



The American Legion Department of Maine

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2019 NATIONAL CONVENTION INDIANAPOLIS, IN AUGUST 23 – AUGUST 29, 2019

HOUSING: The Department of Maine's hotel will be the Embassy Suites Indianapolis, 110 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204. <http://www.indianapolisdowntown.embassysuites.com/>

The hotel room rate is \$136.00, plus Tax Rate of 17% per room/night (subject to change) for one Bedroom King Suite or one Bedroom Double Suite. Additional Occupant in Room per Day – \$20.00 (Triple/Quad); Rollaway Rate per Day – Not available; Parking Rate per Day – Self Parking Only \$28.00.

101st National Convention Location: Indiana Convention Center & Lucas Oil Stadium, 100 S. Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46225

Find it on the map by visiting <https://www.legion.org/convention/resources>

CAMPGROUNDS/RV PARKS: For Campgrounds and RV Parks near Minneapolis, please visit: www.legion.org/convention/resources

FLIGHTS: Everyone is responsible for their own flight reservations.

SCHEDULED EVENTS:

Commission and Committee Meetings: Saturday, August 24 and Sunday, August 25.

National Historian's Luncheon: Saturday, August 24, 11:30 a.m. JW, Grand Ballroom, Section 4, Third Floor; OR ICC, Room 127, Level 1. (*Ticket Required). Please call Department Headquarters for more information.

National Chaplain's Breakfast: Sunday, August 25 – 7:00 a.m. JW, Grand Ballroom, Section 7, Third Floor; OR ICC, Wabash Ballroom, Level 2. (*Ticket Required). Please call Department Headquarters for more information.

Convention Parade: Sunday, August 25 – Maine to assemble at 4:15 p.m. – Department Busses must unload at Illinois & St. Clair Streets, east curb lane for egress. Walk two blocks east for formation. POV's – enter from Delaware Street to Fort Wayne Avenue Staging on curb lanes.

Post Parade Party hosted by the Department of Indiana: Sunday, August 25 – 2:00 p.m. – 8 p.m. at The American Legion Mall (Southwest corner).

Patriotic Memorial Service: Sunday, August 25 – ICC, Halls A & B, Level 1, 11:00 a.m.

National Commander's Banquet: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 – ICC, Halls J & K, Level 1, 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$50 per person. Each table is a round for ten (10) people.

General Sessions: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, August 27 – August 29.

Hospitality/Caucus Room: Embassy Suites Indianapolis – Room: Chancellor 1 & 2
Friday, August 23 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 24 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.

Department Caucus Information: Embassy Suites Indianapolis – Room: Chancellor 1 & 2
Sunday, August 25 from 1:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

NATIONAL CONVENTION SHIRTS: AUXILIARY

WHEELCHAIR & SCOOTER INFORMATION: For our American Legion family members that may need to rent electric scooters/wheelchairs, please visit www.legion.org/convention/resources

TENTATIVE EVENTS FOR ENJOYMENT:

Saturday, August 24, 2019: With the Indianapolis Indians Minor League Baseball being in town, American Legion family Night at Victory Field will be held Saturday, August 24 at 7:05 p.m. where the National Commander will throw out the first pitch. Please visit <https://groupmatics.events/event/Americanlegion7/promote> to order your tickets.

For more events for enjoyment, please visit www.legion.org/convention/resources

Tour Opportunities: Please visit www.legion.org/convention/resources

For more Information on the Convention, please visit www.legion.org/convention/resources

Download the National Convention Mobile App with the most up-to-date schedule, floor agenda and more:
www.legion.org/mobileapps

STUDENT VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Calling all American Legion student members: If you'd like to join the American Legion "Student Veterans Advisory Committee," you can contact: Alley Smith-Morrissey (the Chair) at alley.smithmorrissey@maine.edu or 207-228-8534 to join the new committee.

FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK

DISTRICT OFFICER FORMS NEEDED ASAP!! District 10.

FALL CONFERENCE

September 20-22, 2019

Hotel:

Fireside Inn, 1777 Washington St., Auburn (just off the Maine Turnpike, Exit 75). 777-1777. Group rate for single or double: \$98.00 + tax = \$106.82 per night. Ask for The American Legion rate.

