 FEE,
MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2015.***

***DUE TO STRICT LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS,
LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED.***

For further information contact your Guidance Counselor, School Resource Officer, local Post of the American Legion, or the American Legion Department Treasurer, 864 Wethersfield Ave, Hartford, CT 06114. Telephone 860.296.0719.



AMERICAN LEGION CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE YOUTH WEEK



2015 APPLICATION (REPRODUCIBLE)

Name _____

Address _____
Street/Road City/Town State Zip Code

Age ____ Gender ____ Birth Date _____ Grade Completed 2015 ____ G.P.A. ____

Parent(s) / Guardian(s) Name(s) _____

Home Telephone _____ Parent Cell Phone _____

E-mail Address _____ Student Cell Phone _____

Shirt Size ____ (S, M, L, XL) Pant Size ____ (Waist X Inseam) SSN _____

High School _____ School Telephone _____

School Address _____
Street City/Town State Zip Code

Sponsoring Post (or organization) _____ Post No. _____

Sponsor Address _____
Street City/Town State Zip Code

Sponsor Telephone _____

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent/Guardian

I voluntarily apply to attend the Connecticut American Legion State Police Youth Week at the Connecticut State Police Academy at Meriden, CT, **Sunday, July 5th to Saturday, July 11th, 2015**. I understand that I must have completed Junior Year (11th grade) at an accredited Connecticut high school by the date on which the program begins. I must not have already left or graduated from high school. I understand that the program is physically and mentally challenging, requiring that I be physically fit and in good academic standing. I agree that, if selected, I will provide a Waiver and Indemnification Agreement, Consent to Medical Treatment and a Medical Certification of Fitness.

**ATTACH
RECENT
PHOTOGRAPH
HERE**

SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION TOGETHER WITH:

- A **ONE-PAGE PERSONAL STATEMENT**, handwritten or typed, stating your reasons for applying to participate in the program and what you hope to achieve, **AND**
- A **RECOMMENDATION** from a Teacher, Guidance Counselor, School Resource Officer, or Resident Trooper.

Submit Application Packet to:
THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT
864 WETHERSFIELD AVE., HARTFORD, CT 06114

**COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET
 AND \$125.00 NON-REFUNDABLE REGISTRATION FEE
 MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN JUNE 5TH 2015.**

Seicheprey Post # 2

And

The Department of Connecticut

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Will be hosting the

National Northeast Region 1

Baseball Tournament

August 5th thru August 9th, 2015

At MUZZY FIELD, Bristol, Ct.

Please help us in this event by sponsoring

An ad in our program booklet, and

show your Department or Post support !!

“Please see the attached for advertising offers”

Suggested Program Advertisements

(Please check one)

_____ Full page --- \$300.00

_____ Half page --- \$150.00

_____ Quarter page --- \$75.00

Please send your print copy and checks payable to:

Bristol Post 2 Baseball

c/o Art Ward, Cmte.

P.O. Box 1926

Bristol, Ct. 06011-1926

DEADLINE IS: May 15th, 2015

All payments and ad copy must be received in advance.

THANK YOU.

DEPARTMENT OF CT AMERICAN LEGION FUNDRAISER NIGHT AT THE ROCK CATS!

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2015

GAME TIME: 6:35 PM

GATES OPEN: 5:05 PM

**AKRON RUBBERDUCKS (CLEVELAND INDIANS) vs
NEW BRITAIN ROCK CATS (COLORADO ROCKIES)**

*Spend a night at the ballpark with friends
and family, while supporting the Veterans Landing*



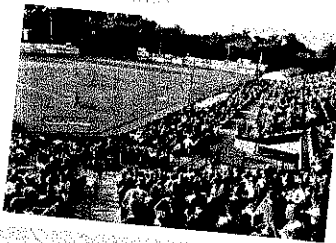
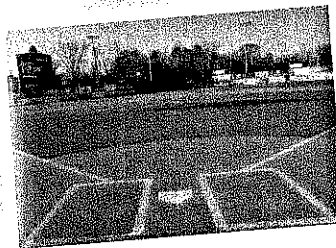
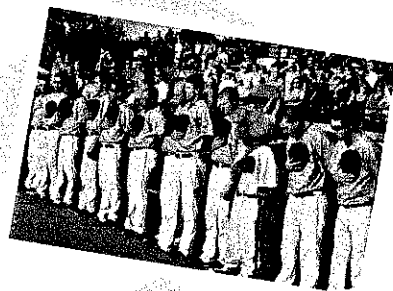
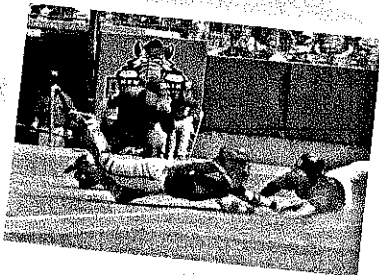
Community Renewal Team
Changing lives... Creating opportunity!

