The Legion Bulletin

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Monday – Friday
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Raleigh, NC 27611

Veterans Day 2020

The history of Veterans Day began in 1919, with President Woodrow Wilson’s proclamation of Armistice Day, to be “filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country’s service and with gratitude for the victory.” In 1954, President Eisenhower signed legislation changing the name of the federal holiday to Veterans Day, acknowledging millions of World War II and Korean War veterans in addition to those of World War I. “On that day,” Eisenhower said, “let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom.” When Congress changed the date of observance to the 4th Monday in October, starting in 1971, state legislatures, veterans groups and the American people urged a return to the original date, and in 1975, President Ford signed legislation authorizing the change. In 1978, the nation’s Veterans Day observance reverted to Nov. 11.

Post Excellence Award

The Post Excellence Award Program honors posts that show excellence in membership participation, youth activities, community service, and support to veterans and US Troops. District Commanders must certify posts as having fulfilled the four specified criteria. Each qualifying post receives a certificate of recognition, mailed to the Department and awarded to the post. Get busy and get involved & good luck.

Mid-Winter Conference

The annual Mid-Winter Conference is tentatively scheduled for February 11-13, 2021 at the North Raleigh Hilton, 3415 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh, NC. At this time, we are not sure if we will be having an in-person conference or will again be holding it electronically. We will keep everyone updated as we get closer to January.

M-W Conference Awards

Enclosed with this mailing are nomination forms for awards that will be selected at Mid-Winter Conference, held February 11-13, 2021. Please review the forms, make nominations following the instructions, and return to Department Headquarters by Jan. 25, 2021 unless stated otherwise. Nomination Forms enclosed are as follows:

- High Adventure Scouting Award.
- Service Officer of the Year
- News Media Award
- JROTC Awards
- American Legion Patriotic Business Award

Baseball Hall of Fame

Enclosed is the nomination form for induction to the American Legion Dept of Nc Baseball hall of Fame. Up to 4 candidates, plus 2 posthumous candidates can be selected for this 2020-21 year. The Committee is planning on inducting last year’s recipients, plus this year’s recipients at an banquet to be held at the annual June Convention. Posts with teams, this is an opportunity to honor those who have contributed to make your baseball program such a success.

The American Legion Staff wishes
To Thank you for your Service.
Headquarters will be closed
November 11, 2020 in observance of Veterans Day.
November 26-27, 2020 in observance of Thanksgiving
Membership Processing Alerts:

Please remember to put your return address and phone number on the transmittal form you send. Loree needs this information if there is a problem with your transmittal.

To get members to renew, try calling or sending a letter to non-renewing members in your Post and ask them to renew. Contact the Department and ask for a list of non-renewing DMS members in your area. Contact those that haven’t paid their dues this year and ask them to join your Post and renew their membership at the same time.

On-line renewals: Please do not send cards and/or payments for the online renewals. We will send a check to the post adjutant quarterly. Give member their portion of the renewal card, and please discard the remainder of the card, we do not need it.

Retention requires communication. No better way than personal contact. We lose more members through non renewal each year than for any other reason. Go Getter Teams/Phone Teams are your answer! Try It. You will like the results.

Please, out of state transfers and new 1981 (pd 2019 or 2020 with 1 year), must include a current address on the member data form.

Post Adjutants

Do not hold paid member cards and money. Please transmit often to Department Headquarters. As long as you hold paid membership cards and money, your members aren’t renewed. Please consider using MyLegion membership processing system. It is very user friendly. You can call Loree and she will walk you through it over the phone, or will make an appointment for you to come to the office. This will eliminate having to mail any cards or checks. All processing is done online! Please use the address, American Legion Department of NC, PO Box 26657, Raleigh, NC 27611.

SAL Online Membership

National Headquarters has developed online membership processing for SAL Squadrons. This is a very user friendly program. Please contact Loree Miller at Department Headquarters, lmiller@nclegion.org, 919-832-7506, or contact Detachment Commander Eugene Bellando, eleventhgreen@atmc.net, 703-881-2515 for more information.

Temporary Financial Assistance

TFA is specifically designed to assist minor children of eligible legionnaires or active duty military through cash grants. In order to maintain a stable home environment for the child or children, grants are awarded to help families meet the costs of shelter, utilities, food, and medical expenses. All TFA applications originate at the local post level. A local investigator personally visits with the family to determine the needs of children. A completed application with supporting documents and proof of military service is forwarded to the Department Adjutant. After approval recommendation, this information is forwarded to The Americanism and Children & Youth Division in Indianapolis for review. Upon approval by the National Adjutant, a check is drawn and forwarded to the Dept Adjutant for delivery to the recipient.

Youth Programs

Each chartered post throughout the state of North Carolina should sponsor at least one youth program. Not only do our youth represent the future of America, they are also the children and grandchildren of our fallen comrades. The American Legion operates and sponsors several programs to benefit young people as well as other patriotic programs that benefit Americans of all ages. Get involved and support your programs.

