



Department of Maine Veterans of Foreign Wars

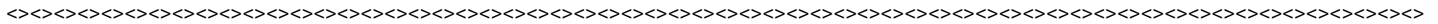


"Communication ~ Dedication ~ Service"

July 2020

GENERAL ORDERS

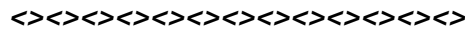
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SPECIAL NOTICES <> SPECIAL NOTICES

Congratulations to the following Posts/Districts for attaining 100%+ in Membership for 2019-2020

- District 4 > Commander Daniel P. Sullivan > 10.00%
- Fryeburg-Lovell Memorial Post 6783, Lovell > Commander Matthew S. Tibbets > 100.00%
- Fairfield Memorial Post 6924, Fairfield > Commander Virgil D. Whitney > 101.68%
- Floyd A. Harlow Post 9787, South Paris > Commander Teresa J. Drag > 100.00%
- Gorham Memorial Post 10879, Gorham > Commander Donald L. Veilleux > 100.00%
- Department of Maine At Large Post 15020, Rumford > Quartermaster David D. Williams > 100.00%



1. Having been duly elected and installed as Department Commander... "I Michael "Keith" Davis hereby assume command of the Department of Maine, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

2. Elected Officers: At the Council of Administration held in Auburn, ME, 13 June 2020, the following Officers were duly elected and installed.

- Commander > Michael "Keith" Davis, 135 Conant Ave., Auburn, ME 04210-4457 > Tel: 329-8784
- Sr. Vice Commander > Herman L. Littlefield Jr., 1360 Atlantic Highway, Northport, ME 04849-3608 > Tel: 338-5052
- Jr. Vice Commander > Jennifer L. Lane, 290 Old Greene Rd., Lewiston, ME 04240 > Tel: 514-4190
- Quartermaster > David D. Williams, PO Box 56, Rumford, ME 04276-0056 > Tel: 357-6664
- Judge Advocate > John J. Bouchard, 102 Highland Ave., Fort Kent, ME 04743-1467 > Tel: 834-3606; Cell: 834-3606
- Surgeon > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
- Chaplain > Kevin G. Woodward, 9 Johnson Lane, Machiasport, ME 04655-3048 > Tel: 259-3912; Cell: 263-7386
- National Council Member, Maine > David D. Williams, PO Box 56, Rumford, ME 04276-0056 > Tel: 357-6664

3. Appointed Officers: The following appointments are hereby announced:

- Adjutant > Andre L. Dumas, 64 Washburn St, B-1, Caribou, ME 04736-2125 > Tel: 496-0071
- Chief of Staff > Arthur J. Roy, 330 Russell St., Lewiston, ME 04240-4255 > Tel: 784-6883
- Inspector > John J. Bouchard, 102 Highland Ave., Fort Kent, ME 04743-1467 > Tel: 834-3606
- Service Officer > Cornelius J. Ware, P.O. Box 3311, VA Maine Healthcare System, Augusta, ME 04330-3311 > Tel: 623-5723
- Asst. Service Officer > John Poulin, PO Box 3311, VA Maine Healthcare System, Augusta, ME 04330-3311 > Tel: 623-5723
- Past State Commander > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 > Tel: 825-3874, Cell: 907-9720
- Asst. Quartermaster > Arthur J. Roy, 330 Russell St., Lewiston, ME 04240-4255 > Tel: 784-6883, Cell:

576-5552

Asst. Adjutant > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 > Tel: 825-3874,
Cell: 907-9720

Guard > Carl S. Lambert, 576 Prescott Rd., Manchester, ME 04351-3011 > Tel: 907-5582

Historian > Amy H. Morse-Meuchel, 126 Gray Rd., Apt 8B, Gorham, ME 04038 > Tel: 894-0281

Public Relations Officer > Jennifer L. Lane, 290 Old Greene Rd., Lewiston, ME 04240 > Tel: 514-4190

Sergeant-At-Arms > Randolph S. Michaud, 1086 Mapleton Rd., Mapleton, ME 04757-4508 > Tel: 764-3886

Officer of the Day > Mark G. Reilley, 5 Academy Place, Unit 62, Saco, ME 04072 > Tel: 408-9961

Color Guard Captain > Daniel H. Aho, 36 Rose Dr., Cumberland Center, ME 04021-3242 > Tel: 620-6625

4. District Commanders:

District 1 > Danford G. Saucier, PO Box 16, Fort Kent, ME 04743-0016 > Tel: 631-7742

District 2 > James A. Ewing, 2368 Lee Rd., Lee, ME 04455-4409 > Tel: 290-3865

District 3 > David O. Sivret, PO Box 1121, Calais, ME 04619-1121 > Tel: 454-3657

District 4 > Daniel P. Sullivan, 243 Blue Hill Rd., Surry, ME 04684 > Tel: 667-0063

District 5 > Gene D. Tweedie, 713 Mayhew Rd., Starks, ME 04911-4708 > Tel: 696-3640

District 6 > Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Roundhouse Rd., Washington, ME 04574 > Tel: 845-2053

District 7 > Roger A. Stevens, 57 Chamberlain Ave., Brunswick, ME 04011-2518 > Tel: 729-1463

District 8 > Carl S. Lambert, 576 Prescott Rd., Manchester, ME 04351-3011 > Tel: 907-5584

District 9 > Teresa J.S. Drag, 512 Paris Hill Rd., PO Box 140, Paris, ME 04271-0140 > Tel: 739-2217

District 10 > Willie L. Goodman, 70 Bryden Way, Westbrook, ME 04092 > 228-4329

District 11 > William E. Day, 94 Saco Ave., , Old Orchard, ME 04064 > Tel: 395-2424

5. Deputy District Inspectors:

District 1 > John J. Bouchard, 102 Highland Ave., Fort Kent ME 04743-1467 > Tel: 834-3606

District 2 > Alfred Milano, 296 Island Falls Rd., Sherman Mills, ME 04776 > Tel: 365-6666

District 3 > David O. Sivret, PO Box 1121, Calais, ME 04619-6121 > Tel: 454-3657

District 4 > Daniel P. Sullivan, 243 Blue Hill Rd., Surry, ME 04684 > Tel: 460-0058

District 5 > Gene D. Tweedie, 713 Mayhew Rd., Starks, ME 04911-4708 > Tel: 696-3640

District 6 > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680

District 7 > Roger A. Stevens, 57 Chamberlain Ave., Brunswick, ME 04011-2518 > Tel: 729-1463

District 8 > Roger G. Line, 1659 Lewiston Rd., Litchfield, ME 04350-3737 > Tel: 268-2579

District 9 > David D. Williams, 59 Porter Ave., Rumford, ME 04276 > Tel: 357-6664

District 10 > James A. Proctor, 47 Sand Rd., Naples, ME 04055 > Tel: 693-6696

District 11 > Michael A. McInnis, 15 Vines Rd., Saco, ME 04072-1733 > Tel: 590-6058

6. Council of Administration:

Commander Michael K. Davis

Sr. Vice Commander Herman L. Littlefield Jr.

