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2024 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

The 105th Department Convention for The American Legion Department of Ohio was held at the Holiday Inn Cleveland South in Independence, Ohio from July 12th to July 14th, 2024. Legionnaires from around the state gathered to handle official business of The American Legion Department of Ohio. This year's Convention featured Platinum level sponsor Arrow International, Inc. as well as Gold sponsor, Aurify and Silver level sponsor, Grover Gaming. Optavise, Wellcare, Advocate Health Advisors, and Humana comprised of our Bronze level sponsors and Vendor contributors; Save A Warrior, Veteran Companion Animal Services, Legionnaire Insurance Trust, Sons of the American Legion Ohio Detachment, and Department of Ohio Charities, Inc. were represented. A sincere thank you to all our sponsors and vendors, without your support this year's Convention would not be as successful.

entourages. Legionnaire Insurance Trust representative, Mike Ayers spoke next, outlining LIT's important benefits and programs that benefit our membership body. Next Americanism Programs video greetings were given by Gavin Coffman, Buckeye Boys State Governor; Katherine Toepfer, Department Oratorical Contest Winner and National Oratorical Contest participant; as well as Josalin Morris, Americanism & Government Trip participant. These bright youth leaders certainly give hope for the future of our great country. Rounding out Friday's joint session was the introduction of high office candidates.

awards - congratulations to all for your notable achievements! Next, Convention Committee and Officer reports were presented, and Saturday's session closed with the ratification of newly elected District leadership.



Kettering Post 598 Color Guard proudly posts the colors during Fridays opening session

Friday's General Assembly opening session was kicked off with the Color Guard from Kettering Post 598, who posted the colors of our Nation. Next were poignant speeches from attending distinguished guests. First up was James Trakas, Councilman of the City of Independence, giving welcoming remarks and delivering the convention proclamation. Following Mr. Trakas was The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Ohio former President Jane Ridenour and newly elected Sons of The American Legion Detachment Commander Tim Conway, bringing greetings and introducing their attending officer



National Commander, James LaCoursiere addressed the Convention body with a riveting speech on the care and consideration of every veteran

Continuing on to Saturday's session, all Past Department Commanders stood to be recognized. A remarkable distinguished guest speech from leading candidate for National Commander, James LaCoursiere, was enjoyed by everyone in attendance. Mr. LaCoursiere detailed his personal struggles and experiences and the importance of the *Be The One* program that he'll continue as his mission platform. Following this, former Department Commander, Jason Rue gave his Commander's project report from the past year for Stockhands Horses for Healing and gave the floor to Tim Funk, co-founder of the program who was extremely appreciative of the financial donation and outlined how this money will continue to improve the lives of veterans. Next up were the various Membership, Convention, Gifts for Yanks, Of the Year, and Buckeye American Legion College



Jason Rue presents his Commander's project donation to Stockhands Horses for Healing program co-founder, Tim Funk

The final Assembly session on Sunday kicked off with a moving final report from past commander Rue. He emphasized all to get involved with the grassroots Legion legislation and thanked everyone for a remarkable year. Next, Credentials Committee Chair, Mel Baher gave the final Convention delegation strength report, which transitioned to the Nominations and Elections of Department officers for this upcoming year. After some inspirational demonstrations by all candidates, and a few lengthy Post delegation floor votes, the 2024-2025 Department officers inducted were Arnold Whatley for Department Commander, Stan Oren for Department 1st Vice Commander, Gary Cox Jr. for Department 2nd Vice Commander, Holly Lewis for Department Treasurer, Ronald Chapman for NECman, and Bob Schmitt for Alternate NECman. After this great display of Ohio Legion democracy, the installation and swearing in of officers was recited by Past Department Commander Robert Steele. The General Assembly session was closed with membership recruiter card and Charities sweepstakes drawings – congratulations to all winners.

Other Convention highlights include Sun-

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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER



Arnold Whately
Department Commander

Legionnaires, as we embark into a new membership year 2024-2025, I would like to thank

you for allowing me to serve as your Commander of the American Legion Department of Ohio. Secondly, I am excited and looking forward to meeting and working with the newly elected Department officers, District officers, and Department staff. I wish you all a successful year, the Department officers, staff, and I will be there to assist you when needed. As we enter into this year, new challenges are put before the Ohio American

Legion and its members; 1) At Department Convention held in Independence, Ohio on July 12th – 14th, 2024, where its convention body rejected a membership dues increase for the upcoming year, 2) We must concentrate our effort to deplete the 888 member listing at the Post level to increase brick & mortar Post membership, retain current members, and recruit new members, 3) We must also challenge ourselves to streamline our financial ob-

ligations - reports and spending transparency is key, to which these efforts have already begun. Again, the Department officers, staff, and Executive Committee look forward to working with all Legionnaires across this buckeye state.

“TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE ANYTHING”

-Arnold Whately,
Department Commander



1ST VICE COMMANDER



Stan Oren
1st Vice Commander

I want to thank all of you for your support in electing me as your Department 1st Vice Commander at the Department of Ohio American Legion Convention in Independence, Ohio. The resolution to increase Department dues did not pass. To maintain or increase current membership revenue, I am calling on each of you to reach out

to members to renew their 2025 membership and recruit new members for your Post.

We need to share our Legion history; how we set up the VA, how we were the architect behind the G.I. Bill, how we more recently helped get the PACT Act passed as well as other legislation to help veterans. I don't think these non-Legion veterans know who did all this for them. We need to let our young veterans and active military know that our voice in Congress made these things happen. We need them to understand that in order to keep their benefits, they need to be members of the American Legion so that we can protect their rights. If we have lower membership numbers, Congress

has less of a tendency to listen to us and care about us.

We need to establish a liaison between our National Guard and our American Legion. We could set up a meal or take cookies to them and build up that important relationship. This has happened in the Ninth District. They were able to sign up 42 new members. If you have a National Guard unit in your area, reach out to them. Offer an incentive like a free membership if they are active military. I am open to all suggestions to build membership to help us grow. Growth is what we need.

I had the privilege of attending the Junior American Legion Baseball Tournament hosted by Post 11 in Lancaster. A special

thank you to all the baseball commissioners, referees, coaches, and players for some exciting baseball. Congratulations to the winning team from Lancaster.

I was also honored to attend 4th District Harrison Post 199 Mortgage Burning Party. It's exciting to hear all the good things happening at their Post.

I look forward to attending the National Convention in New Orleans at the end of August. I hope to see many of you there. I am here to help you with membership questions or problems. Feel free to contact me at 1stVice@ohiolegion.com.

“For God and Country”
-Stan Oren,
Dept. 1st Vice Commander



2ND VICE COMMANDER



Gary Cox Jr.
2nd Vice Commander

Hello my fellow Legionnaires,
My name is Gary Cox Jr., I was elected to the high office of 2nd

Vice Commander and as such, I look forward to all your upcoming events that you have in your Posts, Districts and of course the events the Department has planned for the next year. If you have any events upcoming, please submit that information to the Department and include specifically if you would like to have attendance or better yet participation by the Department officers.

If you are into shooting, I

would like to invite you to the upcoming the September 8th, trap shoot at the gorgeous Cardinal Shooting Center in beautiful Marengo, Ohio hosted by E.B. Rinehart Post 754 Johnsville.

If you want another great outdoor extravaganza, come out on September 14-15th to Beverly, Ohio to participate in the Department Golf Tournament at the Lakeside Golf Course, hosted by Russell Chadwick Post 389 Beverly. Come grab some sun

and throw back a few cold ones on this beautiful golf course.

Mark your calendars and continue to visit the Department website at <https://www.ohiolegion.com/post-activities/> for more information and flyers as they become available.

BE THE ONE

Very Respectfully,
-Gary Cox Jr.
Department of Ohio 2nd Vice Commander



DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN



Ron Distel
Department Chaplain

Greetings Comrades,

“WE” have a new Ohio Commander along with new leaders, all with new ideas. Another great year looms ahead. “WE” all know that God works in a strange way sometimes. Commander Whatley has requested that I remain your Department Chaplain for the coming year. I am honored and proud to do so. Let us all remember why “WE” are here - to help and care for each other. If

anyone in your Districts should need a bit of comfort during difficult times, let me know; I will forward a message of Faith and Caring on be-half of The Department of Ohio. You can send me the needed information and I will respond as soon as possible. Please send information to my E-mail address: crosswindacre@aol.com

As “WE” move forward con-

gratulations to everyone that was elected to office for this coming year, and to those that came up a little short of success - remember how valuable you are to “US” - Don’t give up. Keep your family close, your friends by your side, and GOD in your heart.

GOD BLESS and TAKE CARE
Respectfully,
-Ron Distel,
Department of Ohio Chaplain



NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN



Ron Chapman
National Executive Committeeman

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Legionnaires of the Department of Ohio for their support through the years. Thank you for allowing me to represent you as your National Executive Committeeman for the next two years. I will do my best to present Ohio’s best interests to the fellow members of the National Executive Committee.

I enjoyed seeing many of you at the National Convention in New Orleans. We are coming off a year where membership seemed to be a struggle for most of our Districts in Ohio. Ohio lost 5% of its membership in 2024. Let’s get behind Commander Whatley and bring that membership back home. As we move forward let’s try to be positive and help

our officers achieve their goals. Remember “Be the One” and be active with your Buddy Checks. That will once again be our incoming National Commanders’ challenge to the American Legion Family.

Respectfully,
-Ron Chapman,
National Executive Committee



DEPARTMENT HISTORIAN



Al Beyer
Department Historian

Howzit?

A national museum where veterans, not war, come first, if you haven’t heard about the *National Veterans Memorial Museum*? For those who need reminded on why they become a member of the American Legion or perhaps you just want to see something new or show your family a great inside look of what it’s like to have been in the military, this is the place to visit. It was first established on October 27, 2018, and is located at 300 W. Broad Street Columbus, Ohio. I had

been to the museum before, but at the request of past Commander Jason Rue, I made an appointment for my wife, Dayna and I to get a personal tour. Tammy Brown, Marketing & Communications Director, showed us around the 55,000 square foot building. The spiral nature of the memorial and museum’s layout lends to a progression of storytelling - where you can learn more about individual veterans, like Columbus’ own John Glenn, who was a catalyst for the creation of the memorial before his death in 2016. Moving through the exhibits there are 14 thematic alcoves and a linear timeline with artifacts and images. Each exhibit highlights key themes and moments in veterans’ journeys and incorporates personal stories, past and present, to share a wide range of challenges, sacrifices, and achievements. One area of the space is a circular cat-

walk with an enormous four-sided screen that shares in-depth reflections on service from veterans. The top floor offers a reflective space, with a powerful double-mirrored remembrance gallery that puts you in the place of a military family member receiving a flag at the service of a fallen service member. The lower level has space for rotating exhibitions. That evening of our tour the exhibit being shown was *Lost Man Blues: Jon Schueler – Art & War*. Schueler was a World War II B-17 Navigator in the US Army Air Corps. “His memories of the skies during combat and his undiagnosed PTSD haunted him and continually found expression in his post-war work.” Get the schedule of the special exhibits like Schueler’s at <https://nationalvmm.org/events-programs/exhibitions>. It was a pleasure to meet Acting President, William J. Butler, Colonel US

Army (Retired); Museum Director, as well as Andy Cloyd, Associate Director of Advancement; Mark Cooper and his son; and Education and Outreach Manager, Mason Farr. The museum also assisted us with our renewal of our NVMM membership. We worked with Membership Coordinator, Maureen Mason, who straightened out any questions regarding membership and the issues we were having in renewing. I highly recommend Legionnaires and their families to consider an annual membership as the museum holds a great deal of history of our veterans. Please consider contacting Maureen with your questions on membership, or for a tour contact Tammy Brown. Hours of operation are: Wednesday thru Sunday - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Veteran Gold Star Families and Active-Duty Military get in for free. Their contact information is (888) 987-

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6866 or <https://www.nation-alm.org/>. The average time spent touring is 3 hrs.

The act of contacting a veteran to save a life is not a new thing for the members of Post 162 in Marion, Ohio.



Post 162 Commander, Jim Cornely, and "Be The One"

Thank you to Past Department Commander, Jason Rue for this 2023-2024 appointment and a great year. And a big congratulations to Commander AJ Whately, good luck in your endeavors!

Thank you to Bob White, my assistant for his help this past year. And my lovely wife, Dayna, Auxiliary Department Historian for her assistance. I am proud of her mission driven accomplishments including receiving the Innovation Award for the 2024 National American Legion Media & Communications contest, which was represented to her at the Department of Ohio State

Convention by past Commander Rue and National Media & Communications Commission member, Holly Lewis, as well as Department Media & Communications Chairman, Chris Emmons.



Her true innovation in media for the American Legion Friends Facebook page Buddy Check

campaign along with 15 TAL Family members collectively reaching out to 2,580 veterans during buddy check week (172 veterans each were contacted).

Let's continue to #BeTheOne, To Save One. That's all it takes.



"For God and Country"

-Al Beyer, Department Historian



DEPARTMENT PARLIAMENTARIAN



Gary Minadeo
Department Parliamentarian

Just a Bit of Order

A Constipated Constitution - RONR p. 12-15

Just as our life slows down when we are constipated, our Posts can be slowed down or brought to a halt when our Constitution and Bylaws (CBL) are outdated and do not properly reflect the authority and business operations of our Posts. As incorporated bodies authorized under the National American Legion, we are bound to follow certain rules outlined by National, state law, and then the desires of the Post membership. Working outside of these guidelines just because "it is convenient" could cause legal action brought against the officers of the Post for working outside of the stated authority. This is why the Depart-

ment and Districts are working hard to get all Posts to update their CBL at least every five years and have a current copy on file at Department. So how do you get this seemingly large task done correctly? Glad you asked!