EVERYONE IS INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND FILL A CAR AND COME FOR THE DAY

Friday evening, September 20 – Socializing at Gray Post 86

Saturday, September 21

8:00 – Auxiliary Registration, \$5.00 per person

Gray American Legion Post 86

9:00 a.m. Auxiliary Conference opens

LEGION CONFERENCE – The Legion will be meeting at the First Congregational Church of Gray, 11 Yarmouth Rd., Gray (directly behind McDonald's), and only .6 miles from Gray Post 86.

SAL – Fireside Inn, 1777 Washington St., Auburn (just off the Maine Turnpike, Exit 75)

Saturday evening, September 21 – Socializing at Gray Post 86

Be prepared for fun and laughter

Sunday, September 22

9 a.m. – Auxiliary DEC meeting, Gray Post 86. Dress is Auxiliary branded.

Legion DEC Meeting – Gray Post 86

2019 AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY FALL CONFERENCE MEAL RESERVATIONS

Gray Unit 86 will be providing lunch and a barbecue on Saturday evening. Be prepared to walk away full, their menu never mentions everything they'll feed us.

SATURDAY LUNCH:

(Legionnaires will be breaking for lunch to go to the Gray Post).

Chop Suey, Chicken Vegetable Soup (gluten free), Salad, Italian bread & Dessert.

SATURDAY EVENING:

HORS D'OEUVRES: Veggie Platter, Cheese, Pepperoni & Crackers.

DINNER: BBQ (Burgers, Dogs, Chicken (gluten free), Potato and Pasta Salads, Cole Slaw, Beans, & Dessert.

NAME: _____

LUNCH \$6 per person _____ **(# of meals)**

DINNER \$12 per person _____ **(# of meals)**

Make check payable to: ALA Unit 86 and mail to ALA Unit 86, Attn: Nancy True, P.O. Box 428, Gray, ME 04039

DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 14, 2019

VETERANS FINANCIAL AID

The Department of Maine has received a grant of \$112,500 to assist Veterans in need. The form may be found on our website @ www.mainelegion.org. We have currently assisted over 35 veterans in the last 6 weeks. This is an opportunity for 176 Posts in Maine to send a message: "that it's not what we have done it's what we do" This is an opportunity to help veterans in your community NOW. Remember, this is for all Legion Posts in Maine to make a difference in your community.

Any questions please call 207-873-3229 Ext-3 and talk to Eileen or Paul. Remember to leave a message as we are constantly on the phone assisting others.

MILITARY TRIVIA: Submitted by Dwayne Hatfield, Mars Hill Post 118
What was the single worst peacetime air accident, the US Army ever experienced?

DISTRICT MEETINGS

September meetings

District 11 – Waldo: Sept. 15, Brooks Post 183, 2 p.m.

District 13 – Penobscot: Sept. 8, Carmel Post 107 meet at Carmel Grange Hall, 2 p.m. Refreshments served

DISTRICT 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16 AND 17, PLEASE SEND IN YOUR DISTRICT CALENDARS ASAP. THANKS.

MEMBERSHIP

There will be no membership report attached this week.

LEGION RIDERS SUMMER RALLY-2019

August 17

Bridgton

Noble House Inn	<u>81 Highland Road</u>	<u>Bridgton, Me 04009</u>	207-647-3733
Pleasant View Too, B&B	<u>118 Sam Ingalls Road</u>	<u>Bridgton, Me 04009</u>	207-647-9578
Tarry-A-While Resort	<u>17 Tarry-A-While Road</u>	<u>Bridgton, ME 04009</u>	207-647-2522
Grady's West Shore Motel	<u>177 N. High Street</u>	<u>Bridgton, ME 04009</u>	207-803-2046
Highland Lake Resort	<u>115 N. High Street</u>	<u>Bridgton, ME 04009</u>	207-647-5301
Nawandyn Estate	<u>96 Nawandyn Drive</u>	<u>Bridgton ME 04009</u>	207-687-4080
Bridgton House	<u>6 Main Street</u>	<u>Bridgton, ME 04009</u>	866-779-3335

