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Welcome to the 58th Edition of The Leadership Ledger. It includes Post, Department and National reports, leadership training events, upcoming conferences/conventions as well as rules and regulations pertaining to local, state and national laws. The Ledger is available by visiting the Department's website at www.mainelegion.org under "News & Events" or on the home page. If you have any information to be published in The Leadership Ledger, please forward to Department HQ via email at: legionme@mainelegion.org.

OFFICER CANDIDATES

The following announced their candidacy and intend to seek election to the Department office indicated at the upcoming annual convention in June at Jeff's Catering and Event Center in Brewer:

Department Commander

Kirk Thurston, Rumford Post 24

1st Vice Commander

Alfred McKay, Damariscotta Post 42

2nd Vice Commander

Patricia "Trisha" Thurston, Rumford Post 24

Americanism Officer

Joseph Donahue, Brunswick Post 20
Joseph Michaud, Madawaska Post 147

Sergeant-at-Arms

Danielle Begert, Lewiston Post 22
Leroy McKenzie, Eagle Lake Post 176

Historian

Nancy Laffin, Topsham Post 202

Finance Officer

☞ Open ☜

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Be Connected – Be Heard – Be Informed

District 1 – York: Jan. 23

Parsonfield Post 123, 12PM lunch, 1PM meeting

District 6 – Knox: Jan. 30

Thomaston Post 37, 2PM

District 2 – Cumberland: Feb. 13

Naples Post 155, 2PM

District 3 – Androscoggin: Feb. 13

Lisbon Post 158, 2PM

District 5 – Oxford: Feb. 15

Dixfield Post 100, Light supper at 6PM, Mtg at 7PM

District 8 – Sagadahoc: Feb 27

Topsham Post 202, 1:00PM

District 9 – Kennebec: Feb. 9

Augusta Post 2, 7PM

District 14 – Piscataquis: Feb. 19

Dover-Foxcroft Post 29, 12 pm Lunch Mtg at 1PM

District 15 – Washington: Feb 13

Machais Post 9, 2PM

District 17 – No. Aroostook: Feb. 6

Van Buren Post 49, 1PM

Job Opening for
Department Finance Officer at
The American Legion, Department of Maine

Click on the link above for the job description or visit:

www.mainelegion.org/pages/news-events.php

SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

**Winners of the Winter Sweepstakes Raffle drawn
at The Mid-Winter Conference in Brewer, ME
on January 15th, 2022:**

Clifton Littlefield, Boothbay Harbor Post 36... \$1,500
Richard Disney, Topsham Post 202..... 500
James Macos, Alfred Post 134..... 300
Ellen Barney, Unit 205..... 200

Congratulations!

COMMANDER'S PROJECT 2021-2022

American Legion Department of Maine Foundation



The American Legion, Department of Maine Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization exclusively for charitable purposes. All donations to the foundation are tax deductible under the United States Tax Code and Internal Revenue Service.

The Mission of the Foundation is to provide financial assistance, promote Americanism, Youth Programs, National Security, and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation that will enhance the lives of our veterans, their families, children and communities in the State of Maine today and for future generations.

My goal this year is to raise \$15,000 for the Endowment Fund to help fund American Legion Americanism Programs. Examples include Baseball, Dirigo (Boys) State, and the Oratorical Scholarship program.

America's future lies in our children.

American Legion Baseball, founded in 1925, has taught hundreds of thousands of young Americans the importance of sportsmanship, good health and active citizenship. The program is also a promoter of equality, making teammates out of young athletes regardless of their income levels or social standings.

At Dirigo (Boys) State, participants learn the rights, privileges and responsibilities of franchised citizens. The training centers on the structure of city, county and state governments. Students are elected to various offices. Activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law-enforcement presentations, assemblies, bands, and recreational programs. The two representatives elected to represent Maine at Boys Nation in Washington, of federal government.

The American Legion Oratorical Contest exists to develop deeper knowledge and appreciation for the U.S. Constitution among high school students. Since 1938, the program has presented participants with an academic speaking challenge that teaches important leadership qualities, the history of our nation's laws, the ability to think and speak clearly, and an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, rights and privileges of American citizenship.

All these programs help to train and shape our youth into outstanding citizens. Many will become our future leaders and many may become leaders in the American Legion.

I am asking all of you: Legionnaires, Legion Posts, and Districts to please contribute to this endowment fund. It will help so many for many years to come.