Know the steps.

1. Annual Review
2. Agree to Change
3. Send to Dept.
4. Announce
5. Vote
6. Send to Dept.

1. Have A Party.

An annual time for the officers and interested members to come together to review the current CBL is highly encouraged. A great time is soon after the new officers are elected and you make this your first order of business for the effective transfer of power. If all is well then simply write on the cover of the official file copy that the review was conducted with no changes needed. If changes are needed then make them. This is where the Judge Advocate and myself are very willing to help.

2. Agree.

You may want to compare

your CBL to the Department "fill-in-the-blank" guide on the Department website to see if you have the required parts for your CBL. Use technology to get your CBL into a word processing document for easier manipulation when changes are needed. Additionally, if your Post has a projector, the digitized CBL can be projected on a screen (large print) for better viewing and control of the review. Once your reviewing committee agrees on the desired changes, send the digital copy to Department for review.

3. Review.

The Judge or Parliamentarian read the CBL for compliance with National and Department guidelines with specific interest in quorum designations, handling of finances, disciplinary procedures, and CBL change requirements. Quorums for Executive Committees should be at least 50%. The Post meeting quorums should be no less than 2 more than the membership of the Executive Committee. Handling of finances should specify limits on spending, the need for bonding, and who has control of the checkbook. Disciplinary pro-

cedures are specific and defined in the Department Uniform Code of Disciplinary Procures.

4. Announce.

Be sure the entire membership knows where to get the proposed changes for review and when the vote will be taken.

5. Vote.

Two-thirds or more of those present must vote yes for change.

6. Send to Dept.

CDR and ADJ sign and date the document for filing.

Recommended References

- ◇ Robert's Rules of Order
Newly Revised -RONR (11th Ed)
(Emblem Sales - ES)
- ◇ Officers Guide (OG) (ES)
- ◇ Parliamentary Procedure-A Matter of Order (ES)
- ◇ RONR In-Brief (local bookstore or internet)
- ◇ Robert's Rules for Dummies (bookstore or online)

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT



Louise Smerk
Auxiliary President

Hello Legionnaires!

I would like to congratulate your 2024/2025 officers:

*Commander
AJ Whatley*

*1st Vice Commander
Stan Oren*

*2nd Vice Commander
Gary Cox Jr.*

*Department Treasurer
Holly Lewis*

*NEC
Ronald "Chappy" Chapman*

*Alternate NEC
Robert "Bob" Schmitt*

Thank you, Past Department Commander Jason Rue for a wonderful year.

I look forward to working with the new officers over the next

year. We need to bring family back into our organization. Together Commander AJ Whatley, SAL Detachment Commander Tim Conway and I have picked a polo shirt that is available through the Department headquarters. The shirt is grey with white inserts on the sides. It has all 4 logos on the shirt representing the American Legion, Auxiliary, SAL, and the Riders. This shirt comes in both women's and men's style.

Last year my membership theme was "Growing from our

Roots" with the Tree of life. This year I kept the Tree of Life with the theme LEAVES - "Let's embrace all veterans every season." My special project is following in the footsteps of PDC Charles Stennis, Judge Sara J Harper Village. If there is anything that I can do over the next year, please reach out to my Department Secretary @ (740) 452-8245.

Thank you,
-Louise Smerk,
Department President
American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Ohio



ROBINSON'S RECAP



John Robinson
Department Adjutant

Ohio members, we are starting our 2025 membership year. Of course, with the new year we will also have new officers. We want to welcome them and work with them to be able to succeed in their new endeavors. We have

great resources for training if you or your Post needs help.

Our Past Department Commander Jason Rue and SAL Commander Tim Conway led a team of volunteers at Mid-Ohio Race during the Honda 200.



The National Be the One trailer came in and we had 297 people take a pledge to help veterans. We had an amazing team working for the Legion supporting our Veterans and their families. A big shout out to Tony Cross from National for all his help with the race.

If you have a National Guard/ Reserve unit or a college with a SVA chapter near your Post, reach out and see how you can help them. Go out and cook lunch for the Unit or something your Post wants to do. If you need help contacting a Unit, give us a call and we will find the person

to contact at the Unit. Student Veterans of America (SVA) are veterans in college that need our Posts' help with comradery and community service. Working with the SVA is a fantastic way to build a rewarding partnership for your Post.

Thank you for another wonderful year. We are always here to support you and your Post. Please reach out and let us know how we can help. Remember to do your Buddy Checks. If you haven't heard from a friend for a while, check in on them and make sure we are communicating with each other.



MEMBERSHIP CORNER



Sherry Yockey
Membership Manager

Hello from Membership!

We are currently at 95.08% for the 2024 Membership year. We hit our first target on September

11, 2024, at 50.53% for the 2025 Membership year. Our current national ranking is 22nd! Way to go, team! SAL is at 101.55% for the 2024 membership year, 37th in the nation, and 13.81% for the 2025 membership year.

We still have some 'upside-down' Posts, which means its membership dues are less than the National and Department dues. Members of those Posts cannot renew their 2025 membership until the Post submits a new Annual Post Data Report

(PDR) to the Department. If you are one of those Posts, please get in touch with the Department as soon as possible.

The holiday season is around the corner. Posts, please do your buddy checks now and during the holiday season. Reach out to the members you have not heard from. Members, if you cannot visit your Post, contact your Post. We will happily discuss your needs and tell you what is happening at the Post and your community. We are here for you.

Upcoming Post Activities events: The 6th Annual Roger M. Hight State Bowling Tournament dates are February 8-9, February 15-16, & February 21-23 at the Bowlero Lanes Fun Center in Toledo, OH, Hosted by Post 320 Maumee, Ohio.

If your Post is interested in sponsoring the Department's Golf Tournament for 2025 or Bowling Tournament for 2026, please contact the Department. Thank you,
-Sherry Yockey, Membership



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



William Genochio
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OHIO ALR 2024 ROMP

Ohio ALR 2024 ROMP was hosted by The American Legion Riders Zanesville Post 29 who took the proceeds, raised/donated and presented a check to SAW (Save A Warrior) for \$25,000.00. Thank you, Zanes-

ville Post 29, for your dedication, hard work, and hospitality. To all the supporters/vendors and our Ohio American Legion Riders who attended and donated to the cause. The 2025 ROMP location is pending but proposals are in the works.

UNITY PATCHES

Winter months are fast approaching but there are still rides and ALR Post events going on to work on your Unity Patch. Applications need to be turned in by December 20th to receive your Patch at Mid-Winter Conference in January.

District Director Meeting

There is a District Director meeting set for October 12th, 2024, @ 2:00PM. The meeting will be held at Post 29 in Zanesville. Address: 27 S. 3rd Street Zanesville, Ohio 43701. All District Directors should attend or send an alternate.

Ohio vs. Michigan Football Game

There is an ALR tradition with

the original Legion Rider Post in Garden City Michigan Post 396. Every year Ohio ALR and Michigan ALR get together to watch the Ohio State Michigan game in the State where the game is being played. This year it's in Ohio, and our location is at the Bridge in Willard, 3096 State Route 99 Willard, OH on Saturday November 30th @12:00. Come out and watch the game with our ALR Michigan family.

For additional information visit the Department Legion Riders WebPage at:

<https://www.ohiolegion.com/legion-riders/>



LEGISLATIVE



Christie White
Dept. Legislative Liaison

The mission of the Legislative Commission is to review all State, Federal, House, and Senate Bills pending to gauge the level of support from The American Legion Department of Ohio as well as lobbying tasks on behalf of the 75K+ Legionnaires within Ohio.

The Legislative Commission members meet at least annually and are tasked with maintaining

open lines of communication with local Legislators in their Districts to inform them of how The American Legion is at the forefront of helping veterans, their families, and our children & youth and to encourage participation in our programs.

The Legislative Commission urges Legionnaires to create their own individual account on the Ohio General Assembly website and Congress website at: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/authentication/sign-in> and <https://www.congress.gov/> - There, you will be able to view the current legislative activities as well as search current legislation.

If you are planning to interact with State Legislators or Members of Congress, please keep the following in mind:

DO

- » RESEARCH YOUR LEGISLATOR
- » BE PREPARED
- » BE SPECIFIC - BE POSITIVE
- » ASK FOR ACTION - SOLUTION
- » KNOW THE ISSUE
- » USE TIME WISELY
- » BE CONSIDERATE OF THEIR TIME
- » PLAN OUT YOUR REMARKS
- » SOLICIT SUPPORT FROM YOUR LEGISLATOR
- » TELL THE TRUTH
- » BE RESPECTFUL
- » FOLLOW-UP: WRITE A THANK YOU NOTE
- » ADDRESS THEM PROPERLY
- » FORGE RELATIONSHIPS
- » VISIT LOCAL OFFICES AND WORK WITH STAFFERS

DON'T

- » BE DISRESPECTFUL
- » BE UNPREPARED
- » DISMISS STAFF
- » MONOPOLIZE THE MEETING
- » TALK LOUDLY OR UNPROFESSIONALLY
- » CONFUSE THE LEGISLATIVE

ISSUE

- » LACK BREVITY
- » BE AFRAID TO SAY "I DON'T KNOW" "I'LL GET BACK WITH YOU"
- » BE CONFRONTATIONAL OR ARGUMENTATIVE
- » USE INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE
- » PROVIDE FALSE INFORMATION
- » FAIL TO FOLLOW UP

You can also stay up to date with the National Legislative Division with their weekly "Grassroots Action Updates". To join the weekly updates email, grassroots@legion.org.

For more information on your online legislative resources, please visit our website at: <https://www.ohiolegion.com/legislative/> or contact your District Legislative Chairman.

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“The SitRep”

Board of Veterans Appeals update:

2023: \$913,792.54, Success Rate
85%

2022: \$4,695,828.36, Success
Rate 84%

2021: \$5,507,843.57, Success
Rate 92%

2020: \$2,386,283.09, Success
Rate 84%

2019: \$2,879,602.90, Success
Rate 77%

2018: \$3,229,365.06, Success
Rate 78%

2017: \$5,647,713.73, Success
Rate 85%

Total Winnings for Veterans:
\$25,260,429.20

Current Department Service Officer Locations:

Cleveland VA Regional Office:

Bill Genochio, Will Brown, Michelle Jones, Jessica “Nicole” Reese, Thomas “Tom” White and Admin Assistant Melissa Manzie Mon – Friday open to the public

Wade Park VA Medical Center: Darell Bishop Mon – Thursday open to the public

Dayton VA Medical Center: Gary Felver Mon – Fri appointment preferred walk-ins accepted.

Cincinnati VA Medical Center: Currently Vacant

Columbus VAACC: Currently Vacant

PSO School is Scheduled for September 21, 2024

The 2024 Department of Ohio Post Service Officer (PSO) School will be held Saturday September 24, 2024, at Department Headquarters from 0800 to 1630 (4:30pm). PSO's will be instructed in the basics of VA benefits available to veterans and their dependents. This course is open to all current and incoming PSO's at the Post level. To regis-

ter for the class email your name, Post #, email, and phone number to: genochio@ohiolegion.com by September 1, 2024, to secure your spot.

G.I. Bill Celebrates 80 Years

Most VA Benefits and services are traced back to June 22, 1944. When President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (SRA) of 1944. American Legion own Past National Commander Harry Colmery a WWI veterans and a committee drafted what is now the SRA to provide new veterans assistance with their transition from military service. The G.I. Bill also made a social impact in the promotion of the American Dream.

VA Health Chat is available

Veterans can use the VA Health Chat app to easily connect with VA Staff to ask questions about their health. Through the Chat veterans can send messages to VA Staff from anywhere with a smartphone, tablet or computer. It can be used to receive medi-

cal advice for non-life-threatening injuries or illness, schedule VA appointment, refill VA prescriptions and more. Provided is the link to the VA App Store here you can find the VA Health Chat app and many more apps for connecting with the VA. <https://mobile.va.gov/appstore>

Reporting a Death to the VA

If your loved one moves on to Post Everlasting and is receiving VA Compensation or Pension. The death must be reported to the VA to stop payments that would lead to a debt. The fastest way to report the passing of a veteran is calling 1-800-827-1000 and select option 5 the call center is open Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. ET. Other option includes mailing the death certificate and discharge document to Department of Veterans Affairs Claim Intake Center, P.O. Box 4444, Janesville, WI 53547-4444. Be sure to include your relationship to the veteran with the supporting documents.

NATIONAL SECURITY

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life items that face our armed forces as well as the veterans that have served. These issues are addressed by either creating Resolutions to address the items or approve submitted resolutions by other committees or individuals. These resolutions are presented at the department convention to be accepted and, once accepted, move on to the national convention. If the resolution is passed at the national level it will then be presented to congress for possible action.

Other programs that the National Security Commission is responsible for maintaining are:

Operation Comfort Warriors

Operation Comfort Warriors is a program dedicated to meeting the needs of wounded, injured or ill military personnel by providing them with comfort items not usually supplied by the government. OCW ensures that patients at U.S. military hospitals and warrior transition units are given items like sweat suits, DVDs, puzzles, electronic devices, books, calling cards and more. OCW also provides larger items such as ping pong tables, entertainment centers, computers, kayaks and other recreational goods for use by wounded warriors in common areas.

National Emergency Fund

The National Emergency Fund, created in response to Hurricane Hugo in 1989, has provided more than \$8 million in direct financial assistance to American Legion Family members and posts. By providing this emergency funding, NEF has prevented damaged posts from closing and enabled American Legion Family members to recover from tragedy.