Campgrounds

Just Easy Camping / Bridgton Marina

	<u>3 Obelazy Lane</u>	<u>Bridgton, ME 04009</u>	207-647-2931
Lakeside Pines Campground	<u>54 Lakeside Pines Road</u>	<u>Bridgton, ME 04009</u>	207-647-3935

Harrison

Greenwood Manor Inn	<u>52 Tolman Road</u>	<u>Harrison, ME 04040</u>	207-583-4445
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Naples

Augustus Bove House	<u>11 Sebago Road</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-583-4404
Lakeview Inn	<u>15 Lakehouse Road</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-693-9099
Fern Hill Farm B & B	<u>150 Wiley Road</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-693-4320
Romah Motor Inn	<u>310 Roosevelt Trail</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-693-6690

Campgrounds

Bayview Cabins	<u>750 Roosevelt Trail</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-693-6831
Colonial Mast Campground	<u>1 Colonial Mast Road</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-693-6652
Four Seasons Camping Area	<u>1741 Roosevelt Trail</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-693-6797
Naples KOA Campground	<u>295 Sebago Road</u>	<u>Naples, ME 04055</u>	207-693-5267

Waterford

Bear Mountain Inn	<u>364 Waterford Road</u>	<u>Waterford, ME 04088</u>	207-693-6365
The Waterford Inn	<u>258 Chadbourne Road</u>	<u>Waterford, ME 04088</u>	207-583-4037

Fryeburg

Oxford House Inn & Rest.	<u>548 Main Street</u>	<u>Fryeburg, ME 04037</u>	<u>207-935-3442</u>
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Poland

Wolf Cove Inn	5 Jordan Pond Dr.	Poland, ME 04274	207-998-4976
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Itinerary for the Rally

Important Information

Directions to the Community Center - Go to downtown and you will see Reny's, make a left on Depot Street. Community Center will be on your right. 15 Depot Street.

Smoking area will be anywhere but in the Community Center and under the tent.

Point of Contact is Don Mulcahy 207-890-8874

Rally

Friday, Aug 16th:

4:00 to 6:00: We will be serving hot dogs and hamburgers at the Community Center, 15 Depot St., Bridgton ME. The Community Center will be open for socializing. Directly across the street is the "Tap House" Tavern.

Sat., Aug 17th:

8:00: Ride Registration. This is mandatory if participating in the ride today! (checking registrations, insurance, inspections, driver's licenses, and sign a waiver).

8:00 to 10:00 am: There will be an all you can eat Pancake/Sausage breakfast, \$5.00 pp at 15 Depot St. This event will also be open to the public.

10:00-10:15: Blessing of the Bikes at the Community Center at 15 Depot St. and a safety meeting before starting the ride.

10:15: Kick stands up. **Please be fueled up prior to the ride**

10:15 (approximately): The ride will leave Depot St. and head to Evans Notch in the White Mountain National Forest. Approximately 85 miles total. This is an extremely picturesque ride on very rural paved country roads. In the heart of Evans Notch the group will stop at the basin for a light lunch and water break. Public restrooms will be available. Lunch and water is free, donations gratefully accepted. The ride will continue and return to Depot St. at approximately 1:30. There will be a chase vehicle available.

Anyone arriving after the ride has started, there is nothing going on until the meeting at 2 pm.

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm: Annual Meeting

4:00: Supper will be serve. All you can eat, Spaghetti/sausage/meatballs/salad/Italian bread/desserts, \$8.00 pp.

The meeting tent and the Community Center will be open till 8:00 for those who just want socialize. Don't forget the Tap House across the street.

PLEASE NO ALCOHOL IS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER OR GROUNDS!



