



## The American Legion Department of Maine

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Feb. 20, 2019



**What lies behind us and lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING POSTS FOR REACHING  
100%**

Bridgton Post 67    Locke Mills Post 68

### **AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION**

The American Legion Baseball Committee – Department of Maine has announced that any American Legion Post, town or high school wishing to enroll a team in American Legion Baseball in Maine during the 2019 season must do so by April 1, 2019. Anyone interested in having a team should contact State Director David Gray at [dgray\\_103@hotmail.com](mailto:dgray_103@hotmail.com) or call 778-4375.

For more information go to [www.mainelegion.org](http://www.mainelegion.org). Click on “Programs” and toggle to “baseball”. See “registration open for the 2019 American Legion Baseball season”.

The mandatory Senior Legion State Meeting will be held on April 28, 2019 at 10 a.m. American Legion Headquarters, 5 Verti Dr., Winslow, Maine. All teams must have a representative present at this meeting.

### **DISTRICT MEETINGS**

**District 3 – Androscoggin:** Mar. 17, Sabattus Post 135, 2 p.m.

**District 5 – Oxford:** Mar. 20, Norway Post 82, 7 p.m. mtg. and election of officers. Refreshments.

**District 6 – Knox:** Mar. 16, St. George Post 34, 11 a.m.

**District 7 – Lincoln:** Mar. 13, Waldoboro Post 149, 7 p.m.

**District 9 – Kennebec:** Mar. 13, Waterville Post 5, 7 p.m.

**District 11 – Waldo:** Mar. 17, Stockton Springs Post 157, 2 p.m.

**District 13 – Penobscot:** Mar. 3, Hermon Post 200, 2 p.m., refreshments served.

**District 14 – Piscataquis:** Mar. 16, Brownville Jct. Post 92, 12 p.m. lunch, 1 p.m. mtg.

**District 16 – S. Aroostook:** Mar. 2, Presque Isle Post 88, 1 p.m. Meal is at discretion of post.

## **WARNING: WARNING: WARNING: WARNING: WARNING:**

### **All Post Finance Officers & Commanders:**

We have received phone calls about an email sent to a Finance Officer of a post requesting the latest account information from that Post Commander. Also, we received an e-mail here at Headquarters.

**PLEASE do not respond to such an email without first contacting your Commander. Please advise if you have also received such an email.**

## **HONORING MAINE'S VETERANS**

Please join the Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services for a day of remembrance and celebration, as we honor Maine's Vietnam Veterans at the State House (Hall of Flags) in Augusta on March 29<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 4 p.m. Festivities will include opening remarks from Governor Janet Mills, the Adjutant General of the Maine National Guard, Major General Douglas Farnham, Acting Director David Richmond, and State Legislators and Representatives who will conduct recognition presentations of certificates and Maine Vietnam Veterans Coins.

Photographic images taken during the war by Vietnam Veterans from the Boothbay Region will be on display in the rotunda, as this event also marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the war in Vietnam in 1969. U.S. Navy Veteran Joy Asuncion (Maine's Ambassador to the Women's Memorial in Washington, D.C.) will be on site to provide registration information for female veterans and their families and to answer questions about the Honor Flight program, representatives from the VA at Togus, as well as acoustic musical entertainment by Blind Albert, one band member is a Vietnam Veteran. Light refreshments will be served.

We encourage Mainer's who would like to recognize a friend or family member killed or missing in action during the Vietnam War to submit a copy of their favorite photograph with a brief remembrance of their loved one, which will be displayed the day of the event. Mail your submissions to Maine Bureau of Veterans' Services, 117 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0117 or email an electronic version to sarah.sherman@maine.gov. Please note the cutoff date for entries is March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please only send copies of photos. Copies will not be returned and are for display purposes only.