Military Appreciation Night w/Camo Hat Giveaway

Catch the FUTURE stars of the Major Leagues TODAY!

**Deadline for Orders:
Saturday, May 23rd**

Parking is an additional fee the day of the game.



DEPARTMENT OF CT AMERICAN LEGION FUNDRAISER NIGHT

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

GAME TIME: 6:35 PM GATES OPEN: 5:05 PM



<u>Ticket Type</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Admission	\$6.00	X	=

Children 4 and under are free if sitting on a parent's lap during the game. Please note any handicapped tickets needed.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please return your form with cash or check made payable to:
CT Department of American Legion

Please call 860 560-5471 with questions

Community Renewal Team, Inc.
555 Windsor St.
Hartford, CT 06120

Attn: Nancy Shapiro, CRT Development Office

Veterans Resource Fair

Saturday May 16th, 11:00AM until 3:00PM

All Veterans and their families are welcome

Resources

The Workplace

- Health Care Academy
- Mortgage Crisis Assistance
- Rapid rehousing &
- Homeless Prevention

American Job Center

- Career Coach Career Services
- Job Search Assistance

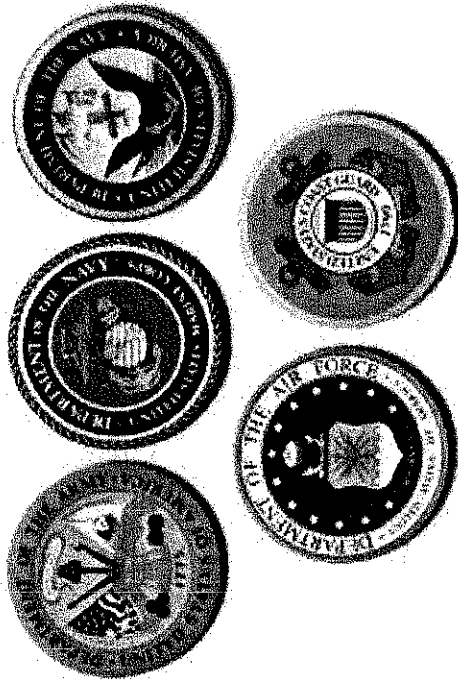
Housatonic Community College

Veterans Administration

- Vocational Rehab
- Healthcare Eligibility & Enrolment

Team Inc.

- Housing & Energy Assistance information & guidance



Food & soft drinks provided by Post 16 family

Resources

Valley Parish Nurses

- Safe Kids Greater Naugatuck Valley
- Community Health Outreach
- Health Screening

Valley Veteran Support Center

- Guidance & counseling

American Legion Service Officers
Serving God & Country Since 1919

Soldiers' Sailors' & Marines' Fund
Assistance for Wartime Veterans

Catholic War Veterans Post 1562

State of Connecticut

Department of Labor

- Veterans Service Officers

American Legion Post 16

295 Old Bridgeport Ave

Shelton, CT 06484

Post 16 is located across

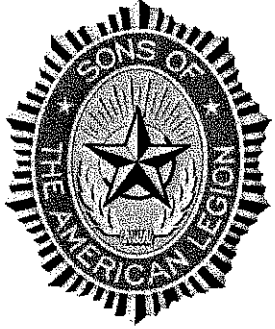
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exit ramp near the

Wiffle Ball Factory



Sponsored by Post 80, Sons of the American Legion



Veteran Cook-Out Fundraiser



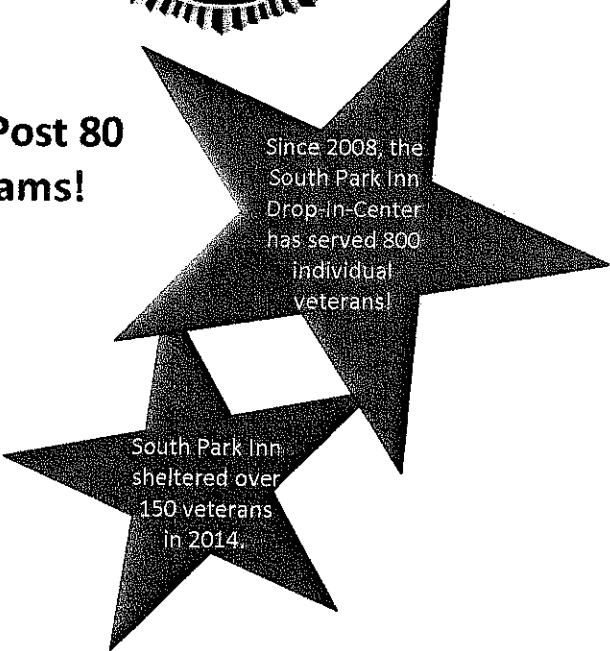
Please join us in support of the American Legion Post 80
and the South Park Inn homeless veteran programs!

