



Department of Maine Veterans of Foreign Wars

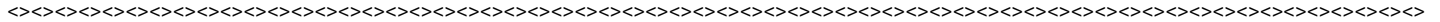


"Communication ~ Dedication ~ Service"

February 2021

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 8



SPECIAL NOTICES <> SPECIAL NOTICES

Congratulations to the following Posts for attaining 100%+ in Membership for 2020-21.

- Capt. Frank W. Hulett Post 1603, Auburn > 100.00% > Commander Jerard M. Lurz
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- James A. McKechnie Post 10881, Farmington > 100.00% > Commander Gordon L. Webber
- William F. Shanahan Memorial Post 11362, Naples > 100.00% > Commander James A. Proctor

Congratulations to the following State of Maine Winners:

Voice of Democracy

Voice of Democracy > ***Is This The Country the Founders Envisioned?***

Hunter Edson > 1st Place > District 10 > Windham Post 10643

Jadynn Blackstone-Eye > 2nd Place > District 1 > Caribou Post 9389

Shane DelMonaco > 3rd Place > District 3 > Calais Post 9779

Patriot's Pen

Patriot's Pen > ***What Is Patriotism to Me?***

Eldon Hunt > 1st Place > District 7 > Waldoboro Post 4525

Madison Slater > 2nd Place > District 2 > Calais Post 9779

Briella Doherty > 3rd Place > District 10 > Portland Post 6859



1. Dates for Council of Administration Meeting and Testimonials: The following dates have been established for the year 2020-21.

- >24 April 2021 > CoA Meeting (***Will be conducted via Zoom Meeting***)
- >11-12 June 2021 > State Convention, Bangor, ME
- >13 June 2021 > CoA Meeting, Bangor, ME

2. Council of Administration: The CoA meeting to include and Audit & Finance and Service Office meetings will be held on 24 April 2021 via the zoom program. Please note the times for the following meetings:

- >***Finance and Audit*** > 8:30 am (Zoom meeting – Cmtee members)
- >***VSO*** > 9:30 am (Zoom meeting – Cmtee Members)
- >***CoA*** > 11 am (Zoom meeting > Council members, Chairmen and members wishing to attend)

3. Post and District Meetings: As we are all will aware, restrictions have been established by both the Maine CDC and Maine Governor Mills. It is recommended that meeting should be held as zoom meetings as we do not want large number of people in meeting halls and having someone catch the virus. Any District wishing to use the Department zoom program, please contact IPSC Robison @ clrobison1981@yahoo.com, this will be on a first come basis. Please make sure that you follow guidelines as prescribed by both Governor Mills and the Maine CDC.

4. State Convention: Information on the State Convention will be published starting the March GOs after consult with Cmdr Davis, SVC Littlefield and Convention Chmn Robison. Please check the deadline dates are published in future GOs.

5. Post Nominations/Election of Officers: IAW Section 217 of the Manual of Procedures, nominations of Post Officers shall be open in March and election of Officers shall be conclude in April.

6. Proof of Eligibility Requirements for Officers: All Posts, Districts and Departments should be reminded of the provisions of Sections 216, 416, and 516 of the Manual of Procedure that officers, elected and appointed, shall not be installed or assume the duties of their office until proof of eligibility has been submitted to the respective Adjutant and properly reviewed.

7. Unpaid Post Officers: A reminder to Post Officers whose dues are due between 2-28-021 and 5-31-21 t7t they must pay their dues, we have 13 Post Officers are due during this period. If they do not pay them by each deadline that they are due, they will be removed by national and will not be able to serve in any other officers for the remainder of the year. To date, we have only lost Post Officers whose were not paid for the current year 2020-21.

8. District Meetings: All District Commanders are reminded that if the cancel a District meeting due to Covid-19 or weather, that they are to notify the State Adjutant, State Commander, Department representative and their Posts respectively.

9. Resolutions: Posts desiring to submit resolutions for consideration by their District prior to the convening o the State Convention must present the resolution to their District in time for their District Conventions and upon approval by the District , copies of the resolution must reach the Department Adjutant in time to be prepared for the State Convention.

10. Chain of Command: Any Posts having issues , they will need to start at the Post level to resolve them, then District Commander and then Department. 90% of the time, issues can be resolved at the Post level.

11. Attention is directed to Section 213 of the National Bylaws concerning any Post in arrears for any financial obligations to County Council (if applicable), District, Department and National for fees, dues, poppy money, supply money, failing to have the office of Quartermaster properly bonded in accordance with Section 703, failing to ensure that the Post is properly insured in accordance with Section 709, failing to submit properly completed quarterly Post Trustees Report of Audit, Post Election Report for the ensuing year, or other obligations, shall be deprived of all representation in County Council and District meetings; County Council, District, Department and National Conventions. Such representation shall be restored promptly upon proper adjustment of such deficiencies.

12. Program Reporting by Adjutants: As per VFW National Headquarters, all reporting will be done electronically to National on the "All American Dashboard" by the Adjutant. Adjutants are the official corresponding officer for the Post/District/Department and shall attest to all official communications and reports with their signature. Adjutant were granted permissions August 1 based on election reports to access the reporting functions.

13. State Convention Book Advertising: Consult Tele-Communications from Londonberry, NH is soliciting ads for our State Convention book throughout the State of Maine. Any business calling your Post respectively inquiring about the as solicitation, please inform them that they are the sole company that sells ads for the Department of Maine.

14. Directory Changes/Updates: District/Post Commanders-Adjutants are reminded that any changes of Officers within their respective levels must notify the State Adjutant office asap so that we can update all records in both the Adjutant office, the VFW Maine website and inclusion in General Orders as general information.

15. State Commanders Visit: Any Post wishing to have the State Commander visit your Post for a function are to notify the State Adjutant and State Commander so that it can be put on the schedule. The Commander's will make every attempt to attend your function.

