



Department of Maine Veterans of Foreign Wars

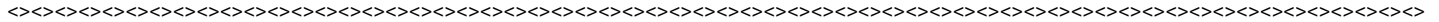


"Communication ~ Dedication ~ Service"

March 2021

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 9



SPECIAL NOTICES <> SPECIAL NOTICES

Congratulations to the following Posts who are celebrating 100 and 75 Anniversary

- Auburn Post 1603 (Dist. 9) > February 18, 1921 > 100 yrs. > Commander Jerard M. Lurz
- Hampden Post 4633 (Dist. 4) > November 9, 1945 > 75 yrs. > Commander Curtis D. Slininger
- Fort Fairfield Post 6187 (Dist. 1) > March 10, 1946 > 75 yrs. > Commander Blair E. Adams
- Jackman Post 5723 (Dist. 5) > 75 yrs. > February 10, 1946 > 75 yrs. > Commander Edward J. McCall
- South Berwick Post 5744 (Dist. 11) > February 24, 1946 > 75 yrs. > Commander Jeffrey A. Chasse
- Portland Post 6859 (Dist. 10) > April 26, 1946 > 75 yrs. > Commander Jared M. Sawyer
- Sanford Post 9935 (Dist. 11) > April 13, 1946 > 75 yrs. > Commander James E.N. Bachelder

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

- District 11 > 100.53% > Commander William E. Day
- LaBelle-Perkins Post 1605, Burlington > 100.00% > Commander James A. Ewing
- William R. Doughty Memorial Post 5723, Jackman > 100.00% > Commander Edward J. McCall
- Lister-Knowlton Post 9389, Caribou > 100% > Commander Roger A. Felix
- Boyd-Smith-Mitchell Memorial Post 9779, Calais > 100.00% > Commander David O. Sivret



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***)
- >24 April 2021 > State commander/President Testimonial (***Cancelled***)
- >11-12 June 2021 > State Convention, Bangor, ME (***To be announced in near future on status***)
- >13 June 2021 > CoA Meeting, Bangor, ME (***To be announced in near future on status***)

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 shortly as final plans are being made and approved by Commander Davis.

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. **NOTE:** Post election reports should be filed shortly after the final nomination and election of Officers at the April meeting by going to the VFW website. For those Posts who cannot complete the election report, please forward it to the State Adjutant Office who will file for you.

6. District Nomination/Election of Officers: Elected Officers shall be nominated and elected at their respective District Convention and shall be conducted IAW the Manual of Procedure. Officers shall not assume office if they are in arrears in their yearly dues. Any Officer who during their term of office do not pay their dues when due will be removed by National and will not be able to assume any office for the remainder of the current calendar year. District Commanders, Sr Vice and Jr Vice Commanders once upon being elected and installed will provide a copy of their discharge papers to the State Adjutant office IAW National by-laws. They will receive notification of such is required if they do not have a copy on file at State Headquarters.

7. 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.

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. **NOTE:** The final list as approved by all is attached to this GOs until the May GOs. Any changes in the future, please notify the State Adjutant office ASAP.

9. Resolutions: Posts desiring to submit resolutions for consideration by their District prior to the convening of 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. Inspections: District Commanders attention is directed to Section 517 of the Manual of Procedure which states that each Post shall be inspected at least once during the year. Please make sure all the Posts in your District are inspected and report them in a timely manner rather than accumulating reports for 100% mailing. Please send your completed reports to **State Inspector John J. Bouchard, 102 Highland Ave., Fort Kent, ME 04743-1467**. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

11. In Person Post Meetings and Covid Guidelines: It is highly recommended if at all possible for the safety of OUR members that we limit the in person Post and District meetings as much as possible. Post may do meetings via zoom. It is up to each Commander if they feel they can follow all the guidelines set down by the Governor and keep our membership safe. Finally, during these times, please contact your Post membership to see how they are doing. Everyone please stay safe.

12. Attention of Post Commanders: Is directed to Section 222 of the National Bylaws and the Manual of Procedure, which provides that each Post will pay, in advance, a National Convention registration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25) which shall entitle the Post to a packet of convention information and materials and one identified registered delegate for the National Convention. Each additional delegate attending the National Convention will pay a ten dollar (\$10) delegate fee. Posts are encouraged to register their Post delegate(s) online through the Online Membership System (OMS) or by submitting their National Convention Post and Delegate Registration form that will be mailed to all Posts as part of the Election Report/Convention

Registration mailing going out later this month. Registration forms for the 121st National Convention may be mailed to: Convention Registration, 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111.

