



# NEVADA LEGION NEWS

*"Veterans Strengthening America"*

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- ◆ Department Convention
- ◆ New FY 300 Club
- ◆ Letters of Intent
- ◆ Month of the Military Child
- ◆ 100 Miles for Hope

**April Contest Winner—Post ?**

**NO ENTRIES!**



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# COMMANDER'S CORNER

Richard Eberly



Hello Fellow Legionnaires,

Just wanted to say thank you for your support this year and all your information on the upcoming events each month.

## Post 149 southern Nevada Events:

### General Information:

**Elections for Officers will be held during the May 8 meeting. CLICK HERE for information on the positions, If interested in running, please send me a short bio t, and why you'd like to be an officer that I can share that with the members.**

**Scouts BSA Mountain Man Rendezvous 2022.** Our 2nd Vice, Amanda Edens, is looking for help with the Mountain Man Rendezvous, April 29th to May 1st.. She needs some help at booths during the event, and for setup and clean up. There is a fee of \$25 to cover food and mementos if not camping. \$45 if camping. If you're free and would like to help, email [2ndVice@Post149.org](mailto:2ndVice@Post149.org) or call her at 702-510-0118,

The Post E-Board meets monthly on the last Wednesday of each month at 1800 hours. Everyone is welcome, if you'd like to see some of the inner workings of the Post. Come early for dinner.

### Coming up in the next week:

**Apr 7-10: 40&8 Great Western Promenade.** Not sure what the 40&8 is, join us as a guest in Tombstone AZ for the weekend, and join the fun. To register, [CLICK HERE](#). For info on the local 40&8, go to <http://v306.org/>

**Instructions to add our calendar to your phone:**<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0Bxc10kiL-KxTdnZKXzY1WUNJNTg>

### On the RADAR Screen:

**Apr 19: Legion Night at the Leatherneck.** Our monthly get-together for a social night on Taco Tuesday. Hope to see you there.

**Apr 23: Flying Flags for Heroes.** The SAL will be placing 100 flags on graves at the Southern Nevada Veterans Cemetery beginning at 1000. This monthly event is part of the national effort to place 1 million flags across the country. They'll be stopping for lunch in Boulder City afterwards. For info call Mike Juoni at 720-357-9067 or e-mail [infonvsquadron149@gmail.com](mailto:infonvsquadron149@gmail.com)

**Apr 30: Folds of Honor Poker Run.** Registration from 0830-1000 at the Leatherneck Club. [CLICK HERE](#) for details and run flyer. Folds of Honors raises money for military scholarships. For info, go to <https://foldsofhonor.org/>

**May 1: Honor Flight Returns Home.** Welcoming a group of deserving Veterans who were visiting Washington DC. Their plane arrives at the airport at 1540 in Terminal 1 and the greeting is on the 2nd floor above baggage claim

**May 7: Iron Crossmen Vegas Mayhem Poker Run.** Registration from 0800-1000. Leaving from the Leatherneck Club at 0800. [CLICK HERE](#) for run flyer

**May 7: Las Vegas 10-13 Club picnic.** Picnic and cornhole begins at 1100. Located at Police Memorial Park, 3250 Police Memorial Way.

**May 8: General Membership Meetings.** Join us for our monthly breakfast meetings at the Leatherneck Club (4360 Spring Mountain Rd). Doors open at 0830 for a light breakfast and the meeting begins at 0930ish. SAL meeting begins at 0830.

**May 19-22: Armed Forces Weekend Getaway.** Several of us are heading to Hawthorne, NV to celebrate Armed Forces Day. Hawthorne is home to the largest Armed Forces Day Parade, west of the Mississippi. Here's a link to lodging accommodations (<http://www.mineralcountychamber.com/foodlodge/>), and here is a link to the RV park we have reservations in (<http://whiskeyflats.net/>).

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**May 21: • May 21: M.A.D. Motorcycle Awareness Day at Full Throttle Law.** If you're not going to Hawthorne, please try to attend. Registration 9-9:45 am. The address is [1671 W Horizon Ridge Pkwy STE 200, Henderson, NV 89012](https://www.google.com/maps/place/1671+W+Horizon+Ridge+Pkwy+STE+200,+Henderson,+NV+89012)

**May 22: Charlie Gillessen's 90th birthday bash.** Charlie is a fellow Legionnaire and is still riding his motorcycle. The party is at 1430 at Post 40 in Henderson.