Jr. Vice Commander Jennifer L. Lane

Adjutant Andre L. Dumas

Quartermaster David D. Williams

Judge Advocate/Inspector John J. Bouchard

Surgeon Anthony R. Kimble

Chaplain Kevin G. Woodward

Past State Commander Christopher L. Robison

Chief of Staff Arthur J. Roy

District 1 Cmdr Danford G. Saucier

District 2 Cmdr James A. Ewing

District 3 Cmdr David O. Sivret

District 4 Cmdr Daniel P. Sullivan

District 5 Cmdr Gene D. Tweedie

District 6 Cmdr Christopher L. Armstrong

District 7 Cmdr Roger A. Stevens

District 8 Cmdr Carl S. Lambert

District 9 Cmdr Teresa J. S. Drag

District 10 Cmdr Willie L. Goodman

District 11 Cmdr William E. Day

7. Committee Chairman:

Americanism/Loyalty Day > Michael A. McInnis, 15 Vines Rd., Saco, ME 04072-1733 > Tel: 590-6058
Blood Bank > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849 > Tel: 338-9680
Buddy Poppy > David D. Williams, PO Box 56, Rumford, ME 04276 > Tel: (B) 369-0302; Cell: 357-6664
Commanders Special Project > Herman L. Littlefield Jr., 1360 Atlantic Highway, Northport, ME 04849 > Tel: 338-5052
Community Activities > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 > Tel: 825-3874
Convention 2020-21 > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 > Tel: 907-9720
Convention Site Selection 2021-22 > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 > Tel: 907-9720
Credentials > Samuel C. Flint, 15 George St., So. Portland, ME 04106 > Tel: 807-5254
Department Scouting > Michael K. Davis, 135 Conant Ave., Auburn, ME 04210-4457 > Tel: 329-8784
Finance/Audit > Alfred E. Michaud Sr., 82 Dunham Rd., Vassalboro, ME 04989 > Tel: 649-2946
Grants Coordinator > Alfred E. Michaud Sr., 82 Dunham Rd., Vassalboro, ME 04989 > Tel: 649-2946
Homeless Veterans > James E.N. Bachelder, 2973 Milton Mills Rd., Acton, ME 04001-5018 > Tel: 432-7127
Hospital/VAVS Director > Michael W. Blair, 748 Hinckley Rd., Clinton, ME 04927 > Tel: 873-1908
Informational Security Officer > Andre L. Dumas, 64 Washburn St, B-1, Caribou, ME 04736-2125 > Tel: 551-8586
Insurance/Bonds > David D. Williams, PO Box 56, Rumford, ME 04276 > Tel: 357-6664
Legislative > Steven J. SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd., Windham, ME 04062-0251 > Tel: 315-777-0299
Legislative Assistant (Augusta) > James E.N. Bachelder, 2973 Milton Mills Rd., Acton, ME 04001-5018 > Tel: 432-7127
Maine Officers Leadership Development (MOLD) > Kevin G. Woodward, 9 Johnson Lane, Machiasport, ME 04655 > Tel: 259-3912
Maine Veterans' Homes Trustee > Steven J. SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd., Windham, ME 04062-0251 > Tel: 315-777-0299
Maine Veterans' Homes Representatives:
Augusta > Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Roundhouse Rd., Washington, ME 04574 > Tel: (H) 845-2053; Cell: 485-7561
Bangor > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 > Tel: 907-9720
Caribou > Fred Ormezzani, 49 Church St., Limestone, ME 04750 > Tel: 325-4068
Machias > John L. Carey, PO Box 153, Addison, ME 04606-0153 > Tel: 497-3131
Scarborough > Steven J. SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd, Windham, ME 04062 > Tel: 315-777-0299
South Paris > James A. Proctor, 47 Sand Rd., Naples, ME 04055 > Tel: 693-6696
Membership > Steven J. SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd., Windham, ME 04062 > Tel: 315-777-0299
Membership State Recruiter:
North > Andre L. Dumas, 64 Washburn St., B-1, Caribou, ME 04736-2125 > Tel: 496-0071, Cell: 551-8586
Central > Herman L. Littlefield Jr.), 1360 Atlantic Hwy (Rt. 1), Northport, ME 04849 > Tel: 338-5052
South > James E.N. Bachelder, 2973 Milton Mills Rd., Acton, ME 04001-5018 > Tel: 432-7127
National Home > Melvyn E. Bates, 342 Houde Rd., Eliot, ME 03903 > Tel: 686-3162
National Veterans & Military Support (NVMS) – Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Roundhouse Rd., Washington, ME 04574 > Tel: 845-2053, Cell: 485-7561
Parliamentarian/Convention Rules > Andre L. Dumas, 64 Washburn St., B-1, Caribou, ME 04736-2125 > Tel: 496-0071 * Cell: 551-8586
Patriot's Pen > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
POW/MIA > John J. Bouchard, 102 Highland Ave, Fort Kent, ME 04743-1467 > Tel: 834-3606
Resolutions and By-Laws > Andre L. Dumas, 64 Washburn St., B-1, Caribou, ME 04736-2125 > Tel: 496-0071 * Cell: 551-8586
Resolutions & By-Laws (Assistant) > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME > Tel: 825-3874 * Cell: 907-9270
Safety and Drug Abuse > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680

Scouting > Randolph S. Michaud, 1086 Mapleton Rd., Mapleton, ME 04757-4508 > Tel: 764-3866
Student Veterans of America (SVA) > Amy Morse-Meuchel, 126 Gray Rd., Apt 8B, Gorham, ME 04038 >
Tel: 894-0281
Teacher of the Year > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
Togus Beal House > Jennifer L. Lane, 290 Old Greene Rd., Lewiston, ME 04240 > Tel: 514-4190
Veterans Advisory to VA Maine Healthcare System > John Poulin, PO Box 3311, Togus VA Center, Augusta,
ME 04330-3311 > Tel: 623-5723
Veterans Cemeteries:
North > Andre L. Dumas, 64 Washburn St, B-1, Caribou, ME 04736-2125 * Tel: 496-0071 * Cell: 551-8586
Central > Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Roundhouse Rd., Washington, ME 04574 > Tel: 945-2053;
Cell: 485-7561
South > James E. N. Bachelder, 2973 Milton Mills Rd., Acton, ME 04001-5018 > Tel. 432-7127
Veterans Service Office (VSO) > Jennifer L. Lane, 290 Old Greene Rd., Lewiston, ME 04240 > Tel: 514-4190
Voice of Democracy > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
Ways & Means > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
Website Coordinator > Thomas R. Lussier, 126 Bancroft St., Portland, ME 04102 > Tel: 761-3971 *
Cell: 653-5658
Website Assistant Coordinator > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 >
Tel: 825-3874 * Cell: 907-9720
Wreath Across America > Kevin G. Woodward, 9 Johnson Lane, Machiasport, ME 04655-3048 >
Tel: 259-3912 * Cell: 263-7386
Youth Activities > James A. Proctor, 47 Sand Rd, Naples, ME 04005 > Tel: 693-6696