Depot St to Depot St - Directions

DeLorme Street Atlas USA® 2013

	Dist	Turn		Road	Exit	Total Time	Total Dist
①		Start	at	Depot St		00:00:00	0.00 mi
		Go straight (NW)	on	Depot St		00:00:00	0.00 mi
②	in 0.09 mi	Turn left (WSW)	on to	US 302 (Main St)		00:00:21	0.09 mi
	in 15.36 mi	Stop	at	US 302		00:16:34	15.45 mi
		Go straight (SW)	on	US 302 (SR 113 Main St)		00:16:34	15.45 mi
	in 0.01 mi	Turn right (NW)	on to	SR 113 (River St)		00:16:34	15.46 mi
	in 0.87 mi	Go straight (N)	on to	SR 113 (Green Hill Rd) ME State Border		00:18:24	16.33 mi
	in 18.48 mi	Turn left (NNW)	on to	<unnamed>		00:49:37	34.80 mi
	in 0.07 mi	Keep left (WNW)	on to	Basin Rd		00:49:46	34.87 mi
③	in 0.38 mi	Stop	at	Stop		00:50:40	35.25 mi
		Go straight (ESE)	on	Basin Rd		00:50:40	35.25 mi
	in 0.38 mi	Keep right (SSE)	on to	<unnamed>		00:51:34	35.63 mi
	in 0.07 mi	Turn left (ENE)	on to	SR 113 (Evans Notch Rd)		00:51:43	35.70 mi
	in 0.07 mi	Keep right (N)	on to	SR 113 (Evans Notch Rd) NH/ME State Border		00:51:49	35.77 mi
	in 10.68 mi	Keep right (E)	on to	US 2		01:09:51	46.44 mi
	in 9.75 mi	Turn right (SSE)	on to	SR 5 (SR 35 Lovers Ln)		01:17:57	56.19 mi
④	in 0.03 mi	Stop	at	SR 5		01:17:59	56.22 mi
		Go straight (S)	on	SR 5 (SR 35 Lovers Ln)		01:17:59	56.22 mi
	in 12.67 mi	Go straight (SE)	on to	SR 35 (Valley Rd)		01:39:23	68.88 mi
	in 5.60 mi	Go straight (S)	on to	SR 35 (SR 37 Waterford Rd)		01:48:50	74.48 mi
	in 2.63 mi	Keep right (S)	on to	SR 37		01:53:16	77.12 mi
	in 3.62 mi	Go straight (S)	on to	SR 117 (Bridgton Rd)		01:59:23	80.74 mi
	in 2.97 mi	Turn right (W)	on to	US 302 (Main St)		02:03:53	83.70 mi
	in 0.05 mi	Turn left (SW)	on to	Depot St		02:04:00	83.76 mi
⑤	in 0.11 mi	Finish	at	Depot St		02:04:27	83.87 mi

Total Time: 02:04:27 Total Distance: 83.87 mi

Time to Basin Rd (Rest Stop)	51 min.	35.25 miles
Lunch	30 min	
Basin Rd to Bridgton	73 min	49 Miles
Totals	2 Hr. 34 min	84.25 miles

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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 and Pizza \$4, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday Night Dance: Saturdays, 7 p.m., \$8, live bands.

Gardiner Post 4:

Pool Tournament: Saturdays at 9 a.m.

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

Scat: Every Monday, 5:30 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.

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.

Pancake Breakfast: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Blueberry & plain pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, coffee, juice for \$8 per person. FMI call Jeff 691-2270.

Thomaston Post 37:

Bean Supper: Third Saturday of each month, 5 – 7 p.m. Go to Facebook Williams-Brazier Post 37 FMI.

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.

Scat 31 Tournament: Every Monday, 6:30 p.m., Members and guests can sign up. Contact Christine 399-9433.

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.

Houlton Post 47:

Texas Hold-em: Every second and fourth Saturday, \$30 buy-in. Call for cancellation due to weather 532-9046

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.

Cheeseburgers and Fries: Every Wednesday, 5 – 7 p.m. \$5. (Burgers provided by Seacoast Brothers Butcher Shop)

Pembroke Post 59:

Bingo: Every Monday night doors open at 5 p.m., bingo starts at 6:30 p.m.

Baked Bean Supper: Second Saturday of the month 5 - 6:30 p.m.