16. Dates to Remember:

- 15 Feb > Remember the Maine (Different locations)
- 24 Apr > CoA Meeting (Zoom Meeting)
- 11-12 Jun > State Convention, Bangor ME
- 13 Jun > CoA Meeting, Bangor ME

17. Candidates for Department High Office 2021-2022:

- Department Commander > Herman L. Littlefield Jr. > Post 6131
- Department Sr. Vice Commander > Jennifer L. Lane > Post 1603
- Department Jr. Vice Commander > John J. Bouchard > Post 9389
- Department Quartermaster > David D. Williams > Post 1641
- Department Chaplain > Kevin G. Woodward > Post 11553
- Department Judge Advocate > Anthony R. Kimble > Post 3108
- Department Surgeon > Danford G. Saucier > Post 9389
- Department Surgeon > Teresa S. Drag > Post 9787
- Department Surgeon > Randolph S. Michaud > Post 2599
- Department Surgeon > Carl S. Lambert > Post 887
- Department Surgeon > Amy Hope Meuchel > Post 6859

18. Candidates for National Council Member, Maine 2021-2024:

- Steven J. SanPedro > Post 6859
- Andre L. Dumas > Post 9389
- Kevin G. Woodward > Post 11553

19. District Meeting Dates:

- D-6 > 7 Feb @ 2 pm > Belfast Post 3108 > SG Kimble
- D-10 > 7 Feb @ 1 pm > (Zoom Meeting) > Cmdr Davis
- D-3 > 14 Feb @ 2 pm > Calais Post 9779 > JA Bouchard
- D-5 > 8 Mar @ 1 om > Dexter Post 4298 > SVC Littlefield
- D-1 > 13 Mar @ 1 pm > Presque Isle Post 2599 > Adj Dumas
- D-2 > 13 Mar @ 1 pm > Island Falls Post 7529 > JA Bouchard
- D-11 > 14 Mar @ 2 pm > Kittery Post 9394 > Cmdr Davis
- D-7 > 18 Apr @ 2 pm > Topsham Post 2197 (AL Legion Post) > SVC Littlefield
- D-8 > 18 Apr @ 12 noon > Augusta Post 887 > SG Kimble
- D-10 > 25 Apr @ 1 pm > Portland Post 6859 > JVC Lane
- D-6 > 2 May # 1 pm > Northport Post 6131 > SG Kimble
- D-9 > 2 May @ 1 pm, lunch 12 noon > Rumford Post 1641 (Loyalty Day) > Adj Dumas

D-5 > 3 May @ 2 pm > Madison Post 7865 > QM Williams
D-2 > 8 May @ 1 pm > Burlington Post 1285 > Cmdr Davis
D-4 > 15 May @ 2 pm > Ellsworth Post 109 > JA Bouchard
D-3 > 16 May @ 2 pm > Harrington Post 11553 > Cmdr Davis
D-11 > 16 May @ 2 om > Sanford Post 9935 > JVC Lane
D-1 > 6 Jun @ 1 pm > Caribou Post 9389 > Adj Dumas

20. Directory Changes: None

BY COMMAND OF:

Michael "Keith" Davis

Michael "Keith" Davis
Commander

OFFICIAL:

Andre L. Dumas

Andre L. Dumas
Adjutant



State Commander
Michael "Keith" Davis



Comrades, Hard to believe it is February. Time is flying by. We only have a few more months of 2021-2021 community activities. All Posts should be reported in all categories except appointment to National Convention. Last month, I attended three District meetings. I am very satisfied with what all the Posts are accomplishing. One Post that was on the verge of a complete shutdown completely turned itself around and are doing awesome things in the post and in the community. The Department held its first ever MOLD zoom meeting. I am pleased to say that it went well. I would like to think that zoom will be the medium that we continue to use in the future for trainings.

Currently, our membership is just over 91%. The membership team has set goals and if we reach the monthly goals, we will achieve plus 100% and continue to grow our Department. Post Commanders; ensure you are reaching out to your members that you have not seen in a while. Our older Veterans are not getting out due to COVID-19. Reach out to them and see how they are doing. Commanders also set up membership teams to contact members that are past due on their dues and find out why they have not paid. Please relay that information back to the membership team and myself. If they do not have the money, I am sure we can find a way to help them.

Posts have been cancelling some meetings due to COVID-19. Post Commanders have the full authority to do what they think is right for their posts. If you feel it's not safe, by all means cancel your meeting. I do encourage all Posts and Districts to look at holding your meetings via ZOOM or some other platform that works for you. You can still hold Post meetings without buying the ZOOM license. You are limited to 40 minutes. If you believe you are going to go over that, then you may log out and log back in to ZOOM. District Commanders may reach out to Chris Robinson if you wish or need to utilize the Departments Zoom license. This is on a first come first serve basis.

If you would like me to attend an event at your Post or in your community, please notify the State Adjutant Andre Dumas as soon as possible. My schedule is starting to fill up for the year and I want to be at as many functions around the state as possible!

"Communication, Dedication, Service". Communication - Keeping the lines of communication open to our Veterans to keep them informed and keeping the lines of Communication open from our Veterans to get them what they need. Dedication and Service - Working tirelessly to get Veterans the help and services they need and deserve.

Congratulations to the following District/Posts that have achieved their 100% goal in membership 2020-21:
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Yours In Comradeship

Michael "Keith" Davis

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Commander

"Communication - Dedication - Service"



Deceased Roll Call

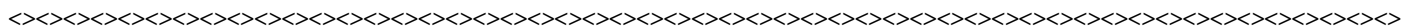


Department of Maine, VFW

Kevin G. Woodward, Chaplain

25 December 2020 ~ 24 January 2021

“May our Comrades Rest in Eternal Peace in Post Eternity?”



District 1

9389 > GERVAIS, Rainald A.
McDOUGAL, Frederick H.
MICHAUD, David A.
RUZYLO, Michael

District 2

7529 > BOTTING, Owen E.
GALLAGHER, George A.

District 4

1761 > DIETRICH, Anthony T.
WORSTER, Elwood E.

District 6

4169 > CONWAY, Herbert M.
SKOOG, Leonard A.

District 7

2197 > SOLAK, John J.

District 9

1603 > MORIN, Ethelbert W.
9787 > MILLER, Raymond

District 10

6859 > BEST, Arthur E.
BROY, Herbert P.
CHRISTOPHER, Norman
SAVAGE, Keith L.

District 10

10879 > COLTON, George H.
COPPINGER, Francis P.
Di BIASE, Nicholas J.
PALMER, Roy C.

District 11

6977 > SAURMAN, Charles A.
9935 > MORIN, Roger L.

Members-at-Large

15020 > BECKMAN-CLARK, Herbert D.



**SENIOR VICE COMMANDER
 COMMANDER'S SPECIAL PROJECT (CSP)
 MEMBERSHIP RECRUITER - CENTRAL
 Herman L. Littlefield Jr.**



Greetings Comrades.