Any amount will help, but some have asked for specific amounts.

This is my hope for suggested donations:

Posts with Canteens: \$250
Posts without Canteens: \$100
Districts: \$200

Individuals: Whatever you believe you can contribute.

To donate online, please [CLICK HERE](http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/foundation/donate.php), or visit <http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/foundation/donate.php>; click on the "DONATE TODAY" button and choose **Fund 001 AL DOM Foundation – Endowment Fund** and choose Donate with a Debit or Credit Card.

Checks should be made payable to American Legion Department of Maine Foundation and mailed to: American Legion Department of Maine Foundation, 5 Verti Drive Winslow, Maine 04901-0727. Please make sure to provide your name and address so that we may send you a tax receipt.

Thank you all. For God and Country.

Commander Deb Couture

SHAW'S STORES "GIVING TAG" PROGRAM

We're excited to share that all Shaw's stores are now offering the Giving Tag Program! Every time a shopper buys the \$2.50 reusable **GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS** Bag

at any Shaw's store, they can direct a \$1 donation to The American Legion Department of Maine by using the attached Giving Tag. Visit your local Shaw's and pick one up today! If you're in the Waterville Area, shop the Shaw's at 251 Kennedy Memorial Drive. For more information call: **207-873-6224**



Directory Changes

Page 42: Roderick-Crosby Post 28, Farmington
New Adjutant: Harold Andrew (Drew)
Goodridge, 355 Chesterville Ridge Rd.,
Fayette, 04349 (c 491-2743)
e-mail: andrew.goodridge1@gmail.com

Page 53: Bourque-Lanigan Post 5, Waterville
New phone number: (207) 859-3055



ATTENTION ALL POSTS: ORATORICAL CONTEST!!!

All Posts that have an Oratorical contest winner going to a District competition, please email them to Dale Midgley at midgleyd@earthlink.net and rachael@mainelegion.org so we know how many candidates prior to the District Competition. See **page 5** for more Oratorical information.

The American Legion, Department of Maine High School Oratorical Scholarship Program

Thomas College
180 West River Rd.
Waterville, Maine 04901

February 12, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

(Snow date: February 19, 2022)

For More Information [Click Here](#) or go to
www.mainelegion.org/pages/programs/oratorical.php

**Department of Maine HS Oratorical
Scholarship Application**

Department of Maine Oratorical Brochure
2022 Oratorical Rules Brochure
Oratorical Promotional Brochure - National

***** Thomas College is requiring all
attendees and contestants to wear face masks. *****

MEMBERSHIP IMPACT REPORTS

The American Legion's success depends entirely on active membership, participation and volunteerism. The following monthly reports located on: <https://www.legion.org/membership/impact> provide a summary of membership, participation and volunteerism making an impact in the lives of veterans, families and communities. American Legion Posts can share the many ways Legionnaires are making a difference in their communities by [submitting consolidated post reports online](#). To visit the impact American Legion posts made throughout the year, visit: <https://www.legion.org/bythenumbers> or <https://www.legion.org/membership/impact>.

MILITARY TRIVIA

Q: Which Commander-in-Chief formed the first group of what we now know as The Secret Service?



**New Step-By-Step Instructions
& Other Resources to Help with Your
MyLegion.org Account/Registration**
**Useful Step-By-Step Instructions/Information
on Membership Processing, Group
Permissions & More!**

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For a Complete Overview of MyLegion.org  
see below links

**A Complete Overview of MyLegion.org (PDF format)**

**A Complete Overview of MyLegion.org  
- Powerpoint (PPTX Format)**

Note: The last Tuesday of each month American Legion National Headquarters staff will present 60 to 90-minute sessions on topics aimed at post commanders and adjutants. Each session will be recorded and made available for later viewing. Please visit [Training Tuesdays](#) for the next scheduled training session.

## DONATIONS

### THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

#### General Fund

Peter & Pamela Asaker in  
Memory of Richard Doucette..... \$30.00

#### National Commanders Campaign

Eugene F. Connolly, Portland Post 17... \$100.00

#### American Legion Baseball

Litchfield Post 181..... \$250.00

#### AMERICAN LEGION

#### DEPARTMENT OF MAINE FOUNDATION

#### 2022 Commanders Project – Couture

Rumford Post 24..... \$100.00  
Litchfield Post 181..... \$250.00





# AMERICAN LEGION PORTLAND SEA DOGS AMERICAN LEGION DAY

**Saturday, May 21, 2022**

**Gates: 11:30 AM, First Pitch: 1:00 PM**

## Join the Sea Dogs and The American Legion for a Ballgame on May 21st

On Saturday, May 21st, The Portland Sea Dogs are teaming up with the American Legion for a fun afternoon at the ballpark when the Sea Dogs take on the Harrisburg Senators (AA Affiliate of the Washington Nationals). The game is at 1:00 PM and the gates open at 11:30 AM.