Bridgton Post 67:

Pancake Breakfast: First Saturday of each month at Bridgton Community Center, 15 Depot St, 8 - 10 a.m. Suggested donation is \$5

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 12th, 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.

Mars Hill Post 118:

Bingo: Saturday nights, 7 p.m. starting Apr. 6

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.

Alfred Post 134:

Country-Western Jams: 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month (except July), noon to 3:30 p.m. Donations welcome, food and drink available.

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

Annual VA Bangor Picnic: Aug. 9, Bangor CBOC Lawn, 35 State Hospital Dr., Bangor, 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, coleslaw, chips, drinks, and variety of desserts. Music and Health Fair! If you need My HealtheVet assistance, MHV Coordinator Mike L'Abbe will be there.

Texas Hold'em: Aug. 10, Locke Mills Post 68, 595 Gore Rd. Doors open 11 a.m., games begin at 1 p.m. \$50 buy-in, high hand option, pull tabs, 50/50, meals & beverages available. BYOB. Air conditioned. FMI/ Ray-890-3737.

Breakfast: Aug. 10, Palermo Post 163, 7 – 8:30 a.m. Open to members and guests.

Chicken BBQ: Aug. 10, at Palermo Days Events. Open to members and guests.

Lobster Supper: Aug. 17, Palermo Post 163, tickets will be limited and sold by Legion members before the supper. Open to members and guests.

Maine's Hire a Vet Campaign 2019: Aug. 29, Augusta Civic Center, 76 Community Dr., 11 a.m. kickoff. Posting of colors, guest speaker TBD. Hiring Fair 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Open to the public, all job seekers encouraged to attend. Expecting over 150 employers statewide. Learn about jobs and resources available to job seekers. Bring your resume and dress for success. FMI, please contact Steven Roy, Campaign Coordinator at MaineHireAVet.DOL@maine.gov. TTY users call Maine Relay 711. The Maine Dept. of Labor provides equal opportunity in employment and programs. Auxiliary aids and services are available to people with disabilities upon request. Veterans and eligible spouses are given priority of service for the receipt of employment, training and placement services provided under most Maine Dept. of Labor-funded programs.

LETTERS

To The American Legion Department of Maine Children and Youth Scholarship Committee,

I would like to thank you for the scholarship award you provided me for the 2019-2020 academic year. This allows me to have many more opportunities in my secondary education in which I greatly appreciate it. I hope to use this scholarship in the best possible way and give back to the community in which they gave to me. Thank you very much.

Sincerely

Emily Vraux

Answer to Military Trivia: At Gander, NFLD, on Dec. 12, 1985, 248 soldiers of the 101st Airborne were en-route back to Fort Campbell, KY from an Egyptian deployment, when icing on the heavily loaded DC-8 brought it down with no survivors.



DETACHMENT OF MAINE

Congratulations, Squadron #40 Winthrop: 100% Membership!

Membership Report for 2 August 2019: We have 2,587 members for 98.28% membership. We are still 30 members shy of being a 100% Detachment. *Squadron Membership Teams: go over that roster again. Give those unpaid guys a call or a visit. State officers: Call up those squadrons that haven't made the 100% Club, yet. Give them some help. Guys, this must be a team effort!!!*

Come on guys! 30 more to make Maine S. A. L. 100% Membership! Our National Convention starts August 23rd! Your pride is on the line!

We are currently 39th in the nation and 10th in the Eastern region. Those numbers aren't pretty, but know this. Those 37 renewals stand between us and the top four in the East and the top 20 in the nation. We can turn this around. Our renewal rate is 87.26%

100% Membership Squadrons: Sq. #94 Greenville, Sq. #205 Augusta, Sq. #59 Pembroke, Sq. #153 New Auburn, Sq. #2 Augusta, Sq. #132 Richmond, Sq. #155 Naples, Sq. #4 Gardiner, Sq. #29 Dover-Foxcroft, Sq. #24 Rumford, Sq. #39 Madison, Sq. #135 Sabattus, Sq. #65 Lubec, Sq. #1 Rockland, Sq. #51 Oakland, Sq. #86 Gray, Sq. 197 Westbrook, Sq. #176 Eagle Lake, Sq. #151 West Paris, Sq. #17 Portland, Sq. #9 Machias, Sq. #21 Bath, Sq. #197 Westbrook, Sq. #43 Belfast, Sq. #14 Fairfield, Sq. #80 Millinocket & Sq. #40 Winthrop. There are twenty seven squadrons in the 100% Club. Please note the squadrons highlighted in yellow. They have surpassed 105% our final target date of July 17th and our Delegate strength at National Convention.