Well, this month's report will be very short as there is not too much going on at this time. Winter has us in its grip and is giving us snow or rain or lots of cold weather, or any combination of those effects.

Please remember to donate to the Commander's Special Project if your Post has not already done so. The Commander's Special Project is the coronavirus relief fund. As explained at the beginning of our year, any monies not used for our Veterans for coronavirus relief needs during this year will be split evenly amongst the 5 Veterans Homes in our great State. Thus far, we have received 23 contributions to this special project fund. We do all that we do for our veterans, and we keep on doing.

Remember to stay vigilant at all times during this pandemic. **Wear your mask, wash your hands** frequently and **socially distance at all times**. Please follow all the state guidelines to ensure everyone's safety and wellbeing.

My contact info remains the same. Please remember to send checks to 1360 Atlantic Highway, Northport ME 04849. I, in turn, forward the checks and donation information along to the State Quartermaster who records your Post or District as having been reported. Thank you to all who have contributed thus far.

Loyally.

**JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER
 VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE ~ TOGUS BEALS HOUSE
 PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER
 Jennifer L. Lane**

Greetings Comrades!

I hope the new year has treated you and your families well. Please remember to check in on all our Comrades to make sure that they are doing good and if they need anything.

Beals House: The Beal's Hospitality House Togus is still up and running. Please pass the information along that the facility is there for our veterans and families 207-621-6996.

PRO: I see a few print articles that have been shared with the Historian for the Commander's book. Please make sure you look at the references available on the VFW National page under Public Affairs.

VSO: Veterans Service Office continues to be open by appointment due to COVID restrictions. 207-623-5723.

**QUARTERMASTER
 NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER, MAINE (NCM,M)
 BUDDY POPPY ~ INSURANCE & BONDS
 David D. Williams, PSC, QM**

It was good seeing some different faces this past month. First of with the MOLD training which was done online. I'm hoping all the QMs that were sitting in learned a little something from it. There were many great presentations done by all.

Now that were in February, all Post should have submitted the report for the period ending Dec 31, 2020. If your Post is one of the ones behind, please get caught up the year is moving along at a fast pace.

Poppies: VFW is now filling Poppy orders, so if you have an order in with the State, you should have already received them or you will be soon. Depending on when you ordered them.

I want everyone to have a great month. Also, if I receive your Post reports after the deadline for the GO's then your inputs will not show up until the following month.

NCM,M: Hello comrades. As I begin these remarks, I hope that everyone is keeping warm and safe. Although the virus is still consuming much of what we are doing, there are still many, many good things being done by the National Organization throughout the USA and around the World.

Back in October, National created a \$ 2500.00 Post Grant available to all Post who have struggled during Covid-19, at the beginning it was set at \$ 650,000. All those funds were exhausted so they decided to make more funds available. So, if your Post is struggling, this is an opportunity for your Post to get some much-needed assistance. The information is on the VFW .org website.

Stay Safe and Keep warm

***JUDGE ADVOCATE
INSPECTIONS ~ POW/MIA
John J. Bouchard***

Inspections: On the inspection reports, you only have two months left. Let us get with the program and get it done to get 100%. I have one District that has not inspected one Post yet. Inspectors are the blood line between the Post/District and Department and as such, you will have to take the information that is given to you and/or shown from records on sight, it will also prevent from a Post being in their action. As per our Department By-Laws, the District Inspector cannot inspect his or her own Post and District, so the District Commander will have to appoint another person to inspect that unit. Inspectors; keep up the good great work that you are doing. Make both the Post/District an outstanding working unit. [Smile God loves you all]

Manual of Procedures: Section 217 - Post: Nominations: Nominations of Post Officers shall open in March and remain open until the Post is ready to vote, provided however, that when a poll system is used, as hereinafter described, nominations must be closed at the meeting prior to the election to allow the Adjutant to prepare a printer ballot. ***Election:*** Post Officers shall be elected in April. Balloting for Post officers may be conducted by open vote or written secret ballot (handwritten or printed) at a regular Post meeting, or, if required by Post-By-Laws or authorized by Post vote prior to the opening of nominations, by a poll system. Absentee ballots and proxy votes are prohibited. A majority vote of all votes cast, except where otherwise designated, shall be necessary to elect. If there be no election on the first ballot, the name of the comrade receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped and so on in successive ballots until an election is made.

POW/MIA: Don't forget to send your reports on POW/MIA to get your Post credited. Credited is the POW/MIA chair, flying the POW/MIA flag, any functions dealing with POW/MIA. Returning home with full honors are:

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| >US Navy Chief Machinist's Mate Class Lada Smisek | >Army Air Forces Tech. Sgt. Alfred F. Turgeon |
| >Navy Mess Attendant 3 rd Class Isaac Parker | >Navy Fireman 3 rd Class William L. Barnett |
| >Army Pfc. William J. Sharp | >Army Cpl. Roy H. Thomas |

***SURGEON
VOICE OF DEMOCRACY ~ PATRIOT'S PEN ~ TEACHER OF THE YEAR ~ WAYS & MEANS
Anthony R. Kimble***

BBBBRRRRRRR!!!! Only 57 more days until spring!! Hope everyone is finding something they love to do in the winter, either snowmobiling, ice fishing, skiing or snow shoeing get out there and be active. Nothing beats boredom more than getting out and having fun. Stay Safe, Healthy and Wise. Pick up the phone and call an old friend or family member you have not spoken to in a while and find stuff to laugh about. Laughing will keep you warm.

Blood Bank: DONATE, DONATE, DONATE. It is always the time to give blood. Give a pint and save a life.

COVID-19 Updates: Maine CDC is using a new web-based tool, Sara Alert™, to support the monitoring and reporting of COVID-19 close-contacts. Close-contacts are people who were within 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for 15 total minutes or more within 24 hours. This includes the 48-hour period before the COVID-19 case became symptomatic (or within 48 hours prior to getting tested if asymptomatic).

Through Sara Alert™, people who have been potentially exposed to COVID-19 can report symptoms through web, text, email or automated call. Individuals enrolled into Sara Alert™ will receive automated messages each day to report if they have symptoms of COVID-19. This will allow Maine CDC to know if people exposed to COVID-19 are well or have become ill and promptly provide guidance to anyone reporting symptoms.

