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NEVADA LEGION NEWS

The American Legion, Department of Nevada

Post 7 News

On September 30^{th} , the Elko County Realtors held a Quarter Auction to help Post 7 raise funds to buy a Post home. It was quite an event! We were touched that all of those people in the community turned out for us.

After dinner, Department Detachment Commander Shawn Horton conducted the opening ceremonies, Jr Squadron member, Edward Petroski offered the opening prayer, and Post 7 members presented the colors. We still don't know how much was raised on our behalf.

We were able to recruit two auxiliary members, a potential Post member, and a couple of Squadron members. A good time was had by all.





Since our charter, the American Legion Department of Nevada has been welcoming **VETERANS** from all branches of our Armed Forces. Today, we continue to welcome all military personnel serving our country. Joining a Post in our State enables you to continue serving your God, Country and Community. Our mission is to implement the goals, aspirations, dreams, peace and blessings for our country, friends and families embodied in our preamble.

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Department Commander

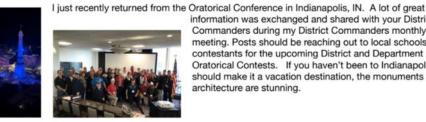


Commander's Corner Valerie Scheuering—Hubbell



Happy Harvest Legionnaires

This month is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. I am aware when you talk about Breast Cancer we think about it being a woman's issue, but in fact men can also have Breast Cancer as they have breast tissue. If you feel anything abnormal, please get it checked out...it may save your life.



information was exchanged and shared with your District Commanders during my District Commanders monthly zoom meeting. Posts should be reaching out to local schools finding contestants for the upcoming District and Department Oratorical Contests. If you haven't been to Indianapolis, you should make it a vacation destination, the monuments and architecture are stunning.



September 16th was POW/MIA Remembrance Day, Post 5, in Winnimucca, NV; invited me to be the key note speaker. I quoted Resolution 288 and how The American Legion is dedicated to bringing home ALL of our POW and MIA. PDC Eberly and the Department Historian accompanied me and we were able to meet the Mayor and talked to Post 5 members about the importance of the Children and Youth Programs and the scholarships available.



I was a great experience visiting the 1st and 4th District Meetings. The Department Membership Chairman Brenda Horton and I celebrated our September birthdays at the 4th District meeting and District Commander Eberly had everyone sing to us, there was also cake and ice cream. I always enjoy talking with Post Commanders and the members who attend these meetings.

Speaking about visiting, I will be visiting the 2nd and 3rd District meetings in the Spring and will be emailing Post Commanders and Adjutants in the next couple of weeks, my tentative schedule for Post visitations. I look forward to meeting you and your members in the coming months.

Lets everyone keep doing a great job reaching out to veterans and their families everyday and especially as the holidays approach. Community outreach is a great way to be a part of your town and city events. Remember to "BE THE ONE" to help stop veteran suicide.

With Halloween approaching, please stay healthy and safe.

For God and Country,

Valerie Scheuering-Hubbell Department Commander

1st Vice Commander

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The Be the One Program

Why is this a priority right now?

Today, the No. 1 issue facing the veteran community is suicide, according to the National Veteran Suicide Prevention Annual Report. It is estimated that between 17 and 22 veterans or servicemembers take their lives each day. That's more than 6,000 annually. The rate of suicide for veterans is more than 50% higher than that of non-veteran adults. As the Global War on Terrorism continues, there will be more veterans facing mental-health issues such as post-traumatic stress disorder. What will Be the One achieve?

At its core, The American Legion is activating a national platform to reduce the rate of veteran suicide. The Be the One campaign will:

- Destigmatize asking for mental health support, creating opportunity for those with mental health issues to speak freely and get the support they need.
- Provide peer-to-peer support and resources in local communities.
- Deploy FDA-approved therapeutics for veterans to identify issues and find resources for support.

I'm a veteran. What can I do to support this initiative?