## **FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK**

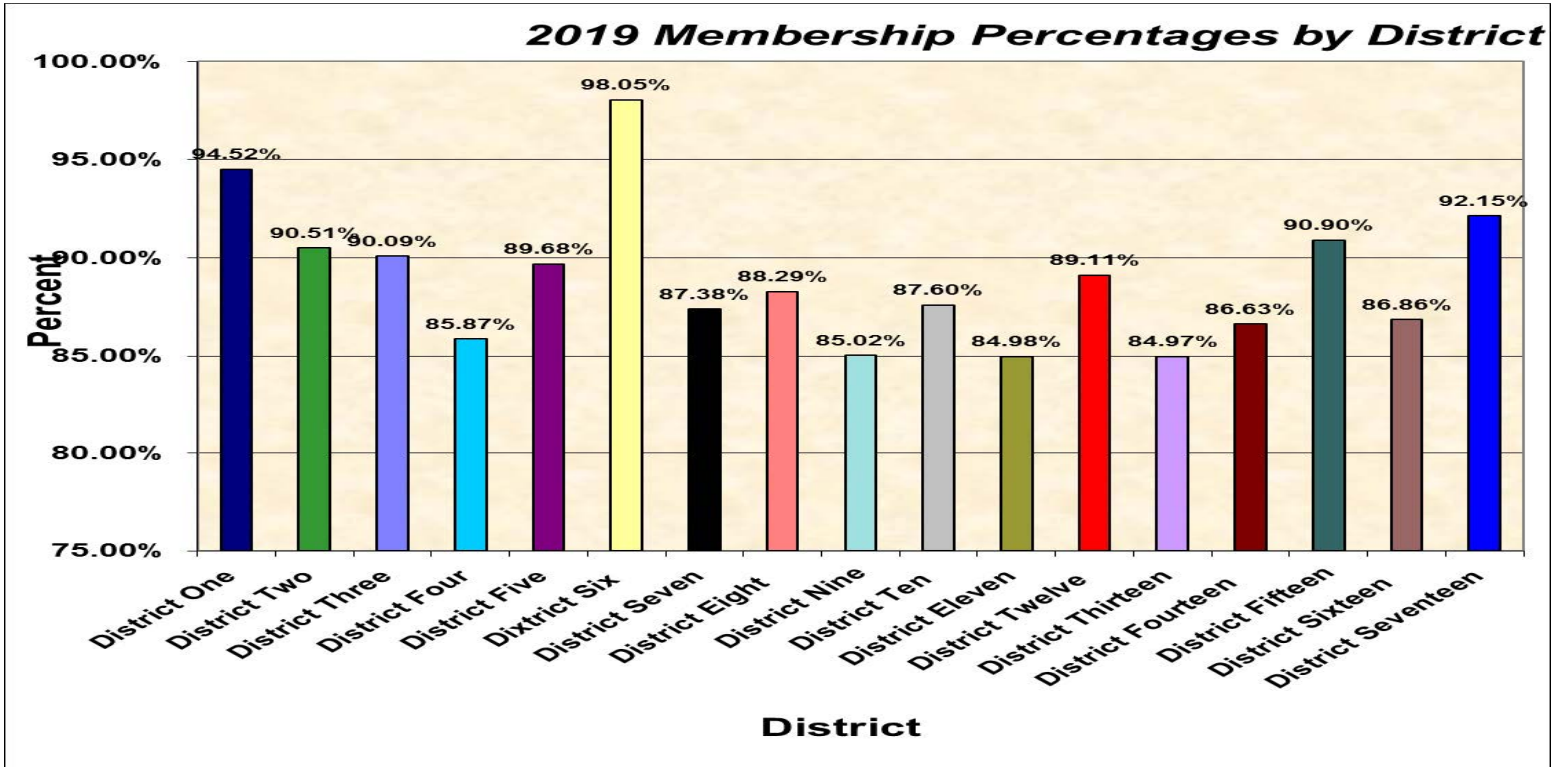
2019 Legion College Class

We are now taking names for the upcoming Legion College Class. The first classes will be held on March 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> at Department HQ beginning at 8:30. Please contact the office by email or phone if you are interested. You can email me at: paul@mainelegion.org with your name, post# and home/ cell phone # so we may contact you if there are any changes. If you should have any questions please call the office at 873-3229.

### **Boy Scout Equipment**

I have put this information in the Smile 3 times. I have received 4 phone calls from different individual Posts that are interested in the material. Here's the problem, there has been no follow up call on when to meet and go over the items. The Post that currently has the equipment is advising me that they will be hauling all items to the transfer station on March 9<sup>th</sup> if there is no one interested. If you are interested, please call me on my cell at: 754-6044

# MEMBERSHIP



There will be a future dedication where all Riders in the State of Maine will be invited to witness this event and to view the new Legion Riders sign.

## DONATIONS FOR THE BLACK MARBLE BENCH TO DATE

ALR Auburn Chapter 153	\$300 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
Megan McGillicuddy, Dixfield Post 100	\$25 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
On behalf of Robert Zuke,	\$25 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
ALR Kennebunkport Chapter 159	
Westbrook Post 62	\$200 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
ALR Naples Chapter 155	\$1,000 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
Jane E. Tannehill	\$10 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
Gray Post 86	\$100 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
ALR Dixfield Chapter 100	\$100 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project
Corinna Post 73	\$100 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project

Kenneth and Marsha Poirier, Post 79  
N. New Portland Post 173  
Wayne Brown  
Robert and Mary Lou Lee, Post 41  
NECA Randy Kluj and Janet

\$100 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project  
\$25 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project  
\$20 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project  
\$50 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project  
\$100 – POW/MIA Memorial Black Stone Project

## **MILITARY TRIVIA**

On what date was the Confederate Marine Corps established?