By answering their call and enrolling in Sara Alert™, you can easily report your symptoms each day through the method and the time of day you pick. No need to wait around for a call from us every day, simply enroll and report the presence or absence of symptoms.

Safety: If you own and drive a snowmobile, please be careful driving and please, **DO NOT DRINK AND DRIVE**. It could be your life and/or someone else life that you will save.

If you are ice fishing, ensure you dress in layers and ensure there is thick enough to avoid falling through the ice.

Pull out your favorite military sayings, drink water and change your socks. Staying hydrated is always important even while you are outside ice fishing or snowmobiling. Dry feet help keep them warm and avoids losing any digits to frostbite.

Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year: The Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year programs have been completed. I would like to Thank each and every one that has helped in making this another successful year.

Patriot Pen Top 3 Winners:

Eldon Hunt- District 7, Post 4525

Madison Slater- District 3, Post 9779

Briella Doherty- District 10, Post 6859

Other District **Patriot Pen** winners (in no particular order): **District 1-** Lily McCrossin; **District 4-** Dayton Rogers; **District 5-** Corbin Tilley; **District 6-** Gracie Moore; **District 8-** Catherine Mansir; **District 9-** Ophelia Hughes; **District 11-** Connor Remillard

Voice of Democracy Top 3 Winners:

Hunter Edson- District 10, Post 10643

Jadynn Blackstone-Eye- District 1, Post 9389

Shane Delmonaco, District 3, Post 9779

Other District **Voice of Democracy** winners (in no particular order): **District 4-** Maria Bacice; **District 5-** Samantha Siemerling; **District 6-** Danielle Hicock; **District 8-** Caitlyn Donovan; **District 9-** Emma Bunyea; **District 11-** Margaret Mary Coe

Packages for each District Patriot Pen and Voice of Democracy winners are being put together and will be mailed to each District Commander when they are ready. Packages will contain the Patriot Pen and Voice of Democracy prizes, certificate, and prize money. District Commanders will then present them to their District winners as they see fit.

I am hopeful we can get back to our normal way to celebrate our winners with our **PP/VOD/ToY** Banquet next year. Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we worked to have a successful 2020-2021 **PP/VOD/ToY** year.

NOTICE!! To the District Adjutants and VOD Chairman! It will be very important that you go to the National website and get the instructions for "All American Dashboard". It will be your responsibility to go online and report your District and Post participation and forward to the Department Adjutant by the prescribed date. Don't wait until the last minute to learn this program. It is the only way you will receive credit for participation.

Ways and Means: The tickets have been sent out and you should have received them by the time you are reading this month's GO's. If you send me a check, please write it out to "**Department of Maine, VFW**" and put

"WAYS and MEANS" in the memo line along with your ticket stubs and I will ensure the check is sent to Department QM.

Please remember that this sale and funds raised to go to the opportunity for the Department of Maine VFW to host a room at the national convention. These tickets should be made available to all members and the reason behind the sale should be explained, if needed. There is great potential for networking, socialization and comparing of events, activities and program from other Departments at the National Convention to bring back to the Department of Maine VFW and implement for our Veterans.

We are going to be going with the same prizes as last year, 1st Prize \$500, 2nd Prize \$250, 3rd Prize \$100.

CHAPLAIN
MAINE OFFICERS LEADERSHIP DEVELOPOMENT (MOLD)
WREATH ACROSS AMERICA (WAA)
Kevin G. Woodward, PSC

One of the new terms that has entered our daily conversation over the last several months is "social distancing." It is shorthand, as we know very well, for the practical physical precautions that we all should be taking in order to protect ourselves and others. I'd suggest though, that we use the term itself sparingly. The words we speak are a powerful shaper of thinking. And the very last thing we need right now, is a mindset of mutual distancing.

We actually should be thinking in the exact opposite way. Every hand that we don't shake should become a phone call that we place or an email that we send. Every embrace that we avoid must become a verbal expression of warmth and concern. Every inch and every foot that we physically place between ourselves and another, must become a thought as to how we might be of help to that other, should the need arise. It is obvious that "distancing", if misplaced or misunderstood, will take its toll not only upon our community's strength and resiliency, but upon the very integrity and meaning of our spiritual commitment. ...

Let's stay safe. And let's draw one another closer in a way that we've never done before.

WAA: National Wreaths across America Day 18 December 2021. The theme for the 2021 Wreaths across America Program is: "Live up to their legacy."

CHIEF OF STAFF
Arthur J. Roy, PSC

Still haven't received Vaccine Shot even though it has been Posted Veterans 76 years old are next.

I was Happy to see Senator Collins go see the Maine National guard In DC and Thank them for being there.

Membership seems to be coming along and Remember, to make **ALL STATE COMMANDER** Post & QM's need 5 N/R Members plus complete Criteria listed in the **MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**, Questions, **ASK** so you don't overlook completing all Criteria. This includes Programs, so **PLEASE READ MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**. Be nice to see everyone get their REWARDS for all you do.

AMERICANISM/LOYALTY DAY
Michael A. McLinnis, Chairman

I would like to start hoping that everyone is safe during this epidemic.

As we live in this time, many of the Americanism programs we normally do have been affected by Coronavirus. Please report any/all programs completed either in person or on social media. Show the good things the Veterans of Foreign Wars does every day. Be safe during these trying times.

Hopefully, most of your posts have reported in Americanism/Loyalty Day. If you fly a American flag at home or at your post, please don't forget that February 15th is Remember the Maine Day and Presidents day

in 2021, I hope that many of us can do a program on these events in our history. Please report any/all programs completed either in person or on social media.

All reports for Americanism/Loyalty Day can be mailed to me at 15 Vines Road, Saco, ME 04072-1733. They can also be faxed to me @ 207-283-9357. If you submit your Community Activity Reports on-line at the Department of Maine website, I should receive them. If you do not receive credit, please contact me @ 207-590-6058 or at my email: qmvfw7997@yahoo.com.

**AUDIT & FINANCE
DEPARTMENT GRANTS
Alfred E. Michaud Sr., PSC**

The Audit and Finance Committee will meet at the next COA or telecommunicate. Books of the Quartermaster were audited on 1/9/2021 and were found to be in good working order.

Grants: Homeless Veterans Grant through the Department of Labor in process of closing.

Our **State of Maine VSO Grant** funds are starting to trickle in \$7,500.00 received thus far.

Our **VA Transportation Grant** the **\$40,000.00** is up and running.