POW/MIA Advocacy

The American Legion is committed to achieving a full accounting of all POW/MIAs from the Gulf Wars, Vietnam War, Cold War, Korean War and World War II.

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency is a website that you can go to in order to get a list of all POW/MIA's in your area, read stories about their current recovery efforts, and updates on bringing our brothers and sisters home. <https://www.dpaa.mil/>

POW/MIA Empty Chair

Resolution 288, adopted at the

67th American Legion National Convention, calls for designating a POW/MIA Empty Chair at all official meetings of The American Legion as a physical symbol of the thousands of American POW/MIA's still unaccounted for from all wars and conflicts involving the United States.

Department Law and Order

Awards Program

The American Legion seeks to recognize well-rounded public service candidates who have exceeded about and beyond the expected duties of their position for public recognition. Post, County, District, and Department may recognize a Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, Firefighter of

the Year, and Civilian Life Saver of the Year.

The Department National Security Commission strongly encourages every Post and District to recognize a Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, Firefighter of the Year, and Civilian Lifesaver of the Year for a record of commendable service.



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Buckeye Boys State

"A Week to Shape a Lifetime"

The mission of The American Legion Buckeye Boys State is to provide an educational and leadership program that exposes young men to the rights and privileges, the duties and responsibilities, and the love for God and Country necessary to be self-governing citizens. Through a practical, objective, nonpartisan approach, participants in the American Legion Buckeye Boys State Program are exposed to fundamental democratic principles in local, county, and state elections and government functions which prepare them for leadership roles as patriotic American Citizens.



Nearly 700 young men from over 500 different high schools attended Buckeye Boys State. Buckeye Boys State is the single largest program in the nation and was the 3rd chartered boy's state program when it was estab-

lished in 1936.

There are many different areas that these delegates become involved. There is state government, elections, finance, legislative, county government, city government, courts, banking and realty, school boards, utilities and the band. Each delegate is required to apply for whichever section interests him and report to that job for the entire week.

Buckeye Boys State had many impressive speakers this year including Miami University President Gregory Crawford, Supreme Court Justice Sharon Kennedy, Major Chris Ballard - Ohio Army National Guard, Brigadier General - Commander - Special Troops Command - Andrew Stone - Ohio Army National Guard, State Treasurer Robert Sprague, Ohio Representative Haraz Ghanbari, American Legion National Vice Commander Mark Shreve, Auxiliary President Jane Ridenour, Sons of the American Legion Detachment Commander Tim Conway and 40/8 Chef Du Gare Jose Rivera. We also were visited by Colonel Charles Jones - Superintendent of the Ohio State Highway Patrol.



Missouri Boys State staff members Craig Ritchie and Matthew Flener visited Buckeye Boys State so we can collaborate and improve both of our respective programs.

Gavin Coffman was elected as the 2024 American Legion Buckeye Boys State Governor. Governor Coffman was sponsored by Post 25 in Washington Court House.



Our 2024 American Legion Buckeye Boys State Hall of Fame Inductee was Past Son's of the American Legion National Commander Robert McBride. He was elected National SAL Commander in 1969 at the age of 18. Treasurer Sprague was a 1969 BBS delegate.

Before the close of the 2024

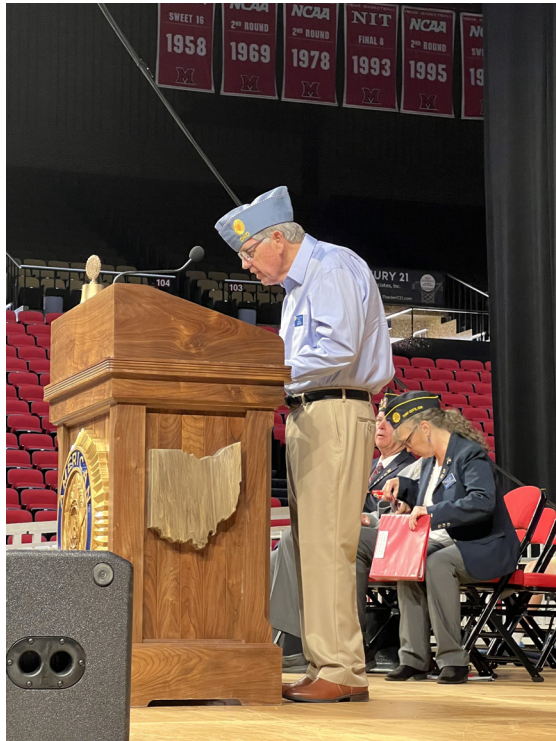
American Legion Buckeye Boys State program, BBS President Melissa Fowle gave her final speech as president and welcomed Steve Masowick as the new 2024-2025 American Legion Buckeye Boys State President.

The American Legion Buckeye Boys State program will be held June 8th-15th, 2025 on the campus of Miami University, Ohio. For More information or if you are interested in joining the Boys State staff, please contact Christie White at 740-513-5199 or programs@ohiolegion.com for an application.

American Legion Buckeye Boys State also created QR codes to educate students and schools that are unfamiliar with BBS. These codes are for educational and recruitment purposes only and are not delegate applications.



BBS Highlights



Cemetery Program



On Memorial Day, members of our Legion Family, along with Scouts and other organizations across Ohio, had the honor of paying their respects to the Veterans that lay beneath the headstones at Dayton National Cemetery.

As the ceremony concluded, a young scout named Ethan caught the attention of our officers. We watched him walk up to a headstone, remove his cap,

place a flag, step back, and then salute the fallen Veteran. He did that to every headstone he placed a flag at. It's his actions of honoring each Veteran, when he thought nobody was watching, that spoke volumes.

Kevin Avera said it best... "It wasn't about medals. It was never about Glory, nor was it about another stripe on my sleeve. It was because, someday when I make it back to the world, and drive by

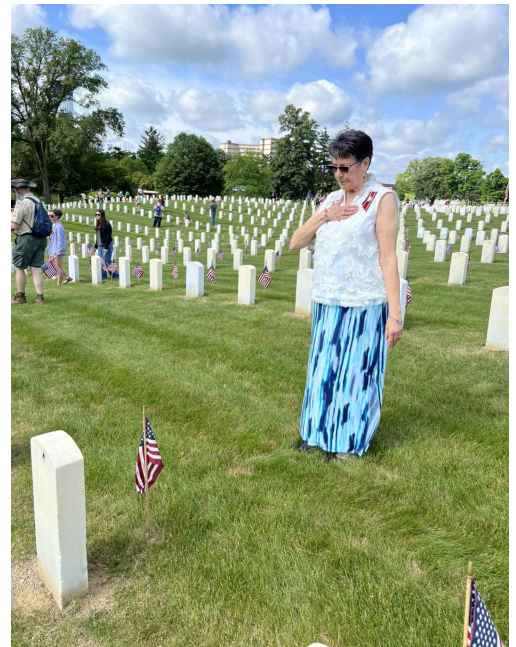
a VA Cemetery...I have to know in my heart, not ONE of those tombstones is out there because of something I did, or failed to do. There are no heroes here. Only those who were willing to sacrifice it all, asking for nothing in return but to never be forgotten. It isn't about barbecues or ball games, or the weather at the beach. While those things are nice, take two minutes to remember in silence, those gentle

souls that paid the ultimate cost and will never see those things again." Words to REMEMBER on Memorial Day.

"for the good of Americanism"



Dayton National Cemetery Highlights



Baseball



American Legion Baseball is the finest summer baseball program for high school students in Ohio and the nation today. American Legion Baseball serves as the largest source of talent to major league teams of any youth baseball program. In 2023, over 55% of all players on 30 major league team rosters played American Legion Baseball. 2024 marks the 99th year for American Legion Baseball, an enviable anniversary in any field. For these past 99 years American Legion Baseball has strived to

maintain the reputation as the highest regarded youth baseball program in the nation.



This year's senior tournament kicked off on July 26th at Beavers Field in Lancaster Ohio and Department Commander Arnold "AJ" Whatley threw out the 1st pitch. The Department Senior

Tournament was a 6 team, double elimination tournament. The 6 teams who won each of their regions were the following:

Region 1 - Findlay Post 3



Region 2 - Greenville Post 140



Region 5 - Harrison Post 199



Baseball cont'd

Region 6 - Lancaster Post 11



The final game of the tournament started on Tuesday July 30th with Harrison Post 199 and Lancaster Post 11 facing off for the final game, both teams only having one loss prior to the Championship Game.

gion Baseball history that Lancaster Post 11 has one the Senior State Tournament.

they were once again defeated by Midland Michigan 7-1 and eliminated.

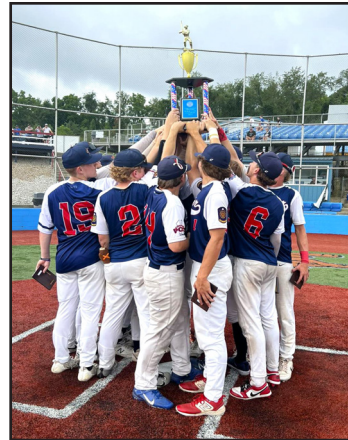
All of these young men on EVERY team played their hearts out and left it all on the field.

They made their community, their Post's, Department, the State of Ohio, and The American Legion so proud. They make us feel grateful that they wear the patch! Great season! Until next year...

"It's hard to beat a person who never gives up. Every strike brings me closer to the next home run. Never allow the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game"

-Babe Ruth

Region 7 - Wayne County Post 88



They immediately moved on to the Great Lakes Regional Tournament which was held at Lee Pfund Stadium in Carol Stream, Illinois. Game 1- they were defeated by Midland Michigan 3-1. Game 2- they defeated Barrington Illinois 2-1. Game 3-

Lancaster Post 11 defeated Harrison Post 199, 8-5. This is the first time in American Le-



Region 8 - St. Clairsville Post 159



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4th Grade Flag Education Program

The Department of Ohio is pleased to present the 4th Grade Flag Education Program. This is a brand new program to Ohio.

The 4th Grade Flag Education consists of the "Our Country's Flag" comic book from National Headquarters and a test with 20 questions - both multiple-choice and true/false - and a short essay, which is used as a tiebreaker.

The Flag Education Test is given in participating elementary schools during the month of November to coincide with Veterans Day.

The test is open to 4th Grade elementary students in all public, private, and home schools.

Each student participating in

the Flag Education Test Program takes the same test. The answers on the test are scored against a standardized answer sheet.

Students are given one hour to complete the test at school. No part of it is to be taken home. Also, students MAY NOT use their comic book, notes, or other materials to assist while taking the test.

Tests and comic books may be ordered by contacting your local American Legion Post. The sponsoring Post will provide the test to the applicable school officials. If desired, the Post may also participate in administering and grading the test.

There will be a male and female District winner. Each winner will be invited to attend the District Conference to be awarded.

Please navigate to these Department website links for more information and the Flag program order form:

» Download informational memo at: <https://www.ohiolegion.com/wp-content/uploads/Flag-Memo-order-2024.pdf>

» Download Order form at: <https://www.ohiolegion.com/wp-content/uploads/Flag-order-form-2024.pdf>

Family Support Network

Through the American Legion's Family Support Network (FSN), Legionnaires assist families of deployed military personnel in various ways: childcare, yard work, car repairs, grocery shopping and routine household jobs.

The National American Legion established a toll-free telephone number for families to call for assistance, and local posts responded to their needs.

Requests are referred to the department, which in turn refers calls to local American Legion posts. The posts contact the fam-

The American Legion's commitment to veterans is also a commitment to their children, in every difficulty or hardship.

Special Olympics

The American Legion Department of Ohio has been an active supporter of Special Olympics for over 30 years.

The Department of Ohio provides support by providing donations to the Special Olympics State Fall Games and State Summer Games.

We are encouraging all legionnaires to volunteer and donate to your local Special Olympics chapters. To find local regions and events, please visit sooh.org or contact Department Amer-

Children & Youth cont'd

ilies and, if able, provide assistance.

Child Welfare Foundation

Every year, The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation (CWF) awards hundreds of thousands of dollars in grants to help nonprofit youth service organizations to improve the lives of children and youth.

CWF has granted more than \$14 million, to hundreds of de-

serving organizations.

These include the Children's Organ Transplant Association, the Make-a-Wish Foundation, the National Children's Cancer Society, the National Autism Association, the MY HERO Project, and the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) and many more.

Temporary Financial Assistance

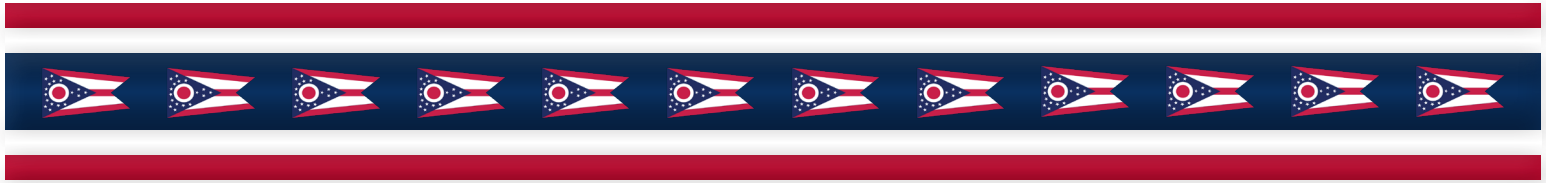
Established in 1925, the purpose of Temporary Financial Assistance is to help families in need meet the cost of shelter, food, utilities and health expenses.