## **MERCHANDISE FOR SALE**

A member of Brunswick Post 20 purchased new overhead LED lights for the post, we have changed out 40 of them, they are 2x4 fluorescent lights (4 lights), we are selling them for \$20 each, if you would like to purchase them, please give us a call at 721-1172 or e-mail Joe at joemarion1974@gmail.com and pass the word and help us sell them. Joe will work with any Post to make sure they get a “good deal”.

## **RECURRING EVENTS**

### **Rockland Post 1:**

**Bingo Night:** Every Monday, 6:30 p.m.

**Potluck Supper:** Every Friday, doors open at 6 p.m.

### **Augusta Post 2:**

**Friday Night Karaoke:** Fridays, 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday Night Dance:** Saturdays, 7 p.m., \$7, live bands.

### **Gardiner Post 4:**

**Open Jukebox:** Every Wednesday, 5 – 8 p.m.

**Pool Tournament:** Saturdays at 9 a.m.

**Open Juke Box:** every Wednesday, 4 to 8 p.m.

**3 Card Challenge:** Fridays, 6 p.m.

**Cribbage Tournament:** Sundays, 1 p.m.

### **Livermore Falls Post 10:**

**Suppers:** Third Saturday each month, 4:30 – 6 p.m. \$7 adults, \$4 students under 12. For local delivery please call 897-5676. Join us for a great meal and bring your friends with you for a fun gathering.

### **Caribou Post 15:**

**Texas Hold-Em:** First and third Saturday

**Line Dancing:** Every Friday evening.

### **Sanford Post 19:**

**Meat Raffles:** Every Saturday beginning Oct. 6 thru May 4. Games begin at 1 p.m. Packages include lobster, steak, chicken, 50/50, progressive, winner take all.

### **Brunswick Post 20:**

**Veterans Free Coffee And Donuts:** Wednesday mornings, 8 – 11 a.m.

**Bath Post 21**

**Texas Hold-em Tournament:** 2nd and 4th Wednesday, \$35 buy in. Game starts at 6 p.m. Registration open at 5 p.m. Food and drinks available. FMI call 319-4684 or 522-6127

**Camden Post 30**

**Veterans Coffee and Chat:** 1st & 3rd Monday of every month, FMI call Jeff Sukeforth 691-2270.

**Winthrop Post 40:**

**Pool League Tournament:** Mondays, 7-10 p.m., \$8 buy-in. Members and guests can sign-up.

**Cribbage Tournament:** Tuesdays, 6 p.m. Food available at the bar. Members and guests can sign-up. \$5 – buy in.

**Free Pool:** Saturdays, members and guests can sign up.

**Texas Hold-Em Poker:** Every Sunday, 2 p.m. \$55 Buy-in. Dinner served at 3 p.m. \$7

**Texas Hold-Em Poker:** First Sunday of month, 2 p.m. \$100 Buy-in.

**Milo Post 41:**

**Bean Supper:** Second Saturday of the month, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

**Damariscotta Post 42:**

**Texas Hold-em Tournament:** every second Sunday and last Sunday of the month. \$35 Buy-in. Food and drinks are available.

**York Post 56:**

**Fish And Chips:** Every Friday night, 5 - 8 p.m. \$10 for haddock filet, fries, tartar sauce and coleslaw. Onion rings are \$2 extra; sweet potato fries are \$1 extra. Haddock nuggets, fries, tartar sauce, and coleslaw are \$9. Chicken tenders available for \$7.50.

**Hamburgers And Fries:** Every Wednesday (beginning Oct. 5) serving burgers from 5 – 7 p.m. \$5. At this time there are no additions or substitutions.

**Locke Mills Post 68**

**Bingo:** Every Friday night. Doors open at 4 p.m., games begin at 6 p.m. Meals & refreshments available.

**Corinna Post 73**

**Bingo:** Every Saturday night, doors open at 4 p.m., we start calling at 6 p.m. Refreshments served.

**Music Jam:** First and fourth Friday of the month, doors open at 4 p.m. and playing starts around 5:30 p.m. Bring an instrument and play or sing or both, or just listen, refreshments served. If able we ask for a \$5 donation, we give \$25 door prize and we have a 50-50 raffle all proceeds to help Veterans.

**Kennebunk Post 74**

**Pool/Cribbage:** Every Wednesday, 2 – 4 p.m. in the Legion Hall

**Norway Post 82:**

**Coffee Hour:** Every Tuesday, 9 a.m. Everything is free. Coffee, many different types of donuts, coffee cake, muffins. Any veteran is invited to come by and enjoy the company of other veterans.