**May 28-30: Memorial Day Weekend Events.** Details to come.

For God and Country

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### Post 76 southern Nevada Events:

**Friday, 29 April,** Information Table, Senior Expo, Orleans Hotel, 09:00-15:00.

**Saturday, 28 May,** Information Table, Galleria Mall on Sunset, 11:00-15:00, setup time TBD.

**Monday, 30 May,** Memorial Day Service, Lake Sahara South Park, 09:00-11:00.

**Monday, 30 May,** Color Guard, Oakmont of the Lakes, 14:00.

**Saturday, 11 June,** Information Table, Pahrump Nugget Casino, 11:00-15:00.

**Monday 4 July,** Color Guard, Post 76 Legionnaires, and our sponsored Scouts march in the Summerlin Patriotic Parade. Gather at approximately 0730 for a parade step off at 0900.

**Saturday, 3 September,** Information Table, Silverton Casino, 11:00-15:00.

**Fri, Sat, Sun, 4-6 November,** Information Table, Aviation Nation, Nellis AFB, 09:00-16:00.

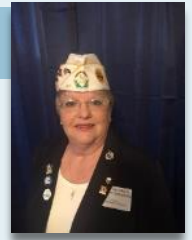
**Monday, 11 November,** TBD, Veterans Day.

**Saturday, 12 November,** Information Table, Galleria Mall on Sunset, 11:00-15:00.

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## 1st Vice Commander Valerie Scheuering



Hello Everyone

Well as this newsletter is published, I hope everyone is doing well. We are going to leap into the latter 2000's in The American Legion. I do hope you're finding our history interesting as I have.

- October 2012 - VA guarantees its 20 millionth home loan. 1936-1937 National Commander Harry Colmery and 1943-1944 National Commander Warren Atherton escorted the original GI Bill of Rights through Congress in 1944, arguing passionately for veterans educational benefits, government-assured health care and what they called "readjustment allowances." Today Colmery and Atherton are lauded as the "fathers of the GI Bill" and its successors.
- August 2013 - National Commander James E. Klutz announced that the American Legion family raised more than \$1.1 million for Operation Comfort Warriors during the 2012-2013 fundraising year. It easily surpassed his original goal of \$500,000.
- 2014 - In the midst of a VA waiting-list scandal that reached up to the deaths of veterans waiting for care, The American Legion calls for the resignations of several top officials, including VA Secretary Eric Shinseki. The scandal would ultimately engulf multiple facilities and offices; the Legion kept the issue in front of the public and Congress via articles and testimony.
- August 2014 - National Commander Michael D. Helm announces that Legion Family members and friends donated more than \$4 million (his goal) to Legion charities and programs during his year in office.
- July 2016 - The Legacy Scholarship is expanded to children of post-9/11 veterans who have a combined VA disability rating of 50 percent or greater.
- June 2017 - Created to hold VA employees more accountable, the Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017 is passed by Congress in concert with The American Legion. A longtime goal of the Legion, this legislation gives the VA Secretary the authority to terminate the employment of VA employees who do not hold the standard of the VA's missions, to help veterans. The American Legion worked hard with Congress, VA and others to create and pass this much needed veteran-centric legislation.
- August 16, 2017 - The Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2017 - also known as the "Forever GI Bill" because it removes time limits for veterans who wish to use it for college - is signed into law by President Donald J. Trump. The legislation is named for The American Legion past national commander who in the winter of 1943-44 drafted the Serviceman's Readjustment Act that changed the nation after World War II.

The information in this Newsletter Article is found on [legion.org](http://legion.org) under history. Until next month, be safe and stay healthy. Enjoy the beauty of Spring. God Bless this Great Nation and The American Legion.