Robert Morris

While this program is designed to help all veterans, we know that everyone responds differently to stresses, have different life experiences and have varying results in types of treatment. However, the following are guidelines intended to provide help before a crisis situation develops. The American Legion encourages you to Be the One to:

- Talk with others about how you are feeling.
- Ask for help when you know you need it.
- · Know there are millions of people ready to help you.
- Remember your family and <u>friends</u> care.

I'm a spouse, partner, family member, caregiver, friend of a veteran, or interested civilian. What can I do to support this initiative?

The stigma associated with mental health issues is a barrier to veterans seeking assistance. They fear loss of their job, think they can handle their situation themselves, or don't believe others can understand their situation. Family members may be the first to recognize the signs that their loved one needs help, but they may lack the knowledge of how to approach the situation. If you have a family member, friend, business associate or have another connection with someone who is a veteran, The American Legion encourages you to Be the One to:

- Ask veterans in your life how they are doing.
- Listen when a veteran needs to talk.
- · Reach out when a veteran is struggling

What can my American Legion post do to help?

American Legion posts will be instrumental in the success of this campaign. They have the power to foster unity and <u>camaraderie</u>, and get support quickly to veterans in crisis. In non-emergency situations, posts can also:

- Educate members, other <u>veterans</u> and civilians about the campaign.
- Display resources at your post or in your community.
- Share events or success stories on the legiontown.org platform.

My post is conducting an event to raise awareness about PTSD and/or suicide prevention. Is there a brochure we can provide to attendees?

Yes, there is a brochure in development now that will be available for a free download soon. Check back for more information.

Where can I get more information? Keep checking in for new resources, stories and other information at legion.org/betheone. You can also sign up to receive email about new announcements.

What's the quickest way to get help in an emergency? If you are a veteran in crisis, resources are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week:

- Call 988 and press 1
- Text 838255
- Visit the VA Crisis Line website

2ND VICE COMMANDER

Brenda Horton

Greetings fellow Legionnaires! It has been a busy couple of months visiting District meetings and events.

On September 10th, I attended the District 4 meeting in Fallon.

On September 16th, I attended the POW/MIA ceremony at Post 8. The next day, I attended the District 2 meeting in Mesquite.

On October 1st, I attended the District 1 meeting in Reno.

On October 8th, I attended the District 3 meeting in Ely.

So far all of the Districts have had a quorum and a good turnout for the meetings. Each District Commander was given a box of membership brochures and applications to distributed when they go on Post visits.

At each meeting, I presented the "Be the One" pin to the hosting Commander asking him to continue to talk about veteran suicide to other Posts.

Department has met it's target goal of 55% membership! We are at 55.66% membership! The upcoming target dates will be a challenge since they will be at 10% increments instead of 5%. Our next target date is November 9th with a target of 65% membership.

In District 1, three Posts have met the 55% target date.

In District 2, eight Posts have met the 55% target date and the District met the target date.

In District 3, one Post has met the 55% target date.

In District 4, one Post has met the 55% target date.

Let's continue to push for renewals with 90% by December 31st. Let's continue to bring expired Post members back to the Post. Let's continue to bring in new members as well.

I will be attending the All Veterans Dinner on November 12th to push membership for Posts in District 3.

If you would like me to attend membership events, please contact me.

District 4, Fallon



District 2, Laughlin





District 3, Ely



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NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WOMAN