**Greenville Post 94:**

**Bingo:** Every Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

**Coffee:** Monday thru Friday, 8:30 – 11 a.m.

**Dixfield Post 100:**

**Dime Bingo:** Every Monday and Friday 6 - 9 p.m. Food Available 5 - 6 p.m.

**Jamboree:** Every Saturday starting January 12<sup>th</sup>, doors open at 4:30 p.m., supper 5-6 p.m., dancing/ music 6-9 p.m.

**Newport Post 105:**

**Coffee and Homemade Muffins:** Monday mornings 7 – 11 a.m. \$1 Come read the paper, watch the news or just chat. Members & guests welcome.

**Guilford Post 119:**

**Bingo:** 1st and 3rd Sunday of month. Early Bird at 1:30 p.m., Bingo at 2 p.m. Held at Guilford Masonic Hall, 34 Hudson Ave.

**Richmond Post 132:**

**Reg. Meetings:** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.

**Bingo:** Saturdays, 6 p.m.

**Texas Hold-Em:** 3rd Friday, 6:30 p.m.

**Sabattus Post 135:**

**Dart Tournament:** Every other Monday starting Sept. 19.

**Cribbage Tournament:** Tuesday, Sabattus Post 135.

**Fridays Nights DJ:** Come dance the night away with our new DJ.

**Windham Post 148:**

**Texas Hold-Em Poker:** 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. Windham Veterans Association & Post 148 at Dena's Restaurant, next to Windham Post Office - Jct. Rtes. 115 & 302. \$60 buy in.

**Vet Drop-in Coffee:** Every Wednesday, 9 -11 a.m. at the Windham Veterans Center. Free coffee and donuts. Post is also collecting non-perishable food weekly on Wednesdays for the Portland VETCEN Homeless vet program.

**Waldoboro Post 149:**

**Bingo:** Every Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

**Naples Post 155:**

**Bingo:** Every Wednesday, Apr. 17 – Sept. 24.

**Meatroll:** Every other Friday beginning Feb. 1

**Fish Fry:** Every other Friday beginning Jan. 1.

**Breakfast:** Each Sunday 8 – 10 a.m. following the Fish Fry.

**Eagle Lake Post 176:**

**Wings Night:** Fridays, 5 – 9 p.m.

**Topsham Post 202:**

**3 Card Challenge:** Every Sunday, 3 p.m.

**Open Dart Night:** Every Monday, 6 p.m.

**Post Dinner:** Every Friday, 6 p.m.

## CURRENT EVENTS

**Women Veterans Book Group:** Feb. 1 – Mar. 8, University of Maine at Augusta, Katz Library, Room 206. Registration is free, snacks and readings provided. Call or email Amy Line to register: 621-3215/amy.line@maine.edu. For women veterans/former service members of all eras. Readings include fiction, nonfiction and poetry from a variety of perspectives.

**Valentine Day Dinner:** Feb. 14, Gardiner Post 4, 4:45 p.m.

**Bartenders Ice Fishing Derby:** Feb. 16, Maranacook Lake, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. In Memory of Lee St. Hilaire & Carlene Steele. Biggest: Togue, Brookie & Salmon, Heaviest Fish for 12 & under. Free Fishing Weekend Door Prizes - Soups Chowder, Chili's, Hotdogs - Cash Prizes. Entry Fee: \$10. Anyone can sign up. Sponsored by Winthrop Post 40.

**Valentine's Masquerade Dance:** Feb. 16, Winthrop Post 40, 8 p.m. – 12. Calypso Soldiers. \$3 Donation.

**Veterans Town Hall:** Feb. 21, Rumford Post 24, 5 p.m. Topics: Community care, VA Maine HCS updates, Suicide prevention and more. **Rescheduled from Feb. 20 due to the weather.**

**Ice Fishing Open House:** Feb. 22, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Windham Post 148, Naples Post 155 in collaboration with the Sebago Lake Anglers Association will host an open house at the "Vets on the Ice" Ice Fishing Shed on Long Lake, Naples. Anyone interested should meet at Kent's Boat Landing, Naples for transportation to the shed. Refreshments will be provided by the Sebago Lake Anglers Association. Some equipment will be available for use, or bring your own. Contact: D Tanguay 207 892-1306

**Reconnection Workshop Series:** Feb. 27, Mar. 27, Apr. 24, May 22, June 26, Togus Medical Center, Bldg. 205, Room 130, 4:30 – 6 p.m. First VA to partner with the American Red Cross. Reuniting, reconnecting, and rebuilding for military families. Skills to cope and communicate in a non-judgmental, interactive and safe environment. Two workshops: One for adults and one for children, same time. Free pizza. All Veterans welcome. Call 623-8411, ext. 3078, 2955 to sign up. Clinician working with a military family interested in participating? Email: Joleen.lilley@va.gov or Stephen.White3@va.gov. FMI about the Post 911 Transitional Care Management, call Joleen at 623-8411, ext. 3078. Brought to you by: Post 9/11 Transitional Care Management.

