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THE LEADERSHIP LEDGER



Welcome to the 60^h 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: legion.org.



ORATORICAL CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to Shawn Jiminez of West Gardiner for winning The American Legion Department of Maine's High School Oratorical Contest on February 12th at Thomas College in Waterville! Shawn represented District 9 and Litchfield Post 181. The title of his oration was "March 4th 1789." In April he will travel to Indianapolis to compete at National. For winning the contest on the State level, Shawn received \$1500 and has a chance of winning up to \$25,000 at National.

Congratulations also go to 2nd place winner Joshua Werner, representing District 1 and Sanford Post 19; 3rd place to Mateus Campos, representing District 2 and South Portland Post 35; and 4th place to Tristan Darwin for representing District 8 and Brunswick post 20.

Many thanks to all contestants who competed at the State level!

THE LEGION FAMILY LUGE

Date: February 26, Saturday

8am Registration and 9am Start

Where: Camden Snow Bowl

20 Barnestown in Camden \$25 Per Person to Benefit

Cost: \$25 Per Person to Benef The American Legion

Department of Maine Foundation

Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Maine, presents the 2nd Annual Running of the Sleds. Bring a crowd from your Legion Family and compete for fastest times, best costumes, and bragging rights. The Camden Snowbowl is the place to be to see the Legion Family compete in a death-defying race down the icy boards. Costumes are encouraged!

The celebration begins Friday, February 25th to kick off the weekend with a Spaghetti Feed at American Legion Post 1 Rockland, \$10 pp. There will also be a welcome party after the meal to size up the competition and for some friendly trash talk. 2-4 people per toboggan. Sleds available at event. Registration starts at 8 am. If you plan on eating on the 25th contact Post 1 with a headcount 594-2901.

<u>Prize categories</u>: Sweetheart Run, Best Costumes, Team Spirit, Best time/Fastest Run.

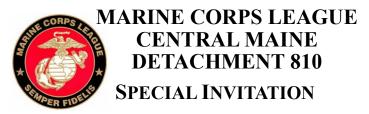
Coffee and food will be available for a fee, porta potties on site.

Special rate on hotel rooms: Tradewinds – Suites are \$129 + tax per night, breakfast included. 596-6661. Rockland Harbor – \$99 plus tax for Harborview Balcony rooms, 13 with 1 king, 12 with 2 queens. Block held until January 25, but rate still available after the cutoff. Breakfast included. 594-2131.

Guests call on their own, reference "Legion Luge" group. Please book before February 15th. **FMI call: 207-701-9676.**

PRESIDENT'S DAY

The Department Headquarters Office and the Service Office will be closed on Monday, February 21, in observance of President's Day. Please plan accordingly.



The Marine Corps League, Central Maine Detachment 810 and the Lewiston/Auburn Veterans council will host a Remembrance tribute to our Vietnam War/Vietnam Era veterans. Following the tribute, we will travel to the Lewiston Veterans Park for the presentation of memorial wreath at the Vietnam war memorial. The date is March 29, 2022. The time will be 10am to 11:30am.

We would consider it an honor if you could take part in our tribute to our men and women who served during America's most controversial war. Help us WELCOME HOME a group of veterans who did their job and received a nation's scorn on their return.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Charlie Paul at 207-393-7667 or:

charlespaul293@gmail.com.

Semper Fi

Charlie Paul, Comdt, Central Maine, Det. 810 MCL Sr Vice Commandant, Dept. of Maine MCL

VETS IN THE VALLEY WINTERFEST



Good Day Veteran Advocates-

On behalf of Lost Valley Ski Area, we are pleased to announce the return of "Vets in the Valley – Winterfest" on Saturday March 19, 2022. For those who may not be familiar with this event, it is a day of no or low cost skiing and winter activities for Veterans, military members and their families to enjoy outdoor recreation. This event is hosted by Lost Valley Ski area in Auburn and runs 9 am to 4 pm. Because this is a Veteran event, we also like to have Veteran Resources onsite to provide information on various support services and resources for the military community.

This is where you come in. Your organization has been identified as a resource that currently provides services to the military community or has the potential to provide services. If you are interested in attending to promote your organization, please email your name, organization, and contact information for the onsite representative to Leo Deon at Leo.J.Deon@maine.gov. Don't delay as space is limited. The deadline for signing up is Wednesday, March 16, 2022. Additional information will be provided

to those organizations who sign up to participate. Please call or email with any questions and we look forward to having your organization join us.