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14. 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.

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. District/Post By-Laws: District and Posts are reminded to look at when you last updated your by-laws. If it has been more than 5 years, you need to look at them and update them. Please use the current template as provided by National Headquarters or contact the State Adjutant who will email you the current template. Once completed, please forward 3 original signed copies to State Headquarters for review and then forwarding to National for approval.

18. Chain of Command: Please use your chain of command. If there are issues at your Posts, start with the Post Commander, District Commander and finally Department Commander. In most circumstances, the issues can be corrected at the Post level.

19. Teamwork and Post Business: Discussing Post business outside the meeting is not IAW the By-Laws. You should **NEVER** discuss the VFW Post Business with anyone that is not a VFW member. At the same time, we need to be working with the Auxiliaries to help both of our organizations to grow and be vital, but please remember that the Auxiliary is their own entity and the VFW is not authorized to be in their meetings. The **ONLY** time VFW member may be in the meeting is if they are invited by the Auxiliary.

20. 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.

21. 122nd National Convention: The Veterans of Foreign Wars 122nd National Convention will be held in Baltimore, MD on July 31 – Aug 5, 2021. Housing and registration open March 19, 2021. More information will be e-mailed to all shortly.

22. Eastern Conference: Will be held Oct 29-31, 2021 at the Princess Royale Ocean Front Hotel and Conference Center, 9100 Ocean Highway – Oceanfront, Ocean City, MD 28142. Room rates are: \$89+ tax for Ocean/Pool View, \$129.00+tax for Ocean front. Please make your reservations by calling directly to the hotel @ 1-800-4-Royale. The deadline for room reservations is 20 September 2021, after that deadline, all unreserved rooms will be released to the general public. If a handicap room is needed, please let the hotel know at the time of reservation.

23. 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.

24. Dates to Remember:

4 Apr > Easter

24 Apr > CoA Meeting (Zoom Meeting)

9 May > Mother's Day

15 May > Armed Forces Day

11-12 Jun > State Convention, Bangor ME (**More info to come out in near future**)

13 Jun > CoA Meeting, Bangor ME (**More info to come out in near future**)

31 Jul – 5 Aug > national Convention, Baltimore, MD

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

Department Surgeon > Amy Hope Meuchel > Post 6859

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

Steven J. SanPedro > Post 6859

Andre L. Dumas > Post 9389

Kevin G. Woodward > Post 11553

27. District Meeting Dates: Any changes, please notify the state Adjutant Office ASAP.

D-5 > 8 Mar @ 1 om > Dexter Post 4298 > SVC Littlefield

D-2 > 13 Mar @ 1 pm > Island Falls Post 7529 > JA Bouchard

D-1 > 14 Mar @ 1 pm > Fort Fairfield Post 6187 > QM Williams

D-11 > 14 Mar @ 2 pm > Kittery Post 9394 > JVC Lane

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 > 5 Jun @ 1 pm > Caribou Post 9389 > Adj Dumas

28. 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, March is upon. The vaccine rollout has gone slower than expected here in Maine. Hopefully, Maine can get its quota of vaccines and we can start getting our members vaccinated. I have received several calls from people that are worried that our senior Veterans' that are eligible and are not getting the vaccines. Togus is working on this and hopefully we will see some positive things happening soon.

Scouting Scout of the Year deadlines: 1 March to the Post > 1 April to Department Scouting coordinator Randolph Michaud > Department to National 1 May. If you are working on a package for Scouting and you cannot meet the deadline, contact Randolph Michaud. The dates to the Post and Department can be flexible if needed.

Currently our membership is just over 93%. The membership team has set goals and if we reach the monthly goals, we will achieve plus 100% and continue to grow our Department. I know we can make the Department 100 percent but it will take some work.

National Commander Hal Roesch has set a membership challenge for March.

MARCH forth and recruit **NEW MEMBERS!** We want to take this month and build up our membership strength by bringing in new members into our Posts. Posts will receive \$1000 stipend if they are leading their divisions in new members at the end of March.

This month, Posts should be conducting first nomination of Officers and Final nomination in April.

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 Posts & Districts that have achieved their 100% goal in membership.