Through the American Veteran & Children Foundation, Veterans with minor children can apply for a one-time grant upwards of \$1500. This grant is designed to prevent children

of veterans from experiencing homelessness and/or lack of utilities such as heat, water, and electric. Applicants must first exhaust all local and State resources.



For any questions, contact Christie White, Americanism/Children & Youth Coordinator at programs@ohiolegion.com



AMERICAN LEGION · DEPARTMENT OF OHIO
2024-2025 DISTRICT OFFICERS

"GREAT" 1ST DISTRICT



District Commander Mark Mahlman



District 1st Vice Commander Dean E Boyers



District 2nd Vice Commander Burrell C Rau

2ND "TO NONE" DISTRICT



District Commander James O Fast



District 1st Vice Commander Timothy Wayne Shaw



District 2nd Vice Commander Mike Homan

"THUNDERING" 3RD DISTRICT



District Commander Chris T Emmons



District 1st Vice Commander Brian W Fowle



District 2nd Vice Commander Michael D White

"FABULOUS" 4TH DISTRICT



District Commander Robert E Wilson Jr



District 1st Vice Commander Champ C Brown



District 2nd Vice Commander Steven A Baumann

"FIGHTING" 5TH DISTRICT



District Commander Robert Mason



District 1st Vice Commander Melissa R Rodgers



District 2nd Vice Commander Kenneth M Parsons

"SIZZLIN" 6TH DISTRICT



District Commander Christopher Miller



District 1st Vice Commander William Little



District 2nd Vice Commander Vacant

"MAGNIFICENT" 7TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Johnny R Conley



District 1st Vice Commander
Vacant



District 2nd Vice Commander
Robert M Wagoner

"GREAT" 8TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Michael Lincoln



District 1st Vice Commander
Scott M Conn



District 2nd Vice Commander
Ronnie Rutter

"DYNAMIC" 9TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Jacqueline Whetstone



District 1st Vice Commander
Samuel Swoger III



District 2nd Vice Commander
Antonio Crespo Jr

"GREAT" 10TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Howard K Marotto



District 1st Vice Commander
Thomas D Barnett



District 2nd Vice Commander
Debi Biggins

"ELITE" 11TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Thom Stan



District 1st Vice Commander
David Taylor



District 2nd Vice Commander
Edward A Grimes

"CAPITAL" 12TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Michael J Higgins



District 1st Vice Commander
Suzette Heller



District 2nd Vice Commander
Vacant

"TENACIOUS" 13TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Richard L Wright



District 1st Vice Commander
James G Lockyer



District 2nd Vice Commander
Kevin D Conlan

"PHENOMENAL" 14TH DISTRICT



District Commander
Rodger S Wiant



District 1st Vice Commander
John J Life



District 2nd Vice Commander
Jacob Marx

**AMERICAN LEGION · DEPARTMENT OF OHIO
2024-2025 DEPARTMENT OFFICERS**



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Stan Oren



Department 2nd Vice Commander
Gary Cox Jr.



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Holly Lewis



Department Chaplain
Ronald E Distel



Department Assistant Chaplain
Robert S White



Immediate Past Department Commander
Jason E Rue



National Executive Committeeman
Ronald L Chapman



National Alternate Executive Committeeman
Robert E Schmitt Jr.



Department Judge Advocate
Josh Brown



Department Assistant Judge Advocate
Douglas Russell



Department Historian
Albert D Beyer



Department Assistant Historian
Kevin B Motter



Department Sergeant-At-Arms
Michael J Blackwell



Department Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms
Ken LaVoy



Department Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms
Brad Beatty



Department Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms
William Richard Dittebrand



Department Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms
Martin H Moore



Department Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms
Harold D Landis



Department Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms
Sharon L McClain



Department Parliamentarian
Gary A Minadeo

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**Department Convention
Highlights cont'd from pg. 1**

day's religious services, membership card/resource & Service Officer tables, the Emblem Sales shop, a record attendance Charities gaming training class, informational classes hosted by the Buckeye American Legion College team, and some superbly hosted evening hospitality gatherings!



Attendees during Saturday's Buckeye American Legion College classes soaked in all the vital information on practicals and leadership.

The American Legion Department of Ohio would like to thank all the Legion Family who attended. The unflinching history of the Legion continues on.



A special thank you to Past Department Commander Jason Rue and his wife Mindi, for their dedication during the 2023-2024 membership year.

We look forward to seeing you all next year at the 106th Department Convention. The 2025 Department of Ohio Convention will again be held in Independence, Ohio. Thank you all for your service!



Department Convention Highlights



former Auxiliary President Jane Ridenour and officers take center stage reflecting on this past years activities



newly elected Sons of The American Legion Detachment Commander Tim Conway and officers looks forward to this coming year



Past Department Commander Bob Steele swears in the officers for the upcoming year



special recognition to the Sergeant-At-Arms' team for this past year which did an outstanding job



A big thank you to the Convention Host District 13 volunteers that helped with some invaluable manual labor



AMERICAN LEGION · DEPARTMENT OF OHIO
2024 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION AWARDS



Department Adjutant's Award
D3 - Chris Emmons



Department Commander's Award
Post 199



Department 1st Vice Commander's Award
Post 490



Department 2nd Vice Commander's Award
District 12 (small cat.)



Department 2nd Vice Commander's Award
District 9 (medium cat.)



Department 2nd Vice Commander's Award
District 3 (large cat.)



Grand Award
Post 199



Eli Jensen Award
District 3



Hugh K. Martin Award
Post 490



Big One Pin Award
District 14 (small cat.)



Big One Pin Award
District 9 (medium cat.)



Big One Pin Award
District 3 (large cat.)



Anytime Post Award
Post 320



Anytime Post Award
Post 468



Anytime Post Award
Post 210



Anytime Post Award
Post 288



Anytime Post Award
Post 450



Anytime Post Award
Post 615

Department Convention Awards cont'd



Anytime Post Award
Post 344



Anytime Post Award
Post 717



Anytime Post Award
Post 23



Anytime Post Award
Post 7



Anytime Post Award
Post 15



Anytime Post Award
Post 51



Anytime Post Award
Post 76



Anytime Post Award
Post 106



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Post 112



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Post 167



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Post 214



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Post 565



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Post 601



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Post 678



Anytime Post Award
Post 737



Anytime Post Award
Post 751



Anytime Post Award
Post 490



Anytime Post Award
Post 610



Gold Brigade Award
Jose Rivera



Gold Brigade Award
Chris Miller



Recruiter of the Year Award
Jose Rivera



District Commander Quota Award
District 3 - Ken LaVoy



Post Quota Award
D1 - Mark Mahlman



Post Quota Award
D2 - James Fast



Post Quota Award
D3 - Chris Emmons



Post Quota Award
D4 - Al Buxton



Post Quota Award
D5 - Bob Mason



Post Quota Award
D6 - Chris Miller



Post Quota Award
D7 - Johnny Conley



Post Quota Award
D8 - Mike Lincoln



Post Quota Award
D9 - Jacqueline Whetstone



Post Quota Award
D10 - Howard Marotto

Department Convention Awards cont'd



Post Quota Award
D11 - David Taylor



Post Quota Award
D12 - Mike Higgins



Post Quota Award
D13 - Richard Wright



Post Quota Award
D14 - Rodger Wiant



Gifts for Yanks
Largest Contribution by Post Award
Post 397



Gifts for Yanks
Largest Contribution District Award
District 5



Gifts for Yanks
Largest % of Goal Post Award
Post 397



Gifts for Yanks
Largest % of Goal District Award
District 5



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D1 - Post 587



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D2 - Post 217



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D2 - Post 323



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D3 - Post 184



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D3 - Post 353



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D3 - Post 598



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D3 - Post 707



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D4 - Post 49



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D4 - Post 199



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D5 - Post 8



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D5 - Post 83



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D5 - Post 118



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D5 - Post 181



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D5 - Post 211



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D5 - Post 397



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D7 - Post 142



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D8 - Post 677



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D9 - Post 236



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D11 - Post 228



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D13 - Post 91



Crystal Eagle Donation Award
D13 - Post 196



Mickey J. Golato Memorial
(Americanism) Award
Post 71



Alice Friedman Memorial Post
Award
Post 164



Alice Friedman Memorial
Community Service Award
Post 221



Reverend Father John E. Duffy
Award
Post 790



James Cunningham (Legislative)
Award
Post 797



Law and Order Award
Post 199



Ralph Doll
(Energy & Conservation) Award
Post 586

Department Convention Awards cont'd



Department Chaplain of the Year Award
Gary J. Roberts



Department Legionnaire of the Year Award
Barry Priest



Buckeye American Legion College Graduate
Phillip A. Cipriani Jr.



Buckeye American Legion College Graduate
Dennis Dickey



Buckeye American Legion College Graduate
Hope Eaton



Buckeye American Legion College Graduate
William Little



Buckeye American Legion College Graduate
Chris Miller



Buckeye American Legion College Graduate
Frank (Joe) Navarre



Buckeye American Legion College Graduate
Robert (Bob) Schmitt



Children and Youth Donation Award (Category I)
Post 417



Children and Youth Donation Award (Category II)
Post 196



Children and Youth Donation Award (Category III)
Post 12



Children and Youth Donation Award (Category IV)
Post 199



Children and Youth Donation Award (Category V)
Post 196



Darell Bishop announces the Gifts For Yanks Awards during Saturday's session along with the Dragons transcribing team and GFY Chair Holly Lewis



Gary Minadeo reads the Rules and Order of Business to the convention body

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF OHIO CHARITIES, INC. DONATES TO VETERANS' CAUSES

The American Legion Department of Ohio Charities, Inc. Committee met prior to the start of 2024 Department Convention in Independence. The following are the latest recipients of grants totaling nearly \$185,000...

RECIPIENTS

- American Legion Post 14
- American Legion Post 24
- American Legion Post 25
- American Legion Post 64
- American Legion Post 71
- American Legion Post 106
- American Legion Post 200
- American Legion Post 214
- American Legion Post 221
- American Legion Post 235
- American Legion Post 588
- American Legion Post 598
- American Legion Post 697
- American Legion Post 719
- American Legion Post 733
- American Legion Post 754
- Auxiliary Unit #39
- CSW Farms
- Legion District 5
- MilVets
- Ms Veteran America Organizaton
- Richland County Veterans Honor Bus
- SAL District 4
- Treats for the Streets
- Veterans First Initiative

Charities, Inc. considers requests for funds twice a year, Mid-Winter Conference and Department Convention. To submit a request to Charities, Inc., put it in writing on the Post or company letterhead, signed by an officer. The request should be for something directly related to veterans' causes and needs and is either a charity, civic organization or community service. Submit by mail or email to: espenshade@ohiolegion.com or American Legion Department of Ohio Charities, Inc. PO Box 8007, Delaware, OH 43015

2024 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION CHARITIES, INC. SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

Ralph Asel.....Cleveland, OH	Larry Kaelin.....Stone Creek, OH	Richard Rust.....New Richmond, OH
Catherine Baldrey.....Strongsville, OH	Clement Kiffmeyer.....Painesville, OH	Larry Sawyer.....Whitehouse, OH
William Baudendistel.....New Richmond, OH	Dale King.....Batavia, OH	Jeffrey Scheib.....Newark, OH
William Becker.....Cincinnati, OH	Alan Layman.....Toledo, OH	John Schwitzgebel.....Canton, OH
Alton Beeker.....Pemberville, OH	Lawrence Leno.....Canton, OH	Jason Shick.....Fishers, OH
Dennis Belich.....Hanoverton, OH	Kenneth Long.....Brookpark, OH	Fred Stuckey.....Montpelier, OH
Sally Burch.....Stow, OH	Michael Lucas.....Hamilton, OH	Kenneth Toney.....Alliance, OH
James Carter.....Grand Rapids, OH	Thomas Mahle.....Dayton, OH	Charles Villolovos.....Toledo, OH
Edgar Coleman.....Fostoria, OH	Kenneth Malloy.....Cincinnati, OH	Bernard Waldbillig.....Mason, OH
Patrick Dailey.....North Royalton, OH	Buzz Martin.....Lorain, OH	Johnny Waugh.....St Clairsville, OH
Robert Devore.....Marion, OH	Jane Mason.....Mishawaka, IN	Timothy Weltin.....Maumee, OH
Richard Fahlbush.....Harrison, OH	Richard McGarvey.....Springboro, OH	Thomas Wills.....Wapakoneta, OH
Kenneth Flood.....Zanesville, OH	Robert Noland.....Wilmington, OH	Richard Wilson.....Akron, OH
Eugene Gaster.....Madison, OH	John Pasquarelli.....Madison, OH	William Wunderle.....Euclid, OH
Donald Hentry.....Louisville, OH	Edward Pinc.....Medina, OH	Frank Zarycki.....Sagamore Hills, OH
Stanley Ingram.....Shelby, OH	David Rausch.....Sandusky, OH	
Michael Jones.....West Chester, OH	Andrew Rohrer.....Urbana, OH	

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

9/29/2024 14th District Fall Conference Post 272 3:00 PM	10/6/2024 6th District Fall Conference Post 85 10:00 AM	10/12/2024 BBS Consultants, Commissioners, Trustees Meeting Department HQ 10:00 AM	10/19/2024 10th District Fall Conference Post 482 8:00 AM	12/1/2024 13th District Winter Conference Post 91 9:30 AM
10/5/2024 VA&R Standing Commission Virtual 2:00 PM	10/6/2024 11th District Fall Conference Post 750 10:00 AM	10/13/2024 3rd District Fall Conference Post 245 1:00 PM	10/27/2024 Athletic Committee Meeting Department HQ 10:00 AM	12/7/2024 Winter DEC Meeting Department HQ 10:00 AM
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GOOD OF THE LEGION

National Oratorical Contest

The 2024 National Oratorical Competition was held on May 17-19 in Hillsdale, Mich., at Hillsdale College. Representing the Department of Ohio was Katherine Toepfer, Department Contest Winner, sponsored by District 9. Katie unfortunately didn't make it through to the second round of the National contest, however, her prepared speech was executed brilliantly, and she did a fantastic job. There were five other contestants in the quarter round. Her speech was on getting people out to vote, as she is eligible to vote this year. Katie praised the American Legion for all the kindness that was given to her and gave special recognition to Ohio's Oratorical Chairman, John Looker.