Jeanette Evans



HOW VA DISABILITY RATINGS WORK

PCAFC - CAREGIVER PROGRAM

	s with resources, education, financial assistance, health nd more. NOW OPEN FOR ALL ELIGIBLE VETERANS.
If a veteran has sustained or aggravated a serious i	injury (or illness) in the line of duty in the active military, other applicable eligibility criteria, an eligible Veteran must:
Have service-connected disability rating(s) of 70% or more, AND Be in need of personal care services (requiring in-person personal care services) for a minimum of six continuous months based on any one of the following: If you are the primary caregiver, you may receive:	 An inability to perform an activity of daily living (ADL). A need for supervision or protection based on symptoms or residuals of neurological or other impairment or injury; OR A need for regular or extensive instruction or supervision without which the ability of the Veteran to function in daily life would be seriously impaired.
A monthly stipend (paid directly to you as the caregiver.) Access to health care insurance through Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA), if you do not already have health insurance.	 Mental health counseling. Beneficiary travel benefits when traveling with the Veteran to appointments. At least 30 days of respite care per year, for the Veteran. Respite is short term relief for someone else to care for the Veteran while you take a break.
The amount of the monthly stipend:	
Level One: The Primary Family Caregiver's monthly stipend is calculated by multiplying the monthly stipend rate (OPM GS Annual Rate for grade 4, step 1, based on the locality pay area in which the eligible Veteran resides) divided by 12, multiplied by 0.625. For example: The GS rate at grade 4, step 1, in Dallas, Texas, for 2022 was \$34,916 annually. Thus, the monthly stipend amount for a Primary Family Caregiver of an eligible Veteran in Dallas, TX, at this rate (\$34,916, divided by 12 multiplied by 0.625) was approximately \$1,818.54 in 2022.	Level Two: If VA determines the eligible Veteran meets the definition of "unable to self- sustain in the community" for the purposes of PCAFC, the designated Primary Family Caregiver's monthly stipend is calculated by multiplying the monthly stipend rate (OPM GS Annual Rate for grade 4, step 1, based on the locality pay area in which the eligible Veteran resides) divided by 12 multiplied by 1. For example: The GS rate at grade 4, step 1, in Dallas, Texas, for 2022 was \$34,916 annually. The 2022 monthly stipend amount for a Primary Family Caregiver of an eligible Veteran in Dallas, TX, at this rate (\$34,916 divided by 12 multiplied by 1.00) was approximately \$2,909.67
For purposes of PCAFC, the "inability to perform an ADL services EACH AND EVERY TIME he or she completes or	" means the Veteran or Service member requires personal care ne or more of the ADLs listed below.
Dressing or undressing oneself Adjusting any special prosthetic or orthopedic appliance that by reason of the particular disability cannot be done without assistance (this does not include the adjustment of appliances that nondisabled persons would be unable to adjust without aid, such as supports, belts, lacing at the back, etc.)	Bathing Grooming oneself in order to keep oneself clean and presentable Toileting or attending to toileting Feeding oneself due to loss of coordination of upper extremities, extreme weakness, inability to swallow, or the need for a non-oral means of nutrition Mobility (walking, going up stairs, transferring from bed to chair, etc.)
For purposes of PCAFC, "unable to self-sustain in the co	ommunity" means that an eligible Veteran either:
Requires personal care services each time he or she comp the definition of an inability to perform an activity of daily livin. Has a need for supervision or protection based on symptom continuous basis; OR Has a need for regular or extensive instruction or supervision be seriously impaired on a continuous basis.	eletes three or more of the seven activities of daily living (ADL) listed in g and is fully dependent on a caregiver to complete such ADLs; OR is or residuals of neurological or other impairment or injury on a on without which the ability of the Veteran to function in daily life would
NOTE: The reason for need of a caregiver does not need to I NOTE: Veteran must be enrolled in VA Healthcare. NOTE: Documentation of the need for help with ADLs or sup NOTE: PCAFC is not employment and does not count as suc NOTE: This will not impact a current rating including Special Apply with a VHA Form 10-10CG. Contact	ervision in VA Healthcare records will help your claim. ch if the caregiver is receiving SSDI or TDIU.
WHAT DO I DO IF I I	DISAGREE WITH MY RATING?
Speak to your VSO (Vatoran Service Officer) attorney or c	laims agent first. They will have the most information to determine it

FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES AND DOES NOT REPLACE 38 CFR SCHEDULE OF RATINGS

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PACT ACT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



The PACT Act is a new law that expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits and other toxic substances. This law helps us provide generations of Veterans-and their survivors-with the care and benefits they've earned and deserve.

The Act (1) expands and extends eligibility for VA health care for Veterans with toxic exposures and Veterans of the Vietnam era, Gulf War era, and Post-9/11 era, and (2) expands eligibility for benefits for Veterans exposed to toxic substances.

What new or expanded presumptions will the Act create and when will they be in effect?