Our **State Homeless Veterans Grant** will be zero this year due to Covid-19.

**CREDENTIALS
Samuel C. Flint, Chairman**

Hello everyone. I hope this finds you and your families all well and healthy. Please keep in touch with not only your family but also friends, Veterans and neighbors. As you have heard on TV in the last few days, Maine Covid-19 is rising every day in high double digits, so please be very careful wherever you go, wear your mask, 6" apart. Stay Safe.

Now that we are moving forward with the new year under different circumstances, let us hope that we somewhat are able to get back to how we did business and have a State Convention in Bangor in June 2021. As you have been informed in the past, you must make sure that you complete all of your required programs to be able to vote at the state convention. I will keep you informed as information is received from the respective Chairmen as time goes on to make sure that you do not miss voting at the State Convention.

Take care of yourselves, your family members and please check on your neighbors and Veterans.

**HOMELESS VETERANS
VETERANS CEMETERY SOUTH ~ ASSISTANT LEGISLATIVE (Augusta)
MEMBERSHIP RECRUITER (South)
James E.N. Bachelder, PSC**

Topsham VFW Post 2197 donated \$200.00 to Operating Account of Maine Veterans in Need last month.

Due to the pandemic, 211 will have the number of local shelters but there is little room with social distancing. Veterans with VA Healthcare can get support from Supportive Services for Veterans and Families (SSVF) with hotel costs. All other Veterans are better served by the Maine Bureau of Veterans Services (MBVS). The main contact for Homeless Veterans is Jarad Greeley with the MBVS. His phone number is available 16 hours a day 7 days a week. Jarad's cell phone number is 207-669-7186. If Jarad is unable to respond, the backup person is Rebecca LaBonte. She can be reached thru the MBVS phone number 207-446-0168. If they need assistance from us, they will let us know. You can always contact the Homeless Veterans Committee Chairman.

The Topsham American Legion Post 2202 Winter Classic will be raising money for Maine Veterans in Need, Inc. This is on Saturday February 20 starting at 9:00 am until after dark. We had several VFW Post's teams competing last year.

We are planning this year's Stand-Downs. The MBVS will be heading several Mobile Mini Stand-Downs again. We are working on the dates now so we can submit the grant in a more normal fashion. We are looking to have future Mini Stand-Downs at the CBOCs but it will not happen this year.

The Maine Veterans in Need (MVN) is diligently studying the different costs if we had to hire companies to perform our volunteer work. The cost of moving anyone is \$450 minimum. With over 250 moves per year is \$112,500.00 to house the Veteran. This doesn't include the cost of picking up the furniture and it may include hotel costs. This is just furniture moving.

We will be starting Stand-Down meeting next month. This meeting will be right after the monthly MVN meeting. Waiting on the 501C3.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at james.bachelder@metrocast.net or call 207-432-7127 between 9 am to 9 pm.

Veterans' Cemetery South: The POW/MIA Memorial is all paid for. The last tablet is in design. We are hoping the construction will be complete in spring. According to our 5 year plan; the next project is the Committal Shelter enclosure on 3 sides. The facility acts like a wind tunnel during some funeral ceremonies. We need to hold the ceremonies facing into the shelter not out toward the flags. This helps with the table items but not the people assembled for the ceremony. Again, due to Covid-19, the Regional Technical Center will not be available to help save costs. We will have more information at plans develop.

We need more grounds keepers. We have the smallest team but have a lot of ground to keep looking good. In the summer we have brown areas due to lack of watering due to lack of staff.

We still are not meeting due to Covid-19.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at james.bachelder@metrocast.net or call 432- 7127 between 9 am to 9 pm.

Legislative Assistant (Augusta): Looking at all calendar for Veteran and other important legislature being forwarded thru all committee. Due to the change in how we can testify before any committee, here is how you can submit written or live testimony.

Dear VLA Interested Parties,

Just a reminder that the VLA Committee is scheduled to hold two public hearings and one work session tomorrow. The agenda is attached to this email for your review.

If you wish to submit **written testimony**, please the Legislature's online testimony submission portal: <https://www.mainelegislature.org/testimony/>

If you wish to provide **live testimony**, please send an email to lio@legislature.maine.gov or call 207-287-1692 as soon as possible for additional information on how to sign up. To avoid lengthy delays tomorrow, **please sign up, if at all possible by 5pm today**. In an effort to give all individuals who sign up the opportunity to testify, individuals will be limited to three minutes, followed by questions from committee members.

The meeting can be **viewed via You Tube**

here: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrvfi88SIVram_puSlkm3Fw

You may instead **listen to the audio** here: <http://legislature.maine.gov/Audio/#228>

Finally, committee documents for tomorrow's meeting are posted here (scroll down past the "reports received" list):

<http://legislature.maine.gov/joint-standing-committee-on-veterans-and-legal-affairs>

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Anyone wanting to support legislature whether it be for the Veterans, VFW or any other need, it would be smart to use this avenue. Instead of submitting 20 copies of your testimony and backup documents, the submission portal distributes the document electronically for you. We will be looking for your physical support by attending hearings at the State House this coming session.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at james.bachelder@metrocast.net or call 432-7127 between 9 am to 9 pm.

HOSPITAL/VAVS
Michael W. Blair, Director

Donations to Hospital/VAVS for the month of January 2021 totaled \$1,200.00. All money is to be used by Hospital/VAVS as needed for Veterans care.

I would like to thank Post #6859 Portland and #6924 Fairfield.

MEMBERSHIP
LEGISLATIVE ~ MAINE VETERAN'S HOMES (MVH)
Steven J. SanPedro, PSC/Chairman

Comrades: I must apologize for I have forgotten to give some recognition. The following Post have reached or exceeded their goal of 100%! Post 6187 Fort Fairfield, Post 9699 Ashland, Post 10881 Farmington, Post 7738 Bath, Post 1603 Auburn, Post 9328 Harrison, Post 11362 Naples, Post 7997 Old Orchard Beach and Post 9935 Sanford. Congratulation to all of these Posts for a job well done!

Legislation: We are still working on the VA deciding to transfer over the Comp & Pen exams to the local doctors. I have submitted written testimony on my own experience going through this and how messed up it is. The VA wanted me to drive to Albany, NY to get x-rays. The other appointments would be in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Bottom line, there are no registered Comp & Pen doctors for Maine except for hearing. So, they are asking our Veterans to travel outside of the State during a pandemic. This is ridiculous and needs to be fixed! I have received feedback from Senator King's, Congressman Golden's and Congresswoman Pingree's Offices. They have already addressed it with the VA Director and submitting my testimony to the VA Committee. I am sure I will hear from Senator Collins office soon since this started on Friday afternoon and I am writing this on Monday morning. I will keep you informed on this as no Veteran from Maine should have to travel out of state to complete a claim.