Saturday, May 30th

Noon – 6:00pm

American Legion Post 80

566 Enfield Street, Enfield CT



Since 2008, the
South Park Inn
Drop-In-Center
has served 800
individual
veterans!

South Park Inn
sheltered over
150 veterans
in 2014.

Music! Food! Games!

**Your Generosity
is Appreciated!**

\$10 Suggested Donation

Your contributions will help us support the
South Park Inn shelter's mission
to house and assist homeless veterans!

Your support also helps Post 80 and
the Sons of Post 80 help our local veterans in need.

Kids are free!

Featuring a 1:30pm performance
by magician Charlie Hayden!



Good day,

National Military Appreciation Month begins May 1st, and so for the month of May, local Applebee's restaurants are renewing their commitment to honoring servicemen and women. **Throughout the month Applebee's will be thanking those who have served or are serving our country with special savings discounts, dessert and beverage freebies, local veteran fundraising events and more.** Full details can be found in the release below.

Katie Costello



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 27, 2015

Contact:

Katie Costello
Eric Mower + Associates
716.880.1450
kmcostello@mower.com

Connecticut Applebee's Restaurants Salute Servicemen and Women during National Military Appreciation Month

PLAINVILLE, C.T. – T.L. Cannon Companies, the franchisee for 62 Applebee's Grill & Bar restaurants in upstate Connecticut, New York, and Pennsylvania is offering discounts, events and perks to thank those who have served or are serving during the Month of May in honor of "National Military Appreciation Month."

Beginning **Friday, May 1** through **Sunday, May 31**, servicemen and women who dine at participating Applebee's restaurants will be honored with the following:

- **10 percent discount:** retired and active duty military can enjoy a discounted price on all meals, excluding tax, gratuity, gift cards and other discounts.*
- **Armed Forces Day Celebration on Saturday, May 16:** every restaurant location will offer free cake and coffee to retired and active duty military and their families from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- **Random Giveaways:** as another way to say "thanks," every location will offer random giveaways, including food, beverages and other perks.

"We are excited to offer even more ways of showing our thanks and gratitude in this second year of celebrating military service during May at our Applebee's locations," said Stephanie Griffin, Director of Marketing and Public Relations. "We encourage all veterans and active duty military that visit us in May to identify themselves as having served so that our managers can personally thank them for their service."

Applebee's patrons and military personnel can participate in the Military Appreciation Month offerings throughout the month of May at the following Connecticut Applebee's restaurant locations: **Danbury, Plainville, Groton, Torrington, Orange and Mansfield.**

Since 2009, Applebee's locations nationally have served nearly six million free meals to veterans and active duty military members on Veteran's Day. Applebee's also began recognizing U.S. veterans and active duty military service members in 2011 with the launch of its national "Thank You Movement," a program that encourages people to show their appreciation for members of our Armed Forces on Veterans Day. Since launching the program, Applebee's has received more than 2.5 million personal "thank you" messages through the "Thank You Movement" website.

To learn more about how Applebee's restaurants in Connecticut, New York, and Pennsylvania support and give back to local communities or participate in these programs, visit www.tlcneighborhood.com.

Proof of service is required to receive the 10 percent discount. Acceptable identification includes: **U.S. Uniform Services Identification Card, U.S. Uniform Services Retired Identification Card, Current Leave and Earnings Statement, Veterans Organization Card, photograph in uniform or wearing uniform, DD214, Citation or Commendation.*

About T.L. Cannon Companies

T.L. Cannon Companies is the franchisee for Applebee's Grill & Bar in Upstate NY, CT and PA. It currently owns and operates 62 restaurant locations.