**OKAY FOLKS! It's time to spruce up this newsletter! We are sorely lacking in photos and stories or info from the various Posts, Units and Squadrons around the State. I know the Commander tries to highlight events but you all have to share that information first!**

**I'm soliciting photos and stories to go with them! Share with us what your Districts, Posts, Squadrons, Detachments and Units are doing! This is a family newsletter, so everybody join in!**

**I need 12 really awesome photos and stories! One for each month. I'm starting with January, so get to work looking for stories to share, upcoming events, past events, highlights of interesting people in your post...whatever you can come up with and be sure to submit some awesome photos too!**

**Each month's winner will receive a prize and have their story published on the front page of this newsletter as well as be featured on our Department Facebook page.**

**All entries must fit onto this one page. Each story needs at least one photo. Please identify those in the pictures and have their permission to publish. If there is more than one entry per month I will be the sole judge to determine what goes in and who is the winner (LOL)!**

**If your entry is not selected for a month it will roll into the next month's submissions.**

**\*Please email your entry to WEIGOLDY63@GMAIL.COM by the 10th of each month for consideration in this contest. (Yes, I will accept them any day of the month, just can only be considered for the current month if received by the 10th).**

**\*\*\*\*\*SUBJECT LINE MUST READ: AL PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY\*\*\*\*\***

*Thanks for playing!*

*Newsletter Editor, Yvette*



## April is... Children and Youth Month

Spring is in the air. The days are getting longer, and organized events and activities begin to fill people's calendar. April is Children & Youth Month at The American Legion. Celebrated since 1938, April is the perfect time of year for posts, units, squadrons, departments and detachments to focus on the children and youth in their communities.

American Legion posts are encouraged to participate in "April Is Children & Youth Month" and create meaningful children and youth-themed community events and activities throughout the month, or the year. For example, since Easter is later than previous years – April 17 – it provides an opportunity for Legion Family members to host an Easter egg hunt, dye eggs, or conduct similar community outdoor events that celebrate spring. You also can host an arts and craft day, community picnic with relay races and face painting, an e-sport (electronic video game) tournament or help plant a community garden. And take advantage of the nature in your area by organizing a hike, fishing trip, or even a campout.

Other ways to celebrate April Is Children & Youth Month is to:

- Organize a meeting at the post that engages Legion Family members with local families to discuss issues that may be affecting youth in the community and provide ideas to resolve the issues. Then take those ideas to your community leaders.
- Host a community festival or information fair and ask local children and youth-oriented businesses and organizations to participate. Offer positive, family-friendly activities, entertainment and resources from the local businesses and organizations that can provide information to families about the services they offer.
- Host a youth summer activity open house. April is when many parents start looking into summer camps, organized sports and other summer activities. So have an open house where these types of organizations in the community can come to talk about the programs they offer.
- Invite a subject-matter expert on child safety, health and education to present at a post meeting.
- Reach out to your local schools to volunteer. Your team of Legionnaires may help teach flag etiquette in a classroom or help with a school landscaping project.
- Organize a community dinner at the Legion post as an opportunity to raise funds for Children & Youth programs. These donations can go toward The American Legion Veterans & Children Foundation, which supports our Temporary Financial Assistance program that provides immediate assistance to eligible military and Legion members with children in the home who are facing a hardship. Or help support the American Legion

Child Welfare Foundation, which provides grants to nonprofits that contribute to the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual welfare of the children and youth of this country.

Remember to invite local leaders and officials to support your event and engage the media in publicity and promotion. Communities need to see how The American Legion is impacting the community with services that are available and to hear why young people matter so much to Legionnaires. Allowing children and families an opportunity to come together with other families, organizations, local leaders and people who can help them thrive is an important contribution to our communities.

Every American Legion post can be that beacon of light for their community. Legion posts are not just for the veteran, but for the whole family and community. It is a place where our members can teach youth how to be an American citizen all the while engaging in family-friendly activities. It's where families go to feel a sense of community and give back to those that gave us our freedom. Every post is made up of people that comes from different backgrounds and ideologies, but one thing remains the same – youth are our future, let us teach them well.

Don't forget to capture your post, unit and squadron's activities and events on the Consolidated Post Report or Children and Youth Report. Show the department, detachment and national organization how your post has been able to have an impact on the youth in your community.

For further ideas on how to promote April as Children & Youth Month in your community, download or print the [April Is Children & Youth Month](#) brochure.