VETERANS AND SURVIVORS CAN FILE CLAIMS FOR ALL CONDITIONS OUTLINED IN THE PACT ACT IMMEDIATELY.

For Gulf War and post 9-11 Veterans, that includes:

Brain cancer, Glioblastoma, Respiratory (breathing-related) cancer of any type, Gastrointestinal cancer of any type, Head cancer of any type, Lymphoma of any type, Lymphatic cancer of any type, Neck cancer, Pancreatic cancer, Reproductive cancer of any type, Kidney cancer, Melanoma, Asthma (diagnosed after service), Chronic rhinitis. Chronic sinusitis. Constrictive bronchiolitis or obliterative bronchiolitis,

Emphysema, Granulomatous disease, Interstitial lung disease (ILD), Pleuritis, Pulmonary fibrosis, Sarcoidosis, Chronic bronchitis, Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

For Vietnam Veterans and other Veterans exposed to tactical herbicides, that includes two Agent Orange presumptive conditions:

Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), High blood pressure (hypertension).

How can Veterans apply for VA health care?

Apply online at VA.gov/health-care/apply/application/introduction.

Call our toll-free hotline at 877-222-8387, M-F, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. ET.

Mail a completed, signed Application for Health Benefits (VA Form 10-10EZ).

Bring a completed, signed VA Form 10-10EZ with you to your nearest medical center or clinic or get help through your state's Department of Veterans Affairs Service Officer.

Get help filing your claim by working with an accredited representative.

What are the PACT Act key components?



The Act expands and extends eligibility for VA health care for Veterans with toxic-exposures and Veterans of the Vietnam era, Gulf War era, and Post-9/11 era.



VA will improve the decision-making process for determining what medical conditions will be considered for presumptive status.



Every enrolled Veteran will receive an initial toxic exposure screening and a follow-up screening every five years. Veterans who are not enrolled, but who are eligible to enroll, will have an opportunity to enroll and receive the screening.



VA health care staff and claims processors will receive toxic exposure-related education and training.



The Act requires research studies on mortality of Veterans who served in Southwest Asia during the Gulf War, Post-9/11 Veteran health trends, and Veteran cancer rates.



The Act will help VA build a stronger, more skilled workforce to meet the growing demand for benefits and services.



The Act authorizes 31 new medical facilities across the country, providing greater access to VA health care.

How can a Veteran file a claim?



Veterans who would like to file a claim must complete VA Form 21-526EZ to apply for benefits and submit any supportive evidence.



To learn about standard VA disability claims, supplemental claims, secondary claims, and more visit: VA.gov/disability/how-to-file-claim/when-to-file.

If a Veteran was previously denied a claim, what can they do?

VA will contact Veterans when a presumption of service connection is established or changed. However, Veterans previously denied a toxic-exposure related claim are encouraged to file a supplemental claim. Once a supplemental claim is received. VA will review the claim under the new law.



Learn more and sign up at VA.gov/PACT Download the VA Health and Benefits App Call us at 1-800-MyVA411 (1-800-698-2411) Find a VA at VA.gov/find-locations/



Sons of the American Legion—Detachment Commander

Shawn Horton



This month is the second of two articles documenting the successes of 2021-2022 and what the future holds for us in 2022-2023.

Announced at the National Convention the Sons of The American Legion squadrons will be able to process renewals online at mylegion.org. The first time you process a renewal you will have to enter banking information to pay for the Detachment (\$10) and National (\$5) fees and extra time is needed for the process to go through. Once confimed that dues were correctly debited and the membership renewed the squadron can process all renewals online. The last notes from from convention were the election of Chris Carlton (IN) as National Commander and the election of Jack Youngs (ID) as Western Region National Vice Commander. Commander Carlton has pledged support to help raise \$2 million for the Veterans & Children Foundation (VCF) and encouraged every member to get behind the Be The One program.

It is well known that each day, 22 veterans take their own lives. This number is truly unacceptable. The American Legion, through the Be The One campaign is working to change from talking about the staggering number of daily suicides to taking action to Be The One to save One Veteran. Be The One to talk to a veteran, take him or her to lunch, be there to listen. If you see a veteran that you believe truly needs help, call 988 and Press 1.