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Yours In Comradeship

Michael "Keith" Davis

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Commander

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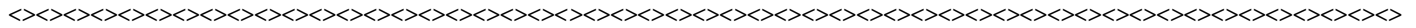
Deceased Roll Call



Department of Maine, VFW
Kevin G. Woodward, Chaplain

25 January 2021 ~ 24 February 2021

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



District 1

9389 > BOUCHARD, Robert J.
DAIGLE, Michael J.

Members-at-Large

15020 > BEAULIEU, Leonard A.

District 3

9779 > RICKER, Dexter C.

District 5

7865 > STARBIRD, Albert W.

District 8

887 > TUFTS, David
VEILLEUX, Norman B.

8835 > ARSENAULT, George M.
COREY, Thomas E.
ELLIOTT, William L.
LAPOINTE, Leo P.
STEEVES, James W. Sr.

District 9

1603 > KETNER, John L. Jr.

District 10

6859 > BROOKS, Herbert L.

10879 > CAMPBELL, Richard C.
LAPOMARDA, Joseph B.

District 11

5744 > HILDRETH, Daniel W. IV

9394 > BOURNE, Robert



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



Greetings Comrades. Well, February has really lived up to its role in winter once again. I hope you have all stayed safe and healthy, and next to a warm fire on those really cold days.

The COVID-19 pandemic is still with us and not moving along very fast at all. Be safe when and if you have to go out in public. COVID-19 vaccinations are being given in most parts of the state. Contact your local health provider or VA center if you have not already signed up for the vaccination.

Donations to the Commander's Special Project are still being accepted at this time. As of this week, we have received donations from 25 Posts and 2 Districts. We are about halfway through the year of this great project. Let us continue to support our Commander on this project.

I have the 100th State Convention pins if your Post or district would like to purchase some. The cost is \$2.00 each. I would be very pleased to see everyone wearing this commemorative pin this year.

March will be here soon, ?? roaring like a lion on its way out?? Stay warm and be well. Hopefully the grip of winter will loosen up soon. Loyally.

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

Greetings Comrades! May the luck of the Irish and the warmth of the sun bless you this month. I hope everyone is safe and doing well.

Please reach out to your membership and our families to make sure they are set with their needs. A sincere hello can make the difference in anyone's life! Keep our Comrades in your thoughts and prayers, especially those that have been effected by COVID and those in Texas that have been doubly effected by the Winter Storms that have devastated their areas.

As always, feel free to reach out to me and others in your chain of command for assistance and keep doing what you do for our veterans and their families. Go get em!

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

With February in the rearview mirror, warmer weather is on the way in. With only 4 months left in the VFW year, it's time to get your poppies ordered, your trustee Reports in, also by now, all Posts should be bonded through the State and if you have an outside Bond from your own insurance company or whatever, I need a copy for my files.

Around the middle of February, I sent out a list of Posts and Districts that have not submitted **ANY** Quarterly reports. To date, I have not received anything from anyone with except of one person who did reach out to me and to that person I say, Thank You. As to the rest, they do not care or haven't gotten to it, or maybe they never got my email, so I'll send it out again and again until all proper reports are submitted.

If there are any Quartermasters who need help filling out there reports, my email and phone number are in the directory.

Regarding poppies, if your Post is interested in ordering any specialty poppies Anniversary etc., they need to be ordered directly though the VFW Supply store. There was one Post that did order through me and I put

them in as regular poppies, I do apologize for that and if you need a refund, let me know and I will do good on them. Delivery the poppies that were ordered wrong and Ill reimburse the Post. Also, if your Post is having an event that requires poppies yesterday, I do have a few boxes on hand that I ordered a while ago for this reason. But in order to get credit for purchasing poppies; they must come from national. The poppies I have are just extra in case of emergency.

Have a great month and until then, keep doing great work for the VFW

NCM,M: Are you interested in your Post serving as a COVID-19 vaccine distribution site?

The VFW and Walgreens are engaged in exploratory discussions regarding the opportunity to enlist VFW Posts nationwide in this important vaccination effort.

Qualified Posts must have:

1. The freezer capacity to store an appropriate number of vials of the vaccine. This is roughly the size of a large pizza box; limited shelf life of 5-10 days.

2. Adequate space for administer stations and social distancing.

3. Wi-Fi connectivity.

4. Adequate parking.

Should your Post qualify to act as a vaccine distribution site, Walgreens' would provide the professional staff and materials needed to properly administer the vaccines.