**American Legion**  
**Department of Nevada District 2**  
*For God and Country*

April 5, 2022

Comrades,

The 103rd Annual Department of Nevada Convention is being hosted by Nevada District 2 , Southern Nevada on June 25-26 2022 in Las Vegas. The convention will be held at the Las Vegas Suncoast Resort Hotel and Casino located at 9090 Alta Drive, Las Vegas, NV. 89145. The District 2 American Legion Family is looking forward to making sure all of you enjoy your stay in Las Vegas.

The Department Legion Family Banquet will be on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be a no-host bar from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Dinner will be served promptly at 7:00pm. The dinner will be buffet style and at the present time the menu has not been finalized. However, arrangements will be made for vegetarian and vegan meals. We expect the cost to be \$40 including tax and tip.. There will be a Convention Packet emailed to all Commanders and Adjutants within the week. This packet will provide you with all the information required to attend the convention.

Lodging has been secured at The Suncoast for Thursday, June 23rd at a special rate of \$100 including tax and resort fee; June 24th and 25th for \$141 per night . This includes tax and resort fees. See the attached package provided by the hotel for making your room reservations Be sure to mention ID: **AMLF22F** when calling in for reservations. **IT IS ESSENTIAL TO BOOK YOUR ROOM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** If you are thinking of coming, reserve a room as you can cancel anytime up until 24 hours before the date of Arrival.

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Jerry Bootzin  
The American Legion  
Department of Nevada  
District 2 Commander





**103rd ANNUAL DEPARTMENT OF NEVADA CONVENTION  
REGISTRATION FORM**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Post/Unit:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail (Optional):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone: (H)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**All events will be held at the SunCoast Hotel Resort and Casino**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2022**

**Hospitality Suite/Convention Registration from 3pm-10pm-Refreshments provided by District 2.**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2022**

**The American family Banquet \$40pp Number of Meals \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**  
6:00pm Cocktails-7:00pm Dinner

**SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022**

**Past Commander Breakfast Buffet \$25pp Number of Meals \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Legionnaire Registration Fee \$5pp Number \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**SEND REGISTRATION AND FEES TO:**

**Nevada District 2  
PO Box 751144  
Las Vegas, NV 89136**

**REGISTRATION FORMS WITH PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN JUNE  
10, 2022\***

**\*Visa Am. Express, Discover and Mastercard can be used for a small 2.8% use fee  
Call Dennis Christiansen for use of Credit Cards 702-429-3724**

**NO DINNER TICKETS WILL BE SOLD THE NIGHT OF THE EVENT**



**Department of Nevada 103rd Annual Convention  
June 25 & 26, 2022**

## **Convention Brochure Ad Request Form**

**ALL AD PRICES ARE REDUCED BY 15% IF CAMERA READY AD AND PAYMENT ARE  
RECEIVED BY MAY 25, 2022**

**Full Page 8 ½ X 11 \$120.00 FULL PRICE WITH DISCOUNT \$102.**

**Half Page \$60.00 FULL PRICE WITH DISCOUNT \$51.00**

**Quarter Page \$30.00 FULL PRICE WITH DISCOUNT \$25.50**

**Business Card \$25.00 FULL PRICE WITH DISCOUNT \$20.00**

**Booster Signature \$2.00 No Discount**

**Those Who Served \$2.00 No Discount**

**Please submit no later than June 11, 2022 your "Camera Ready" ad and payment to:**

**Nevada District 2  
P.O.Box 751444  
Las Vegas, NV 89136**

**Thank you for your continued support of our Veterans and programs.**

**For God and Country**

**Jerry Bootzin Commander  
American Legion  
Nevada District 2**

## BOOSTER PAGE EXAMPLE

<i>Bill Brown</i>	<i>John Hood</i>	<i>Carol Lambert</i>	<i>Charlie Shoemaker</i>
<i>Mary Brown</i>	<i>Eva Hood</i>	<i>Jun Hill</i>	<i>Leon Avery</i>
<i>Ken Brown</i>			<i>Barb Avery</i>