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

- >24 October 2020 > CoA Meeting/State President Testimonial > Portland, ME
- >16 January 2021 > CoA Meeting/ VoD-PP-ToY Banquet, Bangor, ME
- >24 April 2021 > CoA Meeting/State Commander Testimonial, Lewiston, ME
- >11-12 June 2021 > State Convention, Bangor, ME
- >13 June 2021 > CoA Meeting, Bangor, ME

9. *Council of Administration:* Will be held on 24 October 2020 at the Fireside Inn and Suites, Portland, ME.

- >Audit & Finance Cmtee Meeting : 8:30 am
- >Service Office Cmtee Meeting > 9:30 am
- >Council of Administration Meeting > 1 pm

10. *State President Testimonial Banquet:* Will be held on 24 October at the Fireside Inn and Suites, Portland, ME. "More information will be announced in the July General Orders".

11. *Mailing of Annual Information to all Posts & Districts Commanders, Department Chairperson, Department Officers and PSCs:* Information will be mailed out as soon as the directories are received from the publisher. It is asked because of much information is being provided in these packages that the Commander and Quartermaster make sure that the information is disseminated to their respective Officers and Chairmen.

12. *Department Directories:* Will be mailed to all along respectively with the annual mailing of information. Please note that the information derived for the directory was obtained from the election reports as filed by all of the Posts and Districts in the Department. Upon receipt of the directories, please make sure that the information is correct, any errors, please email the correct information to the State Adjutant office.

13. Attention Post Commanders/Quartermasters: Post donations are to be forwarded to the following Chairman for each of the following programs for the Year 2020-21.

Homeless Veterans: James E.N. Bachelder, 2973 Milton Mills Rd., Acton, ME 04001-5018. *(Checks to be made to Department of Maine, VFW)*

Commanders Special Project: Herman L. Littlefield Jr., 1360 Atlantic Highway, Northport, ME 04849. *(Checks to be made to Department of Maine, VFW)*

National Veterans & Military Support (NVMS): Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Roundhouse Rd., Washington, ME 04574. *(Check to be made out to Department of Maine, VFW)*

Bonds/Poppies: David D. Williams, PO Box 56, Rumford, ME 04276 *(Checks to be made out to Department of Maine, VFW, please make one check for each programs)*

Hospital-VAVS (Togus Aid): Michael W. Blair, 748 Hinckley Rd., Clinton, ME 04927. *(Checks to be made out to VAVS)*

Fall Frolic/Christmas Party: Michael W. Blair, 748 Hinckley Rd., Clinton, ME 04927. *(Checks to be made out to Department of Maine, VFW)*

Togus Beal House: Jennifer L. Lane, 290 Old Country Rd., Lewiston, ME 04240. *(Checks to be made out to: Togus Beal House)*

14. Change of Post and District Officers: All District and Post Commanders are reminded that whenever there is change of Officer(s) within the Post or District that they need to notify the State Adjutant Office asap so that the Department directory can be updated accordingly and the information disseminated to all in the General Orders.

15. Patriot Day, September 11: Per Presidential Proclamation, September 11, is designated as "Patriot Day." The President requests the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff (sunrise to sunset) and a moment of silence observed in honor of the individuals who lost their lives on that day due to terrorist attacks on the United States.

16. Officers Duties: Article 11, Section 218 – Officers and Chairman, Duties and Obligations - (a) Officers – (1) Duties of Commander item (k) – assure that he/she or his/her representative attend all properly called District conventions or meetings. Post Commander must attend District meetings. Failure without just cause to perform these duties may result in removal from office. All Post Senior and Junior Vice Commanders are urged to attend all District meetings planned. The Post Commanders should advise all elected Post Officers to attend the District meetings. Post members should inform Post Officers of this obligation to office.

17. Trustee's Report of Audit: Post/District are reminded to forward their Trustees' reports at the end of each quarter of current year: June 30, Sep 30; Dec 31 and Mar 31; send these reports as soon as possible after each quarter to the Department Quartermaster. Remember Posts can't vote at the State Convention without Trustee reports turned in.

18. District Officers: Article IV – Districts, Section 416, District officers elected and appointed, shall submit proof of eligibility to the District Adjutant. Additionally, District Commanders, District Senior Vice Commanders and District Junior Vice Commanders **shall submit proof of eligibility** to the Department Adjutant.

19. Control of Units: Article VII – Section 709. All activities, unit or club sponsored, conducted, or operated by, for, or in the behalf of Post, District, or Department shall be at all times under the direct control of such Post, District, or Department and that all **money, properties or assets of any kind** must be placed in that care.

20. Dates to Remember:

4 July > Independence Day

7 September > Labor Day

25. 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

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

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

BY COMMAND OF:

Michael "Keith" Davis

Michael "Keith" Davis
Commander

OFFICIAL:

Andre L. Dumas

Andre L. Dumas
Adjutant



State Commander
Michael "Keith" Davis



Greetings,

I am honored to have been elected and installed as Maine Department Commander 2020-2021. It has been a good week with me getting my Commander legs under me. I would like to thank David Williams for installing the incoming Officers, Arthur Roy for installing me, Steve San Pedro for having my back with the flag, Andre Dumas for his hard work putting it all together and the rest of the gang for making the installation a success. We have put together a very good team for 2020-2021. I know we will see great things accomplished from this group.

Congratulations to Immediate Past Commander Chris Robinson and his Officers and Chairmen for an outstanding year. At the time of this writing, the Department was fourth Nationally in membership.

Congratulations to Past President Brenda Blair for all her accomplishments with the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary had a very good year. Congratulations to incoming Auxiliary President Tammy Armstrong. I look forward to working with Tammy Armstrong and her team. I have known Tammy for quite a few years and I know of her commitment and dedication. She and the Auxiliary will have an outstanding year.

To all the newly elected and appointed Department Officers, appointed Chairman and Chairwomen, Thank you! I look forward to working with you all this year!

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!