MyLegion.org

This is a great tool for you and your post to use especially with your membership program. It is imperative for your post Adjutant to fill out and send the Post/Squadron Commander & Adjutant Notification Form to this Department, with your up to date name and contact information for your Post Commander and Adjutant. If this form is not submitted, National will not give you a password to use MyLegion.org. This form is very important! If you need a copy of this form, please contact Department Headquarters.

LIT $1,000/$5,000 Free Accidental Death Benefit

There are three ways to activate:
1. Send in the enrollment form or card
2. Call the toll free number, 1-800-235-6943
3. Go to www.thelIT.com and enroll online

Once activated, keep with your important papers.

The Legion News

Articles and photos for the Legion News must arrive at Department Headquarters by the dates listed below.
Nov - Feb submit by October 10
March-June submit by February 10
July-Sept submit by June 10
Oct-Dec submit by Sept 10

Please email (preferred process) items for the paper to tecash@nclegion.org and drose@nclegion.org. Include captions to photos along with a write up with details about the event. Give a list of names for the people/person in the photo.

Commander Moore’s Coin will be awarded to each Legion member who recruits 3 new members!

See form included with mailing.
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Post 382 Sanford  
12:00 PM    |           |           |           |           |
| DISTRICT 14|           |           |           |           |
|            | Sat, Nov 7, 2020  
Virtual Mtg by Zoom  
12:00 PM    |           |           |           |           |
| DISTRICT 15|           |           |           |           |
|            | Sunday, Nov 15, 2020  
Post 8 Lexington  
1:00 PM  
Meal Served |           |           |           |           |
| DIVISION IV|           |           |           |           |
| DISTRICT 16|           |           |           |           |
|            | Sat, Oct 17, 2020  
Virtual Meeting  
9:00 AM    |           |           |           |           |
| DISTRICT 17|           |           |           |           |
| DISTRICT 18|           |           |           |           |
| DISTRICT 19|           |           |           |           |
|            | Sat, Nov 21, 2020  
Virtual Meeting  
11:00 AM    |           |           |           |           |
| DISTRICT 20|           |           |           |           |
| DIVISION V |           |           |           |           |
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DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA
AMERICAN LEGION
BOY SCOUT HIGH ADVENTURE AWARD
NOMINATION APPLICATION

POSITION PLACEMENT
(To Be Completed By The American Legion)

District No. __________________________ Place Of __________________________ Submitted

Division No. __________________________ Place Of __________________________ Submitted

Department of __________________________ Place Of __________________________ Submitted

National Headquarters __________________________ Place Of __________________________ Submitted

Nominee’s Name: __________________________ Phone No.: (______)

Address: __________________________________________

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Age: ______ Date of Birth: __________________________

(Day) (Month) (Year)

Height: __________ Weight: __________

FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION POST
SPONSORING YOU. (Required) (Only one applicant per post)
Post Commander Must Sign Form

(Name)

(Post No.)

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

(Post Commander’s Signature)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

THE NOMINEE MUST:

___ Be a registered, active member of a Boy Scout Troop or Varsity Scout Team;

___ Applicant must be sponsored by an American Legion Post (One applicant per post)

___ Meet Trip Medical Requirements;

___ Have received the STAR Scout Award;

___ Be an active member of his religious institution;

___ Have rendered outstanding service to his religious institution, school and community;

___ Have demonstrated practical citizenship in church, school, Scouting and community (i.e. Student Council President or Representative, local Teen Club chairman, leader in community-wide service projects, participation in sports, Senior Patrol Leader, Junior Assistant Scoutmaster, etc.)

___ Have reached his 14th birthday, but not his 18th, by June 30th.

___ Submit at least one letter or recommendation and testimony with Nomination Application.
QUALIFICATIONS

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

A. HIGH SCHOOL RECORD

Grade __________ Name of High School ____________________________

High School Clubs, Teams and Organizations | Honors, Letters, or Offices Held

____________________________________
____________________________________
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B. Community Participation Record

Organization | Offices

____________________________________
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Community Service Participation __________________________

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C. Religious Record

Denomination ____________________________

Name of Religious Institution ____________________________

Religious Youth Organizations | Honors and/or Offices Held

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Name of Religious Emblem (Award) Received ____________________________
D. Scouting Record

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Leadership Positions Held:

Cub Scout Pack

Boy Scout Troop

Varsity Scout Team

Camp Staff

Other

Other Activities (Jamborees, Order of the Arrow Conference, etc.)