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**The American Legion
Soldiers', Sailors' and Marines' Fund
58th Annual Dinner
Friday, July 10th, 2015
Trumbull Marriott Hotel**

180 Hawley Ln
Trumbull, CT 06611

Contact:

Chuck Berry
860.296.0719

<p><u>DINNER BUFFET</u> CAESAR SALAD</p> <p>♦</p> <p><u>CHICKEN WITH SUN-DRIED TOMATOES</u> OLIVE OIL AND ARTICHOKES</p> <p>♦</p> <p><u>MARINATED TENDERLOIN OF BEEF</u> ROASTED SHALLOT CABERNET SAUCE</p> <p>♦</p> <p><u>CHAR-BROILED SCROD</u> LEMON AND WHITE WINE</p> <p>♦</p> <p><u>YUKON GOLD WHIPPED POTATOES</u> CARROTS and GREENBEANS ASSORTED ROLLS AND BREADS PEACH COBBLER COFFEE AND TEA</p>
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\$40.00
Per Person

COCKTAILS
5:00 PM

DINNER
6:00 PM

Soldiers', Sailors' and Marines' Fund Dinner

Please reserve _____ ticket(s) in my name for the SSMF Annual Dinner at \$40.00 each.
My check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

NAME _____

STREET _____

CITY/TOWN _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

Make checks payable to: The American Legion Department of Connecticut

Mail to: 864 Wethersfield Ave, Hartford, CT 06114

* **RESERVATION DEADLINE** – Friday, July 3th, 2015 *

Department of Connecticut's Installation Reception

Trumbull Marriott Hotel – Trumbull, CT
Ballroom

Saturday, July 12, 2014

Installations start at 6:00pm



Sons of The American Legion

American Legion Auxiliary



The American Legion

(Department Officers followed by ALL District Officers)

Dinner Buffet at 7:30 PM A Ballroom

Cash bar

Tickets: \$30.00 per person

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS - June 26, 2015

Department Installation Buffet
The American Legion
864 WETHERSFIELD AVE
HARTFORD CT 06114

Department Installation Buffet

Tickets # _____ @ \$30.00 ea.

Enclosed is check in the amount of \$ _____

Name: _____

District # _____

Address: _____

Post # _____

Town/City: _____ Zip: _____

Unit # _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Dinner Buffet

Garden Salad

Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Black Olive, Carrots, Home Style Croutons. Choice of Dressing.

Mystic Pear Salad

with Spiced Pecans, Apple Walnut Vinaigrette

Baked Scrod

Tuscan Skirt Steak

Bowtie Pasta with Vodka Cream Sauce

Sautéed Garden Vegetables

Tossed with Roasted Shallots and Butter

Roasted Potatoes

Assorted Rolls

COFFEE AND DESSERT STATION

Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee and Specialty Teas

Classic Carrot Cake

Chocolate Mousse Cake

The American Legion, Department of Connecticut
P.O. Box 208
Rocky Hill, CT 06067-0208

97th NATIONAL CONVENTION HOUSING APPLICATION

Deadline for receipt of this form in Department Headquarters
Monday, July 13, 2015, 11:00 AM

I hereby make application for housing at the 2015 NATIONAL CONVENTION of The American Legion to be held in Baltimore, Maryland, August 28 – September 3, 2015.

THE CONNECTICUT HEADQUARTERS will be the Hyatt Regency, 300 Light Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.
(www.baltimore.hyatt.com)

ACCOMMODATIONS:	King (1 bed, 1-2 persons)	\$155.00
Plus tax rate = 15.50%	Double (2 Beds, 1-2 persons)	\$155.00
Rollaway: No Charge (limited #)	Each Additional Occupant in Rooms	\$ 25.00
Parking: \$28.00 per day self / \$40.00 valet		

Delegates and Alternates of The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary ACCOMMODATED as follows:
FIRST - Delegates SECOND - Alternates THIRD - Call Ins FOURTH - others as space is available
Guests will not be considered until all specified are placed. Note: AL Call-ins & Delegates must stay in assigned hotel.

HOUSING DEPOSITS: A one day deposit of **\$179.03** is required for each room **plus any additional daily fees**
REGISTRATION FEE: All persons attending Convention - Delegates, Alternates and Guests (age 18 or over)
MUST pay **\$25.00** registration fee before room assignments are made. All housing is **assigned on the basis of three**
(3) nights minimum occupancy. On CHECKOUT - be sure your deposit is credited to your account.

ROOM TO BE OCCUPIED BY: (list full name, address of each occupant).