My Commander's Special Project this year is COVID 19 Veteran relief. This program is required for **"All State Commander"**. All monies left over will be divided up between the 5 Veteran Homes. Posts should send a minimum of \$25.00 to my Chairman for this project, **Herman Littlefield, 1360 Atlantic Highway, Northport, ME 04894**. Please make your checks out to **"Department of Maine, VFW"** and put **"CSP COVID-19"** in the memo line.

My motto for this year is **"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.

We are still limited in what we can do due to COVID-19. COVID-19 cases are still on the rise. As you get out this month to enjoy the summer and Independence Day, please do it safety. Keep your 6 foot distance and if you can see fit, wear your face covering. Let's make it to fall with the same group we started the summer with.

I would also like to remind our District Commanders, Post Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters to ensure you are reporting on all that you do. All Posts are doing a lot. We just need to remember to document it. It's how we show we are supporting our Veterans and accomplishing our mission. Remember to meet your deadlines. Quartermasters and canteen employees need to be bonded. 10 posts missed the deadline for filing the annual Corporations filing and one post is administratively dissolved. 4 posts did not file audits for last year and some post Commanders are not ensuring they attend District meetings or designating someone to attend the meeting in their absence.

We cannot meet our mission if we are not meeting our deadlines and required meetings/commitments. Myself and the Department Adjutant will be tracking this!

Again, I look forward to an outstanding year and thank you all for your Confidence in me.

Yours In Comradeship

Michael "Keith" Davis

Michael "Keith" Davis
Commander

"Communication - Dedication - Service"

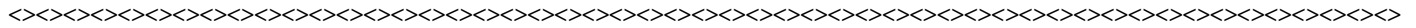


Deceased Roll Call



*Department of Maine, VFW
Kevin G. Woodward, Chaplain
28 May ~ 30 June 2020*

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



District 1

9699 > HOLDEN, Eric J.

District 4

1761 > LENZ, James R.

3381 > SMITH, Albert A.

District 6

6131 > MacKINNON, Richard C.

District 9

3335 > STOKLAS, Louis

9787 > BANKS, Adreuy E.

District 10

832 > BENNETT, Robert R.
MERRITHEW, Frederick
RICHARDSON, Edward T.

6859 > FLEURY, Robert E.

District 11

5744 > UPTON, Jeri A.

6977 > WICKER, Larry G.



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



Greetings Comrades! I would first like to congratulate Michael "Keith" Davis on his election as Commander of the Department of Maine, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Congratulations to all the line Officers and a special welcoming congratulation to our new Department Surgeon Anthony Kimble. I wish to extend hearty congratulations to Tammy Armstrong on her election as the Department of Maine Auxiliary President for the year 2020-2021.

I wish to Thank our immediate Past State Commander Christopher Robison and Past State President Brenda Blair for an outstanding year for both sides of the house. Thank you for your guidance during this past year. I thank all of you for your vote of confidence in electing me as your Senior Vice Commander for the year 2020-2021. Let's make this a banner year and reach the high plateau of 100% in membership once again.

Yours in Comradeship.

**JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER
 VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE (VSO)
 BEALS HOSPITALITY HOUSE ~ PUBLIC RELATONS
 Jennifer L. Lane**

Congratulations to Keith Davis on your election to State Commander and to all the Officers and Chairpersons for the 2020-2021 year! We will continue to do great things in our communities and for our veterans. I hope all of you are staying safe, staying healthy and looking out for each other.

Public Relations: Let's talk! Many organizations have increased their use of social media. Do you know that less than a quarter of the World's population uses Facebook? How many people in your community have you eliminated in your Post and Community Activities because you didn't put your information in a print paper? Don't forget to go "old school" occasionally. It works!

Beals Hospitality House: The house is up and running during this pandemic. Even though our numbers have slowed down, we still are serving our community. Please keep the house and CiCi; our house manager in your thoughts and budget.

VSO: A big "Thank you" to James, JoAnn and John for the continued dedication to our Veterans and their families. They have been working hard during this pandemic to keep the office open and services available to the community. Don't forget to stop by, say "Hi" and "Thank You" if you are at Togus. Have a great month; Be kind and go get 'em!

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

QM: This month, I am going to Congratulate Chris and Brenda on a great year and making 100%. Also, a Big Thank you to all the Post and District Quartermasters who met all their requirements for the year.

Great Job. It was a pleasure to work with all of you. As for all the newly elected Quartermaster and the ones who have been doing it for years and decades in some circumstances, I hope we can have another great year again.

I would like to congratulate all the Officers who were elected to fill the chairs on the State level as well. Congratulations to Anthony Kimble for being elected the new State Surgeon.

I have forwarded all the paperwork needed for the upcoming year to the Adjutant and he will be sending them out in the near future. If there is a form that you are missing or need, just let me know and I'll try my best to get it to you. Also, they are on the website.

There are no increases for Poppies or Bonding for the upcoming year.

Again, I'd like to wish you all a great year and stay safe.

NCM,M: VFW Foundation: One of the reasons that the VFW Foundation develops corporate relationships is to offer product/service discounts to VFW members. A recent member discount involves Bridgestone, a world leader in innovative tire technologies. Until June 30, 2021, VFW members can save on their next tire purchase simply by calling 1.800.664.8258. Provide the customer service representative with your VFW Membership number and receive \$5 off each tire, tax free. The representative will assign you to an approved local Firestone/Bridgestone service center for installation.

Contact: VFW Foundation Administrator Richard Potter, RPotter@vfw.org.

This is a reminder:

>Please note that on Tuesday, June 30, the Member Service Center will process all membership mail that it has received (physically in-house) for that day or called/FAXED in by close of business, 4:30 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT).

>The Online Membership System (OMS) will remain open for membership submission until June 30 at 6:30 p.m. CDT. Please be sure to advise all Posts to submit their final membership information by then. Shortly after 6:30 p.m., all membership processing will shut down so we can begin the year-end processing. They will be down for a short period of time to close out the Fiscal year.

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

Inspections: District Commanders, you have received your District and Post inspection forms at the recent Council of Administration meeting. Make sure that you give them to your Deputy Inspectors. All Posts and District needs to be inspected but you as inspectors cannot inspect your own Post or District. District Commanders shall visit each Post within their jurisdiction at least once a year and shall prepare a formal report of their visit to the State Commander and State Adjutant. When you do inspections, be safe. Thank You.

By-Laws: Effective next month, I will provide you with information concerning by-laws. It is recommended that each Post purchase a by-laws book from national, they are not expensive and contain a lot of information that you need to make sure that your Post is in proper working order.