E. Career Interests

F. Attachments

One Required Letter of Recommendation and Testimony:

_____ Religious  _____ Community

_____ School  _____ Scouting

NOTE: Additional letters of recommendation and testimony may be included with this application.
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF BOY SCOUTS
FOR
BOY SCOUT HIGH ADVENTURE AWARD

1. Be a registered, active Boy Scout in your Post area.

2. Must meet physical requirements of trip medical certificate.

3. Trip must be to a recognized National Boy Scout High Adventure Area or to a National or International Jamboree.

4. Must be a STAR Scout or higher (in rank).

5. Age limitation between 14 and 18 years. Prior High Adventure award winners may not apply for 2nd year.

6. Must have been or now is a leader within his troop.

7. Must be of good moral character, show interest in religion, community, state and nation.

8. A letter or letters of recommendation submitted by adult citizen in the community covering #7 in the above requirements and any other points pertinent to the nominee's activities (church, school, community, etc.)

9. The winning applicant(s) shall report to the Department in person to receive scholarship award. The sponsoring (institution and Post) shall arrange for presentation of Scout.

10. The applicant is responsible for making his own trip arrangements.

11. Upon returning from a High Adventure Trip, Scout must make his report to the American Legion Department of North Carolina at designated Conference, Fall or Spring.

12. Should use the Scout application from the Department Office.

13. Applications should be submitted no later than February 5. Award winners will be chosen at Fall Conference. Please do not submit nominations in a binder or notebook of any kind.

Mail To:
Boy Scout Committee Chairman
The American Legion Department of NC
PO Box 26657
Raleigh, NC 27611

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS WILL BE BASED ON UP TO A $1,500.00 SCHOLARSHIP PER DIVISION, TO BE FORWARD TO THE SPONSORING AMERICAN LEGION POST FOR PRESENTATION TO WINNING APPLICANT.
RULES FOR SELECTION OF
SERVICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD

1. Nominee for North Carolina's American Legion Service Officer Of The Year must be endorsed by a chartered Post of the American Legion, Department of North Carolina, signed by the Post Commander.

2. Name (and address) of the nominee with supporting written materials must be in Department Headquarters by January 25. Please do not submit nomination in a binder or notebook of any kind.

3. Judging for Service Officer Of The Year will be done by the Department Rehabilitation Committee at the Department Mid-Winter Conference.

4. Presentation of award of the winning nominee for Department Service Officer Of The Year will be at the Department Convention in June.

5. Criteria for judging to be used by the Department Rehabilitation Committee will include:

   A. Nominee must be a member in good standing of a chartered Post of The American Legion, Department of North Carolina.

   B. Nominee shall be actively engaged in filing, developing and presenting claims before the Department of Veterans Affairs.

   C. Nominee must have held that position for at least 2 years to be eligible.

   D. Nominee will not be considered if he or she is a paid employee of The American Legion, Department of North Carolina.

   E. Members of the North Carolina American Legion Department Rehabilitation Committee are ineligible.

   F. Members of the North Carolina American Legion Department Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Commission are ineligible.

   G. Recommendations shall be limited to one (1) typed written page.
PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

NEWS MEDIA AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Name of Organization Being Nominated: _______________________________________

Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip Code: _______________________________________________________

Type of Media:

____ AM RADIO
____ FM RADIO
____ BROADCAST TV STATION
____ CABLE TV STATION
____ DAILY NEWSPAPER
____ WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

Percent of articles/broadcasts written/produced:

By post member ______%  By media representative ______%

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Person Submitting Nomination and Supporting Materials:

Full Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip Code: _________________________________________________

(Rules and Guidelines on reverse side)
NEWS MEDIA AWARD
RULES AND GUIDELINES

The Department News Media Award is intended to honor one of North Carolina’s local news agencies for their support of Legion work. Selection of the winner is made by the Public Relations and Publications Committee. There is no corresponding national contest.

The objective of the awards program is to recognize media outlets for their contributions to the public awareness and understanding of the goals and objectives of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary and The Sons of The American Legion.

There are four categories of media organizations that are eligible for the awards: Daily Newspapers, Weekly Newspapers, Radio Stations and Television Stations. A nominee may be jointly submitted by two or more posts.

There will be 3 awards presented by the department - First, Second and Third places. There will not be separate awards for the different media types. Entries from the different media categories will compete against each other.

The awards program is based on a calendar year. Entries must be published or broadcast during the period of January 1 to December 31 of the calendar year being judged. As an example, the entries that were judged at the year 2017 Mid-Winter Conference must have been published or broadcast during the 2016 calendar year.

Supporting materials should not be limited to those articles/broadcasts about the nominating post but should include all articles/broadcasts published about The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary and The Sons of The American Legion during the calendar year to be judged.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING YOUR NOMINATION TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS IS JANUARY 25. THE SELECTION WILL BE MADE AT THE MID-WINTER CONFERENCE IN RALEIGH.