Dear Mr. Looker, 4/26/24
 Thank you so much for... well, everything. From the moment that I first met you, you showed me such great kindness that calmed my nerves. Thank you for your constant encouragement while I was competing. Your kindness made a nerve-racking event seem less scary! May God bless you richly for that. I also appreciate you coming into the "holding room" to encourage Alisa and myself prior to the final round. Your uplifting speech was just what I needed to get going! I do not take your efforts lightly. Your volunteerism means the world to me! I look forward to putting the scholarship I was awarded toward purchasing a high-quality backpack for college, so that everytime I wear it on my back, I can be reminded of veterans like you who always have my back; who fought for my right to pursue higher education. The rest of the scholarship will go toward paying my tuition at the University of Cincinnati to pursue Communication Design and Marketing. This scholarship was the last bit I needed to cover my entire first year of tuition! So, thank you for selflessly seeing and formaking this event possible. It has changed the trajectory of my entire college career!
 Much appreciated, -Katie Toepfer

Commissioner Emeritus Recognized

During early June 2024, members of both Posts 389 and 750 prepared to post the Colors in honor of Jack Hill who passed away while on the 2023 baseball committee. Jack served diligently as the Region 8 Ohio Baseball Commissioner for several years. His daughter, Norma Burge threw the ceremonial first pitch in the home game between Beverly/Lowell and visiting Cambridge. Mr. Hill served on the Baseball Committee for many years, growing this youth program into the successful and nationally recognized powerhouse it continues to be.



Post 357 – Observes Memorial Day



Shown here on Memorial Day is American Legion Post 357 Commander Debi Biggins, Vice Commander Roger Bartley, Veteran Chris Kinsey, Adjutant Elaine Clark, and Detachment Historian Bill Towns pausing at East Lawn Cemetery at the headstone of Don V. Cross, the namesake of Don V. Cross Post 357 in Minerva.

NEVER FORGET

Pictured to the right is Harriet Jones, Skip Willis, and Bill Pilati - all World War II Veterans in attendance at Moultrie Chapel for the 2024 West Township Memorial Day program. Ninety-nine-year-old Bill Pilati was the main speaker for the program.



GOOD OF THE LEGION

Post 29 – Officer and Executive Committee Initiation

On June 3rd, 2024, Zanesville Post 29 Executive Committee members & Legion, Squadron, Riders, and Auxiliary Officers were installed for the 2024-2025 membership year.



Seated, L-R: Tony Evans, Executive Committee; Mike Weaver, Finance Officer; Kim Roberts, Adjutant Loren Long; Executive Committee; Kurt Agin, Judge Advocate; Gary Roberts, Chaplain; Back row, L-R: Gary Keffer, Executive Committee and Finance; Rick Miller; 2nd Vice Commander; Bob Stanberry, Executive Committee; Byron Suggett, Executive Committee; Mike Watts, Commander; Raymond Deitenback, Executive Committee; Larry Wheeler, 1st Vice Commander; Harry Brennan, Sergeant-At-Arms. Not present: Eddie Grimes, Past Commander; and Executive Committee members, Jon Smith and Mark Loeffler.



Back row, L-R: Randy Newell 2nd Vice Commander; Historian, Justin Omen. Front row, L-R: Larry Shanks, Adjutant/Finance Officer; Jim Garrett, Chaplin; Thad Andrews, Commander; Terry Byers, 1st Vice Commander. Not present: Ron Orwig, Sgt. of Arms.



Left to Right: Mike Weaver, Advisor; Larry Shanks, President; George Bradley, Vice President; Thad Andrews, Secretary; Betty Shanks, Treasurer; Gary Roberts, Chaplin; Kim Roberts, Historian; Rick Hunt, Sgt. of Arms. Not pictured: Mark Loeffler, Road Captain



Seated, L-R: June Mercer and Nancy Newton, Executive Committee, Mary Smith, Sgt. of Arms. Back row, L-R: Karen Andrews, 1st Vice President; Becky Martin, 2nd Vice President; Amy Watts, President; Joyce Byers, Historian; Tammy Williams, Treasurer; Billie James, Secretary/Membership, Cindy Watts, Chaplin. Not present: Sandy Groves, Executive Committee.

Post 52 – Dominates the Links

In early June 2024, District Commander Thom Stan presents the District 11 golf scramble winners' trophy to Bellaire Post 52 team leader, Dickie Johnson.



GOOD OF THE LEGION

Post 112 – Color Guard

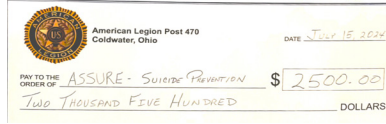
On May 17th, 2024, the Color Guard members of Jay Wilson Post 112 out of Madison, Ohio opened the 14th Annual National VA 2K Walk & Roll at the Lake County VA Clinic in Willoughby, Ohio.



Post 470 – Suicide Awareness Donation



During mid July 2024 Patriotism Post 470 out of Coldwater recently made a sizable donation to ASSURE (Area Suicide Support Resources) in backing of their upcoming Suicide Awareness & Prevention Walk. Post 470 Commander, Mike Braun, is shown here presenting a \$2500 check to Tonia Byron of ASSURE.



Post 211 – Awards Youth Scholarships

During early July 2024, Avon Lake American Legion Post 211 awarded \$36,000 in annual scholarships to high school students and first year college students whose parents and or grandparents are members of the Post. Other special requirements as well were met by the highly qualified recipients. Last year's recipients had the opportunity to apply again if the criteria was met and two first year college students were awarded. In addition, seven new scholarships were awarded for a total of nine. Each scholarship was in the amount of \$4,000 for a total of \$36,000 awarded.

Post 211

Makes Sizable Community Donation

On September 9th, 2024, Avon Lake American Legion Post 211 donated \$10,000 to Community Resource Services in Avon Lake. This organization assists nearly 500 low-income residents in Avon and Avon Lake with a monthly food pantry - one third of which are seniors. They also provide assistance with rent, utilities, automotive, medical, clothing, furniture, Christmas gifts for children, and school supplies.



Pictured here are CRS Executive Director Pam Ohradzansky, Post Commander Len Leiber on far right and Ken Karpy

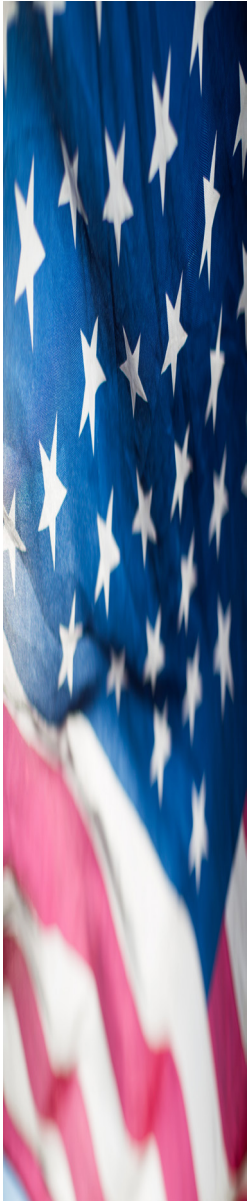
Post 355 Honors Distinguished Legionnaire



Fort Loramie Post 355 in Ft. Loramie, Ohio, has a member, Matt Zimmerman who enlisted in the U.S. Navy in May 1952 and was on active duty to December 1955. He served aboard the ship USS New Jersey BB62 from July 1952 until December 1955 with Korean, North Atlantic, Atlantic, Mediterranean, and Pacific tours. He was discharged December 1955 as an MM2. He has been an active member in Post 355 for 70 years and has served on the Firing Squad/Honor Guard for 50 years attending funerals, Memorial Day services, and other ceremonies and services.



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Post 221 – Patriotic Donations

During late June 2024, Massillon Post 221 visited the A.R.E. company and received a donation for the flag poker rods made for putting flags in ground on Memorial Day.

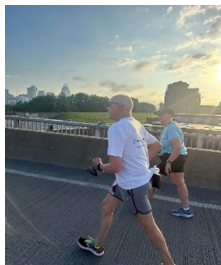
On July 26th, 2024, donations were made to the YMCA, and to Honor Home, where they visited with staff on what else was needed to help veterans.

Also, during early August 2024, Post 221 made a donation to Ride with Valor.



Post 318 – Marathon Member

Wayne Hinaman, is a 9 year member of Anderson Inc Post 318, and a Veteran of the US Army 1953-56. Wayne will turn 90 years old this August. Wayne has participated in the Cincinnati Flying Pig Marathon, every year since it began in 1999. He therefore is a Charter Member of the "Flying Pig Streakers!", a unique group of individuals, who have participated in the Flying Pig Marathon, for 26 years. Wayne started running Marathons at the age of 65, in the USAF Marathon in Dayton, Ohio. He was invited to run the USMC Marathon in memory of his buddy, a US Marine, in Washington, DC. Wayne has participated in 52 Marathons in 25 years. Congrats to Wayne, his tenacity, and his dedication to his chosen sports field.



Post 601 – Student Scholarships

On May 15, 2024, American Legion North Madison Memorial Inc. Post 601 out of North Madison Ohio, awarded nine \$1,000.00 scholarships to exceptional students of Madison High School.

Pictured are Legionnaires Jim Spragg Sr. on the left and Mark Smitley on the right.



GOOD OF THE LEGION

Post 382 – Memorial Day, Scholarship, and Officer Installation Highlights



F-16 Flyover from the 180 FW, Toledo, Ohio for our Memorial Day Ceremonies



New Officers for the 2024/2025 membership year; JA Tom Benroth, Past Cmdr. Larry Core, Camdr. Kurt Emans, 2nd. Vice Roger Schroeder, ADJ. Bob Amstutz, Chaplin, Gary Dipnarine, Historian Dennis Morrison, Finance Mike Zimmerman, Sgt of Arms Ed Amstutz.



Bluffton Post 382 Sgt of Arms, Ed Amstutz presents a Memorial Day Wreath for those who gave their all



Bluffton Post 382 Legion Members Sam Reineke, Larry Core & Tom Benroth explain the folding of the American Flag to local youth students



Past Cmdr. Larry Core and his Grandson Carson who received a Scholarship from the Ohio American Legion

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Post 450 – Honors 79 Year Member at his 100th Birthday Celebration



On Sunday afternoon, June 30th, 2024, more than a hundred family, friends, and Legionnaires attended a birthday party at Victor Stier Post 450 out of Milford to celebrate their oldest living member's 100th Birthday. S/ Sgt. Bill Singleton, US Army Air Corps, joined Post 450 in 1945 when he returned home to Milford and has been a continuous member for 79 years!

William H. Singleton was born June 30th, 1924, in Milford, Clermont County, Ohio. Bill was drafted into the US Army Air Corps at Fort Thomas, Ky in 1943 and began Basic Training at St. Petersburg, FL. He later completed Bombardier Training at Norton Bomb Site, UT, Gunnery Training at Lowry AFB, CO and Towed Target Training at Fort Myers, FL. Bill was then assigned as a Nose Gunner

& Bombardier with the newly formed 487th Bomb Group (H) flying the B-24 "Liberator" bomber at the Almagrodo Bombing and Gunnery Range, NM. He was part of the 839th Squadron of the 487th Bomb Group (H). During September 1943 through March 1944, the 487th went overseas to Station 137, Lavenham, Suffolk, England. May 7th, 1944, Bill and the 487th's first Bombing Mission - Marshaling Yards, Liege, Belgium as a member of the crew of "Problem Child". The nose art was designed by Milton Caniff. June 6th, 1944, D-Day, he flew a total of 19 hours bombing Coastal Areas as part of Operation Overlord, the Normandy Invasion. June 13th, 1944 - Awarded the Air Medal for completing the requisite Combat Missions. September 15th, 1944 - Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for "...having displayed extraordinary heroism while engaged in action against an enemy of the United States, in military operations involving conflict with a foreign force" ..., Bill logged 233.35 Combat Hours on 32 Missions exceeding the then limit of 25. Offered a Commission as a 2nd Lt. to stay on and train new personnel, Bill declined and returned home. October 23rd, 1945 - S/Sgt. Singleton was Honorably Discharged and returned to Milford and joined American Legion Victor Stier Post 450 in his hometown and has remained a Dues paying Member for 79 years through 2024. Thank you Bill for your outstanding service!



Bill Singleton and his wife, Anne



Nose Art on the aircraft bomber, "Problem Child"



Insignia of the 487th Bomb Group



Pictured L to R: Past District 10 Commander Ed Long, Scio Post 482 Commander Tom Mack, Dean Copeland, and County Commander Mike Bower

Post 482 – 80 Year Member Honored

On June 14th, 2024, Scio Post 482 presented one of their last two WW2 members, Dean Copeland, with his 80 Consecutive Year Certificate at the Post. He is a very active individual, and his mind is sharp as a tack. He was inducted in 1945, the last group to go from Harrison County. His service spanned from Robinson, Ark. to Brussels Belgium, Antwerp Belgium and finished his tour in Paris, France. His accounts of all his service seemed to be fresh in his mind. After the war he returned to Bowerston, OH where he worked for Bowerston Shale and then spent 33 years at Gradall.