POW/MIA: In order to get your Post credit, you have to send in your report to me via the Department website, e-mail and/or USPS. Flying the POW/MIA flag, POW/MIA chair, missing table for one or anything that have to do for POW/MIA. Returning home with full honors are:

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| >Marine Corps Reserve Pfc. Charles D. Miller | >Army Sgt. Jesse D. Hill |
| >US Navy Metalsmith 1 st Class Leonard F. Smith | >Army Master Sgt James Hart Jr. |
| >Army 1 st Lt Anthony R. Mazzulla | >Army Cpl. Billie Joe Hash |
| >Army Pfc. John J. Sitarz | >Army Cpl. Pete Conley |
| >Navy Radioman 3 rd Class Thomas E. Griffith | >Army Sgt. Stanley L. De Witt |
| >Army Cpl. Billie Joe Hash | >Navy Radioman 3 rd Class Irvin F. Rice |
| >Navy Seaman 1 st Class Wesley E. Graham | >Navy Fire Controlman 3 rd Class Robert T. Stout |
| >Marine Corps Pfc. John M. Fahy | >Army Master Sgt. James L. Quong |
| >Army Cpl. Francis J. Rochon | |

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

Congratulations to Michael "Keith" Davis and all the newly elected and appointed Officers of the Department! I want to personally Thank everyone for your support for not only myself, but for the programs as a whole. I am looking forward to a fun and productive year.

Blood Bank: DONATE, DONATE, DONATE. Blood is in shortage more than ever as the country is battling COVID- 19. Please donate blood, you can save lives. The Red Cross tests every blood donation for a variety of illnesses. Adding this antibody test is the latest part of our longtime commitment to health. If you donate blood, platelets or plasma on or after June 15, 2020, your donation will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies. When sending your report for blood, please note in your report how many pints have been given by your Post members. District Commanders, please make sure both your District and Posts are reported.

COVID 19 Updates: We have been lifted-up by the courage, conviction and resilience that comes from beautiful place and its people. Let us continue to prepare, take every precautions and remain both careful and compassionate. We will get through this. Please continue to follow <https://www.maine.gov/covid19/> for updates and news around Maine's response to COVID-19.

Safety: Summer is here and everyone is eager to get out in the sun and out of the house. Please continue to find ways to get outside, even if it is just a walk in the neighborhood. Quarantine and being stuck in your house for long periods of time can begin to make one stir crazy. If you are going to be in the sun for a long period of time, make sure you put sunscreen and drink plenty of water.

Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen: The 2020-2021 *Voice of Democracy* theme will be: *Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned?* The 2020-2021 *Patriot's Pen* theme will be: *What is Patriotism to Me?* The new 2020-2021 Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pens entry forms are now available on the Maine VFW website. Additionally, anyone (including students, parents, teachers, and chairmen) can download and print the student entry forms for Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen by visiting the below links:

Voice of Democracy: <https://www.vfw.org/VOD/>

Patriot's Pen: <http://www.vfw.org/PatriotsPen/>

Ways and Means: The tickets will be mailed shortly, please keep an eye out for them. We are going to be going with the same prizes as last year, 1st Prize \$500, 2nd Prize \$250, 3rd Prize \$100.

As always, have a great month, Stay Safe, Stay Healthy and wash your hands. Please let me know if there is anything I can help you with!

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

Greetings Comrades: With the elections and installation of our State Officers, the new year begins. I wish to congratulate all those elected and or appointed to their new positions. I thank everyone for their support this past year and look forward to serving as your State Chaplain.

The year begins as it ended with all of the issues due to COVID-19. I know that it is difficult to deal with but we must stay strong. I would ask that you take a few moments to call your members just to touch base and let them know that we are in this together.

Based upon the numbers that Adjutant Dumas provided of the departed Comrades, that would have shown at the convention memorial service, it shows that graves registrations received by me during the year do not match what was received by National. Please take the time and report our fallen Comrades.

Quarterly Chaplain Reports are due **NLT September**. This is for District and Post Chaplains.....Please get these reports in to me. The form is on our Department Website. Thank You! If there is someone sick in your

Post, please let me know so that I can send a card. Please remember to give me their name and mailing address Plus Zip code.

MOLD: We are looking to have MOLD this year in the latter part of August or early September. I am trying to work out some of the details and will put the information out as soon as possible.

Commanders, Quartermasters, Adjutants, Trustees, Chaplains as well as any members are encouraged to attend one of the sessions. We have several new individuals that have been elected or appointed to positions at both Post and District levels. This training is designed to assist those individuals. The Department Officers are here to assist you in any way. Please take advantage of having them as a captive audience and pick their brains in order to help the Department.

WAA: National Wreaths Across America Day December 19, 2020.

The mission to **Remember, Honor and Teach** is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery as well as over 1,500 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad. Please become a part of this mission to honor our fallen Comrades and help the Department with your sponsorships. Each \$15.00 sponsorship that you obtain provides a return of \$5.00 to the Department to assist in the continuing support of our various programs. Please send sponsorships to: Kevin G. Woodward, 9 Johnson Lane, Machiasport ME 04655. **ME0016P** is the Department ID number and should be placed in the memo field of your check.

**IMMEDIATE PAST STATE COMMANDER
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
Christopher L. Robison, IPSC, Chairman**

Hello Comrades! Thank you to everyone for helping the Department have a great 2019 2020 VFW year. I know that we will have another great year for Keith Davis in 2020-2021. Thank you to Commander Davis for appointing me as Community Activities Chairman. The VFW will be even more important to our communities with all the pandemic fallout. We play an important part in Maine and will be called upon to continue our important mission with greater fervor. This year, in order to keep things consistent, my monthly deadline will be the 20th. This deadline will allow me to have my reports submitted in a timely fashion and give me time to accurately credit Posts' submissions.

In an effort to clarify what qualifies for each category; I will be choosing a category from time to time to explain in more detail. I hope this will help Comrades in making their submissions via the website.

Community Service as defined by the National Community Service Trust Act "encompasses any human act serving the common good; in the interest of the community." Elsewhere, community service is further defined as "a service that is performed for the benefit of the public or its institutions."

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. subscribes to the above but adds that, for the purposes of volunteer recognition, VFW community service must be performed by and as a representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and must be performed for an organization outside the VFW and its Auxiliaries and must be verified by an authorized representative of that organization. As it is the intent of VFW community service to impact a broad spectrum of the local community, credit will only be given for a maximum of 1,000 hours to any single outside organization within a twelve-month period.

In addition, efforts performed for the benefit of the Post or Auxiliary's benefit should not be considered as community service. An example of this kind of effort would be maintenance, upkeep or beautification of the Post home, cooking or serving a meal for a Post fund raiser, or working on bingo night. Additionally, efforts that are part of the normal requirements of a Post or Auxiliary would not be considered community service. Examples of this would be providing an honor guard for a member's funeral, flying the American Flag, and conducting Flag retirement programs (unless this is performed for the entire community).