News Media

Suggested Form For Presentation of Supporting Materials

Radio
1. Combine all spots on one standard 2 1/2 x 4 inch cassette tape
2. Listing of spots with date(s) and number of airings
   Examples:
   County Fair Spot Sep 1-15 75 airings
   Post 999 Fundraising Dance for Hurricane Hugo Victims Sep 23- Oct 10 46 airings

Television
Same as with radio - use VHS tape

Newspaper
1. Newspaper articles or photocopies allowed
2. To be submitted in standard size 3 ring binder
3. Pages to be plain white 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper
4. Nomination form should be first page
5. Articles should be in chronological order with date of publication printed on lower right-and corner of page
6. Only one article per page
7. Scotch tape or paste articles to page
8. If article is larger than page attach upper left corner and as much of left and top edges as possible. Then fold article to fit on page.
9. At the conclusion of the material a summary would be appropriate but not required

Entries that do not follow the above guidelines will be accepted for judging but should still be presented in a neat and organized manner.

(adopted at Mid-Winter Committee meeting, February 4, 2000)
The American Legion
Department of North Carolina
JROTC Officer and NCO Instructor of the Year
Application Form

Date: ______________

Candidate Name: ____________________________ Rank: __________

Legion Membership #: _________________________ Branch of Service: ________

Home Address: _______________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: _______ Zip: _______ Phone: __________

Length of Service as Officer: ___________________ or NCO: __________ Instructor (Check one only)

Name & Address of High School: __________________________________________

Name and Phone # of High School Principal: __________________________________

Phone ________________ Email: __________________________

JROTC Area Manager Name and Phone #: __________________________

Phone ________________ Email: __________________________

Area Manager Address: _________________________________________________

City: ______________________________ State: _______ Zip: __________

Post Submitting Nomination: _____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: ______________________________ State: _______ Zip: _______ Phone: __________

Post Commander: ____________________________ (Signature)

Post Commander: ____________________________ (Printed Name)

Post Adjutant: ____________________________ (Signature)

Post Adjutant: ____________________________ (Printed Name)
RULES FOR SELECTION OF DEPARTMENT JROTC OFFICER AND NCO OF THE YEAR

1. Nominee(s) for North Carolina’s American Legion JROTC Officer or NCO instructor of the year must be submitted by a chartered Post of the American Legion Department of North Carolina.

2. Nominee(s) must be submitted by a chartered post and approved at a regular meeting of the sponsoring American Legion post.

3. Name of the nominee(s) with supporting written documentation must reach Department Headquarters two weeks prior to the Department Mid-Winter Conference.

Judging will be done by the Department JROTC Special Task Force Committee at the Department Mid-Winter Conference.

4. Presentation of awards will be at the Annual Department Convention following the Mid-Winter conference.

5. A Post may submit only one (1) nominee for Officer, or NCO.

6. Criteria for judging to be used by the Department JROTC Special Task Force Committee will include:
   a. Nominee(s) may be male or female, must be a citizen of the United States, and are required to be Veterans.
   b. Nominee(s) must be a living, active, full-time staff member of a city, county, or community high school JROTC program.
   c. Nominee(s) must have been a resident for a minimum of one year in the City, or County in which the sponsoring American Legion post is located.
   d. Judging acceptance of the nominee(s) will be based on their activities in Americanism, citizenship, youth activities, and other community involvement above, and beyond assigned duties of the position of employment.

7. Post application packets for the nominee(s) should include, and be submitted in the following order:
   a. Completed application form.
   b. A 5”X7” current photograph of each nominee
   c. A minimum of 2, pages of service documentation. (This is in addition to the application). It must include the nominee(s) service narrative, community service narrative (most important), and include supporting citations, and other documentation, including press articles related to their JROTC unit.
   d. Nominee(s) will be graded on the following categories, and assigned up to the number of points shown:
      1) Community Service-------------------------------25 Points
      2) Professional Career (as a JROTC instructor)----------25 Points
      3) Leadership (within the JROTC organization)----------40 Points
      4) Letters of recognition, news, and other documents------10 Points

8. Information that may be included:

Documentation of Community Service: Outstanding service to the community, State, or Nation in both on-duty, and off-duty activities should be explained for the past academic school year. This will include, for example, awards, and/or supporting letters from City, or County Commissioners, letters from State Officials, letters from the American Legion Department, and/or Posts, or from individuals, and/or groups attesting to, and commending the nominee(s) for their community service contributions. Remember, that the major aim of the award program is to select well-rounded individuals whom have demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service, above, and beyond assigned duty requirements.
Membership & Post Activity
October 2020
Two Goals, One Team
Team North Carolina

For 2021 we have:
♦ 100% Goals
♦ 103% National Commander Challenge
For most Posts the extra 3% is one or two or three more people. Bigger Posts equal bigger numbers.

So how are we going to get it done?

We have the same great team from 2020 for 2021 to assist the Post, the District Commanders & Division Commanders.
Past Department Commanders come with a wealth of knowledge & skills.
♦ Serve on National & Department Committees & Commissions
♦ Work within their own Posts
Their job is to get into the District they are assigned along with the District Commander, visit each Post & work with the Post First Vice Commander & membership team. Encourage, teach, share, assist & help the Posts reach their goals with contact of the unrenewed & transfers of DMS/1981.