Membership: We had a very good month in January and we need to keep it going. Commanders and Membership Teams need to keep working those rosters to ensure we reach every Member. The Department is currently sitting at 91.14% with 6919 Members which is an increase of 3.03% and 230 Members. We need 672 Members to reach 100%. We have decreased our New Members by 38 and Reinstated Members by 4 from this time last year. We are all recruiters and we must **Retain, Reinstate and Recruit** Members. We have 10 Posts that have completed a Recruiter Event and submitted the proper paperwork to me. Make sure you read and understand the 2020-2021 Membership Program. If you have any **questions on Membership please contact me at 207-894-5260 or email me at sanpedro105@roadrunner.com**

Maine Veterans Homes: The Homes are currently struggling to keep the COVID-19 virus out. This is not due to a lack in their protocol or policies! The increase of cases throughout the State has given more chances for it to get in. The good news is the Homes are getting the vaccination and by the end of this month should be completed. This will make things easier for all the Homes. The new Augusta Home suffered another setback with the contractors having an outbreak. Now it looks like May for the competition and September for the opening. I believe that everyone at the Homes are doing everything they can do to live up to their motto of **"Caring for Those Who Served!"**

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NATIONAL HOME
Teresa Drag, Chairperson

I received one donation from District 9 meeting. (That one was easy since I was at the District 9 meeting). I have not received any donations in the mail from Posts or Districts. Reminder to send checks to me at: PO Box 140, Paris ME 04271.

From the National Home: "As we continue to spend a lot of time at home, what better activity than putting together one of these 150 pc puzzles featuring a beautiful scene of the VFW National Home for Children! Only \$15 and proceeds from all sales go to help the military and Veteran families living at the National Home. Find this and more new National Home merchandise on our store. Link is:
<https://www.vfwnationalhome.org/shop>"

NATIONAL VETERANS & MILITARY SUPPORT (NVMS)
Christopher Armstrong

Hello Comrades.

Happy New Year Hope this finds everyone well and safe during these crazy times.

COVID-19 is still here and does not seem to be going anywhere real soon so we need to be creative in ways to be there for our Veterans they are still out there and need our help.

Donations have been coming in real slow and are Thankful for all that has come in to date but the total is down from last year, so far we have raised \$1,425.00, so please stay safe and remember to check in on fellow comrades during these uncertain times. Stay Safe.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
Cornelius J. Ware, SO

Service Office Phase II COVID-19 Procedures Continued: We will remain in Phase II for now. We will keep you informed if and when Phase changes occur. Our office staff is still here in the office and continuing to work while observing Phase II R.O. protocol. We are still observing the following practices, to maintain the health and safety of our staff and the Veterans we serve.

1. We see Veterans by appointment only, no walk-ins at this time.
2. Masks must be worn during your visit; we have hand sanitizer available.
3. No more than 2 Veterans in the office at a time.
4. We sanitize our workstations and adjacent areas between visits and at the end of the workday.
5. If we get an urgent walk-in request, we will try and accommodate them with an appointment on that day if the schedule permits. To avoid conflicts and allow us to provide you with the best service possible, please call and make an appointment. You can reach us at the VFW Service Office phone number 207-623-5723. Email us at vfw.vbatog@va.gov. Once again, we Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to conduct business with the health and safety of our staff and veteran's as our primary concern during this COVID-19 pandemic.

Regional Office (R.O.) Phase II: During Phase II, the Veterans Service Center is seeing veterans by appointment only. Togus public contact and VR&E can be reached at 207-621-6938 for appointments. VA 's 1-800-827-1000 number, E-Benefits and VA. Gov are still good sources for claims information. They also have a drop box at the entrance to Bldg. 205 for those Veterans that just need to drop off paperwork without an appointment. We still encourage you to contact your local VSO's at Togus for assistance if needed.

Board of Veterans Appeals (BVA) Hearings: BVA's hearing goals for 2nd Quarter (Jan, Feb, Mar) is 10,500 nationwide. Our office has 17 Veterans to tentatively scheduled for 2nd Quarter. These hearings will be held as Virtual and Video conferences based on Veteran technical abilities and availabilities. We will keep you

updated as hearings are scheduled by BVA/AMA. AMA is also starting to look at 3rd Quarter hearing schedule TBD.

New Post Service Officer Guide: For the first time, NVS is making this guide available for free in an online format on the VFW National Veterans Service web page, www.vfw.org/NVS. You can easily find the Guide in PDF format on the right-hand side, under the "VFW Guide for Post Service Officers" heading. As of today, the Guide includes four sections discussing critical facets of VA benefits:

- Part 1: Foreword and Benefits Overview
- Part 2: Service-Connected Disability and Pension
- Part 3: Health Care
- Part 4: Memorial Benefits

Moving forward, Post Service Officers will have easy access to the Guide and its resources wherever they may need it.

In addition to this instant access, NVS can now more easily update the Guide whenever VA makes critical program changes, ensuring that the information is up to date, instead of waiting two years to print a new Guide. Finally, this new format also eliminates out-of-pocket costs for the Posts in your Departments to purchase the Guide each time a new edition is available. Please contact our office at 207-623-5723 if you have any questions.

Boots to Business Program: Are you interested in starting your own business? If so, please join SBA for a Virtual Boots to Business, a free two-day Entrepreneurial training for Veterans February 24th and 25th from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. Please register online at <https://sbavets.force.com/s/> and when you get to the link, go to calendar and select Online Portsmouth, NS, ME. Boots to Business is a two-step training program developed to introduce Veterans and transitioning service members to business ownership. This 2-day workshop helps ensure that every participant has access to a standardized entrepreneurship training track and the small business resources in their local communities. Any Veteran, spouse and/or dependent children over 18 are welcome to participate! After completing the 2-day Boots to Business session, participants will have the tools and knowledge they need to identify a business opportunity, draft a business plan, connect with local small business resources, and launch their small business. If you have any questions, please contact William Card at 207-751-7379 or email william.card@sba.gov

“VETERANS SERVING VETERANS”

VETERANS ADVISORY TO VA MAINE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

John Poulin, Chairman

Virtual/townhall meetings will begin in the coming year. Expanded Beal House dedication will be announced. Capital projects: Portland CBOC groundbreaking has taken place opening date set for winter of 20-21. Clinic will be smaller than originally planned, there will be another CBOC further south to handle southern Maine flow and Caribou and Rumford are on later calendar schedule. Some areas of hospital are starting face-to-face conferencing. VSOs are open on an appointment basis. Please note if an appointment is made, Veteran must come through COVID-19 checkpoints at the VA, bldg. 200 or 205.