## THOSE WHO SERVED EXAMPLE

WILLIAM BROWN	US Army	2/1942 – 3/1947	WOODLAND, ME
GERALD GETTS	US NAVY	4/1953 – 3/1962	BROWNVILLE, TX
JOHN HENRY	US MARINES	2/1916 – 1/1919	BIDDERFORD, CA
CHUCK HANSON	US AIR FORCE	4/8/2012 – PRESENT	LAUGHLIN, NV
MARY JONES	US COAST GUARD	2/2/1996 – 1/31/2000	BULLHEAD CITY, AZ

**Please submit no later than June 11, 2022 your “Veteran” or “Booster” information and payment to:**

**Nevada District 2  
P.O. Box 751444  
Las Vegas, NV 89136**

**Department of Nevada 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention  
June 25 & 26, 2022**

**Convention Brochure Ad Form.  
(See attached for pricing)**

**Organization/Person placing AD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information: Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Size Ad:(circle) Full Page ; ½ Page ; ¼ Page; Business Card Cost:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Booster Page: Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cost \$2.00**

**Those Who Served Page: Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Military Branch** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dates Served** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Town** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cost: \$2.00**

**Total Cost Submitted with this page \$** \_\_\_\_\_

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**For questions about the ad itself contact Fred Doten: 702-420-3871**

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**THE AMERICAN LEGION  
DEPARTMENT OF NEVADA  
2022-2023  
LETTERS OF INTENT**

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER**

VALERIE SCHEUERING POST 37

**DEPARTMENT 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE COMMANDER**

ROBERT MORRIS POST 8

**DEPARTMENT 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE COMMANDER**

BRENDA HORTON POST 7

**DEPARTMENT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS**

JERRY BOOTZIN POST 14

PAMELA WALKER POST 60

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PERSON (2022 – 2024)**

JEANETTE EVANS POST 7

**ALTERNATE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PERSON (2022-2023)**

JIM STEWART POST 30

JOEL FORMAN POST 76



## Coping when current events bring up past trauma

Courtesy the VA Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention

When armed conflict arises — no matter where in the world it happens — Veterans can experience a range of [challenging emotions](#) as events unfold. This can be especially true for combat Veterans who may be reminded of their own deployment experiences.

### Common reactions to disturbing events

Feeling distress is a normal response to negative events, especially those that feel personal. Veterans may experience the following reactions in response to current events in Ukraine:

- Feeling frustrated, sad, helpless, distressed (including moral distress), angry or betrayed.
- Worrying about civilians, such as interpreters, who worked with the U.S. military in the region.
- A spike in symptoms of PTSD, anxiety, depression or other mental health conditions.
- Sleeping poorly.
- Drinking more or using more drugs.
- Trying to avoid reminders of disturbing events, including media coverage and social situations.
- Having more memories of military experiences and homecoming.
- Questioning the meaning and sacrifices of serving in the military.

### Veterans also may feel that they need to expect and/or prepare for the worst. They may:

- Become overly protective, vigilant and guarded.
- Become preoccupied with a sense of danger.
- Feel a need to avoid being shocked by, or unprepared for, what may happen in the future.

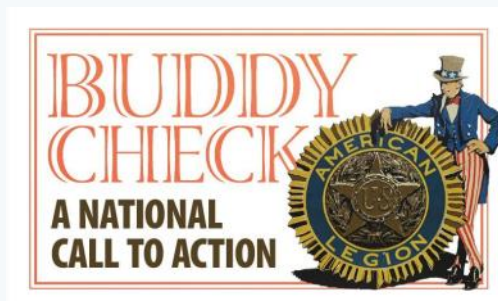
It can be helpful to let yourself experience those feelings rather than trying to avoid them. Often these emotions will run their course naturally. However, if they continue without easing up or if you feel overwhelmed by them, the suggestions below can be helpful.

### Strategies for managing ongoing distress

When current events bring up traumatic memories, it can be helpful to focus on the present and engage in the activities that are most meaningful and valuable to you. Is there something you can do today — as a family member, parent or community member — that is important to you?

Can you put more energy into something meaningful in your work or your spirituality? These activities will not change the past or the things you can't control, but they can help life feel meaningful and reduce distress, despite the things you cannot change. It can also help to ask yourself if your thoughts are helpful to you right now. Are there ways you can change your thinking to be more accurate and less distressing? For example, are you experiencing extreme thinking that views the situation as all bad or all good?