If you believe your Post qualifies, please **click here** to access our information collection form.

For additional details/information: **COVID-19 Vaccine: FAQs & Distribution Information / Walgreens.**

Thank you for your interest in this important initiative.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (Feb. 26, 2021) – On Feb. 27, 2021, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Foundation will proudly celebrate its 25th anniversary.

Established in 1996, to support the vital VFW programs which work to fill in governmental assistance gaps for service members and military families, the VFW Foundation is the official 501(c)3 of the VFW. As a nonprofit organization, the foundation receives no government funding, and oversees strategic relationships with corporations and donors to ensure financial resources.

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The foundation serves to support programs like the Unmet Needs program, which has provided nearly \$12 million in financial assistance to military and veteran families on hard times, and the “Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship” program which has distributed \$8.7 million to student veterans in pursuit of post-secondary education. It also works to help fund events that unite VFW Posts and Auxiliaries to their local military community through the VFW Military Assistance Program.

To help celebrate the special anniversary, Kansas City District 1 Councilwoman Heather Hall submitted Resolution 25, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Foundation Day resolution, before the Kansas City mayor and City Council. VFW Foundation Board Secretary/Treasurer and VFW Quartermaster General Debra Anderson and other representatives attended the meeting virtually to accept the resolution.

“For more than two decades, the VFW Foundation has worked tirelessly to ensure the VFW’s veteran and military support programs continue to provide the vital hand up that our brave heroes and their families deserve,” said VFW Quartermaster General Debra Anderson. “Celebrating 25 years of the Foundation’s service and now having received this resolution from the City of Kansas City is a proud moment in our history and helps to showcase the impressive work we’ve dedicated ourselves to.”

“I am honored to celebrate 25 years of the VFW Foundation working to serve all veterans and their families. They offer so many wonderful services for our veterans who have served our country selflessly and sacrificially,” said Councilwoman Heather Hall.

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

Inspections: Well, we are in the month of March. We have 28 days to have all your Post and District inspection done. We have some Post and a District that has not been inspected yet. You know when you took the position to be a District Commander, you have to make sure that you do your job and you make sure you visit each Post in your District. Check with your Deputy Inspector if he inspected all Posts in your District. So come on, let's get the job done before the month is done. Thank You all for the work you do.
[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 Water Tender 1 st Class Oliver K. Burger | >US Navy Fireman 1 st Class Wesley J. Brown |
| >US Navy Fireman 1 st Class Beoin H. Corzatt | >US Navy Seaman 1 st Class Gerald F. Bailey |
| >US Navy Shipfitter 3 rd Class Robert E. Bailey | >US Navy Radioman 3 rd Class Earl M. Ellis |
| >US Navy Radioman 3 rd Class Thomas E. Griffith | >Marine Corps Reserve Pfc J.L. Hancock |
| >Army Cpl. Paul W. Wilkins | >Navy Fireman 1 st Class James W. Davenport Jr. |
| >Navy Ship's Cook 3 rd Class Robert Goodwin | >Navy Seaman 2 nd Class David Clark Jr. |
| >Navy Boilermaker 1 st Class William E. Blanchard | >Navy Seaman 1 st Class Wallace G. Mitchell |
| >Navy Fireman 1 st Class William D. Tucker | >Army Cpl. Paul Mitchem |
| >US Army Pfc Michaux Turbeville | |

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

Darn groundhog saw his shadow, six more weeks of winter. We all know winter in Maine can last into May. Pretty soon in the near future; we will all be grilling out and enjoying the sunshine. (At least that is what I keep telling myself). Keep on trucking and staying active and finding ways to beat cabin fever. Can't wait to see you all in person again very soon.

Blood Bank: DONATE, DONATE, DONATE. It is always the time to give blood. Give a pint and save a life. All Red Cross blood donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies, Red Cross says they hope that testing for COVID-19 antibodies will provide its donors with insight into whether they may have been exposed to this coronavirus. An antibody test screens for antibodies in the blood, which are formed when fighting an infection, like COVID-19. An antibody test assesses whether your immune system has responded to an infection, not if the virus is currently present.

COVID 19 Updates: If you're looking for general information about COVID-19, call 211, text your zip code to 898-211, or email info@211maine.org. For the latest number of COVID-19 cases in Maine, public health guidance and resources, please visit our **Maine CDC COVID-19 page**.

Maine is committed to an accessible, flexible, and equitable vaccination effort.