A particularly controversial area in VFW community service is service to one's church. Generally, these efforts are not considered community service for two reasons: 1) they are not performed for the community at large; 2) they are part of an individual's service to their faith and not to the VFW. The exception to this would be performing the same service for all the churches, etc. in a given community.

I hope everyone is staying healthy and safe. Thank you ahead of time for everyone's cooperation.
Yours in Comradeship,

CHIEF OF STAFF
Arthur J. Roy, PSC

Comrades: Congratulations to our "**ALL AMERICAN COMMANDER**" State Commander Christopher L. Robison for an Outstanding Year that you and your team did this year. It was my pleasure to serve under you as you were a truly great State Commander. I would now like to welcome aboard Michael "KEITH" Davis, a US Navy Veteran that I know very well as we are both members of VFW Post 1603 in Auburn. I have watched him go through the chairs as Post Commander, District 9 Commander and Post Quartermaster for the past few years. He will make a great State Commander. Also, it is my honor to serve as his Chief of Staff this year. I will do my part to make this a Banner Year.

AMERICANISM/LOYALTY DAY
Michael A. McInnis, Chairman

In the present environment that we live in, many of the Americanism/Loyalty Day programs we normally do have been affected by Coronavirus. Please report any/all programs completed either in person or on social media. Now that our Posts are starting to open for outside service, please complete any reports that you may now will be able to, show the good things the Veterans of Foreign Wars does every day.

Americanism: All Posts should be reported in Americanism. If you fly an American flag at home or at your post, marched or participated in a Memorial Day Parade or Program or placed flags on graves for Memorial Day. Please report any/all programs completed either in person or on social media.

Loyalty Day: All Posts should be reported in Loyalty Day. All Posts & Districts have held meetings. A Loyalty speech was sent to all Posts. Many of you may not have held meetings, you can report if you participated by placing the Loyalty Day Speech on your Social Media. 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 Auburn Post at 10:00 on 07/11/2020 to do the final audit of the 2019-2020 year.

Grants: Homeless Veterans Grant through the Department of Labor; funds have been drawn down; grant closed.

VSO Grant: Our State of Maine VSO Grant funds are coming in on time and are forwarded to the State Quartermaster once received, funds will be less than normal for the new year.

Transportation Grant: Our VA Transportation Grant, the \$40,000.00 is up and running and we have applied for the new year by direction of the Council waiting approval by VA.

CREDENTIALS
Samuel C. Flint, Chairman

Hello everyone. I hope this finds you and your families all well and healthy and a great 4th of July. As we start the new year, let us hope that we get back to how we did business and will have a State Convention in Bangor in June 2021. As you have been informed in the past, you must make sure that you complete your required programs to be able to vote at the convention. I will keep you informed as time goes by to make sure that you do not miss voting at the convention. Take care of yourselves, your family members and please check on your neighbors and Veterans. I look forward to seeing you in the future. Yours in Comradeship,

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

Congratulations to all the newly elected and appointed Officers in all Commands in the Department of Maine. Thanks to Commander Davis for appointing me to these positions: Chairman of the Homeless Veterans Committees, Veterans' Cemetery South, Assistant Legislative Chairman (Augusta) and the Membership Recruiter South this year.

Homeless Veterans: Maine Veterans in Need is now incorporated in Maine. They are now working on their By-Laws because they are needed before filing for the 501C3.

Homeless Veterans Action Committee: We are restructuring. The design of the committee covers a lot of responsibilities that it hasn't had time to address so it has normal member business once per quarter and the other meetings will be for expanded research, programs and better results by the providers in the State of Maine. The oversight of the Veterans Homelessness is tracked with the By-Name-List. During the pandemic mitigation, we saw a slowdown in locating new Veterans but still saw a slowdown in finding housing for the Veterans. Monthly, we have over 100 known Homeless Veterans and we keep finding more.

Homeless Veterans' Stand-Down: It will not be happening this year.

A year ago, we told you to call 877-4AID-VET, now if you find a Homeless Veteran call 211. They will have contact information to resources in all parts of the State. If they are a Veteran in need by the VA standard, the VA will provide services. All other people who have service in the military including the National Guard can receive services from many other providers.

Veterans' Cemetery South: Construction of the POW/MIA Memorial has started. The groundwork for the footing and foundation for the main stone has been dug. The walkway for the tablets has also been dug. Areas A and B are being prepared for/with double depth vaults. This includes drainage and irrigation. It will look great when it is complete.

Due to Covid-19, we are meeting at the Sanford American Legion at 9:30 am on the second Thursday of the month. 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 (Augusta): We are working with legislators from both sides of the isle to have support on future bill we hope to have in the next session.

HOSPITAL/VAVS
Michael W. Blair, Director

VFW donations for the month of June 2020 total was \$500.00 to be used by V.A.V.S. as needed for Veterans' care. I would like to thank Post # 6924 Fairfield.

On June 29, 2020, the Auxiliary of the V.F.W. will be donating a check in the amount of \$2,188.90 to the V.A. to be used for Veterans on Floor 63 of the Mental Health Clinic.

I would like to Thank the Auxiliary for their most generous donation.

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

Comrades: Congratulation to our All-American Commander Christopher L. Robison! What a great job you and your team did this year under very difficult times. Also, Congratulation to All-American Commanders James Bachelder Post 9935 Sanford and District 11 Commander William Day! You should be proud to have earned this honor! I want to welcome aboard Michael "Keith " Davis as our new Commander, I wish you and all of your team a very successful year!

Legislation: There really has been much going on with Legislation. I have remained in touch with our Legislators offices but the COVID-19 has kind of stopped things. I hope that we will see some changes in the near future.

Membership: The year is over and we ended at 100.70% with 7580 Members which is an increase of 53 members. As we start this year, I ask all of you to support Commander Davis as you supported Commander Robison. We are looking for another strong year. To do this, we must work hard to **Retain, Reinstate and Recruit** Members. We must be creative in the way we seek new members. Please complete your Recruiters Event Form and get it to me as soon as possible. Make sure you read and understand the 2020-2021 Department and National 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: I am happy to report that Maine Veterans Homes are COVID-19 free. It took a lot of hard work by all the staff and residents to make this happen. The goal now is to keep it out!! The Augusta Home has received some setbacks due to the virus. They are behind schedule and I will give you a new estimate of completion next month. All the Homes are adapting to the daily changes but rest assured, their number one priority is the residents and living up to their motto of "**caring for those who served!**"

Remember to do these to be successful "**COMMUNICATION-DEDICATION-SERVICE**"

NATIONAL HOME
Melvyn E. Bates, Chairman

Welcome to the Fourth of July us Update.