If so, try and think in less extreme terms. Rather than thinking, "My military service was useless," consider instead "I helped keep the world safe."  
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### Consider more general coping strategies:

- Engage in positive, healthy activities that are rewarding, meaningful or enjoyable, even if you don't feel like it, as they can lift your spirits.
- Stay connected by spending time with people who give you a sense of security, calm or happiness, or those who best understand what you are going through.
- Practice good self-care by engaging in soothing activities, such as listening to music, exercising, practicing breathing routines, spending time in nature or with animals, journaling or reading inspirational materials.
- Stick to your routines and follow a schedule for when you sleep, eat, work, and do other day-to-day activities.
- Limit your media exposure, especially if it's increasing your distress.
- Use a VA mobile app by visiting <https://mobile.va.gov/appstore/mental-health>.
- Try [PTSD Coach Online](#), a series of online videos that will guide you through 17 tools to help you manage stress.

### When to consider professional help

If your distress is prolonged or you are unable to function well, consider seeking support. At VA, Veterans can connect with compassionate professionals who have the education and experience to help manage depression, anxiety, PTSD, moral injury, complicated grief and other conditions that may be aggravated by current events.

- Every VA facility has mental health specialists. Visit <https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/get-help/local-care.asp> to find a provider near you.
- Talk about your reactions in community-based VA Vet Centers, where over 70% of staff are Veterans themselves. Call 1-800-WAR-VETS or find a Vet Center [near you](#).
- Go to [maketheconnection.net](http://maketheconnection.net), an online resource designed to connect Veterans, their family members and friends, and other supporters with information, resources and solutions to issues affecting their lives — including challenging life events or experiences and mental health issues.
- If you feel as if you might hurt yourself or someone else, reach out now. Through the Veterans Crisis Line, confidential support is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Call 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1, text to 838255 or chat online at [veteranscrisisline.net/get-help-now/chat](http://veteranscrisisline.net/get-help-now/chat).



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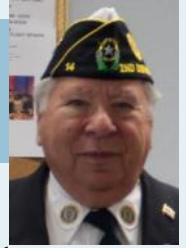
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## Membership Jerry Bootzin



The membership statistics over the last month have been encouraging for the Nevada membership to meet our Department 2022 goal. Despite all the obstacles, the month to month comparison between March 8<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup> shows we increased the Department numbers by **273**. Of that number, **218** were membership renewals.

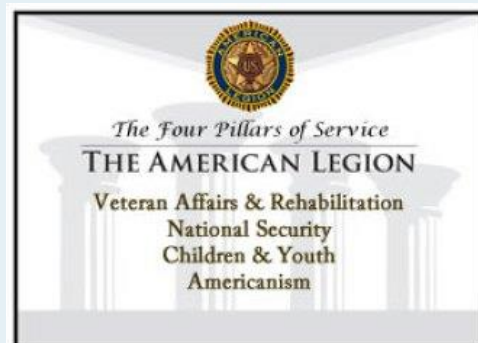
We now have 4 Posts over 95% of Goal (Post 10, 16, 27, and 32.) 3 of which are at or over 100%. 2 more are close to the 95% of goal as of today. April 13<sup>th</sup> was the goal for all Posts and Districts to be at 95% or better. Post 10 in Las Vegas is still leading with 22 members over the Post goal. Congratulations are due to every Post that is making progress on a month to month basis.

National is requesting that each Post average 8 new members each month for the next 3 months. It is recognized that some rural small Posts will have difficulty reaching that goal. The larger Posts are asked to pick up the shortfall where possible.

We still have many previous Legion members that have dropped out for one reason or another. These are the ones that have not renewed since 2020. Maybe, these passed members may be willing to come back if they are currently able to do so. Personal contact is the best way to find out their current status.

If you are holding any renewals because you only have one to process, process every renewal or new member as you get them.

I want to thank all the Department Posts and Districts for meeting with me in person over these last few months. I am confident that all of our Posts are working hard to reach our Department 2022 Goal. Keep up the effort. Don't give up.