Indicate if **Delegate, Alternate or Guest.**

Name

Address and Phone Number

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Arrival date: _____

Departure date: _____

Total days: _____

If you plan to **ATTEND** the CONVENTION, but have made **OTHER HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS**,
please check and RETURN FORM TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. []

Information about activities may be found through the National web site (www.Legion.org/Convention)

- OVER -

**2015
NATIONAL CONVENTION**

Baltimore, Maryland

August 28 – September 3, 2015

CONN. OFFICIAL HEADQUARTERS:

**Hyatt Regency
300 Light Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
410-528-1234**

CONVENTION REGISTRATION:

**A NATIONAL CONVENTION
REGISTRATION FEE OF \$25.00
MUST BE PAID BY EVERYONE
ATTENDING THE CONVENTION**

<p><u>AL DEPARTMENT CAUCUS</u></p> <p><u>SUNDAY, August 30, 2015</u></p> <p><u>1:00-3:00 PM – Location TBD</u></p> <p><i>Registration: THU 8/27 & FRI 8/28 Afternoon Location TBD</i></p>

**IMPORTANT - NO PHONE RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED
BY DEPARTMENT OR CONVENTION HOTEL**

Connecticut Party:

We have no plans for a Connecticut Party at this time. (Adjutant plans to go to Baseball game Monday)

ENCLOSE CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO: THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPT. OF CONN

Circle preferences: King or Double / All rooms are Non-Smoking

HOUSING DEPOSIT: (\$179.03 min.) \$ _____

(One Bedroom Superior Suite is available for \$339)

REGISTRATION FEE: \$ 25.00 per person X _____ \$ _____

Additional Occupant (over 2) in Room \$25.00 Per Person (Per Day) \$ _____

Do you desire to have a "Dutch Treat" CT Party Friday or Monday? _____

Add a Rollaway (no charge): YES ___ NO ___ **TOTAL:** \$ _____

Contact
NAME: _____ TEL: _____ POST #: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ DIST #: _____

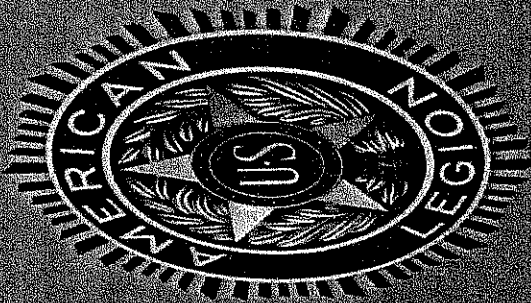
EMAIL: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

**BE SURE THAT ALL ITEMS ARE ANSWERED IN FULL. REMEMBER THAT THIS
APPLICATION MUST REACH DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS ON OR BEFORE JULY 13, 2015 by 11:00 am.**

**When one mission ends,
another important one begins.**

WE NEED YOU IN THE AMERICAN LEGION

www.AmericanLegion.org 860-436-9986



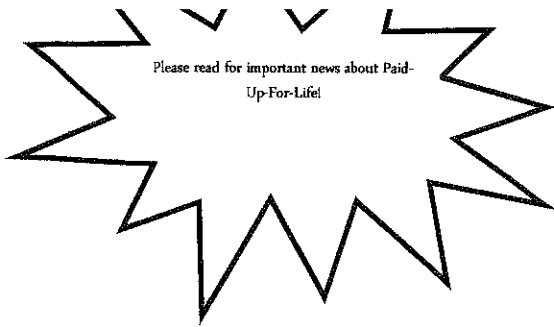
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CAUTION
STUDENT DRIVER



The American Legion
National Headquarters
Indianapolis, Indiana

MEMO TO: All Post Adjutants
MEMO FROM: Jack Querfeld, Director, Internal Affairs Division
SUBJECT: Paid-Up-For-Life Application Processing Change

In January 2014, National Headquarters introduced a new simplified pricing structure for its Paid-Up-For-Life (PUFL) plan which also included the ability for a member to apply online for lifetime membership. This was done with the intent of simplifying the entire process for the member.

Beginning July 1, 2015, National Headquarters will no longer accept PUFL applications that were previously distributed in bulk to Departments or Posts. This includes any PUFL application reflecting a rate chart with the effective date of October 2009 or earlier.

All PUFL applications must be submitted to National by one of the three methods noted below. We will continue the policy of notifying the Post and Department when a member applies for a lifetime membership; this provides the opportunity for the Post to challenge the application, if necessary.

ONLINE APPLICATION: The member accesses the PUFL page on National's website at www.legion.org/pufl to obtain a rate quote and/or submit an electronic application. Once the rate quote is received, the member can opt to apply online which will cause their record information to appear for confirmation purposes. Once confirmed and the payment information is completed, the member selects the *Submit* button to complete the application process. NOTE: If the member doesn't have internet access, either themselves or through family/friends, this process should be performed by the Post or the Department. A quick link to the PUFL application website has been added to *myLegion* for Posts and Departments.