I have heard from the Executive Director of our National Home for families and children Fredrick Puffenberger

He wanted you all to know that they had also suffered a serious decline in donations over the past three months...which is the direct result that the COVID-19 pandemic. This needless to say was a very UN-ordinary Year. They have found throughout this pandemic that they have been forced to do more with less monies. The State Governor of Michigan has basically forced the National Home into cancelling several of their large fundraising events...which they rely on to sustain the programs for our struggling Veterans and their families...this creates a serious financial problem for them.

He is asking for OUR supporters to support our National Home during this time of need! Our financial gift to them will help them to continue the fight to help our veterans and families during this time.

I will not attempt to amplify his request other to say...he's 100%correct. 🇺🇸

Respectfully...remember please....We Are All in This Together!

SCOUTING
Randolph S. Michaud, Chairman

I want to thank the Department Commander for the appointment of Scouting Chairman. It is greatly appreciated. I want to wish all the newly elected Officers a very good year, hopefully we can make Keith an "All American Commander" this year. Stay safe and enjoy the summer, hope to meet most of you during the CoA meeting when we can have them.

VETERANS ADVISORY TO VA MAINE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
Jo Ann Bolduc, Chairperson

Happy Summer Comrades and a huge welcome to all of our newly installed Officers both at State and Post level.

As of Monday June 15, the VA Maine Operating Status is as follows (briefly):

- Masking will be mandatory for everyone on our campuses.
- Upon entry to facility access points, all persons will be instructed to hand sanitize with alcohol-based hand sanitizer and take one mask to be utilized for their day.
- Staff will always maintain their mask, except for hydration/nutrition and/or in an office location by themselves.
- Social distancing must always still be maintained.
- Hand hygiene before and after touching outside of mask.

Elective Procedures: On March 13, 2020; the American College of Surgeons provided guidance to healthcare facility urging us to halt all elective hospital procedures. As part of these measures, we are rescheduling any non-urgent elective surgeries/procedures to keep our Veterans safe. Dental procedures that are not urgent or emergent will also be rescheduled. Veterans to whom this applies are being contacted. We will plan on rescheduling these procedures after August 1st provided we are past this event. Please be assured that you may contact your clinical team should you have questions.

Testing Locations: Drive-up, appointment only testing through Primary Care is available on the Togus campus. Due to limited test availability, testing is not currently available at the CBOCs. If/when testing kits become available, we plan to expand testing capabilities to the Portland, Lewiston, and Bangor CBOCs.

Outpatient Care: With heightened concerns about the spread of COVID-19, and keeping in line with VHA's guidance about postponing elective procedures and enhancing our capacity to provide virtual care, face-to-face outpatient visits for ALL clinical services, including Primary Care, Mental Health and Specialty Care, will be assessed for conversion to virtual care. In order to accomplish this goal; clinical staff will review all scheduled appointments to determine if the appointment can be switched to a VA Video Connect (VVC) or telephone appointment. If the type of care is not appropriate for VVC or telephone (i.e., dental care or endoscopies), the provider should follow up with the Veteran to reschedule his/her appointments for no sooner than 60 days in the future of the cancellation date. Upon calling Veterans to either switch clinically appropriate appointments to VVC or telephone or postpone the appointment, Veterans will be asked two follow up questions: (1) whether they need medication refills and (2) whether they have any needs that need to be addressed sooner than the VVC, telephone, or postponed appointment. If a Veteran is at risk of imminent harm by not seeing a clinical provider face-to-face, then a face-to-face appointment will remain in place. In order to ensure that our urgent care clinics and emergency departments are not overwhelmed; it is critical that we ensure Veterans are still able to see their clinical providers for urgent needs.

This is a lot of information to digest Comrades but the bottom line is these precautions are put in place to protect everyone. It's a "Better Safe than Sorry" approach. I am choosing to view the future with hope. Hope that this will pass quickly and we can move forward. "Let perseverance be your engine and hope your fuel." H. Jackson Brown Jr. Be good to yourselves and be good to each other.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

Cornelius J. Ware, SO

Service Office COVID-19 Procedures: As we go into another month, our office is still closed to walk in traffic. This is a temporary measure until we get past this Covid-19 shutdown at Togus. We are patiently awaiting VA's plans and procedures for the safe reopening of our offices. Until then, remember our VSO staff is still here in the office and ready to help. We are still conducting business with the health and safety of our staff and you the Veterans we serve as our primary concern. Sorry for the temporary inconvenience. You can continue to reach us at the VFW Service Office phone number 207-623-5723. Email us at vfw.vbatog@va.gov or regular mail: **VFW Dept. Service Office, VA Regional Office, P.O. Box 3311, Augusta, ME 04330-3311.**

Thank you for your understanding and support as we walk through this crisis together. We look forward to re-opening as soon as we can safely. But for now, please stay healthy and stay safe.

NVS Proficiency Training: NVS Virtual Proficiency Training Conference for all accredited VSOs was held June 9 thru June 23. NVS staff was very proficient in covering the course material, conducting class discussions, Q&A and taking VSO feedback about VSO/VA concerns. The training wrapped up on Tuesday June 23. At the end of course, exam was administered electronically Wednesday June 24 thru Monday June 29. Based on the immediate exam feedback we received, the DSO and ADSO both successfully passed.

TRICARE Update: Starting on January 1, 2021, TRICARE Select Group A retired beneficiaries must pay monthly enrollment fees in order to maintain their TRICARE health coverage. This is a change and the first time this beneficiary group will pay enrollment fees.

What are the 2021 enrollment fees for TRICARE Select Group A retirees? Individual plan: \$12.50 per month. Family plan: \$25 per month.

For more information, please visit the **TRICARE Website**.

Maine Veteran Lifetime State Park Pass: All veterans who are residents of the State of Maine and received an honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions are eligible for a free Lifetime Veteran State Park & Museum Pass. Passes do not expire and are valid for the lifetime of the holder.

To apply for your Lifetime Pass, visit the Maine Veterans Service website:

<https://www.maine.gov/veterans/benefits/recreational-licenses/lifetime-park-pass.html>

"VETERANS SERVING VETERANS"

WEBSITE COORDINATOR

Thomas R. Lussier, PSC

The Department Website is in good working order. The VoD & PP themes for 2020-2021 are posted on the site to include all student entry forms. I'm in the process of developing a new and exciting website in the near future.

The Department 2020-2021 directory will be updated as soon as the Department Adjutant completes it. 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

Insects Everywhere: Explore insects and learn about their important role in our environment through hands-on activities, experiment and art. Date: 8 Aug. Reg. By: 22 Jul. Town: Hinckley. Start Time: 1:00 pm. End Time: 4:00 pm. Levels: D/B/J. Girl Fee: \$ 7.00. Adult Fee: \$ 0.00.