# 2021–2022 NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP TARGET DATES

EARLY BIRD/NEF KICKOFF	SEPTEMBER 9, 2021	50%
FALL MEETINGS	OCTOBER 14, 2021	55%
VETERANS DAY	NOVEMBER 10, 2021	65%
PEARL HARBOR DAY	DECEMBER 8, 2021	75%
MID-WINTER	JANUARY 20, 2022	80%
PRESIDENTS DAY	FEBRUARY 9, 2022	85%
AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY	MARCH 9, 2022	90%
CHILDREN & YOUTH	APRIL 13, 2022	95%
ARMED FORCES DAY	MAY 11, 2022	100%
DELEGATE STRENGTH	30 DAYS PRIOR TO NATIONAL CONVENTION	

**Target dates are the second Wednesday of the month** unless a holiday falls on that day or at the beginning of that week.

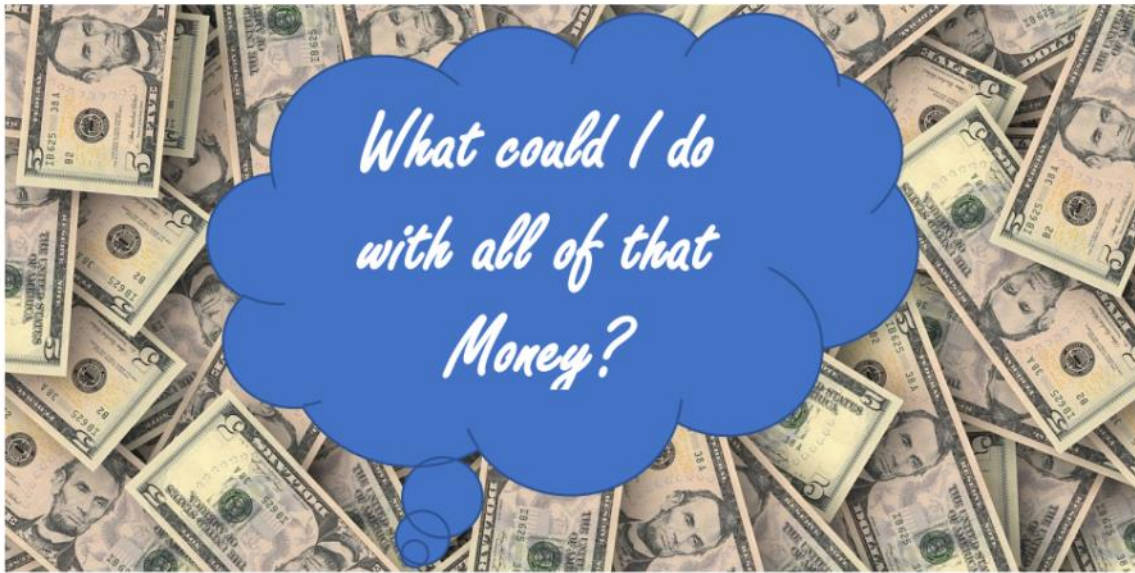
Since Labor Day and Columbus Day fall on a Monday, **the September and October target dates** will be on a Thursday.

To maximize the December renewal notice, **the January target date** will be the third Wednesday of the month due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

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### Detachment Commander, Shawn Horton



I am keeping the March newsletter article short and focused on two items, Flying Flags for Heroes and Membership.

The Flying Flags for Heroes program is struggling nationally, and we need to help. The original plan was to place 1 million flags during Commander Fox's term, this amounted to about 3 flags per member nationwide and seemed to be a reasonable goal. We (nationally) are less than 1/3 of the way there. On the conference call 2 months ago, participation was awful, with about 15 Detachments calling in, Nevada was one of the 15. Rather than give up, those that were on the call agreed to put the pedal to the floor and work as hard as possible to make up for those that didn't attend. This means that instead of 3 per member, we need 6 (or more). My suggestion is that we set a goal of 30 per Nevada SAL member to honor our deceased veterans and knock this program out of the park.