Past & Present Officers can assist the PDC team members.
The 2021 Membership Team is Everyone.

Programs = Membership = Growth
♦ You need programs to attract members & give them value for their membership.
♦ You need membership to operate the programs.
♦ Together your giving your Post the best chance for growth & to give back to your community.
♦ You control your Post's future.

Get back out on the street.
♦ Division Commanders have a Membership Tent for use by District Commanders for their Posts.
♦ Fairs, Festivals, Shows, Store Fronts.
♦ Host Blood Drives, Food Drives, Flea Markets or other community events.
♦ Let your District Commander know if your Post has an event & you would like to enhance your event to setup the Membership Tent.

Get out on the digital highway.
♦ Inform local residents through Social Media
♦ Advertise on Social Media.
♦ Share your event photos on Social Media.
♦ Can’t say it enough.
♦ TOOT YOUR HORN

Increase your Post Value.
What are you offering for your membership?
What is your Bang for the Renewal Buck?
Get back to or start using the 4 Pillars & expand.
♦ Pillar 1—Veterans, the GI Bill & the VA.
♦ Be a VA Facilitator.
⇒ Help veterans get their records.
⇒ Help veterans get to a certified VSO
♦ Women Veteran Programs
♦ Homeless Veteran Programs
♦ Military Honors Funerals
♦ Pillar 2—National Security
♦ Disaster Prep/Hurricane Prep & Assistance
♦ Blue Star Families
♦ Blood Drives
♦ POW/MIA Accounting
♦ Pillar 3—Americanism
♦ Sponsor a team. Don’t limit yourself to baseball/softball.
How about Soccer or Volleyball?
♦ JROTC/ROTC, Youth Events
♦ Flag Protection/Education. Recognize your local businesses who proudly fly the flag with a special flag certificate of appreciation
♦ Pillar 4—Children & Youth
♦ Children in Need—TFA
♦ Family Support Network & Child Welfare Foundation

DMS/1981AD.
You want and need New Members.
You want and need Younger Members.
You want future leaders.

They are right in front of you.
DMS has a 950 new members
⇒ Same procedures as last year.
⇒ Download “Find Members in My Area” from MyLegion.
⇒ We can get the names by zip code for you.
⇒ We do the transfers.
⇒ Do the New Member Welcome and check Discharge Documents.

Welcome.
♦ Do you welcome members to your Post?
♦ Not just when you think about it but every time. It shouldn’t matter if you just saw them yesterday or you’ve never met them. Welcome them every time.
♦ Create a welcome ambassador. Select a member or officer whose job it is to welcome everyone coming in the door for your events. Sgt-at-Arms do this for meetings but rotate the role for events. Maybe a costume, funny hat or big name pin. Something with fun written all over it.
Basic Training.
♦ You went through Basic Training when you joined the military.
♦ You also went to school or training to learn a trade.
♦ Learn about the American Legion History & Programs through Basic Training online course.
♦ FREE. You saw that right. It’s FREE to do.
♦ www.legion.org/alei Follow the instructions. Done.

Buddy Check.
The Buddy Check is the most important thing you can do for your Post membership.
Do you even know what it is?
Buddy Check is a National Commander initiative for you to contact every member of your Post. Not to demand membership but to check on them. Connect.

It’s not new concept & Buddy Checks work. Make a team & be prepared for November & March for the National Buddy Check but your Post can & should do Buddy Checks at any time.

MyLegion Membership Processing.
Getting your membership updated is so simple now with MyLegion Membership Processing.
♦ Sign into MyLegion.
♦ Process Membership Tab.
♦ Make sure your banking info is correct.
♦ Follow on screen instructions.
♦ New, Renewals & Transfers with money can be processed from the comfort of your Post or home.

MyLegion Training. Did you know you can download Nationals complete MyLegion PowerPoint presentation to go through at your own convenience? http://www.members.legion.org/legion/mylegion.zip
It’s also on the Department website at www.nclegion.org under the membership tab.

MyLegion Consolidated Post Report is LIVE
Update as you go throughout the year
Avoid the rush of the end of May to get it completed.

Undeliverable Addresses.
Make an effort to follow up with those members with “Y” next to their names with updated addresses. PUFL’s too.

Social Media
Facebook Department of North Carolina group & page
Source of updates and shareable ads for your Post
Facebook National Pages
Twitter

Instagram
LinkedIn—greatest growth among Veterans last year.
And don’t forget our websites.
Www.legion.org & www.nclegion.org

National Notification Form
Each year Posts must update the National website: www.legion.org. Each Post must submit an updated National Notification Form to the Dept. This form updates your contact info, Post Commander and Adjutant, your SAL Commander and Adjutant (if you have one) plus access to MyLegion. If you’ve had trouble accessing MyLegion in the past, update your National Notification form. National uses this info to update Legion.org, and MyLegion access.