GOOD OF THE LEGION

Post 572 – Monument Project

Mark Hupcey, Post 572 veteran had been working on establishing a permanent monument, honoring all veterans past, present, and future at Western Reserve National Cemetery located in Seville, Ohio. This process has been a long one, with roadblocks and endless red tape. For the last year, Mark has worked diligently making calls, attending appointments, and dealing with unforeseen setbacks! In early July 2024, Joseph J Jacubic Inc Post 572 out of Parma was happy to announce that all of Mark's hard work has come to fruition. The monument was purchased through Milano Monuments in Brook Park Ohio. John Milano was tasked with engraving, pouring the base, and setting the monument. On behalf of Post 572 members, we thank you Mark for staying the course and ensuring that this monument project went forward in a timely manner.



Mark Hupcey of Post 572



Post 479 – Celebrates 100th Birthday

During mid-June 2024 Murbach-Siefert Inc Post 479 out of Swanton held their one-hundredth anniversary since being chartered. The event had the wreaths across America trailer present as well as food trucks and other notable veteran organizations. Each member of the Post signed their names on an old Put-Put tractor painted beautifully to mark the significance of the occasion.



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Post 586 - Care Packages for Deployed Troops

On Friday June 14th, 2024, Frank E Robinson American Legion Post 586 and Auxiliary Unit 586 out of Tipp City sorted and packed care packages for deployed troops. These 10 boxes were mailed to deployed servicemembers for distribution in various units. These packages were all mailed on Saturday June 15th, 2024, for delivery prior to the 4th of July holiday. Some of the items contained in these packages include personal hygiene items, snacks, candy, puzzle books, and other miscellaneous things. Also included were pictures colored by a local Girl Scout troop. We would like to thank the community for their donations and support. Some of the workers are shown here, however, several others involved are not shown. Thank you to all who volunteered on this project.



Pictured here are Del Prater, Dan Elmore, Pat Purves, Sherri Matthews, Joyce Lewis, and Harlan Purves

Post 644 – Highlights from the Cincinnati Women’s Post

It’s been a busy Summer for the Greater Cincinnati Women’s Post 644. Since Memorial Day, Post 644 has had a lot going on! On Memorial Day members participated in Bellevue-Dayton’s annual Memorial Day Parade. To celebrate Ohio Women Veterans Day on June 12th, the Post distributed mementos to woman veterans at Cincinnati VA. At Dayton VA, Post members celebrated the re-dedication of the Women’s Clinic. Mayor Aftab Pureval proclaimed June 14, 2024 “Greater Cincinnati Women’s American Legion Post 644 Day” in Cincinnati. Later in the day, Post members volunteered at the Cincinnati VA’s Baby Shower. The city of Montgomery, OH celebrated Bastille Day on July 20th. As part of the celebration a group of veterans was honored. Among the veterans was Post member Vicki Riestenberg who served as a Combat Medic in Vietnam. July 28th brought the Post’s 3rd annual golf outing fundraiser at Warren County Armco Park. This year’s event was the biggest ever! The Cincinnati Reds honored the Post at the first game of its doubleheader on August 30th. 1st Vice Commander Melanie Veal threw out the first pitch to Rosie Red. Post members and family and friends enjoyed the game despite the heat. Sadly, the Post did not bring good luck to the Reds! The Reds hope to have the Post back next year. North College Hill, OH held its “Headin’ for the Hill” Car Show on September 2nd. The Post awarded its trophy to a beautiful ‘48 Chevy Fleetline Aerosedan. The Post now looks forward to its Fall events. -Submitted by Peg Albert, Adjutant

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 POST 0002 - FRANK WAS - CLEVELAND
 POST 0003 - WILLIAM BAKER - FINDLAY
 POST 0003 - GLENN CORBIN - FINDLAY
 POST 0003 - REX TONG - FINDLAY
 POST 0003 - WAYNE LINDSEY - FINDLAY
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 POST 0003 - WILLIAM THOMAS - FINDLAY
 POST 0003 - JAY VANSANT - FINDLAY
 POST 0003 - ROBERT WAGNER - VAN BUREN
 POST 0003 - RICHARD WILHELM - FINDLAY
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 POST 0006 - KARL SHULTZ - SPRINGFIELD
 POST 0007 - JAMES PETRIELLA - FORT MYERS
 POST 0008 - WILLIAM WATTERS - WELLINGTON
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 POST 0008 - CHARLES ZACHARIAS - WELLINGTON
 POST 0008 - CLIFFORD WARNER - ELYRIA
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 POST 0016 - JAMES PERRY - MANSFIELD
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 POST 0019 - JOHN KOSS - WESTON
 POST 0020 - SIDNEY SUTTLES - LANCASTER
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 POST 0118 - RICHARD BOGARDY - AMHERST
 POST 0118 - BRUCE JARA - AMHERST
 POST 0118 - JIM KEETON - LORAIN
 POST 0128 - CLIFFORD COLEMAN - MASON
 POST 0131 - WILLIAM GASTON - LISBON
 POST 0131 - FRANK TENZEK - LEETONIA
 POST 0131 - JOHN BOSTON - SALEM
 POST 0134 - JAMES CALLIHAN - CIRCLEVILLE
 POST 0134 - RANDY DAVIS - CHILlicoTHE
 POST 0136 - RON MILMAN - HOWARD
 POST 0137 - MAX PETER - HICKSVILLE
 POST 0137 - BURL MILLER - NEY
 POST 0138 - VERNON BINNS - HAMILTON
 POST 0138 - WESLEY VANCE - HAMILTON
 POST 0138 - DONALD HENES - HAMILTON
 POST 0139 - CHARLES CARDANI - DENNISON
 POST 0139 - HAL CLANTZ - NEW PHILADELPHIA
 POST 0140 - TOM MOWERY - GREENVILLE
 POST 0140 - FRANCIS WHEELOK - GREENVILLE
 POST 0140 - STEVEN BOHN - GREENVILLE
 POST 0140 - DONALD RIEMAN - GREENVILLE
 POST 0140 - RUSSELL ROYER - GREENVILLE
 POST 0144 - GUY WOLFENBARGER - COLUMBUS

POST 0144 - NELSON MILLS - COLUMBUS
POST 0144 - MICHAEL MADDEN - ASHVILLE
POST 0147 - ARLEN PHILLIPS - APPLE CREEK
POST 0149 - BERNARD COPPOCK - FRANKLIN
POST 0149 - CHESTER FERGERSON - FRANKLIN
POST 0151 - GARY BERNAS - CONNEAUT
POST 0151 - RICHARD FERL - CONNEAUT
POST 0159 - WALTER MOSKEY - ST CLAIRSVLE
POST 0159 - LIGE OSTRANDER - ST CLAIRSVLE
POST 0162 - SHAWN WATSON - MARION
POST 0162 - JAMES CHRISTIAN - MARION
POST 0164 - DAVID BOEHRINGER - GROVE CITY
POST 0164 - D TATE - HURON
POST 0164 - JACK MAUREY - GROVE CITY
POST 0166 - KIM HENDERSON - ALLIANCE
POST 0166 - FRED LEWIS - ALLIANCE
POST 0166 - HEINZ OFFENBECHER - ALLIANCE
POST 0166 - ROGER BETZ - ALLIANCE
POST 0166 - FRANK WOOLF - ALLIANCE
POST 0166 - JOHN WEITZEL - KALAMAZOO
POST 0167 - WINSTON GUY - CHARDON
POST 0169 - RONALD FOWLER - TIFFIN
POST 0170 - RICHARD RATHMELL - CUYAHOGA FLS
POST 0170 - ANDRE BRUNET - WADSWORTH
POST 0170 - JOHN SHANDOR - DOYLESTOWN
POST 0170 - PAUL BOAK - WEST SALEM
POST 0170 - RICHARD FRASE - WADSWORTH
POST 0170 - RALPH KEENER - WADSWORTH
POST 0170 - PATRICK HAYTH - WADSWORTH
POST 0172 - GERALD OTTO - OTTAWA
POST 0173 - MELVIN ALLISON - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0173 - ALVIN LUCAS - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0173 - PHILIP METZ - WEST MILTON
POST 0173 - FRANK HUDSON - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0173 - HARRY MULLINS - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0173 - DON THOMPSON - HILLIARD
POST 0173 - RAYMOND CLONINGER - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0173 - BRIAN GEBOY - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0173 - CHARLES BUTCHER - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0173 - HENRY KIES - BELLEFONTAINE
POST 0176 - CHUCK ADAMS - NEW CARLISLE
POST 0176 - KENNETH WAMER - SOUTH CHARLESTON
POST 0176 - JACK SLATTERY - FOLEY
POST 0176 - E SETTLES - SPRINGFIELD
POST 0177 - CHARLES COLEMAN - CANFIELD
POST 0177 - JOHN MCCABE - CANFIELD
POST 0177 - FRANK MICCHIA - CANFIELD
POST 0178 - THOMAS MANTIE - OHIO CITY
POST 0178 - GENE GOODWIN - VAN WERT
POST 0178 - JOHN LADD - GROVER HILL
POST 0178 - CARL DEMIDOVICH - VAN WERT
POST 0178 - LARRY BAILEY - CONVOY
POST 0178 - JONAS MACK - DEFIANCE
POST 0178 - LARRY YOUTSEY - VAN WERT
POST 0178 - RICHARD HORNER - VAN WERT
POST 0178 - VERNON MEDAUGH - FORT WAYNE
POST 0178 - ARTHUR BAUER - VAN WERT
POST 0179 - STEVEN STEINBECK - BLANCHESTER
POST 0179 - MARGARETTA TEDRICK - BLANCHESTER
POST 0180 - CARL SHROYER - RIPLEY
POST 0181 - JERRY WILLOUGHBY - BUCYRUS
POST 0181 - JACK NELSON - BUCYRUS
POST 0181 - FREDERICK GARVERICK - BUCYRUS
POST 0181 - RUSSELL RALL - BUCYRUS
POST 0181 - ROBERT LAMB - SAN ANTONIO
POST 0181 - WILLIAM ZELLNER - BUCYRUS
POST 0184 - WILLIAM ALLISON - PLEASANT HILL
POST 0184 - ROBERT MONTGOMERY - PIQUA
POST 0184 - PAUL SCHWIERKING - CHEYENNE
POST 0184 - CHARLES SANDERS - PIQUA
POST 0185 - CHARLES CASSELL - ADA
POST 0185 - RICHARD DYER - ADA
POST 0188 - SAM SORRELL - SHAWNEE
POST 0188 - CLARENCE CROSBY - NEW LEXINGTON
POST 0188 - PAUL BOWERS - NEW LEXINGTON
POST 0188 - DALE GUISSINGER - NEW LEXINGTON
POST 0190 - RODNEY TOMBLIN - BOLIVAR
POST 0190 - JON LEE - BOLIVAR
POST 0192 - NILE HOCHSTETLER - MILLERSBURG
POST 0193 - EDWIN LEFERINK - MANTUA
POST 0194 - CHARLES HAST - LOVELAND
POST 0194 - DANIEL STOVER - MAINEVILLE
POST 0194 - ALDEN EVANS - LEBANON
POST 0194 - FRANK HUFFMAN - MASON
POST 0196 - BRIAN CARR - GREEN
POST 0196 - HENRY DZICZKOWSKI - WALTON HILLS
POST 0196 - EDMUND FARRIS - SEVEN HILLS
POST 0196 - MIKE GESUALDO - BRECKSVILLE
POST 0196 - LOUIS HROVAT - CLEVELAND
POST 0196 - LOUIS KISH - SEVEN HILLS
POST 0196 - BERNARD KOBZOWICZ - BRDVIEW HTS
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POST 0196 - EUGENE NAGORSKI - AKRON
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POST 0196 - WILLIAM PRYMAS - CLEVELAND
POST 0196 - GEORGE TINNERMAN - BURLINGTON
POST 0198 - PHILIP MCCULLOUGH - KENTON
POST 0199 - JACK SCHIERING - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - DAVID YOCUM - LAWRENCEBURG
POST 0199 - JESSE INMAN - HARRISON
POST 0199 - KENNETH SMITH - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - JOHN ESTERKAMP - WAYNESVILLE
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POST 0199 - GEORGE HERRIN - LAWRENCEBURG
POST 0199 - ELMER KELLER - HARRISON
POST 0199 - BENJAMIN YOCUM - HARRISON
POST 0199 - CHARLES CRAIG - HARRISON