Purchase your game tickets by visiting [https://seadogs.formstack.com/forms/legion5\\_21](https://seadogs.formstack.com/forms/legion5_21) and you will receive a ticket at a special group price of \$11.00 (\$1.00 off the standard price). Additionally, \$2.00 per ticket will be donated to the American Legion. You will also be invited onto the field pregame for a group photo in front of the Maine Monster.\*

\*Everyone will meet in the left field grandstand before 12:15 PM and escorted onto the field shortly thereafter for the photo. We will have our Fan Photographer take the photo, which will be posted on our Facebook page in the May 21st Game Day Photo Album.

There is a \$2.00 processing fee per order.

For orders of 10 or more tickets, please call the ticket office at 207-879-9500 and ask for Alan.

If you have any questions, please email [Abarker@seadogs.com](mailto:Abarker@seadogs.com) for more information.

## AMERICAN LEGION HISTORY!



**Become a Sponsor  
Today in Support  
of Maine Veterans**

**Deadline for  
Submission is  
May 6, 2022**

**See Page 7  
for more details!**

Anyone who is currently an American Legion member or who is eligible for membership may become a PUFL member. Legionnaires can apply for membership online at: [www.legion.org/pufl](http://www.legion.org/pufl). Find an application at the end of this newsletter.

**PAID  
UP FOR  
LIFE**

Visit [www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org) Forms/Applications for more information.

## Paid Up for Life Pricing (For post dues of \$48.00 or less)

| AGE | 18-29   | 30-39   | 40-49   | 50-59   | 60-69 | 70-79 | 80-89 | 90+   |
|-----|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| FEE | \$1,535 | \$1,399 | \$1,229 | \$1,025 | \$815 | \$599 | \$429 | \$329 |

When paid in full the member will receive a permanent plastic card identifying him/her as a lifetime member. The PUFL member will also continue to receive an annual American Legion membership card mailed directly on or about July 1st of each year.

Lifetime membership can be paid either in one single lump sum or over 12 equal, monthly payments. If a member chooses the Time Pay Plan, payment must be made by credit card only. (Check for online promotions if paying in full.) Once a member fulfills the PUFL membership dues, he/she will be protected from any future dues increases at the post, department or national levels. See next page for application.

## ★ MILITARY DISCOUNT BENEFIT

**10% OFF EVERY DAY  
TO SALUTE YOUR  
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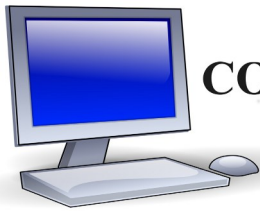
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## COMPUTER 101

**Computer 101** is a resource which aims to help those who wish to learn basic skills with the powerful technology of today's world. Increased proficiency with computers and the Internet has positive outcome across all fronts, both personally and professionally.

### How to Add Images to a Microsoft Word Document

**Click the place in your document where you want to insert the picture.** Word's insertion cursor, a vertical blinking bar, will appear at this point. **Click the Insert menu.**

1. **Click the Pictures tool.**
2. **Select the location where you saved your photo.**
3. **Select the image you want to insert.**
4. **Click Insert.**
5. **Resize the picture.** If you want to increase or reduce the picture's size, click it once to select it, and then drag any of the corner circles in or out.
6. **Use the curved arrow at the top of the picture to rotate it.** It's above the dot at the top-center part of the picture.

To add a border or effect around the picture, select one of the "Picture Styles" at the center of the Format bar, or choose any of the other options in the section to have more control over the style.

For more details [CLICK HERE](https://www.wikihow.com/Add-Images-to-a-Microsoft-Word-Document) or go to: <https://www.wikihow.com/Add-Images-to-a-Microsoft-Word-Document>

[~ wikiHow](#)

## MILITARY TRIVIA:

**A:** In 1776 General George Washington formed a group of carefully selected soldiers into what is called the "Life Guards", who's sworn duty was to protect him around the clock from British spies & their colonial sympathizers. It is also the first group of protectors to become infiltrated by British Governor Tryon to attempt either a kidnapping or the killing of General Washington.