MAKE SURE YOUR INFORMATION IS CORRECT & ACCURATE ON NATIONAL’S WEBSITE AS THE DEPARTMENT USES THIS INFO TOO.
DON’T HAVE BAD POST INFO ON NATIONALS WEBSITE.

American Legion Mobile App.
Find A Post, Renew your Membership, Legion News, Images and Emblem Sales. It’s all there on your smart phone. Available for download from the Apple Store, Google Play and the Windows Store.
Department of North Carolina Mobile App? Check your app store.

Post Update Form
Did you submit the Post Update Form with your list of officers and contact info to the Department
Even if you have no changes, you must submit a Post Update form for every year

Need Membership or Post Activity Help? Let your District Commander know if you need assistance with membership, revitalization, use of MyLegion, officer training, or information about American Legion Programs. This will contribute to successful membership programs.

Membership Manual, Forms & Reports
All located on the Department website at www.nclegion.org

Contact. Membership Committee Chair Nancy Phillips at doubleugly2@skybest.com or at 828-406-7976.

Oh By the Way.
Join the Guard & Reserve.
They are always on call.

Important Membership Dates

Oct 15, 2020 55% Membership Goal
Nov 11, 2020 Post Commander Excellence Award—100% Post Goal
Nov 12, 2020 65% Membership Goal
Dec 9, 2020 75% Membership Goal
Dec 31, 2020 Dogwood Award—100% Post Goal
The intent of this award is the recognition of small, medium and large patriotic businesses that are located in North Carolina. The business must be nominated by a chartered post of the Department of North Carolina American Legion. Awards will be judged at Mid-Winter Conference and presented at the June Convention. It is the nominating post’s responsibility and privilege to present the Patriotic Business Award to the winning business. *Please submit nomination form by January 15

Date: ______________________

Name of Business: __________________________________________________________

Address of Business: _________________________________________________________

City: __________________ Zip: __________

Business Contact: _______________ Phone: __________ Email: ________________

Is this a Veteran-owned business? _______________________ Branch of Service: ______

Sponsor Post No: ____ Sponsor Post Name: ________________________________

Post Contact: ___________________________ Contact Phone: ________________

Business Size:
How many employees at location? ____________________________________________

How many employees do they have total in NC? ________________________________

How many employees in NC are National Guard or Reservist? ________________

Type of Business: _________________________________________________________

How long has the business been in the community? ____________________________

Tell us briefly about the business:
________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

For items below, in addition to filling out the lists, please include any pictures, news articles or videos as documentation (can list URL if online)

United States Flag – please list all flags located at their place of business, and all flag-related activities, events, projects, and programs the business did for the previous calendar year (January 1 – December 31) at their place of business or in the community:

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

3. __________________________________________________________

4. __________________________________________________________

5. __________________________________________________________

6. __________________________________________________________

7. __________________________________________________________

8. __________________________________________________________
Patriotic Holidays – please list all the ways the business participated to honor and promote Veteran’s Day, Memorial Day and Independence Day at their business or in their community for the previous calendar year (Jan. 1 – Dec.31):

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Additional Patriotic Activities: please list all additional items for previous calendar year (January 1 – December 31):

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Approval of Business:
The American Legion has my permission to enter the business I work for or own, ______________________, for their annual American Legion Patriotic Business Award.

I am a manager or the owner of the business.

_____________________________   ______________________
Printed Name   Signature

Submitted by Post: ______________________ Date: __________________
Commander’s Name: ______________________ Phone: __________________
Commander’s Signature: ______________________
Email ________________________________
The American Legion
Department of North Carolina
Civil Air Patrol Cadet of the Year
Application Form

Date: ______________________

Candidate name: ______________________ Rank: ______________________

Legion Auxiliary/SAL Membership #: ______________________

Years Active in the Civil Air Patrol: ______________________

Home Address: ______________________

City: _______________ State: _______________ ZIP: _______________

Phone: (___) ____________

Civil Air Patrol Supervisor: ______________________

Address: ______________________

City: _______________ State: _______________ ZIP: _______________ Phone: (___) ____________

CAP Unit Commander Signature: ______________________

Printed Name: ______________________

Post Submitting Nomination: ______________________

Address: ______________________

City: _______________ State: _______________ ZIP: _______________ Phone: (___) ____________

Post Commander Signature: ______________________

Printed Name: ______________________

Post Adjutant Signature: ______________________

Printed Name: ______________________
RULES FOR SELECTION OF DEPARTMENT CIVIL AIR PATROL CADET OF THE YEAR

1. Nomination for North Carolina’s American Legion Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Cadet of the Year must be submitted and approved by a chartered Post of the American Legion Department of North Carolina.

2. Name of the nominee with supporting written documentation must reach Department Headquarters four weeks prior to the Departments Mid-Winter Conference.