Due to limited vaccine supply, Maine's vaccination strategy has two immediate goals:

>Save the lives of Maine people at greatest risk of serious illness or death from COVID-19.

>Protect those directly engaged in the fight against COVID-19.

Visit the website for more information: <https://www.maine.gov/covid19/vaccines>

Safety: March is **National Ladder Safety Month**. Over 137 ladder injuries a day, 113 deaths occur each year. The most common fall happens between 6-10 feet. Two of the most common ladder accidents, missing the last step when climbing down and overreaching. Many of us are doing in house projects and checking items off our Honey-Do list. I have been painting several rooms, hallways and stairs and have been up and down many ladders this winter.

Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year: I have mailed out packages to every District Commander that included citation, prizes and prize money for the Department of Maine District winners. Please set up a time to present your district winners with their prizes.

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 to each Post Commander and you should have received them. 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 Quartermaster. Thank you to several of the Posts who have sent me your checks and ticket stubs. Keep them coming, if you need more tickets please email me or call me and I will send you more tickets.

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

When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead giving advice, solutions or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a warm and tender hand. The friend or Comrade who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in a hour of grief or bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with us the powerlessness, that is a friend or comrade who cares.

WAA: National Wreaths across America Day 18 December 2021

The theme for the 2021 Wreaths across America Program is: "**Live up to their legacy.**"

You can send your sponsorship checks to me, remember that the check must be made out to **Wreaths Across America**. If you wish to do sponsorships online you can use this link.
<https://www.wreathsassamerica.org/pages/20060/Overview/?relatedId=14720&modSw=donate>

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
Christopher L. Robison, IPSC

Hello Comrades. I hope that milder temperatures are making their way to all of us. We all need to start getting back out into the community and helping our neighbors. With the weather improving and the COVID conditions getting better, we need to make up for lost time over the winter.

As a reminder, Community Activities reporting for Commander Davis' year ends on April 30th, 2021. All reporting I receive after that date will be counted for the 2021-2022 reporting year, so please get your reports in to me. Thank you for your cooperation. Stay safe and healthy.

Yours in Comradeship.

CHIEF OF STAFF
Arthur J. Roy, PSC

Membership at this time last year was 95.60%. Membership at this time in Feb. 2021 is 91.30%. We have 9 Post @ 100% & over so keep pushing. Everyone must keep working on all our programs as We must always work on helping Veterans and their Families.

I still haven't got either one of the Covid-19 shorts. Should be getting mine soon, I hope.

We have a lot of Post that haven't turned in Audit reports.

Always check the GO's to keep up on needed items.

"EVERYONE STAY SAFE & WEAR YOUR MASKS"

AMERICANISM/LOYALTY DAY
Michael A. McInnis, Chairman

I would like to start hoping that everyone is safe during this epidemic. Be sure to take care of your family and friends.

As we live in this time, many of the Americanism programs we normally do have been affected by Coronavirus. Hopefully, many of you either have had or have signed up to get your vaccinations.

Many of the Posts in the Department of Maine have reported in Americanism/Loyalty Day Programs. We still have 14 Posts that have not reported at all.

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 has been sent to Labor National office.

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 COVID19.

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

Over the past month, we have been asked to house 2 Veterans in hotel stays.

The Maine Veterans in Need, Inc. (MVN) is convening some Zoom meeting for different services the Homeless Veterans need. The first service is furnishings and the acquisition, storage and delivery of the items including Welcome Home package designed for each room, kitchen, bathroom, cleaning closet needs. The second is with all the case workers that assist the Homeless Veterans. This will make sure we are all working together hoping to have some advanced notice when possible. Another need that has not been discussed in the monthly meetings is the tiny house usage. This starts with the trailers converted in Boothbay that are all in use waiting for the next shipment of trailers to convert, 2nd the father and son looking to build a community of tiny houses and 3rd the facility in Bangor converting cargo containers in to housing.

MVN will be starting the Stand-Down meetings this coming monthly meeting. We are still waiting for our IRS 501C3 designation.

We haven't heard from the Topsham American Legion Post 2202 about the results of the Winter Classic.

When we hear how this great fundraiser went, we will get the word out.