**2019 Veterans Creative Arts Competition at VA Maine Healthcare System:** Feb. 27, VA Theater - Building 210, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. FMI: Call Liz at 207-623-8411 ext. 5371 or Courtney at 207-623-8411 ext. 4589

**Texas Hold'em:** Mar. 9, Locke Mills Post 68, 595 Gore Rd. Doors open at 11 a.m., games begin at 1 p.m. \$50 buy-in, 50/50, pull tabs, meals and beverages available. BYOB. FMI/Ray 890-3737

**100th Anniversary Celebration American Legion, Department Of Maine:** Mar. 15, Maine State House Hall of Flags, 3 p.m. Please attend the unveiling of the Maine American Legion Bronze Plaque commemorating the 100th anniversary of the American Legion in the Hall of Flags at 3 p.m. on March 15, 2019. Any questions may be directed to Debra Couture at navycaptpomi0031@gmail.com Thank you all.

## DONATIONS

Department Second Vice Commander Debra Couture and  
Area 4 Commander Greg Couture  
Litchfield Post 181

\$100 – Commander's project  
\$150 – Special Olympics



Litchfield Post 181  
Skowhegan Post 16  
Bath Post 21  
PNC Anthony Jordan and Claudette  
Unity Post 50

\$250 – Legion Baseball  
\$50 – Maine Blind Camp  
\$50 – Maine Blind Camp  
\$125 – National Commander’s Campaign  
\$100 – Maine Blind Camp

## **KUDOS**

WW2 Veteran Iona Osnoe loved the Cabin in the Woods program at VA Hospital Togus. A Veteran since she joined the Woman's Auxiliary Corp in 1942 she was also an accomplished Legionnaire. Topsham Post 202 is honoring our Past Commander, Comrade Osnoe, by donating all of the proceeds of the 2019 Winter Classic to the Cabin in the Woods in Iona's name. It is with much love and respect that we continue in her example.

A thank you from the Department Sgt-At -Arms and Americanism Officer, to all that came and helped with the National Salute to Veterans Week.

**Answer to Military Trivia:** March 16, 1861



### **DETACHMENT OF MAINE**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO SQUADRON #155 NAPLES; 100% MEMBERSHIP!!!**

Gentlemen:

**2019 Membership Report for 16 February 2019:** We have 1,910 members for 73.18% membership. Our Target for February for 75% (1,958). We still need 48 more members to make it. We are currently 33rd in the nation and 8th in the eastern region. 16 squadrons already made 75% and seven more are 100% or better! Come on guys, we can do this! Our renewal rate is currently 62.76%

How are we doing? This time last year....

2/16/2018: 1,871 for 73.57% membership.

2/16/2019: 1,910 for 73.18% Membership.

That's 39 members more than this time last year. Renew, recruit, reinstate and *transmit often*.

**Squadrons lead the way:** The following squadrons have made or exceeded 75%: Sq. #19 Sanford, Sq. #56 York, Sq. #57 O. O. B., Sq. #158 Lisbon, Sq. #28 Farmington, Sq. #24 Rumford, Sq. #1 Rockland, Sq. #21 Bath, Sq. #202 Topsham, Sq. #4 Gardiner, Sq. #51 Oakland, Sq. #99 Bingham, Sq. #3 Calais, Sq. #15 Calais & Sq. #176 Eagle Lake. That's sixteen squadrons making our 75% target date. Great work gentlemen. Remember our next target is March 6<sup>th</sup> for 80% (2,088 members).



**100% Membership Squadron (2019):** Sq. #94 Greenville, Sq. #205 Augusta, Sq. #59 Pembroke, Sq. #153 New Auburn, SQ. #2 Augusta, Sq. #132 Richmond & Sq. #155 Naples,. The first seven members of the 100% Club.

Legion birthday is coming up! Squadrons who achieve 100% membership on or before March 17th will receive a National achievement award come convention. Remember, all squadrons achieving 100% by July 1st will get an honor ribbon to attach to the top of their squadron flag!