There is a bunch of squadrons that are just two or three or five or six guys short of 100% membership. Come on! Call them up! Talk to them! National is coming up!

Adjutant's desk: Went up today and found 7-2019's to process. Already getting 2020's but let's get 2019 D-O-N-E! We still have a lot of Squadrons who still have not turned in an Officers report or a Consolidated report either. I'll be sending out a list of those squadrons who owe paperwork.

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

NEWS

Special Olympics Beach Games and Toll Booth! Where? Old Orchard Beach! When? August 16th, 17th & 18th. (long week end!) We need volunteers to do the toll booth for just one shift. Saturday, 8/17 from 4:00 to 6:30 P.M. This is a big fund raiser for Special Olympics and we need a little help. If you're willing, call me at 754-4019 and I'll set you up with a free parking pass.

Thank you.

Bruce Pierce, Adjutant

Comrades,

Membership is everyone's job, not just a few guys who get on the phone! We need thirty more to get 100%. The Squadrons to whom I have called and don't answer the phone or call back, don't worry, I will keep calling back.

Last Sunday I attended at Post 35 South Portland the Remembrance Ceremony for Legionnaire Paul Neal. He will be missed.

After, I went to Portland Post 161 looking for membership and spoke to the SAL Commander who promised to get some in. Visited with some members and had a nice time.

Seems some folks I have spoken to are having a struggle with paperwork -- Call us, we are here to help. It is important that we get our dues to National ASAP!!! To stand proud with the State of Maine. Show our support to our Veterans and their programs. I am asking, please, take the few minutes needed and get your dues up to Adjutant Bruce Pierce at Headquarters ASAP!

This is the 100th year anniversary of The American Legion. It was their sacrifice that gives us our many freedoms now. What a way to show your support.

Always willing to serve,

Ron Marr, Detachment Commander, ronaldmarr.rm@gmail.com 1779 Hotel Rd Auburn, ME 04210
207-701-9675

Best Wishes to The Legion family,

Paul L'Heureux
Department Adjutant

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Ride for Camp Tall Pines

Sunday, August 11, 2019



Be at William J. Rogers Post 153

71 South Main Street, Auburn

Registration; 9:00 to 9:45 AM

Donations: \$20 per person.

Kickstands up at 10:00 AM

Ride by Lakes and ponds to Camp Tall Pines for light refreshments. Brief tours of camp & program available.



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Fees:

Ride for 1 day - \$25.00 per
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Ride for 2 days - \$40.00
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**George T Files
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Post 20
1 Columbus Dr
Brunswick**

**Spaghetti &
Meatballs, Salad
& Desserts
Saturday, 8/24
6pm**



**Cost.... \$10 adults
\$7 children**

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**Maine Legion Day at Hadlock Field
Sunday, August 11th, 2019 at 1:00 PM**

The Portland Sea Dogs are proud to welcome the American Legion Department of Maine to our Sunday, August 11th game against the Akron Rubberducks, AA affiliate of the Cleveland Indians. The game is scheduled for a 1:00 PM start time and the gates open at 11:30 AM. Through this ticket link, the Legion has also established a fundraiser with the Sea Dogs. \$3.00 from each ticket purchased will be donated to the Maine Legion to help them fund their many charitable projects.

This is also the Sea Dogs Military Appreciation Game, and any Legion members that are at the ballpark by 12:00 noon will be invited onto the field for a recognition ceremony behind home plate (we will need a group of at least 20).

To sign up please visit <https://seadogs.formstack.com/forms/mainelegion> or email Alan Barker at Abarker@seadogs.com or call 207-879-9500 and ask for Alan.