From the successes of last year come the goals of this year. The Sons of The American Legion have set an audatious goal of reaching one million members by 2032, this means over 650 thousand new members in 10 years. This will require every member to focus on retention and recruitment. With that in mind, the Detachment of Nevada is expected to have 357 members by the end of the membership year. In addition to national goals, I have some of my own:

368 members (105%) by December 31, 2022;

5 new Squadrons (Pharump and Carlin are in the works, Boys State, Carlin, UNR, UNLV are suggestions);

95% membership retention by July 1, 2023;

CWF fundrasing total of \$5500, a nice round \$15.40/member;

VCF fundraising total of \$3000 or \$8.40/member;

National Emergency Fund \$2000 or \$5.60/member;

100% on-time CSR's and SDR's, and

Support our Veterans like never before.

Let's make 2022-2023 even better than last year by hitting all of our goals. To help us achieve our goals I have tasked each of the Detachment EC members to organize the following committees:

Membership and Growth (Vice-Commanders Juoni and Eberly);

Fundraising (Adjutant Stewart);

Training and Leadership (Sgt-At-Arms Shine)

Engagement and Member Relations (Chaplain Valentin), and

Budget (Adjutant Stewart and Vice-Commander Eberly).

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers, and if this sounds like you, please reach out and offer your time and energy.

Thank you for all that you do for our Veterans.

As always, I am available by email (<u>commander@nevadasal.org</u>) or telephone (720-394-5965), leave a message and I will get back to you.

DEC NEWS



American Legion Department of Nevada Executive Committee Meeting

Hello Everyone,

(DEC) Department Executive Committee Meeting will be held in Laughlin, Nevada at

Post 60 on 11/05/2022 at 9:30AM

Son's will meet on 11/05/2022 at 8:00AM

To Book a room your code will be GRALP60 (702) 298-5111) Aquarius Casino Resort

Room cost Total includes Taxes and Resort Fees.

Friday	11/04/2022 \$121.50
Saturday	11/05/2022 \$141.75
Sunday	11/06/2022 \$65.25

Make sure you book your room soon, so you don't lose the discounted rate.

Saturday Night Dinner \$40.00 Located at Riverside Resort Hotel & Casino

Time: 6:00PM Social Hour Cash Bar Available

Time: 7:00PM Dinner (Last date for tickets is (10/20/2022) need to let Chef, staff know).

No dinner tickets will be sold at the door due to total meals made for the event.

A National Visitor will be at our DEC all are invited to attend the meeting and dinner contacts will be:

Pam Walker (501) 326-1959 Roxann Emery (714) 331-6222 Richard Eberly (775) 434-3386

Send payments for dinner to:

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Brenda Horton

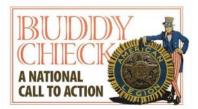
2022–2023 NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP TARGET DATES

EARLY BIRD/ NEF KICKOFF	SEPTEMBER 14, 2022	50%
FALL MEETINGS	OCTOBER 13, 2022	55%
VETERANS DAY	NOVEMBER 9, 2022	65%
PEARL HARBOR DAY	DECEMBER 14, 2022	75%
MID-WINTER	JANUARY 19, 2023	80%
PRESIDENTS DAY	FEBRUARY 15, 2023	85%
AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY	MARCH 15, 2023	90%
CHILDREN & YOUTH	APRIL 19, 2023	95%
ARMED FORCES DAY	MAY 17, 2023	100%
DELEGATE STRENGTH	30 DAYS PRIOR TO NATIONAL CONVENTION	

Target dates fall on the second Wednesday of the month unless a holiday falls on that day or at the beginning of that week. The February to May target dates moved to the third week to maximize end-of-year renewal notices.

Since Columbus Day falls on a Monday, the October target date 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.





DISTRICT 1 – Commander Jack Edstrom

On October 1, POST 1 had the distinct privilege of hosting Department Commander Valerie Scheuering Hubbell, Second Vice Commander/Membership Chair Brenda Horton and Sons of the American Legion Detachment Commander Shawn Horton at the First District meeting.