PRINTABLE APPLICATION: The member accesses the PUFL page on National's website at www.legion.org/pufl to obtain a rate quote and/or print an application. Once the rate quote is received, the member can opt to print a paper application to complete and mail to National Headquarters. The application will be pre-filled with the member's ID Number, Name, Address, Birth Date and the total cost of the PUFL membership. (*If any of the member's information needs to be updated, it can be noted on the application.*) The member then simply mails the application and payment to National Headquarters at the address shown on the form. NOTE: If the member doesn't have internet access, either themselves or through family/friends, the application should be printed by the Post or the Department and forwarded to the member for completion. A quick link to the PUFL application website has been added to *myLegion* for Posts and Departments.

CALL A CUSTOMER SERVICE SPECIALIST: Any member can speak to one of National's Customer Service Specialists by calling our toll free number at 800-433-3318. They're happy to answer any questions...print and mail a PUFL application...or even take the application over the phone. However, this should not be considered the primary procedure since all members, Posts, and Departments have the same ability.

NOTE: Beginning July 1, 2015, Paid-Up-For-Life applications submitted to National Headquarters on old forms will not be processed; they will be forwarded to the Department Headquarters for review and handling.



THE AMERICAN LEGION - MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Name _____ (First) _____ (Initial) _____ (Last) _____ (Phone)

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

(Membership ID# Former Member) (Email) (Post #) (Date)

Please check appropriate eligibility dates and branch of service below:

- WWI (4/6/17-11/11/18)
- WWII (12/7/41-12/31/46)
- Korea (6/25/50-1/31/55)
- Vietnam (2/28/61-5/7/75)
- Lebanon/Grenada (8/24/82-7/31/84)
- Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90)
- Gulf War/War on Terrorism (8/2/90 until cessation of hostilities)
- U.S. Army
- U.S. Navy
- U.S. Air Force
- U.S. Marines
- U.S. Coast Guard
- Merchant Marines (12/7/41-12/31/46 - Only Eligibility)

I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Signed By Applicant _____ Name of Recruiter _____

Mail completed application to The American Legion National Headquarters, Attn: Internal Affairs. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current Department address go to: www.legion.org.

ALA 11/2011

DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

Date _____

Received From _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ Dues

Recruiter's Name _____

Recruiter's Signature _____

Recruiter's Phone # _____



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION - MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Date _____

Detachment of _____ Squadron No. _____ Birth Date _____

Name _____ (First) _____ (Initial) _____ (Last) Recruited by _____ (Initial) _____ (Last)

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

Veteran through whom eligibility is established _____

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

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

(c) Relationship of Applicant to Veteran _____

Has Applicant previously been a member of the SAL? _____ Where? _____

I hereby subscribe to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion, apply for membership, and

Email Address _____ Transmit \$ _____ for 20 _____ annual membership dues

Signed By Applicant (or Parent) _____ Eligibility certified by _____

Mail completed application to Sons of the American Legion department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current detachment address go to The American Legion Department/state headquarters, or www.legion.org.

ALA 11/2011

DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

Date _____

Received From _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ Dues

Squadron No. _____

Department of _____



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



APPLICANT INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Name _____ (First) _____ (M.I.) _____ (Last)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____ Unit # and Location _____

Date of Birth (Required) Birth - 17 18 and over

Have you been a member before? Yes No

Signature of Applicant (or legal guardian if under 18) _____ Date _____

Mail completed application to American Legion Auxiliary Department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current Department address go to: <http://www.ALforVeterans.org/contact/state-headquarters/>

Eligible Through-Name of Veteran (if living, must be American Legion member) Living Deceased

American Legion Member ID Number _____

Veteran's American Legion Post Name _____ Post # _____ City _____ State _____

Veteran Served: (check all that apply)

- WWI (4/6/17-11/11/18)
- WWII (12/7/41-12/31/46)
- Merchant Marines (12/7/41-12/31/46)
- Korea (6/25/50-1/31/55)
- Vietnam (2/28/61-5/7/75)
- Lebanon/Grenada (8/24/82-7/31/84)
- Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90)
- Gulf War/War on Terrorism (8/2/90 to today)

Applicant's Relationship to the Veteran: (Step relatives are eligible)

- Mother Wife Daughter Sister
- Grandmother Granddaughter Great-Granddaughter Self

I certify that the above named individual served at least one day of active duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or is still serving honorably.