3. The Department JROTC Committee will do judging and selection at the Department Mid-Winter Conference.

4. Presentation of award to the winning nominee will be at the Department Convention following the Mid-Winter selection.

5. A Post may submit one (1) nominee for Cadet of the Year. Cadet’s unit must be in the same Legion District as the Post submitting the nomination. The Post Commander and Post Adjutant must sign all submissions.

6. Criteria for judging to be used by the Department JROTC Committee will include:
   a. The nominee must be a citizen of the United States. Not required to be a veteran or a member of The American Legion, Ladies Auxiliary, or Sons of the Legion.
   b. The nominee must be an active member of a CAP Unit.
   c. The nominee will submit completed and signed CAPF 58 including mandatory attachments to include: High School Transcript; Transcript of College Credits (If Applicable); College Entrance Achievement Test Scores (SAT or ACT); Recent Photo, Full Length, in Uniform without Hat; and any Letters of Recommendation.
   d. Judging of the nominee will be based on information provided on CAPF 58 and any other documentation of activities in Americanism, Citizenship, Youth Activities, and other community involvement over and beyond assigned CAP duties.
   e. Act of heroism and bravery in the line of duty may be considered but should not be used as the only justification for the nomination.

7. Post application packets for the nominee should include and be submitted in the following order:
   a. Completed application form.
   b. Current photo of the nominee,
   c. CAPF 58 form with mandatory attachments as detailed in para 6c above.
   d. Any additional documentation of activities in Americanism, Citizenship, Youth Activities, or community service.
   e. Items 7a, 7b, and 7c are required. Submissions without all three items will not be considered.

8. Nominees will be graded on the following categories and assigned up to the number of points shown:
   a. Completeness of the application packets 15 Points
   b. Details of CAP participation, scholastic accomplishments, awards, activities, and narrative contained in the CAPF 58. 50 Points
   c. Community involvement beyond CAP duties 20 Points
   d. Letters of recognition, news articles, and other documents 15 Points

9. The nominee with the highest number of points will be selected as the Department of North Carolina’s Civil Air Patrol Cadet of the Year.
The American Legion  
Department of North Carolina  
Civil Air Patrol Squadron & Deputy Squadron Commander of the Year  
Application Form

Date: ______________________

Candidate name: ______________________ Rank: ______________________

Legion/Legion Auxiliary/SAL Membership #: ______________________

Active Duty in United States Armed Forces: Branch _______________ Years: ________

Years Active in the Civil Air Patrol: ______________________

Home Address: ______________________

City: ______________________ State: _______________ ZIP: _______________

Phone: ( ___ ) ______________________

Civil Air Patrol Supervisor: ______________________

Address: ______________________

City: ______________________ State: ______ ZIP: ______ Phone: ( ___ ) ______________________

CAP Supervisor Signature: ______________________

Printed Name: ______________________

Legion Post Submitting Nomination: ______________________

Address: ______________________

City: ______________________ State: ______ ZIP: ______ Phone: ( ___ ) ______________________

Legion Post Commander Signature: ______________________

Printed Name: ______________________

Post Adjutant Signature: ______________________

Printed Name: ______________________
RULES FOR SELECTION OF DEPARTMENT CIVIL AIR PATROL SQUADRON AND DEPUTY SQUADRON COMMANDER OF THE YEAR

1. Nominations for North Carolina’s American Legion Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Squadron and Deputy Squadron Commander of the Year must be submitted and approved by a chartered Post of the American Legion Department of North Carolina.

2. Names of the nominees with supporting written documentation must reach Department Headquarters four weeks prior to the Departments Mid-Winter Conference.

3. Judging and selection will be done by the Department JROTC Committee at the Department Mid-Winter Conference.

4. Presentation of award to the winning nominee for each award will be at the Department Convention following the Mid-Winter selection.

5. A Post may submit one (1) nominee for Squadron Commander and one (1) nominee for Deputy Squadron Commander each year. The CAP unit must be in the same Legion District as the Post submitting the nomination. All nominations must be signed by the Legion Post Commander and Adjutant.

6. Criteria for judging to be used by the Department JROTC Committee will include:
   a. Nominee must be a citizen of the United States. Not required to be a veteran or a member of The American Legion, Ladies Auxiliary, or Sons of the Legion.
   b. Nominee must be an active member of a CAP Unit.
   c. Nominee submission will be in narrative form outlining the accomplishments of the individual for CAP and service to the community beyond CAP duties and activities.
   d. Nominee submission must be endorsed by the individual’s CAP supervisor/rating official and include a Recent Photo, Full Length, in Uniform without Hat; and any Letters of Recommendation.
   e. Judging of nominee will be based on information provided in the narrative provided, letters of recommendation and on any other documentation of activities in Americanism, Citizenship, Youth Activities, and other community involvement over and beyond assigned CAP duties.
   f. Act of heroism and bravery in the line of duty may be considered but should not be used as the only justification for nomination.