To that end, NVC Stewart has partnered with the Nevada Department of Veteran's Services (NDVS) to place 5,900 flags at the Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery (NNVMC) the day before Memorial Day. I am asking the leadership in the Las Vegas area to do the same at the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery (SNVMC). The flags for the event at the NNVMC are being provided by the NDVS and I am certain they will do the same for the SNVMC. Don't let flags be an issue, we will find more if there is a need.

Can I get a commitment to try to plan a similar event SNVMC? My plans were to attend the NNVMC event but that could change if we need Detachment representation at the SNVMC. As an incentive, National Commander Fox is planning to send Preston Sharp (founder of FFFH and the SAL Spokesman for FFFH) to one event in the nation, if we have two large scale events we might be in the running for his visit.

This is an opportunity for Nevada to shine, I want to see the Detachment of Nevada as a standout in the nation.

Membership seems to be at a standstill in the mid 70%'s. What do we need to do to get more members renewed? Renewals should be the focus all year long until you get 100%. The Squadrons in yellow below need to get their membership numbers up before the convention. Please let me know if there are submission problems

Squadron	Name	Location	New	Renewal	Totals	Goal	% of Goal
NV-0001	Darrell Dunkle	Reno	0	27	27	28	96%
NV-0004	Capitol	Carson City	0	1	1	1	100%
NV-0007	Reed-Gregory	Elko	7	17	24	20	120%
NV-0008	Las Vegas	Las Vegas	5	10	15	48	31%
NV-0016	Fred W Anderson	Fallon	1	27	28	26	108%
NV-0019	Mineral County	Hawthorne	2	11	13	11	118%
NV-0030	Duby Reid	Sparks	0	20	20	20	100%
NV-0037	Gerald C Daniel	Fernley	1	10	11	6	183%
NV-0040	Basic Magnesium	Henderson	6	45	51	60	85%
NV-0051	Lance Corporal Budd M	N Las Vegas	0	2	2	8	25%
NV-0056	High Desert	Carson City	0	0	0	10	0%
NV-0060	Richard Springston	Laughlin	2	28	30	66	45%
NV-0149	Paradise	Las Vegas	4	28	32	30	107%
		<b>SUM:</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>76%</b>

Thank you for all that you do for our Veterans.

As always, I am available by email ([commander@nevadasal.org](mailto:commander@nevadasal.org)) or telephone (720-394-5965), I don't always answer numbers I don't recognize but leave a message and I will get back to you.



Department Homeless Representative

Brenda Horton



Greetings Legionnaires, this has been a busy month. I have been calling the Posts and chatting with them about the Homeless Programs and Suicide Prevention Programs they may have.

Post 1 Commander, Trousdale:

- They don't have any programs per say
- They conduct buddy checks
- They have BBQ's that are open to the community
- There are VSO's that they direct to different organizations
- There is a church off El Rancho where the homeless can get food.
- There is a Gospel Mission that gives out food.
- There is a food bank of Northern Nevada
- There are homeless shelters in Reno.
- They have had standowns in the past but not since the pandemic

There is a member that had blankets made and handed them out to the homeless

Post 8 talked with Glynis Seely, and Auxiliary member.

- The Auxiliary does hand out food, has sock drives, and standowns
- The Post has a food bank that is open on Wednesdays
- They conduct buddy checks
- They do not have a VSO
- They refer Veterans to Share Village for homeless Veterans and they help with paperwork, help with job searches, and give and referrals to the VA. Share Village has three buildings and a fourth one is being built.
- The Post donated 30 cases of toiletries

Suicide prevention; there is one Post member that takes veterans out hunting and fishing

Post 22 talked with Commander Mike.

- The Post doesn't have anything set up right now
  - They conduct Buddy Checks and keep track of members who are not doing well
  - The VFW Post has a food bank that the Post donates to
  - There is one group that provides meals for the holidays
  - There is an Angel Tree for the community to pick names from
  - The VFW has a VSO that the Post uses. There is a Post member who works at the VA clinic that is thinking of becoming a VSO for the Post
  - There is one Post member that has a mobile shower that he pulls on his trailer for the homeless to use
- If there are homeless in the community that need help, the Post will help them

Nex month I will continue to share what the Posts in Nevada are doing for the homeless and for suicide prevention.





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