>Covid-19 remained a problem and the VA expects a rise in cases. As of last week, there were 5 reported new cases and they involved 4 employees which have been sent home to recover and one patient in 207. Quarantined. COVID-19 conditions will continue and VA expecting a surge in late fall and winter of 20-21.

>Homeless stand-down is a no go for this fall, however, there is talk about a mobile handout van being available per James Bachelder. Expanded testing is now taking place in Togus by appointment, will soon be expanded to all CBOC locations.

WEBSITE COORDINATOR

Thomas R. Lussier, PSC

The Department Website is in good working order.

Please ensure any directory changes are sent to the Department Adjutant. Also, if you have any photos of Department events please forward to me. The website includes a Department Photo Gallery that I would like to keep updated and I always would like to see more guestbook entrees.

Comrades, the Department website contains an incredible amount of information designed to make everyone's job more helpful. Many years have been devoted to creating this site so please utilize it! If anyone has any problems, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank You!

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

James A. Proctor, Chairman

Market Your Babysitting Biz: Join marketing professionals to learn how to best promote your babysitting business. Learn how to represent yourself in person as well as on paper as the best babysitter around. Date: 16 Feb. Reg By: 3 Feb. Start Time: 4 pm. End Time: 6 pm. Location: So. Portland. Levels: C/S. Girl Fee: \$ 6.00. Adult Fee: \$ 0.00.

World Thinking Day: Virtual celebration – celebrate world thinking day and earn your 2021 world thinking day award with Sister Girl Scouts from all around the State of Maine in this 3-Part program centered all around peace. Global connection. Date: 21 Feb. Reg By: 3 Feb. Start Time: 4 pm. End Time: 5:30 PM. Location: Virtual. Levels: D/B/J. Girl Fee: \$6.00. Adult Fee: \$ 0.00.

What is This Pin I Wear: What is the world Tre Foil pin? What does it mean? How is it connected to Girl Scouts? Answer these questions and more as you learn how you are connected to a worldwide sisterhood of Girl Scouts and Girl Guides. Date: 22 Feb. Level: D, 23 Feb Level B. Reg By: 10 Feb. Start Time: 6 pm. End Time: 6:45 pm. Location: Virtual. Girl Fee: \$ 2.00. Adult Fee: \$ 0.00.

College Knowledge: Get set for success – in this virtual workshop, we'll cover the fourth step of the college knowledge badge. College presents many changes – changes in your environment, in your diet, in academics and more. Date: 23 Feb. Reg by: 17 Feb. Start Time: 6 pm. End Time: 7 pm. Location: Virtual. Levels: A. Girl Fee: \$ 3.00. Adult Fee: \$ 0.00.

DEPT @ 91.30% - Need 660 For 100% (12+)
Department Statistics

Maine as of Friday January 29, 2021

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2599	1	94	0	0	11	105	160	65.62%	-55	PRESQUE ISLE	0
6187	1	55	0	2	26	83	82	101.21%	+1	FORT FAIRFIELD	0
9389	1	359	3	0	79	441	481	91.68%	-40	CARIBOU	0
9699	1	63	0	2	15	80	79	101.26%	+1	ASHLAND	0
District Total	1	571	3	4	131	709	802	88.40%	-93		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1605	2	119	1	0	7	127	132	96.21%	-5	BURLINGTON	1
7529	2	58	0	0	10	68	82	82.92%	-14	ISLAND FALLS	0
District Total	2	177	1	0	17	195	214	91.12%	-19		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9779	3	103	0	0	22	125	136	91.91%	-11	CALAIS	0
11553	3	102	0	0	16	118	139	84.89%	-21	HARRINGTON	1
District Total	3	205	0	0	38	243	275	88.36%	-32		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
109	4	116	3	0	32	151	176	85.79%	-25	ELLSWORTH	0
1761	4	170	3	0	29	202	244	82.78%	-42	BANGOR	0
3381	4	157	0	3	23	183	209	87.55%	-26	OLD TOWN	0
4633	4	96	1	0	6	103	111	92.79%	-8	HAMPDEN	0
District Total	4	539	7	3	90	639	740	86.35%	-101		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
4298	5	51	0	0	13	64	74	86.48%	-10	DEXTER	0
5723	5	5	0	0	6	11	15	73.33%	-4	JACKMAN	0
6924	5	98	0	0	5	103	121	85.12%	-18	FAIRFIELD	3
7865	5	100	0	0	13	113	131	86.25%	-18	MADISON-ANSON	0
7866	5	8	0	0	1	9	13	69.23%	-4	NORRIDGEWOCK	0
10881	5	21	0	0	4	25	24	104.16%	+1	FARMINGTON	1
11191	5	21	0	0	10	31	35	85.57%	-4	NEWPORT	0
District Total	5	304	0	0	52	356	413	86.19%	-57		4