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My-SAL.org site offers access to membership. Sons of The American Legion squadron adjutants can now access membership information, reports and electronic membership tools online. [www.mySAL.org](http://www.mySAL.org) National Headquarters developed the website to mimic myLegion.org, which assists post, district and county officers with their membership needs. Download an authorization form at [www.mySAL.org](http://www.mySAL.org) to start the process of creating a squadron account.

**Adjutant's desk:** Went up on Thursday to Headquarters & found 1-2018 & 38-2019 memberships from nine squadrons to process. Thank you for your hard work in membership and *keep them coming, guys!* Remember, membership is *everyone's* business.

**Squadrons at Zero Membership:** The following squadrons have no membership in for 2019: Sq. #151 West Paris, Sq. #16 Skowhegan, Sq. #25 Bar Harbor & Sq. #29 Dover-Foxcroft. That's 4 squadrons with no membership. As of January first, that's a problem. Gentlemen, we need to have NO Squadrons at zero.

Always remember to mail all membership & correspondence to: *Detachment of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Suite B, Winslow, ME 04901-0727.*

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LegionCare: \$5,000.00 Accidental Death Benefit at NO COST to

You...NOW ONE AND DONE!

All dues-paying Department and Detachment members have the opportunity to enroll in LegionCare; a complimentary NO COST accidental death benefit provided to members of our Department. The Department works hard to provide the most comprehensive benefits to you, and as a Legionnaire in good standing, you are eligible for LegionCare. The Department is committed to protecting Legionnaires and their families, so they've worked with the Legionnaire Insurance Trust to arrange this benefit for you.

Anyone enrolled in LegionCare will be covered for as long as they maintain their membership in the Legion Family – The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, and Sons of The American Legion. This new “one and done” approach will save you from needing to re-enroll every 5 years. The LegionCare program will continue to cover you for \$1,000 of AD&D coverage. If the accidental loss occurs when on official Legion Family Business, LegionCare will cover you for \$5,000 of Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) coverage. \*

Although coverage is available at NO COST to you and paid for by

The American Legion, you must enroll to receive the benefit. Visit [www.theLIT.com](http://www.theLIT.com) or call toll-free at 1-800-235-6943 today to activate up to \$5,000 in protection at NO COST to you.

Don't pass up your opportunity to activate LegionCare! You are guaranteed this NO COST benefit with no health questions, no hidden qualifications ... and no reason to pass up your opportunity for this important benefit.

\*For purposes of the Legionnaire Insurance Trust, a member of The American Legion, with current year's dues paid, could be eligible for the \$5,000.00 Accidental Death benefit if he/she is traveling to, attending, or returning from an official function at which the Legionnaire represents his/her Post, District, Department, or National Organization in an official capacity.

For the "Old School" inclined, print, fill out & mail the Word form to Detachment of Maine, 5 Verti Drive, Suite B, Winslow, ME 04901-0727

Have a great week.

Bruce Pierce, Adjutant

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Best Wishes to The Legion family,

Paul L'Heureux  
Department Adjutant



## *St Patrick's Day Dinner*

**Hosted by: American Legion Post #36 and Legion Auxiliary**

**When: Saturday March 16th at 5pm**

**Where: #25 Industrial Park Road Boothbay, Maine 04537**

\*\*\*\*\* MENU: \*\*\*\*\*

New England Boiled Corn Beef or Pork Butt

Irish Soda Bread, Assorted Vegetables, Dessert, Hot + Cold Beverages

**Suggested Donation: \$10.00 for Age 13 and older, \$5.00 for 12 and under**

**Please Call # (207) 633-4487 To Reserve A Spot For You, Your Family, And Your Friends**



February 23rd & 24th The Mighty Post 202 (Topsham) is hosting our 5th annual Winter Classic Charity Softball game. This year we will donate all proceeds to the Cabin in the Woods in WWII Iona Osnoe's name. Any persons or teams that would like to play can contact the post or simply show up on the 23rd before 10am. We play in the cold so they don't have to sleep in the cold.

A blue poster for a winter softball classic. At the top right is the American Legion logo. The title 'Winter Softball Classic' is written in a mix of cursive and bold sans-serif fonts. Below the title is a quote: 'We play in the cold to help stop Veterans from living in the cold'. The dates and time are 'SATURDAY, FEB. 23 & 24 10:00AM'. The location is 'LEGION POST 202 79 FORESIDE RD. TOPSHAM, ME'. In the center is a gold trophy flanked by two baseballs. Below the trophy, it says 'Registration: min. \$200.00 donation per team' and 'Proceeds will be donated to Homeless Veterans'. A smaller line says 'Winner receives Trophy.' At the bottom, it says 'Registration starts at 9am The first game is 10am at the Topsham American Legion. 6 Innings per game to allow for all games to be played. Free Hot Cocoa and Hot Apple Cider provided.' The bottom of the poster has a red line and the text 'For more information' in red, followed by 'Contact Post 202 at 729-9870 for details' in black.