Post # _____

DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

Date _____

Received From _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ Dues

Recruiter's Name _____

Recruiter's Signature _____

Recruiter's Phone # _____

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DETACHMENT OF CONNECTICUT MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY REPORT											
As of: 05/01/2015											
		Dist.	Actual 2011	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	Actual 2014	Actual 2015	2012% of 2011	2013% of 2012	2014% of 2013	2015% of 2014
2	Bristol	1	75	83	96	106	94	110.67%	115.66%	110.42%	88.68%
6	New Britain	1	3	3				100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
9	New London	5	14	16	17	13		114.29%	106.25%	76.47%	0.00%
12	Norwalk	3	43	43	35	35	38	100.00%	81.40%	100.00%	108.57%
13	Putnam	4	7	10	7	10	3	142.86%	70.00%	142.86%	30.00%
14	Rockville	4	23	21	26	20	18	91.30%	123.81%	76.92%	90.00%
15	Jewett City	5	23	24	20	17	17	104.35%	83.33%	85.00%	100.00%
16	Shelton	3	113	118	116	114	104	104.42%	98.31%	98.28%	91.23%
17	Naugatuck	2	22	21	7	6	9	95.45%	33.33%	85.71%	150.00%
19	Willimantic	4	68	57	58	68	59	83.82%	101.75%	117.24%	86.76%
20	Terryville	6	94	84	67	64	55	89.36%	79.76%	95.52%	85.94%
21	Danielson	4			4	3					0.00%
22	Thomaston	6	63	56	59	59	59	88.89%	105.36%	100.00%	100.00%
24	Derby	2	6	3	3	3	3	50.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
26	Stafford Springs	4	48	48	37	18	38	100.00%	77.08%	48.65%	211.11%
27	Litchfield	6	15	9	13	9	12	60.00%	144.44%	69.23%	133.33%
33	Plainville	1	44	35	33	15	12	79.55%	94.29%	45.45%	80.00%
40	East Windsor	1									
43	Winsted	6	19	18	19	19	22	94.74%	105.56%	100.00%	115.79%
45	Meriden	2	45	48	46	40	34	106.67%	95.83%	86.96%	85.00%
48	Guilford	2	9	9	9	10	9	100.00%	100.00%	111.11%	90.00%
50	Ansonia	2									
52	Coventry	4	10	12	11	11	10	120.00%	91.67%	100.00%	90.91%
54	Colchester	5	25	24	18	15	22	96.00%	75.00%	83.33%	146.67%
60	Danbury	3	20	22	26	25	19	110.00%	118.18%	96.15%	76.00%
61	Deep River	7	15	12	12	12	12	80.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
67	N. Grosvenordale	4	23	18	26	21	18	78.26%	144.44%	80.77%	85.71%
68	Berlin	1	49	45	42	38	40	91.84%	93.33%	90.48%	105.26%
71	West Haven	2	15	22	20	10	6	146.67%	90.91%	50.00%	60.00%
72	Southington	1	198	189	176	181	186	95.45%	93.12%	102.84%	102.76%
74	Fairfield	3									
75	Middletown	7	11	8	7	7	7	72.73%	87.50%	100.00%	100.00%
80	Enfield	1	30	30	36	31	30	100.00%	120.00%	86.11%	96.77%
88	Hamden	2	35	28	29	25	24	80.00%	103.57%	86.21%	96.00%
89	* East Haven	2									
91	Moosup	4	38	44	41	38	45	115.79%	93.18%	92.68%	118.42%
95	Hebron	4	65	60	61	62	64	92.31%	101.67%	101.64%	103.23%
96	West Hartford	1	119	91	97	91	90	76.47%	106.59%	93.81%	98.90%
100	Bethel	3	19	22	23	25	17	115.79%	104.55%	108.70%	68.00%
101	Somers	4					20				
102	Manchester	1	21	20	21	14	12	95.24%	105.00%	66.67%	85.71%
104	Taftville	5	17	13	13	13	17	76.47%	100.00%	100.00%	130.77%
112	Montville	5	90	81	94	93	75	90.00%	116.05%	98.94%	80.65%
113	Old Saybrook	7	58	40	34	37	32	68.97%	85.00%	108.82%	86.49%
128	Niantic	5	82	76	57	49	44	92.68%	75.00%	85.96%	89.80%
142	Hartford	1	11	10				90.91%	0.00%	0.00%	
156	East Haddam	7	64	69	67	68	61	107.81%	97.10%	101.49%	89.71%
165	Wolcott	2	32	32	28	22	8	100.00%	87.50%	78.57%	36.36%
174	Oxford	2	55	59	42	45	32	107.27%	71.19%	107.14%	71.11%
177	Bridgeport	3	15	16	16	26	40	106.67%	100.00%	162.50%	153.85%
194	Prospect	2									
195	Oakville	6	14	44	33	38	36	314.29%	75.00%	115.15%	94.74%
196	Milford	2	53	41	50	49	52	77.36%	121.95%	98.00%	106.12%
197	Marlborough	1	91	82	82	74	66	90.11%	100.00%	90.24%	89.19%
199	Plainville	1	16	15	15	15		93.75%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%
1771	Governor's Footguard	1		11	11	9	10		100.00%	81.82%	111.11%
	TOTALS		2025	1942	1860	1773	1681	95.90%	95.78%	95.32%	94.81%