## 1ST WOMAN TO COMMAND USS CONSTITUTION, AKA OLD IRONSIDES

**B**OSTON (AP) — A woman is taking over as the commanding officer of the U.S.S. Constitution, also known as Old Ironsides, for the first time in the warship's 224-year history, the Navy announced Tuesday.

Cmdr. Billie J. Farrell is scheduled to assume command at an on-board ceremony Jan. 21. She will relieve Cmdr. John Benda, who has led the ship's crew since February 2020.

"I am honored to have the privilege to soon command this iconic warship that dates back to the roots of both our nation and our Navy and to have been afforded the amazing opportunity to serve as U.S.S. Constitution's first female commanding officer in her 224 years," Farrell said in a statement.

Farrell is a native of Paducah, Kentucky, a 2004 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, and most recently served as the executive officer aboard U.S.S. Vicksburg, a Ticonderoga-class guided missile cruiser, according to her Navy biography.

"I hope to strengthen the legacy of U.S.S. Constitution through preservation, promotion, and protection by telling her story and connecting it to the rich heritage of the United States Navy and the warships serving in the fleet today," she said.

The Constitution, based at Boston's Charlestown Navy Yard, is the world's oldest commissioned warship still afloat. It played a crucial role in the Barbary Wars and the War of 1812 and defended sea lanes from 1797 until 1855. The ship was undefeated in battle and destroyed or captured 33 opposing vessels. It earned the nickname Old Ironsides during the war of 1812, when British cannonballs were seen bouncing off its wooden hull.

It is crewed by active-duty sailors.

The first woman to serve on the Constitution's crew was enlisted sailor Rosemarie Lanam in 1986. The first woman to serve as a commissioned officer on the ship was Lt. Cmdr. Claire V. Bloom, who served as executive officer and led the 1997 sail, the first time Old Ironsides had sailed under her own power since 1881.

Women now make up more than one-third of the 80-person crew.

[~ Yahoo!news](#)

<https://news.yahoo.com/1st-woman-command-uss-constitution-161604923.html>



# THE LAST OF A NEW CLASS OF WARSHIP DEPARTED A MAINE SHIPYARD ON WEDNESDAY

— [BATH, Maine \(AP\)](#)



© Provided by Associated Press. Spectators watch as the USS Lyndon B. Johnson passes Fort Popham on its way to sea, Wednesday, Jan.

12, 2022, in Phippsburg, Maine. The warship was the third and final Zumwalt-class destroyer built for the Navy at Bath Iron Works. (AP Photo/Robert F. Bukaty)

The USS Lyndon B. Johnson was constructed at Bath Iron Works and is the last in a class of three ships the U.S. Navy has described as the largest and most technologically sophisticated destroyers in its history.



© Provided by Associated Press. The USS Lyndon B. Johnson leaves tugboats behind as its head out to the Atlantic Ocean, Wednesday, Jan.

12, 2022, in Phippsburg, Maine. The warship was the third and final Zumwalt-class destroyer built for the Navy at Bath Iron Works. (AP Photo/Robert F. Bukaty)

The stealth destroyer is also the last of the three Zumwalt-class ships to be built at the Bath shipyard.



© Provided by Associated Press. A tug pushed the USS Lyndon B. Johnson at the mouth of the Kennebec River on its way to sea, Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2022, in Phippsburg, Maine.

The warship was the third and final Zumwalt-class destroyer built for the Navy at Bath Iron Works. (AP Photo/Robert F. Bukaty)

The ship left for sea trials in late August. That was the first time it made it to the Atlantic Ocean.

The ship left for the trials 113 years to the day after Johnson was born. It was christened in 2019.



© Provided by Associated Press. Spectators watch the USS Lyndon B. Johnson travels down the Kennebec River on its way to sea, Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2022, in Phippsburg, Maine.

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-- [MSN.com](#)

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/last-of-new-class-of-navy-warship-departs-shipyard/ar-AASHLWq?ocid=entnewsntp&pc=U531>

## EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VEFAP)

Do you know of a veteran in your community in need of assistance? Someone who during these challenging times just needs a little help to keep them going? Maybe a veteran that is homeless? Or worst of all, a homeless veteran with children? If so, we want to remind you that The American Legion, Department of Maine can assist you to help these veterans during their difficult and troubling times.