Yours in Service,

Leo

Leo J. Deon Jr. (CWO, U.S. Coast Guard-Ret) Local Veterans' Employment Representative Maine Hire-A-Vet Campaign 2020 Co-Coordinator Franklin County MMCN Chair



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 Sate 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.



Donations may be made by clicking on the **DONATIONS WELCOMED** button located on our Legion website at **www.mainelegion.org**

and selecting "Donate with Debit or Credit Card", or by check payable to The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow.

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

To purchase ad space, please submit payment along with Maine American Legion Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form (see page 10 & 11) or visit www.mainelegion.org.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Be Connected – Be Heard – Be Informed

District 8 – Sagadahoc: Feb 27 Topsham Post 202, 1:00PM District 14 – Piscataquis: Feb. 19

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

District 7 – Lincoln: Mar. 3 Waldoboro Post 149, 6:30PM

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**, 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

JUNIOR SPORTS SHOOTING **PROGRAM**

Brunswick Post 20 is starting up their junior sports shooting program, they are looking for instructor and athlete's. Instructors must go to instructor training and have background checks to he instructors. Athletes must be between the ages of 8 and 18, it is open to all children, regardless if they are children of veterans or legion family members, please let Joe Donahue 207-607-9735 or Dave Watson know, as we would like to start up February 24th, there



is no cost to join or participate in the program. If there is any post that would like to start up a JSSP please contact Joe or Dave for more information and assistance in their start up.

MILITARY TRIVIA

• Following the war of 1812, what was the next time that the continental US was attacked by a foreign naval vessel?





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 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** for more information.

JOB OPENING

<u>Department Finance Officer at</u> The American Legion, Department of Maine

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

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

My LEGION.ORG

Reports in **MyLegion.org** play a vital role with tracking membership. The Reports and Labels tab in the left-hand navigation menu is the primary location to create reports for membership rosters and revitalization efforts, as well as communication to post and squadron members. The reports are defined by officer position and permissions provided as a group administrator.

ABOUT REPORTS

All reports include filtering options to modify reports based on last paid year, status, deliverable status and more. Steps to create a report are to 1) set filters; 2) view report; and 3) export to another application using the export icon.

In report view, a navigation menu allows you to go from page to page using the left and right arrow, or use the slide bar at the right.

The circle arrow icon refreshes your page, and the export icon is used to print and save reports. Reports are not saved within the report writer.

When viewing a report, you can search for a member to see if they are included. Enter a word or number and click Find.

Available Reports:

- Mailing Labels
- Find Members in My Area
- Consolidated Reports
- Member Online Renewals
- Roster Updates
- Current RosterReports
- Post/Squadron

For more information **CLICK HERE** or go to:

https://www.legion.org/dispatch/254631/ mylegionorg-reports

WOMEN VETERANS EVENT GUIDELINES

I f you're thinking about putting together a Women Veterans Event sponsored by the American Legion, Department of Maine, please click on the above link to help you. For more information, please contact Department HQ at 207-873-3229.

Guidelines are also available to download by visiting:
www.mainelegion.org under Forms/

Applications.Forms/

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MyLegion Training Part 4 – Processing Membership

or visit https://vimeo.com/showcase/8339635/video/534508932

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New Step-By-Step Instructions & Other Resources to Help with Your MyLegion.org Account/Registration

<u>Useful Step-By-Step Instructions/Information on Membership Processing, Group Permissions & More!</u>

A Complete Overview of MyLegion.org (PDF format)

A Complete Overview of MyLegion.org (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 <u>Training Tuesdays</u> for the next scheduled training session.

MILITARY TRIVIA:

A: On Feb. 23, 1942, the Japanese submarine, I-17, was ordered to shell the fuel storage tanks at Elwood, CA. The date coincided with a speech by Pres. Roosevelt & the Japanese government wanted to embarrass the US. The shelling was ineffectual, but it ignited the internment of Japanese Americans plus other protective measures.



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.



Find an application at the end of this newsletter.

Visit <u>www.mainelegion.org</u> 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 pages 12 & 13 for application.

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 https://www.legion.org/ year, visit: the https://www.legion.org/ **b**vthenumbers or membership/impact.

PAST COMMANDERS CLUB

Please note that the annual dues for Past Commanders Club have increased to \$5.00/member. See Page 12 for an application.



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.

Create a Presentation In PowerPoint

- 1. Open PowerPoint.
- 2. In the left pane, select New.
- 3. Select an option:
 - To create a presentation from scratch, select **Blank Presentation**.
 - To use a prepared design, select one of the templates.
 - To see tips for using PowerPoint, select **Take** a **Tour**, and then select **Create**, .