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
3095	6	12	0	0	4	16	19	84.21%	-3	FRIENDSHIP	0
3108	6	115	0	1	19	135	168	80.35%	-33	BELFAST	1
4169	6	9	0	0	4	13	14	92.85%	-1	VINALHAVEN	0
6131	6	48	0	2	21	71	76	93.42%	-5	NORTHPORT	0
9437	6	39	1	0	3	43	50	86.00%	-7	WASHINGTON	0
District Total	6	223	1	3	51	278	327	85.01%	-49		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2197	7	56	4	0	15	75	79	94.93%	-4	TOPSHAM	0
4525	7	54	0	0	11	65	76	85.52%	-11	WALDOBORO	0
7738	7	56	2	2	10	70	70	100.00%	0	BATH	0
District Total	7	166	6	2	36	210	225	93.33%	-15		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9	8	38	0	0	11	49	59	83.05%	-10	GARDINER	0
887	8	193	1	0	38	232	264	87.87%	-32	AUGUSTA	0
1285	8	221	1	0	8	230	248	92.74%	-18	WATERVILLE	1
8835	8	237	5	0	21	263	272	96.69%	-9	WINSLOW	1
9526	8	33	0	0	6	39	43	90.69%	-4	WINTHROP	0
District Total	8	722	7	0	84	813	886	91.76%	-73		2
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1603	9	283	2	25	49	359	359	100.00%	0	LEWISTON-AUBURN	1
1641	9	61	1	10	28	100	144	69.44%	-44	RUMFORD	0
3335	9	211	0	0	24	235	254	92.51%	-19	JAY	0
9150	9	62	0	0	10	72	80	90.00%	-8	LEWISTON	0
9787	9	103	1	0	24	128	146	87.67%	-18	SOUTH PARIS	0
District Total	9	720	4	35	135	894	983	90.94%	-89		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
6783	10	35	0	0	4	39	45	86.66%	-6	LOVELL	0
6859	10	302	1	0	60	363	396	91.66%	-33	PORTLAND	0
9328	10	36	0	0	5	41	41	100.00%	0	HARRISON	0
10529	10	75	0	0	2	77	78	98.71%	-1	YARMOUTH	0
10643	10	47	1	0	24	72	75	96.00%	-3	WINDHAM	0
10879	10	275	2	0	28	305	338	90.23%	-33	GORHAM	0
11362	10	30	0	0	5	35	35	100.00%	0	NAPLES	0
District	10	800	4	0	128	932	1008	92.46%	-76		0

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
5744	11	110	0	0	31	141	156	90.38%	-15	SOUTH BERWICK	3
6977	11	170	0	1	13	184	199	92.46%	-15	YORK BEACH	1
7997	11	163	3	25	68	255	234	110.68%	+25	OLD ORCHARD BEACH	0
9394	11	46	1	0	6	53	59	89.83%	-6	KITTERY	0
9935	11	162	6	7	133	308	294	104.76%	+14	SANFORD	1
District Total	11	651	10	33	251	945	942	99.68%	+3		5
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
15020	99	585	11	35	86	717	776	92.39%	-59	RUMFORD	4
District Total	99	585	11	35	86	717	776	92.39%	-59	QM'S HOUSE	4
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
State Total	0	5663	54	115	1099	6931	7591	91.30%	-660		19



EVERYONE'S HELP IS NEEDED TO BRING THE DEPARTMENT TO 100%

THIS 2020 – 2021 YEAR - WILL YOU HELP?

“COMMUNICATE – DEDICATION - SERVICE ”

“RETAIN-REINSTATE-RECRUIT”

**"COMMUNICATION – DEDICATION - SERVICE"
MICHAEL "KEITH" DAVIS, STATE COMMANDER**

DIVISION LEADERS <<>> JANUARY 29, 2020

>> LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR DEPARTMENT GROW <<

DIV. I (10-50) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. IV (201-300) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 10881 FARMINGTON	104.16%	1. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	110.68%
2. 11362 NAPLES	100.00%	2. 9935 SANFORD	104.76%
3. 9328 HARRISON	100.00%	3. 8835 WINSLOW	96.69%
DIV. II (51-100) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. V (301-400) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 9699 ASHLAND	101.26%	1. 1603 AUBURN	100.00%
2. 6187 FORT FAIRFIELD	100.21%	2. 6859 PORTLAND	91.66%
3. 7738 BATH	100.00%	3. 10879 GORHAM	90.23%
DIV. III (101-200) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. VI (401- HIGHER) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 1605 BURLINGTON	96.21%	1. 9389 CARIBOU	91.68%
2. 4633 HAMPDEN	92.79%	2.	
3. 6977 YORK	92.46%	3.	

TEN HIGHEST POSTS BY %		I		TEN LARGEST POSTS	
1. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	110.68%	1. 9389 CARIBOU		441	
2. 9935 SANFORD	104.76%	2. 6859 PORTLAND		363	
3. 10881 FARMINGTON	104.16%	3. 1603 AUBURN		359	
4. 9699 ASHLAND	101.26%	4. 9935 SANFORD		308	
5. 6187 FORT FAIRFIELD	101.21%	5. 10879 GORHAM		305	
6. 7738 BATH	100.00%	6. 8835 WINSLOW		263	
7. 11362 NAPLES	100.00%	7. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH		259	
8. 9328 HARRISON	100.00%	8. 3335 JAY		235	
9. 1603 AUBURN	100.00%	9. 1285 WATERVILLE		230	
10. 10529 YARMOUTH	98.71%	10. 887 AUGUSTA		232	

DISTRICT STANDINGS		I		MAGIC NUMBERS FOR 2020-2021	
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1. District 11 DAY	100.31%	WE HAVE = 6931 – WE NEED 660			
2. District 7 STEVENS	93.33%	ALL POSTS/DISTRICTS SHOULD BE AT 100%			
3. District 10 GOODMAN	92.46%				
4. District 8 LAMBERT	91.76%	5 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A BLUE BALL CAP			
DEPARTMENT OF MAINE, VFW	91.30%	10 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A WHITE VFW SHIRT			
5. District 2 EWING	91.12%	ALL DEPT OFFICERS ARE ASKED TO RECRUIT			
6. District 9 DRAG	90.94%	LET'S ALL WORK AS A TEAM AND			
7. District 1 SAUCIER	88.40%	<b>RETAIN – RECRUIT &amp; REINSTATE 3 MEMBERS?</b>			
8. District 3 SIVRET	88.36%	NEED HELP or HAVE QUESTIONS			
9. District 4 SULLIVAN	86.35%	ASK ANYONE ON THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM OK?			
10. District 5 TWEEDIE	86.19%				
11. District 6 ARMSTRONG	85.01%				

# RECRUITING EVENTS

Post or District# _____

Location of Event _____ Date _____ Time _____

VFW Member & Title Present at Event

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Description of Event: _____

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Approximate # of People Talked With: _____

# of People Signed Up: New _____ Reinstated _____

Comments of Event: _____

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Notify Membership Chairman Steven SanPedro of Event prior to Date of Event.

Submit a signed copy of this Report to the Membership Chairman Steven SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd., Windham, Maine 04062 or [sanpedro105@roadrunner.com](mailto:sanpedro105@roadrunner.com)

Please include photos or news articles to be used in the Commanders Membership Book

Date: _____

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Signature of Post Commander or Department Officer