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POST 0199 - RICHARD DICKERSON - LAWRENCEBURG
POST 0199 - JAMES HAMMOND - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - WILFORD SHRADER - FREDERICK
POST 0199 - RON BAKER - OXFORD
POST 0199 - HAROLD BROWN - HARRISON
POST 0199 - CHESTER CARR - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - JERRY CHARLES - CLEVES
POST 0199 - RAYMOND COOK - HAMILTON
POST 0199 - PAUL COURTNEY - N FT MYERS
POST 0199 - DONALD FRAZIER - GARDNERVILLE
POST 0199 - RICHARD HARLESS - HARRISON
POST 0199 - DONALD HATMAKER - CAMDEN
POST 0199 - WILLIAM HENDERSON - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - THOMAS HOTOPP - HARRISON
POST 0199 - CLOYD JONES - HARRISON
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POST 0199 - THOMAS KOENIG - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - CHARLES MOAK - NAPLES
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POST 0199 - ARTHUR REID - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - HAROLD SCHUCK - HARRISON
POST 0199 - JAMES WADE - FAIRFIELD
POST 0199 - JAMES WISSEL - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - HAROLD ZINSER - HARRISON
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POST 0199 - WILLIAM DIRR - CINCINNATI
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POST 0199 - HAROLD EDINGTON - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - ROBERT FELDMAN - MONROE
POST 0199 - JAMES FRAMPTON - CLARKSVILLE
POST 0199 - JAMES FROHN - NORTH BEND
POST 0199 - PAUL FUGITT - INDUSTRY
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POST 0199 - HENRY HOLLIN - FINDLAY
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POST 0199 - EUGENE NAPIER - MASON
POST 0199 - JAMES NORRIS - WEST CHESTER
POST 0199 - JOHN OROURKE - CINCINNATI
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POST 0199 - STANLEY ROLFES - SHARONVILLE
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POST 0199 - ROBERT SCHMIDLIN - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - JACK STONEBURNER - BATESVILLE
POST 0199 - ANTONIO VEGA - HAMILTON
POST 0199 - ROBERT WRIGHT - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - GORDON WYATT - CRESTVIEW HILLS
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POST 0199 - WILLIAM BARKER - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - EDWARD BURKE - CINCINNATI
POST 0199 - PATRICK BREEN - HARRISON
POST 0199 - CLARENCE SPAULDING - HARRISON
POST 0199 - JIM VOGT - HARRISON
POST 0201 - VERNON FLYNN - WEST JEFFERSON
POST 0202 - RICHARD CURRY - MEDINA
POST 0210 - ROBERT MEIER - NEW BREMEN
POST 0210 - WILLIAM MERTZ - CELINA
POST 0210 - THOMAS FINKE - LAKELAND
POST 0210 - ROBERT REYNOLDS - CELINA
POST 0211 - STEVE VASICH - AVON LAKE
POST 0211 - ADAM PANGRACE - WESTLAKE
POST 0211 - KAY SWARTWOOD - SHEFFIELD LAKE
POST 0211 - LAWRENCE GUZOWSKI - ROCKY RIVER
POST 0211 - GERALD PLAS - AVON
POST 0211 - DONALD WAGNER - AVON
POST 0211 - VIRGIL CARVER - LORAIN
POST 0214 - DAVID AGNICH - WILLOUGHBY
POST 0214 - RONNIE COBERLY - EUCLID
POST 0214 - ROBERT CARNEY - MENTOR
POST 0214 - FRED SMITH - ROCKVILLE
POST 0214 - RON HARRIS - WILLOWICK
POST 0214 - HERL YEARY - GENEVA
POST 0214 - RICHARD LEDENICAN - MAYFIELD HTS
POST 0215 - RAYMOND SHEPHERD - EATON
POST 0217 - PAUL COOK - SIDNEY
POST 0217 - JOHN KEATING - DE GRAFF
POST 0217 - WALTER GILLMAN - SIDNEY
POST 0217 - ALAN SNYDER - LIBERTY
POST 0217 - DARREL BENDER - SIDNEY
POST 0218 - LARUE THARP - MIDDLETOWN
POST 0218 - RONALD FRYE - FRANKLIN
POST 0218 - JOHN BRUGGEMAN - SPRINGBORO
POST 0218 - WILLIAM COMBS - TRENTON
POST 0218 - CHARLES CHAPMAN - TRENTON
POST 0218 - FRANK HOLLON - MIDDLETOWN
POST 0218 - THOMAS BREHM - BURNSIDE
POST 0221 - BRUCE KITTINGER - MASSILLON
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POST 0221 - LINDA BURKY - MASSILLON
POST 0221 - ROBERT HOFFNER - MASSILLON
POST 0221 - OLDEN LYNCH - CANTON
POST 0221 - JAMES GOOD - MASSILLON

POST 0222 - BILL FLOYD - ROSEVILLE
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POST 0223 - HOWARD BLASING - HAMILTON
POST 0223 - LARRY SCRANTON - HICKSVILLE
POST 0223 - CHARLES ZIMMERMAN - HICKSVILLE
POST 0225 - LARRY CLARK - UPPER SANDSKY
POST 0227 - JOHN PETRELLA - BRIDGEPORT
POST 0227 - JAMES OFFORD - BRIDGEPORT
POST 0227 - RONALD BAKER - LANSING
POST 0227 - NORMAN EHNI - BRIDGEPORT
POST 0228 - SAMUEL ZUGARO - POWHATAN POINT
POST 0228 - ROWLAND ARMANN - POWHATAN POINT
POST 0229 - HUBERT COVERT - NELSONVILLE
POST 0229 - EUGENE EDWARDS - NELSONVILLE
POST 0232 - PAUL SILL - GRAND RAPIDS
POST 0232 - EDWARD KARAMOL - MONCLOVA
POST 0232 - DANIEL CREPS - MAUMEE
POST 0234 - WILLIAM BROADDUS - BRUNSWICK
POST 0234 - MELVIN MEKETA - OLMSTED TWP
POST 0234 - ALBERT CANTRELL - HINCKLEY
POST 0235 - ALAN WOOLLEY - BOARDMAN
POST 0236 - WILBUR VALOT - NEWTON FALLS
POST 0237 - CLAIR BOGGS - MURFREESBORO
POST 0239 - DAVID MISKELL - DUBLIN
POST 0239 - JOSEPH ATWOOD - POWELL
POST 0239 - DONALD SPRADLIN - POWELL
POST 0239 - LOYD STULLER - NORTH OLMSTED
POST 0241 - THOMAS ROSE - NEW BREMEN
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POST 0243 - EDWIN MOFFETT - GALION
POST 0244 - JEFFORD WILLIAMS - EAST SPARTA
POST 0244 - JOHN MOFFETT - ASHLAND
POST 0245 - ROY FLATTER - HOLLANSBURG
POST 0246 - DANIEL AMSPAUGH - DUNCAN FALLS
POST 0246 - STEPHEN MOCK - CHANDLERSVILLE
POST 0247 - ROBERT RENNINGER - LOWELLVILLE
POST 0250 - MAX MILES - SPARTANBURG
POST 0250 - CHESTER GEARY - AKRON
POST 0255 - TERRENCE FITZPATRICK - TALLMADGE
POST 0255 - EDGAR JUNK - NORTH CANTON
POST 0257 - HAROLD APPLGATE - PERRYSVILLE
POST 0257 - RICHARD DOBEC - WOOSTER
POST 0257 - RONALD SCHUCK - LOUDONVILLE
POST 0257 - STEWART ZODY - LOUDONVILLE
POST 0257 - JOHN GETZ - LOUDONVILLE
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POST 0259 - TOM PRICE - FOREST
POST 0261 - RALPH BLANKENSHIP - IRONTON
POST 0262 - JAMES MYERS - NAPOLEON
POST 0265 - DONALD ATZINGER - FRANKLIN
POST 0265 - ROBERT BREHM - WAUSEON
POST 0266 - ALLIE SCHRADER - BELLE CENTER
POST 0266 - THOMAS PALMER - NEW SMYRNA
POST 0268 - FRANKLIN RIGDON - VENEDOCIA
POST 0268 - MARVIN LUCAS - DELPHOS
POST 0268 - ALFRED SCHMIT - DELPHOS
POST 0268 - JOHN SHEETER - DELPHOS
POST 0268 - JOHN WILLIAMS - DELPHOS
POST 0272 - DEWITT HERRING - AKRON
POST 0272 - IRA DANNY HOLT - AKRON
POST 0276 - JOSE VALERO - WESTERVILLE
POST 0278 - ROBERT SHADE - WARREN
POST 0279 - MIKE CARPENTER - ELMORE
POST 0279 - KENNETH FREIMARK - ELMORE
POST 0279 - RAYMOND TRAVIS - ELMORE
POST 0279 - LOWELL GELDIEN - ELMORE
POST 0283 - DAVID LINDSEY - PATASKALA
POST 0283 - ORVAL MANLEY - MILLERSPORT
POST 0284 - WILLIAM YOUNG - BRYAN
POST 0284 - DOYLE WINES - BRYAN
POST 0284 - WILLIAM BANY - BRYAN
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POST 0284 - HENRY CASE - BRYAN
POST 0286 - TERRY ESTEPP - NEW CARLISLE
POST 0287 - EMMA NIESE - LEIPSIC
POST 0288 - RAY HATTON - WILLIAMSBURG
POST 0288 - JOHN HUNDLEY - MILFORD
POST 0288 - ROBERT RING - WILLIAMSBURG
POST 0288 - WILLIAM WRIGHT - CINCINNATI
POST 0288 - CARL CONLEY - LOVELAND
POST 0288 - DAVID CONNOR - CINCINNATI
POST 0288 - JOHN MALOTT - WILLIAMSBURG
POST 0288 - MICHAEL MALOTT - BATAVIA
POST 0290 - JAMES ROBERTS - MINERVA
POST 0290 - DONALD HOLLISTER - COLUMBIANA
POST 0290 - STANLEY YEAGER - JAMESTOWN
POST 0290 - CHARLES SARVER - MOON TOWNSHIP
POST 0290 - TOM URDEA - POLAND
POST 0290 - ROY GRIBBEN - EAST PALESTINE
POST 0290 - NICK GIZZI - LISBON
POST 0290 - HERBERT GRAY - BOARDMAN
POST 0290 - LARRY BAUGHMAN - COLUMBIANA
POST 0290 - PETER KINTZ - EAST PALESTINE
POST 0290 - ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN - COLUMBIANA
POST 0290 - JOSEPH DICKEY - NORTH LIMA
POST 0290 - EDWARD HOLISKY - COLUMBIANA
POST 0290 - WILLIAM LUDOLPH - COLUMBIANA
POST 0295 - DON MILLER - FREMONT
POST 0297 - EUGENE DEITRICK - OAKWOOD
POST 0297 - COE GORDON - PAULDING
POST 0300 - RALPH CREAGER - LIBERTY CENTER
POST 0300 - RICHARD HENNING - NAPOLEON
POST 0300 - ORVIL BENSKIN - NAPOLEON
POST 0300 - LEON ST CLAIR - NAPOLEON