Flowers All Around: Bring the family and explore the gardens at Strawberry Banke Museum on your own with a booklet designed to bring the flowers to life. Discover medicinal plants, heirloom plants and participate in a hands-on herbal craft to take home. This is a great family and friends opportunity for girls going into K-5 grade. You may come at anytime between 10-5. Date: 15 Aug. Reg. By: 5 Aug. Town: Portsmouth, NH. Start Time: 10:00 am. End Time: 5:00 pm. Levels: D/B/J. Girl Fee: \$ 9.00. Adult Fee: \$ 9.00.

There is no New Water: Dinosaurs drank the water we are drinking today. Discover why it is important that we protect the non-renewable resource needed to sustain all life on earth and why defending any conservation efforts to protect our water is important. Global connection. Date: 15 Aug. Reg By: 29 July. Town: Limestone. Start Time: 10:00 am. End Time: 2:00 pm. Levels: J/C/S/A.

Take Stage: Enjoy an hour of free play as a troop or family before the museum is open to the public. Then, girls will join one of the theatre educators and some young actors for a morning of theatre games. Get up on stage to stretch your acting muscles and get wacky while playing improv games. For all girl scouts going into grades K-4 in the fall and their families. Date: 22 Aug. Reg By: 5 Aug. Town: Portland. Start Time: 9:00 am. End Time: 11:00 am. Levels: D/B. Girl Fee: \$ 16.00. Adult Fee: \$ 12.00.

DEPT @ 100.85% - Over by 64 For 100% (11+)
Department Statistics

Maine as of Wednesday July 1, 2020

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2599	1	97	2	46	15	160	144	111.11%	16	PRESQUE ISLE	0
6187	1	54	1	2	25	82	81	101.23%	1	FORT FAIRFIELD	0
9389	1	363	4	17	97	481	479	100.41%	2	CARIBOU	0
9699	1	63	0	8	8	79	79	100.00%	0	ASHLAND	0
District Total	1	577	7	73	145	802	783	102.42%	19		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1605	2	120	1	2	9	132	132	100.00%	0	BURLINGTON	0
7529	2	63	0	0	19	82	82	100.00%	0	ISLAND FALLS	0
District Total	2	183	1	2	28	214	214	100.00%	0		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9779	3	105	0	2	29	136	135	100.74%	1	CALAIS	0
11553	3	102	3	1	33	139	139	100.00%	0	HARRINGTON	1
District Total	3	207	3	3	62	275	274	100.36%	1		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
109	4	120	7	0	49	176	168	104.76%	8	ELLSWORTH	1
1761	4	177	4	0	63	244	242	100.82%	2	BANGOR	0
3381	4	164	5	3	37	209	209	100.00%	0	OLD TOWN	1
4633	4	95	0	0	16	111	121	91.73%	-10	HAMPDEN	0
District Total	4	556	16	3	165	740	740	100.00%	0		2
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
4298	5	51	1	0	22	74	74	100.00%	0	DEXTER	0
5723	5	5	0	1	9	15	15	100.00%	0	JACKMAN	0
6924	5	98	2	0	21	121	119	101.68%	2	FAIRFIELD	1
7865	5	101	0	0	30	131	131	100.00%	0	MADISON-ANSON	0
7866	5	8	0	1	4	13	13	100.00%	0	NORRIDGEWOCK	0
10881	5	20	1	0	3	24	22	109.09%	2	FARMINGTON	1
11191	5	21	1	0	13	35	34	102.94%	1	NEWPORT	0
District Total	5	304	5	2	102	413	408	101.22%	5		2

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
3095	6	12	0	0	7	19	19	100.00%	0	FRIENDSHIP	0
3108	6	112	3	9	44	168	167	100.59%	1	BELFAST	0
4169	6	9	0	0	5	14	12	116.66%	2	VINALHAVEN	0
6131	6	49	1	1	25	76	75	101.33%	1	NORTHPORT	0
9437	6	38	1	0	11	50	49	102.04%	1	WASHINGTON	0
District Total	6	220	5	10	92	327	322	101.55%	5		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2197	7	54	1	0	24	79	75	105.33%	4	TOPSHAM	0
4525	7	52	0	0	24	76	75	101.33%	1	WALDOBORO	0
7738	7	59	0	2	9	70	70	100.00%	0	BATH	0
District Total	7	165	1	2	57	225	220	102.27%	5		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9	8	40	1	1	17	59	60	98.33%	-1	GARDINER	0
887	8	193	14	2	55	264	261	101.14%	3	AUGUSTA	1
1285	8	224	2	4	18	248	247	100.40%	1	WATERVILLE	0
8835	8	234	2	3	33	272	269	101.11%	3	WINSLOW	3
9526	8	33	1	0	9	43	43	100.00%	0	WINTHROP	0
District Total	8	724	20	10	132	886	880	100.68%	6		4
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1603	9	284	6	7	62	359	354	101.41%	5	LEWISTON-AUBURN	0
1641	9	63	1	13	67	144	142	101.40%	2	RUMFORD	0
3335	9	214	0	1	39	254	268	94.77%	-14	JAY	0
9150	9	65	0	0	15	80	80	100.00%	0	LEWISTON	0
9787	9	105	0	0	41	146	146	100.00%	0	SOUTH PARIS	0
District Total	9	731	7	21	224	983	990	99.29%	-7		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
832	10	269	0	5	41	315	314	100.31%	1	S PORTLAND	0
6783	10	36	2	0	7	45	45	100.00%	0	LOVELL	0
6859	10	301	5	5	85	396	422	93.83%	-26	PORTLAND	2
9328	10	36	0	0	5	41	46	89.13%	-5	HARRISON	0
10529	10	75	1	0	2	78	82	95.12%	-4	YARMOUTH	0
10643	10	48	1	2	24	75	77	97.40%	-2	WINDHAM	0
10879	10	11	1	0	11	23	23	100.00%	0	GORHAM	0
11362	10	30	0	0	5	35	35	100.00%	0	NAPLES	0
District	10	806	10	12	180	1008	1044	96.55%	-36		2

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
5744	11	114	1	0	41	156	154	101.29%	2	SOUTH BERWICK	1
6977	11	170	2	0	27	199	206	96.60%	-7	YORK BEACH	0
7997	11	162	7	27	38	234	203	115.27%	31	OLD ORCHARD BEACH	0
9394	11	47	3	0	9	59	58	101.72%	1	KITTERY	1
9935	11	160	10	20	104	294	256	114.84%	38	SANFORD	0
District Total	11	653	23	47	219	942	877	107.41%	65		2
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent		City	N/R LM
15020	99	587	26	18	145	776	775	100.12%	1	RUMFORD	9
District Total	99	587	26	18	145	776	775	100.12%	1	QM'S HOUSE	9
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
State Total		5713	124	203	1551	7591	7527	100.85%	64		22



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