Post 1 led by Past Commander Richard Dickerson participated in a Flag Retirement with Post 37 from Fernley at the Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Fernley where over 700 flags were retired. Service Officer Scott Wilcox represented Post 1 at the Nevada Department of Veteran Services Standdown and distributed 300 pairs of winter socks to homeless and needy Veterans.

Post 1 will be meeting the public at a yearly Sams Club booth the three days before Veterans Day. The purpose is to inform the public and potential members of American Legion goals and local activities.

POST 30, under the leadership of Commander/ Past Department Commander Jim Stewart is awakening after a summer respite. The Post held a successful Corn Hole Tournament. The Post competed with several members and prospective members who participated in teams. Prizes were awarded and friends were made. Post 30 is planning an Octoberfest for members only and on November 9, the Post will host a Veterans Day Dinner to honor any Veteran who wishes to attend from the community. A Holiday gathering is planned for Post members and their families

Post 1, Post 12 and Post 30 are participating in the City of Reno Veterans Day Parade through downtown Reno. Post 30 will also participate in the City of Sparks Hometown Christmas Parade.

Post 12 has been serving their community through single acts of support of veterans such as family assistance to a single Veteran with children, assistance to District 1 Post 519 in obtaining some Legion gear and extra copies of Legion Magazine for members. Post 519 is an American Legion Post within the confines of the Nevada State Prison in Lovelock. Post 12 has been busy contacting the assigned Reno high schools for recruitment of American Legion Oratorical Contest participants,





DISTRICT 3 — Commander Lincoln Litchfield



Post 32

ATV/UTV/4 Wheel Drive Poker Run

1st Annual "Busting Down The Walls"

On September 17th at 9am the first annual Busting Down The Walls Poker Run ATV/UTV had its start. What a great time everyone had. The Post had many donations from Khoury's Market, Evolution Motorsports, Gateway RV, Gallagher Ford, Riverton GM Superstore, O'Rielly's, AutoZone, Home Depot, Elko County Chamber of Commerce, 5th Gear, The Star and Lincoln Litchfield. The Poker Run went over approximately 30 miles through the hills west and north of Carlin. The stops we had were in this order: The Peacock Bar, Sharon's, Canyon Nursery, ECV (Clampers) and Tee Gee's Bar. During the ride everyone had a chance to get to know local businesses and the ability to get a drink, learn about ECV, advice on local plant life or simply take a break with other riders and just enjoy the scenery, at the end there was an opportunity to have a steak dinner. We had 27 paid ATV/UTV/4 Wheel Drive Vehicles. The talk at the conclusion of the ride was when is the next one. Well the answer is April 15th it is a Saturday, we will be taking a different route and the name will be "Busting Through The Mud!" Post 32 will be looking forward to this next Poker Run. Many thanks goes to Ric Gillespie (Commander), Dan Lien (District 1st Vice Commander) and Lincoln Litchfield (District 3 Commander). We are all looking for ways to get the younger veterans involved and uniting the community this is one way to have a great time and include the entire town.











I am starting this newsletter out with a proposal, we should have a Legacy Run support ride in Nevada. I have talked to the Riders in each district and there is support for this fundraiser and will require some research and planning. If anyone has any ride suggestions other than the ones below I am happy to communicate the ideas.

Participate in the Armed Forces Day parade in Hawthorne by meeting in Tonopah the night before and riding as a large group to Hawthorne

Ride across the state in support of Rolling Thunder

Ideas are welcome and we need the time to plan and execute a ride of this magnitude.

There was discussion of a travelling trophy where each chapter competes for the trophy. Do we want to do something like this? Again, please email with suggestions.

At the District 4 meeting there was a discussion about how to start an ALR Chapter and because The American Legion Riders are one of the best ways to recruit members, if your Post is interested in a riders program there are a number of other Posts that will help, I can find a nearby contact.

Below are some of the upcoming events that I am aware of. If you have an event to be included, please email me (<u>commander@nevadasal.org</u>) with the information and I will add it.