POST 0300 - ROBERT BRUNS - NAPOLEON
 POST 0304 - CHARLES DUSEK - SAGAMORE HILLS
 POST 0304 - MARINO OGLIO - CLEVELAND
 POST 0305 - ROBERT BOSTELMAN - NAPOLEON
 POST 0309 - JERRY SIBITS - MAPLE HEIGHTS
 POST 0311 - JOHN RYCHENER - PETTISVILLE
 POST 0315 - BIRLUS WORDLAW - CLEVELAND
 POST 0316 - VICTOR GERKEN - DESHLER
 POST 0318 - JIMMY BUSSEY - CINCINNATI
 POST 0318 - RICHARD WEIS - CINCINNATI
 POST 0320 - KENNETH MORSE - MAUMEE
 POST 0320 - KENNETH MURPHY - MAUMEE
 POST 0323 - THOMAS PURVIS - PERRYSBURG
 POST 0323 - GEORGE SHARPE - SAINT MARYS
 POST 0324 - DAVID SCHMIDLIN - GENOA
 POST 0324 - RICHARD BUHROW - MARTIN
 POST 0325 - LARRY CROWE - BENTONVILLE
 POST 0326 - MICHAEL VAN VLERAH - SHELBY
 POST 0326 - STUART ROBERTS - SHELBY
 POST 0326 - ROGER SITES - SHELBY
 POST 0326 - HAROLD ALT - SHELBY
 POST 0326 - JAMES HICKS - SHELBY
 POST 0330 - RUDY VOSTATEK - WAPAKONETA
 POST 0330 - DALE STILES - CRIDERSVILLE
 POST 0331 - LEE OBLINGER - RAVENNA
 POST 0331 - RAYMOND JOHNSON - DIAMOND
 POST 0331 - ROGER SIMONIS - BRADENTON
 POST 0332 - DENNIS EHLERS - MC CLURE
 POST 0334 - SYLVESTER LANTZ - WALBRIDGE
 POST 0336 - PAUL MANLEY - PAINESVILLE
 POST 0336 - JACK KOVACH - MENTOR
 POST 0336 - STEVE HORVATH - CONCORD TOWNSHIP
 POST 0336 - ROGER GIER - MADISON
 POST 0336 - THEODORE ENDRESS - FT. LAUDERDALE
 POST 0338 - TERRY HUMMEL - WAYNE
 POST 0338 - HOMER MCINTYRE - BOWLING GREEN
 POST 0339 - RAYMOND HRITZ - STRONGSVILLE
 POST 0343 - CHARLES HOUSER - BROOKPARK
 POST 0344 - EARL SCHMITZ - CAREY
 POST 0345 - EUGENE REINHART - BRYANT
 POST 0346 - THOMAS LOSH - OHIO CITY
 POST 0353 - JOHN MARSHAL - NORTH STAR
 POST 0353 - JOHN CAMPBELL - FAIRBORN
 POST 0353 - ROBERT TURNER - ROSSBURG
 POST 0354 - JOSEPH DANIEL - TIFFIN
 POST 0354 - NOEL NONNEMAKER - TIFFIN
 POST 0354 - KENNETH LEISURE - FINDLAY
 POST 0355 - RUSSELL HARTING - MINSTER
 POST 0355 - PAUL MAURER - FORT LORAMIE
 POST 0355 - ANTHONY GEISE - FORT LORAMIE
 POST 0355 - CHALMER GASSON - FORT LORAMIE
 POST 0357 - WILLARD TARBET - PALM BAY
 POST 0357 - GARY ARCHER - MINERVA
 POST 0357 - DAVID SCOTT - MINERVA
 POST 0357 - JOHN WORK - MINERVA
 POST 0362 - ROBERT FREY - SPRINGFIELD
 POST 0363 - LOUIS ANDRONIS - LUCASVILLE
 POST 0363 - O PICKLESIMER - LUCASVILLE
 POST 0366 - JOSEPH KORBA - ST CLAIRSVLE
 POST 0367 - SAM SPRADLING - MAYSVILLE
 POST 0368 - JAMES BERRIDGE - PROSPECT
 POST 0368 - MARK LASLEY - DAYTON
 POST 0371 - JOSEPH RIEPENHOFF - JACKSON
 POST 0373 - RAMON MCQUILLIN - ARCHBOLD
 POST 0373 - ROBERT KEHLE - DELTA
 POST 0373 - GREG STINE - LIBERTY CENTER
 POST 0376 - JOHN ELICK - JUNCTION CITY
 POST 0376 - DAVID FONDALE - MEDINA
 POST 0376 - DONALD ICE - JUNCTION CITY
 POST 0382 - WILBUR BRACY - BLUFFTON
 POST 0383 - ROALD AMUNDSON - TWINSBURG
 POST 0384 - DON MORRISON - WHITEHOUSE
 POST 0384 - JAMES DERRICK - HOLLAND
 POST 0385 - THOMAS TELZROW - WESTLAKE
 POST 0389 - LEE JOBES - PATASKALA
 POST 0389 - JACK WALDRON - BEVERLY
 POST 0389 - HAROLD BURT - VINCENT
 POST 0395 - ROBERT SPILLMAN - WAYNESFIELD
 POST 0398 - CLYDE ANDERSON - NEWARK
 POST 0398 - JOHN DEAN - GRANVILLE
 POST 0399 - WAYNE EDDLEBLUTE - FRAZEYSBURG
 POST 0399 - THOMAS RANGLES - ZANESVILLE
 POST 0399 - EMMETT TURNER - COLUMBUS
 POST 0401 - JOHN LITTLE - CALEDONIA
 POST 0401 - JAMES WETZEL - MARION
 POST 0401 - NORM PILKINGTON - MOUNT GILEAD
 POST 0406 - JERRY BLOCK - BETHEL
 POST 0414 - FRANK LISKEY - GLOUSTER
 POST 0414 - DELBERT SKINNER - MILLFIELD
 POST 0417 - GEORGE KERN - NAPLES
 POST 0417 - JOHN LEACH - MOUNT STERLING
 POST 0421 - JOHN BADDOUR - NORTH OLMSTED
 POST 0421 - GALE MILLER - ROCKY RIVER
 POST 0427 - GEORGE FELSHEIM - CINCINNATI
 POST 0431 - C PLANTS - NEWCOMERSTOWN
 POST 0432 - KENNETH BARKHEIMER - MAGNOLIA
 POST 0435 - DAVE MILLER - VERSAILLES
 POST 0436 - JOHN ZELEWICZ - E ROCHESTER
 POST 0438 - PETER BALEGA - SOLON
 POST 0438 - RICHARD WAYNE - NORTH FAIRFIELD
 POST 0446 - RICHARD STEINKE - SIDNEY
 POST 0447 - CHALMER SPENCER - PLYMOUTH
 POST 0449 - LAWRENCE POWELL - NORTON
 POST 0450 - ROBERT BURDETTE - MILFORD
 POST 0450 - WILLIAM BITTNER - MILFORD
 POST 0450 - KENNETH DONAHUE - MILFORD
 POST 0450 - ROBERT GUSTIN - MILFORD
 POST 0450 - JAMES KLAUS - MILFORD
 POST 0451 - JAMES KERRIGAN - CLEVELAND
 POST 0454 - WILLIAM BEHNFELDT - DEFIANCE

POST 0454 - DAVID STOUGH - RDGVILLE CORS
POST 0454 - ROGER HELBERG - NAPOLEON
POST 0454 - THEO HEUER - NAPOLEON
POST 0459 - ANTHONY MCHUGH - CHARDON
POST 0459 - DAVID NEWELL - BURTON
POST 0459 - JOHN POLLARI - HUNTSBURG
POST 0459 - MICHAEL SMOLINSKY - CHAGRIN FALLS
POST 0459 - DAVID WACHHAUS - MIDDLEFIELD
POST 0459 - HOWARD EHRHART - WINDSOR
POST 0468 - PAUL ROLL - NEWPORT COAST
POST 0468 - JOHN WEAVER - ANN ARBOR
POST 0468 - SAMUEL BURNETT - TOLEDO
POST 0468 - GERALD SOBB - MAUMEE
POST 0469 - CARL CHADA - CLEVELAND
POST 0469 - DONALD LOWE - CLEVELAND
POST 0469 - JOHN ANDRUS - CLEVELAND
POST 0470 - FREDERICK DOBMEYER - COLDWATER
POST 0470 - WALTER FORTKAMP - SAINT HENRY
POST 0470 - PAUL HEITKAMP - SAINT HENRY
POST 0470 - DONALD MUHLENKAMP - CELINA
POST 0470 - OLIVER WENDEL - COLDWATER
POST 0471 - JOHN WOLERY - MOUNT PERRY
POST 0473 - GERALD WATSON - AKRON
POST 0479 - JOHN KUBICZ - SWANTON
POST 0479 - LEWIS CULLER - MAUMEE
POST 0482 - TERRY THOMPSON - JEWETT
POST 0482 - NELSON WILSON - SCIO
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2025 Department Convention July 11th – July 13th, 2025



Holiday Inn Cleveland South

6001 Rockside Rd. Independence, OH 44131

Deadline for Registration is June 10th

To make reservations please call 216-524-8050 and reference "The American Legion Department of Ohio Convention"

The discounted group rate is \$129.00/night + tax.

All Post Delegates and Alternates must be registered 15 days prior to Convention. Delegate and Alternate registration deadline is June 27th!

For more information, contact Christie White at programs@ohiolegion.com or call (740) 362-7478.

You may also visit the website at <https://www.ohiolegion.com/events/department-conferences-conventions/>.

Members and non-members are welcome to attend the convention and any meetings offered
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A Patriot's Passion for Painting - Submitted by Barb Smith



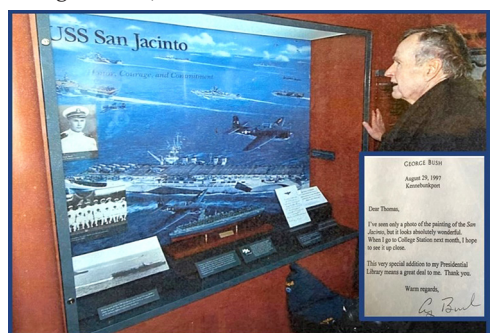
Before the days of WalMart and Lowes, I would ride along with my mother from our home in Marietta to Little Hocking, the fifteen-mile trip south on Route 7, to Stahl's Christmas Store and Greenhouse. Unknowingly, at the same time we were shopping one summer day, the owner's son Tom was summering in Italy, honing his artistic skills. Fate brought us together fifty years later via the story of the USS Indianapolis (CV 35).

In September 2014, my husband Bob and I met Bob Welsh, a storyteller and Navy veteran, at Lori's Diner in Caldwell, Ohio. Bob W., who wrote "Sleep Well You Men of Indy's Crew" regarding the USS Indianapolis's tragic fate, accepted our invitation as the keynote to recite his famed poem on Veterans Day at the Amherst, Ohio Veterans Day program. Bob told us we needed to meet his friend, Tom Stahl, in Little Hocking. Tom's art gallery housed a painting of the USS Indianapolis steaming under the Golden Gate Bridge on its last mission, delivering the components of the Hiroshima bomb, "Little Boy."

As we drove onto Tom Stahl's Christmas Store property, a flood of happy memories from five decades before overwhelmed me! Tom and his wife Sharon became our instant friends. I quickly purchased a 2' x 3' lithographic print of the USS Indy and placed it in our car's trunk. As I reentered the art gallery, Tom's portrait of his father, wearing a suit and tie, greeted me again. Tom also showed us a portrait of his mother as a little girl, and one of Harman and Margaret Blennerhassett of the nearby historic Blennerhassett Island on the Ohio River.

We marveled at the intricate details of Tom's sternwheelers, lighthouses, covered bridges, trains and train stations, and religious paintings. "I've been painting all my life," said Tom. Tom never left the family homestead. Tom and his wife Sharon raised their family there and cared for his parents.

Tom's dad, a WWII vet, introduced him to a friend of his, Jim Lohr. Jim served in the Pacific Theater aboard the aircraft carrier USS San Jacinto as a shipfitter and was honorably discharged with the rank of petty officer. He and his wife organized the USS San Jacinto (CG-56) Reunion Association. They planned and facilitated annual veterans' events throughout the United States. President George H. W. Bush, who served as a pilot aboard the USS San Jacinto has attended their reunions. Tom thought Jim was a really nice guy. Jim arranged for Tom and his wife to attend the next reunion of the USS San Jacinto in 1996. At that reunion, the veterans commissioned Tom to donate artwork for the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library. Tom's family met President Bush in 1998 when Tom presented the President with a painting of the USS San Jacinto at the reunion at the Presidential Library in College Station, Texas.



President G.H.W. Bush admires the artwork of Thomas Stahl in College Station, Texas

Over the years, Tom and Sharon became good friends with Don Rhodes, a personal aide to President Bush who worked closely with the President throughout his Senate and presidential years. Don helped Tom gain access to information that helped him with his paintings of President Bush. Don stopped to see them in Little Hocking one fall as he was heading back to Texas after closing the Bush home in Kennebunkport, Maine. After Don's death, Tom painted a portrait of Rhodes and gave it to President Bush, who liked it so much that he reportedly placed it in his Texas home. That was very special to Tom.

The painting of the San Jacinto inspired Tom to create more oil paintings of this US president, including a painting of LTJG Bush in his flight suit. This painting, along with Tom's paintings of the USS San Jacinto and Task Force 58, now hangs in the wardroom of the aircraft carrier USS George H. W. Bush (CVN-77).



full-size painting of LTJG G.H.W. Bush - giclee print resides in a wardroom of the USS George H. W. Bush-(CVN 77)

"I didn't intend to, but I just kept creating oil paintings of the story of the career of George H. W. Bush, from naval aviator to our nation's 41st US President, creating over 100 paintings. I have spent 26 years devoted to this project. The culminating six-foot painting of President Bush alone took me three years to complete. I call it "A Vision of Hope."



Tom Stahl's A Vision of Hope - VETERANS GALLERY - Little Hocking, Ohio

Tom collaborated with his friend Bob Welsh, whose poetry narrates the story of George H. W. Bush through Tom's paintings. "Grandma's Story—Heroes, A Handsome Prince, And Men Who Fought the War" is a 48-minute film that visitors may view in the 15-seat auditorium. Afterward, they

may walk around and look at the paintings from the film up close.



Bob Welsh US Navy veteran holds a copy of his published book Embers of a Storyteller's Mind, as Tom Stahl holds a copy of their collaborative film

AN INVITATION FROM TOM:

"I'm always glad to chat with visitors of all ages, especially veterans who have a couple of hours to view the film and to ask me questions about my more than 150 historical paintings on display. Please call me, Tom Stahl, @ 740-989-2271 to arrange a FREE tour of the wheelchair-accessible VETERANS GALLERY here at my home at 18 Orchard Dr. in Little Hocking."



All Are Welcome!-VETERANS GALLERY- 18 Orchard Dr. Little, Hocking, Ohio



The American Legion Department of Ohio 2025 Mid-Winter Conference

Marriott Columbus Northwest

5605 Blazer Pkwy
Dublin, OH 43017

on

Friday, January 17, 2025 – Sunday, January 19, 2025

This is an American Legion Family event for The American Legion, Sons of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary and The American Legion Riders. The conference is focused on training and education of the American Legion and its offices/ programs through Buckeye American Legion College. Anyone is welcome to attend the conference and any meetings and classes offered.

To make reservations please call 1-800-228-9290 to receive the discounted group rate of \$ 122.00 plus tax, or make reservations online at: <https://www.marriott.com/eventreservations/reservation-link.i?id=1708550451350&k=GRP&app=resvlink>

Please reference “American Legion Mid-Winter” when making reservations.

Please visit <https://www.ohiolegion.com/department-mid-winter-conference/> and fill out the registration link.

Deadline for hotel reservations is December 27th
For more information on the event contact Christie White at programs@ohiolegion.com or call (740) 362-7478.

Of the Year Awards Banquet Saturday January 18, 2025

The Department of Ohio is hosting a formal banquet to honor outstanding members of our communities and Legionnaires at Mid-Winter Conference.

Social hour starts at 5:00PM in the foyer with a cash bar.

Dinner will be served at 6:00PM. Commander Whatley will be presenting awards to the members of your communities who have won various “of the year” awards.

Members, Posts, and Districts are encouraged to attend and support those being recognized. Formal attire is required.

Reservation cutoff is January 13th, 2025.

Cost is \$40.00 per person

Please return this form with payment

****All banquet tickets must be reserved in advance****

****Tickets reserved will be handed out at the event****

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

of tickets at \$40.00 per person _____

Amount: \$ _____ Check # _____ or

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Exp. Date ____ / ____ CVV _____

Beef ____ Chicken ____ Salmon ____ Vegetarian ____

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