Please call 207-660-9324 or 207-873-3229 Ext. 3.

For more information visit our website:

<http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/resources/va-resources.php>

We will contact you as soon as possible and we hope to enable you to help veterans in need.





# Make Your Name Part of The American Legion History!

**Become a Sponsor Today in  
Support of Maine Veterans**

***Deadline for  
Submission is  
May 6, 2022***

**Become a sponsor** of our Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook as an **“individual donor”** and help support Veterans in the State of Maine. As a contributor, your name (individual or business) will be listed in our 2022 Maine American Legion Yearbook and made available in print and online in digital format on [www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org).



**Donations** may be made by clicking on the DONATIONS WELCOMED button located on our website at [www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org) and selecting “Donate with Debit or Credit Card, or by check payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine, earmarked “Yearbook Program”. Mail to: The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, ME. 04901-0727. For more information, please call 207-873-3229 Ext. 2.

*Show your support to our Veterans in the State of Maine! Become a sponsor today and make your name part of The American Legion History!*

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



# Maine American Legion

## Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form

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Support Veterans in the State of Maine by Promoting your Business in  
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**HELP US CONTINUE TO SERVE VETERANS FOR ANOTHER 100 YEARS!**

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Area Code

Phone Number

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Area Code

Phone Number

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### Address

Street Address

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State

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Website Address

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MAY 6, 2022**

**Over →**



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- Please submit all files in digital format (i.e., PDF, JPEG, PNG, InDesign, Photoshop) and formatted to the preferred size indicated.

*Please note: Although we prefer you send your display in digital format, Option 3 does include the choice to mail your display on paper.*

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- Name Only - Business/Individual Donation (any \$ amount):** This option allows individuals and businesses not submitting an ad to donate x amount of dollars in support of Maine veterans and have their name listed on the "Business & Individual Donors" page of the Maine AL Convention Yearbook. (All business names and ads will be linked to the business website if available). **To donate, please check the Business/Individual Donation box below. Make check payable to Maine American Legion Convention Corporation and mail donation and form to The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, Maine 04901-0727.** To donate online, please visit <https://form.jotform.com/RachaelJ/ALDOM-Yearbook-Sponsorship-ReqForm> or [www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org) and click on the image of the Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form or simply click on the MAINE AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION YEARBOOK DONATIONS WELCOMED button.

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**THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
APPLICATION FOR PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE MEMBERSHIP  
(Please print clearly)**



APPLICANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER ID # \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL PUFL FEE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mo./Day/Year)

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BRANCH OF SERVICE (check only one): ☐ US Army ☐ US Navy ☐ US Marines ☐ US Air Force ☐ US Coast Guard

WAR ERA: ☐ WWII December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946 ☐ Grenada/Lebanon August 24, 1982 – July 31, 1984  
☐ Korea June 25, 1950 – January 31, 1955 ☐ Panama December 20, 1989 - January 31, 1990  
☐ Vietnam February 28, 1961 – May 7, 1975 ☐ War on Terrorism August 2, 1990 - Open  
☐ Merchant Marines December 7, 1941 – December 3, 1946 Only

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REQUEST FURTHER DOCUMENTATION FROM MEMBER TO CONFIRM ELIGIBILITY AND INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS APPLICATION.**

☐ **Full Payment Enclosed** (Deduct \$100.00 from fee noted above.)

☐ **Time Payment Plan** – Requires payment by credit card. Card will be billed monthly, in 12 equal payments. Member's permanent PUFL card will be issued when paid-in-full. (Must review and sign **Time Payment Agreement**. Not eligible for discount rates.)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Expiration Date)

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☐ Check here if PUFL is being awarded by Post (Honorary Life)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mbr ID # (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mail PUFL card to: ☐ GIVER ☐ PUFL GIFT RECIPIENT

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (required):** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant's signature may be omitted only if PUFL is to be given as a gift.)

**THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS**

**Check/M.O. from:**

☐ Member National Per Capita \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Post Dept Per Capita \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Dept. Post Per Capita \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received at National: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL COMPLETED FORM WITH PAYMENT TO: THE AMERICAN LEGION, PUFL SPECIALIST, PO BOX 1954, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46206. ALLOW UP TO 6 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY OF PERMANENT PUFL MEMBERSHIP CARD.**

## Paid-Up-For-Life (PUFL) Agreement

1. The applicant must be in **good standing**.
2. National Headquarters reserves the right to require further information or confirmation of the member's eligibility, which may include a request for the member to provide a copy of his/her DD214 (or similar) or other documentation of age, military service or membership eligibility. The member's Paid-Up-For-Life application will be held pending verification.
3. The member's Post will be notified of the new PUFL membership and will be permitted up to 30 days to challenge the application for acceptance.
4. If payment is being made using a credit card, the full payment will be charged immediately. Payment can be made by MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express.
5. The permanent (plastic) PUFL card will be issued within 4-6 weeks of receipt and approval of the application.
6. No refund of payment(s) will be made if the member chooses to discontinue his/her PUFL membership at any time, once the application is approved and processed; the only exceptions are explained in Item 7. This also pertains to members participating in the Time Payment Plan whose account was closed due to delinquency. These members will not be eligible to participate in the Time Payment Plan in the future but may re-submit an application with full payment at any time. (Any funds previously submitted on the cancelled account will not be credited to the new application.)
7. Should a PUFL member hold membership in a Post whose charter has been canceled and no other Post is available to accept a transfer, then the unused portion of the original fee, if any, will be refunded. The same rule will apply in the event that the member is expelled from membership by action of his Post or Department Headquarters. **Except as stated, no refund of any portion of PUFL membership fees paid to National will be made at any time.**
8. Once the application is processed by National Headquarters, the member will no longer receive renewal notices and his/her subscription to *The American Legion Magazine* will never expire. The member will be automatically renewed each year and his/her annual membership card will be mailed around July 1st to the member's address on record at National Headquarters.

## Additional Terms for Time Payment Plan Participants ONLY

1. Current members of The American Legion may use the Time Payment Plan to purchase a Paid-Up-For Life (PUFL) membership through National Headquarters. No Interest or service charge is added.
2. After receipt and approval of the application at National Headquarters, the remaining balance will be divided into 11 equal monthly payments.
  - National Headquarters will bill the credit card account provided by the member each month in the amount of 1/12 of the total Paid-Up-For-Life fee.
  - It is the responsibility of the member to contact the PUFL Specialist at 800-433-3318 to report a new credit card expiration date prior to the expiration of the card information originally provided.
  - If the member wants to change the credit card account used at any time after the application is submitted to National Headquarters, the member must contact the PUFL Specialist at 800-433-3318 to provide the replacement credit card information.
3. The total PUFL membership fee must be paid within 12 months after the application is processed at National and consecutive monthly payments are to be maintained. Delinquent accounts may be closed with or without notice to the member. A delinquency will occur if the member's credit card payment is declined for any reason. Any payments already made will be forfeited; no refunds will be issued if a Time Payment account is closed for any reason.
4. The member can elect to pay more than the minimum each month; much the same as a credit card account, paying in advance, or more than the minimum, simply means the account is paid off earlier. To increase the monthly payment amount billed to the member's credit card, the member must contact the PUFL Specialist at 800-433-3318.
5. The permanent (plastic) PUFL membership card will be issued only after the total PUFL fee is paid-in-full. If annual cards are issued before the fee is paid-in-full, the member will receive an annual card with the notation of "TIME PAY."

*Please sign below and make sure that the PUFL application is completed to avoid delay in processing.*

I acknowledge and understand the terms of The American Legion Paid-Up-For-Life membership program. My signature below indicates acceptance of the Agreement as stated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Member (Applicant)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Member ID#*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*





## DEPARTMENT OF MAINE THE AMERICAN LEGION

### PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

It is with great pride and pleasure that we the membership of Post #\_\_\_\_\_ submit the names of all our living Past Commanders for membership to the Past Commanders Club. Along with the names, we have enclosed the annual dues of **\$5.00** per member with the understanding that this will continue to provide two (2) \$500.00 scholarships. The recipient must be the son/daughter, grandson/granddaughter of a member of The American Legion.

Membership in the Past Commanders Club goes from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

#### PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

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#### SUBMIT TO:

The American Legion, Dept. of Maine  
5 Verti Drive  
Winslow, Maine 04901-0727

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:  
PAST COMMANDERS CLUB**

*Past Commanders Club form is also available in fillable format by visiting [www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php](http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php)*

**This form may be filled out on-line at: [www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php](http://www.mainelegion.org/pages/formsapplications.php)**

**\*\*\* Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club have increased to \$5.00/member) \*\*\***