Add a Slide

- 1. In the thumbnails on the left pane, select the slide you want your new slide to follow.
- 2. In the Home tab, in the Slides section, select New Slide.
- 3. In the Slides section, select Layout, and then select the layout you want from the menu.

Add and format text

- 1. Place the cursor inside a text box, and then type something.
- 2. Select the text, and then select one or more options from the Font section of the Home tab, such as Font, Increase Font Size, Decrease Font Size, Bold, Italic, Underline, etc.
- 3. To create bulleted or numbered lists, select the text, and then select **Bullets** or **Numbering**.

Add a picture, shape, and more

- 1. Go to the Insert tab.
- 2. To add a picture:
 - In the **Images** section, select **Pictures**.
 - In the **Insert Picture From** menu, select the source you want.
 - Browse for the picture you want, select it, and then select **Insert**.
- 3. To add illustrations:
 - In the Illustrations section, select Shapes, Icons, 3D Models, SmartArt, or Chart.
 - In the dialog box that opens when you click one of the illustration types, select the item you want and follow the prompts to insert it.



Bringing you all the latest from The Legionnaire Insurance Trust



WHAT'S MAILING THIS MONTH?

We are mailing Emergency Assistance Plus (EA+) on February 23rd.

Quick reminder about EA+: If you're traveling away from home and experience a medical emergency, EA+ steps in to provide essential support services that can help you during your emergency. Services include:

- Medical Evacuation to get you to a more appropriate hospital.
- Transportation Home after hospitalization.
- Nurse Escort to help you travel if deemed medically necessary.
- **Return of Vehicle** if it is stranded due to your emergency.
- And More!

Product may not be available in all states and may not mail all your members. If you want a more detailed description of this product, visit: www.TheLIT.com/Emergency-Assistance-Plus.



CLICK HERE FOR CONTENT TO SPREAD THE WORD



- ➤ The next mailing is HospitalHELP in March.
- Only a few days left to submit your Department's entry for the Wigle Membership Innovation Initiative! If you need more information, reach out to Howard Bender.





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Questions? Contact Howard Bender 800-445-3269 | hbender@agia.com

DONATIONS

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

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THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF MAINE FOUNDATION

2022 Commanders Project - Couture

Wiscasset Post 54	\$100.00
Kennebec District 9	\$200.00

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.

"The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil, but because of those who look on and do nothing."

~ Albert Einstein

Direct ry Changes

Page 64: Post 85 – Adjutant corrected to: Butler Smythe, P.O. Box 104, 37 Penberton Lane, Blue Hill, ME 04614 (374-3838) (c 240-298-2602)

e-mail: thbsmythe@gmail.com

Page 30: Post 123 – Commander Albert Springer has passed away so there is no longer a Commander or Service Officer at this post.



Website Address

Maine American Legion

Convention Yearbook Sponsorship Request Form

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HELP US CONTINUE TO SERVE VETERANS FOR ANOTHER 100 YEARS!

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MAY 6, 2022

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Specifications & Submissions:

- To conform with IRS unrelated business income rules, please use the following guidelines for your sponsorship display/artwork:
 - 1. The display can include the company name, logo, product lines, and contact information (address, ph. #, email, web address).
 - 2. Slogans can be mentioned as well as value-neutral descriptions of the goods or services in acknowledging your support.
 - 3. Avoid price information or indications of savings. For example, avoid using terms like "the best" or "great prices", etc.
- 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.

Businesses that have already sponsored ad space in the 2021 Convention Yearbook do not have to resubmit an ad.

Please just send payment based on the ad size fee selected and make sure to check the box that says

"PLEASE USE AD SUBMITTED IN THE 2021 CONVENTION YEARBOOK"

Payment Option Instructions:

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- Payment Option 3: Mail Sponsorship Display/Artwork, Sponsorship Request Form & Payment via U.S. Postal Service: 1. Fill out the contact information above. 2. Check off the desired page size. 3. Mail a copy of your sponsorship display on paper or saved on a flash drive, Sponsorship Request Form, and check made payable to Maine American Legion Convention Corporation to The American Legion, Department of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Winslow, Maine 04901-0727.
- 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 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)



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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

- The applicant must be in good standing.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 <u>full payment</u> at any time. (Any funds previously submitted on the cancelled account <u>will not</u> 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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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Signature of Member (Applicant)	Member ID#
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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.

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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