7. Post application packets for the nominee should include and be submitted in the following order:
   a. Completed application form.
   b. Narrative submission with appropriate endorsement.
   c. Current photo of nominee.
   d. Any additional documentation of activities in Americanism, Citizenship, Youth Activities, or community service.
   e. Items 7a, 7b, and 7c are required. Submissions without all three will not be considered.

8. Nominees will be graded on the following categories and assigned up to the number of points shown:
   a. Completeness of the application packets 15 Points
   b. Details of CAP participation, awards, activities, and narrative submission 50 Points
   c. Community involvement beyond CAP duties 20 Points
   d. Letters of recognition, news articles, and other documents 15 Points

9. Nominee with the highest number of points will be selected as the Department of North Carolina’s Civil Air Patrol Commander or Deputy Commander of the Year.
The Department Commander’s Coin will be awarded to each American Legion Member who recruits, at least, three (3) **new** members for the Department. Individuals recruited cannot have been a member during the 2020-2021 membership year. Post adjutants will have reviewed all requests for accuracy prior to forwarding to Department Headquarters.

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I certify that ________________________________ recruited the

NAME OF RECRUITER

three new members listed above and that they are new members who were not members during the 2020-2021 membership year.

__________________________  __________
Post Adjutant               Post#  

Cutoff date for awarding the coin is May 15, 2021. Applications are required to be submitted and at Department Headquarters not later than May 15.
BASEBALL HALL OF FAME NOMINATION

(This form must accompany all nominations for consideration)

AREA:______________

Name:________________________________________

Address:________________________________________

________________________________________

________________________________________

Phone:_______________________________________

If this is a posthumous nomination, list next of kin to be notified:

Name:________________________________________

Address:________________________________________

________________________________________

Phone:_______________________________________

The above individual is approved by Post #__________, (city)______________
as qualified for nomination for the Department of North Carolina Baseball Hall of Fame.

Date:______________

Name of Athletic Officer:________________________________________

Signature:________________________________________

Name of Post Commander:________________________________________

Signature:________________________________________

Please attach narrative to this form.

All nominations must be received at Department Headquarters no later than ten (10) days prior to the Mid-Winter Conference. Send to:
American Legion Department of NC
PO Box 26657
Raleigh, NC 27611

Or email to drose@nclegation.org
Excerpts pertaining to Baseball Hall of Fame Award from

THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA
BASEBALL HALL OF FAME

“By-Laws”

Section 2  Eligible Candidates: Candidates to be eligible must be selected from the following:

(a) American Legion Baseball players who have completed Legion Baseball competition at least five years prior to the election.

(b) Devoted Legionnaires, veterans or non-veterans who have sacrificed so much time and effort to maintain American Legion Baseball on such a high level of excellence.

(c) Umpires who have umpired in North Carolina American Legion Baseball for at least ten (10) years prior to the election.

(d) No member of the Commission can be elected to the Hall of Fame while he is a member of the Commission.

Nomination of Candidates: The Commission shall consider and vote on any candidate recommended by any Legion Post or Legionnaire from the Department of North Carolina. The recommendation and qualifications of the candidate shall be in writing to our Department Adjutant or Chairman of the special Baseball Hall of Fame Committee.
Post Newsletter Award for 2019-2020
And Post Yearbook Award for 2019-2020

Due to the pandemic and the inability to meet in person for both our June 2020 Convention and Fall 2020 Conference, any Post who has their 2019-20 Post Newsletter nomination to submit or 2019-20 Post Yearbook to submit, will have until **December 15, 2020** to send it to Department headquarters to be judged by Public Relations and Publications Committee at the Mid-Winter Conference.

These awards will be selected whether the conference is in person or virtual.
American Legion Dept of NC
Ronald McDonald House
Pull Tab Donations

With the cancellations of both our State Convention in June and the Fall Conference in October, drop off for Pull Tabs has not been available. The Department will continue to receive tabs from individuals and small businesses. Posts, please do not drop off large quantities to the Headquarters. We do not have enough space to house them until February.

All Posts and Individuals have the following options for Drop off:

1. Drop off pull tabs to the closest Ronald McDonald House. All Houses have asked to call ahead so they can direct you to their area of drop off. The Facilities will give you a pull tab donation form with the number of pounds you dropped off. You may mail or email the form to the Department for verification so the Committee can get a certificate out to your post. (list of house locations and numbers are included here).

2. Keep all tabs in your Post location or personal location until the next Department drop off event.

5 Ronald McDonald House Locations:

Chapel Hill: 101 Old Mason Farm Rd, Chapel Hill NC 27517 919-913-2040
Charlotte: 1613 E Morehead St, Charlotte NC 28207 704-335-1191
Durham: 506 Alexander Ave, Durham, NC 27705 919-286-9305
Greenville: 529 Moye Blvd, Greenville NC 27834 252-847-5435
Winston Salem: 419 W. Hawthorne Rd, Winston Salem NC 27103 336-723-0228