**Winter Softball Classic**

*"We play in the cold to help stop Veterans from living in the cold"*

**SATURDAY, FEB. 23 & 24 10:00AM**

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**79 FORESIDE RD. TOPSHAM, ME**

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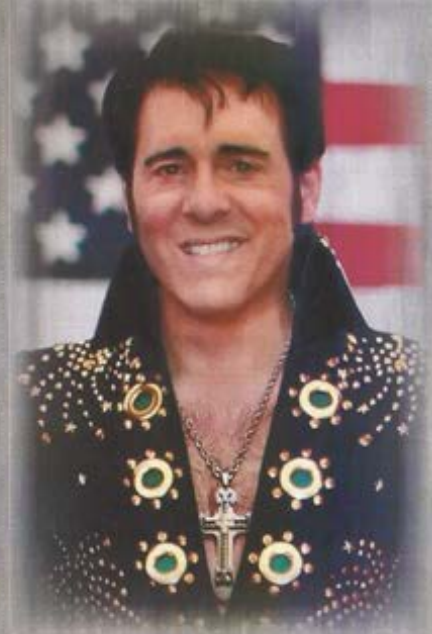
**American Legion, Post #5  
Waterville, Maine**

**FUNDRAISER**

**ELVIS  
CONCERT**

**Sunday**

**March 24, 2019**



**Show time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

**St. Bridget Center**

**864 Main Street - North Vassalboro, Maine**

**For Tickets call:**

**Craig Bailey = 313-8865**

**Pearley Lachance = 873-0358**

**Price:**

**Advance: \$15.00 ~or~ \$18:00 at the door**

Dear Fellow Directors and Friends of The American Legion, Department of Maine

We are up and running!

American Legion Department of Maine Foundation can now accept contributions from Amazon through the “Amazon Smile” program as an IRS 501 (c) (3) Charitable Organization.

It does not cost anything to sign up! When you make purchases on “Amazon Smile” (.05%) of every dollar you spend will be sent to the AL Department of Maine Foundation.

*Here is how to sign up!*

If you already have an Amazon Account, there no need to create another one.

You just log in at this link: <http://smile.amazon.com>

Here is a screen capture of the log in screen to sign in, then designate our Foundation as the charity, and start shopping.

*(You must log in through the Amazon Smile portal each time you shop for our Foundation to receive the donation, do not go in through the regular Amazon portal when you shop.)*

A screenshot of the Amazon Smile sign-in page. The page has a white background with a light gray border. At the top, it says "You shop. Amazon gives." in bold. Below that, it explains that Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to a charity. It then states that Amazon Smile is the same as Amazon. The main section is for signing in, with a label "Email (phone for mobile accounts)" above a text input field. Below that is a "Password" label and another text input field, with a link "Forgot your password?" to the right. A yellow "Sign in" button is below the password field. At the bottom, there is a checkbox for "Keep me signed in. Details" and a link "New to Amazon?" above a "Create your Amazon account" button.

When you are asked to designate your Charity, type in: American Legion Department of Maine Foundation

*You will see this confirmation on your account.*

Here is what Amazon will email you when you are signed up successfully.

“Thanks for visiting smile.amazon.com! Per your request, we have successfully changed the AmazonSmile charity you are supporting to American Legion Department of Maine Foundation.

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**You have changed your charity to American Legion Department of Maine Foundation.**

Generate donations for charity by placing orders here, at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com). [Shop now](#)

We will reach out to American Legion Department of Maine Foundation to ensure it is ready to accept donations from Amazon. [Learn more](#)

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Remember, if you want Amazon to donate to American Legion Department of Maine Foundation, you need to start each shopping session at the URL <http://smile.amazon.com>, and we will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases.

Visit Your AmazonSmile Impact to see donation information and learn more about your charity.  
AmazonSmile: You shop. Amazon gives. “

The funds come directly to “American Legion Department of Maine Foundation!”

Please help us get the word out through the Maine Legionnaire Newspaper, Facebook, Twitter and email to your friends and family.

Most of all, use it during the upcoming Christmas shopping season and throughout the year.

Can you imagine if only half of Maine’s 16,000+ Legionnaires, in addition friends of the American Legion sign up, the increased revenue we could receive to help Maine veterans in need and support our Legion programs through this program could be amazing!

We must get the word out quickly! Feel free to forward to, please, friends and family in Maine; as well all around the country!

Email the undersigned if you have any questions on how this works.

For God and Country!