2015 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

May 1, 2015

DISTRICT NO. 4 WINDHAM/TOLLAND 14 POSTS

DISTRICT NO. 6 LITCHFIELD 20 POSTS

		<u>GOAL</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Goal</u>
13	Putnam	97	93	95.9%
14	Rockville	279	260	93.2%
19	Willimantic	260	233	89.6%
21	Danielson	115	94	81.7%
26	Q Stafford Springs	195	209	107.2%
52	Coventry/Mansfield	103	102	99.0%
62	Ellington	95	80	84.2%
67	N Grosvenordale	220	186	84.5%
91	Q Moosup	237	239	100.8%
95	Hebron	144	113	78.5%
101	Q Somers A	97	216	222.7%
106	Hampton	16	10	62.5%
111	Woodstock	139	104	74.8%
203	Eastford	25	19	76.0%
TOTAL		2022	1958	96.8%

		<u>GOAL</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Goal</u>
20	Terryville	200	153	76.5%
22	Thomaston	200	159	79.5%
27	Litchfield	145	116	80.0%
28	New Hartford	89	80	89.9%
31	New Milford	105	103	98.1%
38	Torrington	155	131	84.5%
43	Winsted	120	98	81.7%
44	Bantam	85	72	84.7%
46	Q Goshen	65	67	103.1%
49	Canaan	15	11	73.3%
70	Salisbury	17	14	82.4%
87	Washington	63	54	85.7%
126	Sharon	55	50	90.9%
137	Harwinton	60	44	73.3%
146	Bethlehem	68	60	88.2%
153	Kent	44	42	95.5%
155	Woodbury	64	51	79.7%
159	Riverton	39	34	87.2%
173	Morris	28	22	78.6%
195	Oakville	210	204	97.1%
TOTAL		1827	1565	85.7%

DISTRICT NO. 5 NEW LONDON 17 POSTS

		<u>GOAL</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Goal</u>
4	Norwich	243	190	78.2%
9	New London	153	113	73.9%
15	Jewett City	170	159	93.5%
41	Lyme	83	62	74.7%
54	Colchester	172	130	75.6%
58	Stonington	40	39	97.5%
85	Baltic	50	43	86.0%
104	Taftville	90	89	98.9%
112	Montville	256	239	93.4%
114	Q Groton	52	62	119.2%
115	Noank	55	46	83.6%
128	Niantic	311	257	82.6%
138	Bozrah	42	34	81.0%
152	Pawcatuck	50	39	78.0%
161	Q Waterford	39	43	110.3%
180	Q Lebanon A	118	122	103.4%
205	Gales Ferry	27	25	92.6%
TOTAL		1951	1692	86.7%

DISTRICT NO. 7 MIDDLESEX 14 POSTS

		<u>GOAL</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>% Goal</u>
18	Essex	58	46	79.3%
61	Deep River	65	64	98.5%
64	Q East Hampton	65	68	104.6%
66	Clinton	89	88	98.9%
69	Portland	46	43	93.5%
75	Q Middletown	235	245	104.3%
97	Chester	47	40	85.1%
103	Westbrook	80	70	87.5%
105	Cromwell	129	110	85.3%
113	Old Saybrook	182	179	98.4%
156	Q East Haddam	189	191	101.1%
184	Durham	30	22	73.3%
192	Q Middlefield	22	24	109.1%
206	Middletown	60	58	96.7%
TOTAL		1297	1248	96.2%

Q = Quota Post A = All-Time High Post

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>QUOTA</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	
4	2,022	1,958	96.835%	
7	1,297	1,248	96.222%	
1	4,789	4,366	91.167%	
2	4,084	3,671	89.887%	
3	3,030	2,680	88.449%	
5	1,951	1,692	86.725%	
6	1,827	1,565	85.660%	
	19,000	17,180	90.421%	
1903	CT State Police	15	1	6.667%
	HQ Post 200	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,265</u>	<u>113.250%</u>
		21,015	19,446	92.534%