Sincerely,

Shawn Horton Commander, Detachment of Nevada American Legion Riders Department of Nevada Liaison

Post 149 (Paradise) 702-493-3028 - Vic Sun Oct 16, 2022 - 4:15pm - 5:45pm Honor Flight Returns Tue Oct 18, 2022 - 5:30pm - 8:30pm Legion Night at the Leatherneck Club Fri Oct 21, 2022 - 5pm - 8pm Post 40 Fish Fry Sat Oct 22, 2022 - 11am - 3pm Post 40 Open House Wed Oct 26, 2022 - 6pm - 7:30pm E-Board Meeting Thu Oct 27-30, 2022 - All day Katherine Landing Getaway Sat Oct 29, 2022 - 8am - 3pm Elks Riders Poker Run





Department of Nevada October 2022

As the incoming Alternate National Executive Committeeman for the Department of Nevada, I would like to bring up a topic that will assist the American Legion in conveying our position concerning all Veterans to our elected officials. This can be easily done by signing up for <u>Voter VOICE</u>. By signing up for Voter VOICE, you will get regular updates on legislation that is affecting our Veterans, like the PACT Act which will now cover those Veterans that were exposed to those terrible burn pits.

Additionally, by signing up for Voter VOICE, you will also be given an opportunity to let your Congressional Delegations either your *support* or your *opposition* to any proposed Veteran legislation.

The sign up is simple. Just use the QR Code below to go directly to the Voter VOICE website and take 5 minutes to sign up.



Scan this code with your smartphone and Sign up for VoterVOICE Help our Veterans Sign up Today Share this page with others!

Jim Stewart, PDC Alternate National Executive Committeeman

Department of Nevada





The mission of Nevada's Legionnaires is to provide services to fellow veterans, their families and their communities.

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The American Legion August 2022 - July 2023 "300 Club" Lottery

FILL OUT THIS FORM ALONG WITH YOUR PAYMENT

YOUR LOTTERY NUMBER (S) FOR THE "300 CLUB" WILL BE ISSUED IN THE ORDER THEY ARE RECEIVED

State:	Zip:
	Post #
0.00 Each = \$	
50.00 3rd	# Drawn = \$75.00
25.00 4th	# Drawn = \$50.00
	0.00 Each = \$ <u>.</u> 250.00 3rd

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United States Department of Labor Office of Workers' Compensation Programs Division of Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation

The Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA) began on July 31, 2001 with the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) implementation of Part B. Part E implementation began on October 28, 2004.

Part B of the EEOICPA provides lump-sum compensation of \$150,000 and medical benefits to current and former workers who have been diagnosed with cancers, beryllium disease, or chronic silicosis and whose illnesses were caused by exposure to radiation, beryllium, or silica while working directly for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), its contractors or subcontractors, a designated Atomic Weapons Employer, or a beryllium vendor. Under Part B, compensation of \$50,000 and payment of medical expenses from the date a claim is filed is available to uranium workers (or their survivors) previously awarded benefits by the Department of Justice under Section 5 of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA).

Part E of the EEOICPA provides federal compensation and medical benefits to DOE contractor and subcontractor employees who worked at covered facilities and developed an illness as a result of exposure to toxic substances. Under Part E, monetary compensation of up to \$250,000 per employee may be available for the employee's whole-body impairment and/or wage loss due to an accepted condition.

Under the EEOICPA, if the employee is no longer living, survivors of qualified workers may also be entitled to benefits.

Contact a DEEOIC Resource Center

DOL established 11 Resource Centers nationwide to assist workers and their families apply for benefits under the EEOICPA. The Resource Center staff provides valuable information about the claims process to claimants and assists claimants in completing the necessary forms to file an EEOICPA claim. The Resource Center staff can provide assistance either in-person or over the telephone, and thus is able to assist individuals who are outside the immediate geographical area. You can find the complete list of Resource Centers, including regional jurisdictions, contact information, and toll-free numbers at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/owcp/energy or call toll-free at (866) 888-3322. The DEEOIC Resource Center to contact in your area is:

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