Deo, Special Projects Co-Coordinator





To all Post Officers,

Attached you will find a current report on where we stand on membership. We are currently heading for the 90% mark but we need all your help. As of today we need 509 more members to attain that goal and we need them by March 12<sup>th</sup>. If every Post sent in 3 members we could make it happen. But we could also help the Department achieve another goal. As you can see there is an incentive built in as well. Our goal is to replace 2 overdue computers at your State HQ. with the potential money that we could make by reaching each goal. This would save us from spending the money out of our current budget which would also make our Finance Officer happy !!!

Please take the time to make a few phone calls or even better to visit a few members and let them know how they do make a difference in this organization that we belong to. GO TEAM GO

2019 National Awards Points Worksheet

2019: An additional \$1000 will be given to the department for meeting ALL target dates and accomplishing at least 98 percent of the department goal (Traditional only) by

DEPARTMENT	50% Sep Target	55% Oct Target	65% Nov Target	75% Dec Target	80% Jan Target	85% Feb Target	"Reconnect" Efforts	New Posts	Cum. Points	98% by May (y/n)	Award Level	Gift Level
ALABAMA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		1,000	42,500	N	3	\$375.00
ALASKA			6,500		8,500	8,500			23,500	N	1	\$100.00
ARIZONA					8,500	8,500			17,000	N		
ARKANSAS	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500			500	26,000	N	1	\$100.00
CALIFORNIA	5,000	5,500			8,500	8,500			27,500	N	1	\$100.00
COLORADO		5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		2,000	38,500	N	2	\$200.00
CONNECTICUT	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		1,000	43,500	N	3	\$375.00
DELAWARE	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500	300		42,800	N	3	\$375.00
DC		5,500					500	1,000	7,000	N		
FLORIDA					8,500	8,500		500	17,500	N		
FRANCE	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			42,500	N	3	\$375.00
GEORGIA	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500	100	1,000	26,600	N	1	\$100.00
HAWAII	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			41,500	N	3	\$375.00
IDAHO	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			41,500	N	3	\$375.00
ILLINOIS	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		2,000	43,500	N	3	\$375.00
INDIANA	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500		1,000	35,000	N	2	\$200.00
IOWA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			42,500	N	3	\$375.00
KANSAS	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			41,500	N	3	\$375.00
KENTUCKY		6,500	6,500		8,500	8,500			28,000	N	1	\$100.00
LOUISIANA		6,500	6,500		8,500	8,500		2,000	31,000	N	2	\$200.00
MAINE	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500	400	1,000	42,900	N	3	\$375.00
MARYLAND	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		1,000	42,500	N	3	\$375.00
MASSACHUSETTS	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		-500	41,000	N	3	\$375.00
MEXICO	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500	100		41,500	N	3	\$375.00
MICHIGAN	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		-500	42,500	N	3	\$375.00
MINNESOTA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			42,500	N	3	\$375.00
MISSISSIPPI										N		
MISSOURI	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		-1,500	40,000	N	3	\$375.00
MONTANA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500	600		42,100	N	3	\$375.00
NEBRASKA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		####	31,000	N	2	\$200.00
NEVADA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		-1,000	40,500	N	3	\$375.00
NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500			35,000	N	2	\$200.00
NEW JERSEY	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		500	42,000	N	3	\$375.00
NEW MEXICO						8,500		-3,500	5,000	N		
NEW YORK		5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500		-2,000	27,000	N	1	\$100.00
NORTH CAROLINA	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500			34,000	N	2	\$200.00
NORTH DAKOTA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			42,500	N	3	\$375.00
OHIO	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			42,500	N	3	\$375.00
OKLAHOMA					8,500	8,500		1,000	18,000	N		
OREGON	5,000	5,500							10,500	N		
PENNSYLVANIA	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500			34,000	N	2	\$200.00
PHILIPPINES								-2,000	-2,000	N		
PUERTO RICO										N		
RHODE ISLAND	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500			34,000	N	2	\$200.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			41,500	N	3	\$375.00
SOUTH DAKOTA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			42,500	N	3	\$375.00
TENNESSEE	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500	100	1,000	42,600	N	3	\$375.00
TEXAS										N		
UTAH	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500	4,400	1,000	47,900	N	4	\$500.00
VERMONT	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			41,500	N	3	\$375.00
VIRGINIA	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500			41,500	N	3	\$375.00
WASHINGTON		5,500			8,500	8,500		1,000	23,500	N	1	\$100.00
WEST VIRGINIA	5,000	5,500	6,500		8,500	8,500			34,000	N	2	\$200.00
WISCONSIN	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500	100		42,600	N	3	\$375.00
WYOMING	5,000	5,500	6,500	7,500	8,500	8,500		1,000	42,500	N	3	\$375.00
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