Maine Homeless Veterans Action Committee had the December By-Name-List for the end of December with 185 known Homeless Veterans. 33 of these Veterans are unsheltered. The number of chronically Homeless Veterans is 37. I took an average of 163 to get housing. In the past 90 from the end of the report, 71 new Veterans have been identified and 22 of them received housing. These number are astronomical. We are learning that Homeless Veterans are coming to Maine because our Covid-19 number are so low.

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.

Veterans' Cemetery South: We started looking at the committal shelter with a local contractor and were told the State need to do that. We received the pictures of the Caribou shelter and are now waiting on the State.

We still are not meeting due to Covid-19 but we did meet on the Committal Shelter retrofit.

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 Veterans 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.

HOSPITAL/VAVS
Michael W. Blair, Director

Comrades. As of February 25, 2021, Hospital/VAVS have received Zero donations.

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

Comrades. Congratulation to Post 9389 Caribou, Post 1605 Burlington, Post 9779 Calais and Post 5723 Jackman for reaching their goal of 100%. That makes 13 Posts and 1 District to reach this goal. Job well done by all!

Legislation: We will be conducting our National VFW Legislative Conference via zoom from 1-3 March this year. I have scheduled all of our meetings and we will be meeting with all four of Maines Legislators. This year, since we are doing it via zoom, we have invited the whole Department of Maine Council of Administration to join us. We feel that this will give us an opportunity to show the Council what is done while we are in DC. We have the National Talking points and have a few other things to discuss locally. I am looking forward to this and will let all of you know how our meetings go.

Membership: We slowed down a little bit in February but I am hoping to have a strong March. We are still on track to make Commander Davis an All-American Commander. Commanders, you need to have your Membership Teams working the 30, 60 and 90 day out rosters to ensure we reach every Member. The Department is currently sitting at 93.12% with 7069 Members which is an increase of 1.98% and 148 Members. We need 522 Members to reach 100%. We have decreased our New Members by 40 and increased our Reinstated Members by 1 from this time last year. We are all recruiters and we must **Retain, Reinstate and Recruit** Members. We have 10 Posts that has 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 COVID-19 free and doing everything they can to keep the virus out. It is hard to do and takes a total team effort. The good news is the majority of the residents have received their second dose of the vaccine. This will help keep the virus out of all the Homes. The new Augusta Home is moving along and should be done in May or June. We are hoping to open in September or October time frame. The whole MVH team is doing everything they can to live up to their motto of "caring for those who served!"

"COMMUNICATE – DEDICATION - SERVICE"

NATIONAL HOME
Teresa Drag, Chairperson

Thank you to Post 10643 for their donation to the National Home!

Reminder to send checks to me at: PO Box 140, Paris ME 04271. If a Post or District does a donation sponsorship (such as a brick or a tree), please let me know so that we can track and thank you!

You may have seen in the monthly email from the National Home that it is National Reading Month at the VFW National Home for Children! You can help by recording yourself reading a children's story. This is a

great project! Perhaps select a story by a local author, or one that is set in Maine. For your video they ask that you have a quiet background (no music). Please upload your recording to their Dropbox by using the link below: <https://www.dropbox.com/request/1yf70EgOlxF20JdEdrZZ>

NATIONAL VETERANS & MILITARY SUPPORT (NV&MS)
Christopher Armstrong

I sure hope this finds everyone doing well and staying safe. As we all know, COVID is still here and making things more difficult and keeping us from all getting together, so Please remember to check in on our Veterans and if you find one in need, please reach out that's what we are here for.

The checks have really slowed down coming in I haven't received any this month and I am not sure I can remember this ever happening. I know COVID is here but we still need to help-out all **VETERANS** in need.

Thank you all for everything you do to help our Veterans. Stay Safe and well.

SCOUTING
Randolph S. Michaud, Chmn

Comrades. In the last few weeks, I haven't received any more entries for doing something for Scouting. When you all get a chance, please donate or do something for one of your scouting outfits in your local area. I know they would greatly appreciate it.

Stay safe and soon it will be warmer weather, hopefully we can enjoy the summer this year like we used to in past years. Have a great spring and please keep the reports coming in.

Thank You

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
Cornelius J. Ware, SO

Service Office Phase II COVID-19 Procedures Continued: We remain in Phase II for now. Our office staff is still here in the office and continuing to work, while observing Phase II R.O. protocol. The following practices remain in place for now, 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 understand 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.

Rating Schedule Change: Effective February 7, 2021, the following changes were made to the Musculoskeletal Rating Schedule. Update to the Veteran Affairs Schedule for Rating Disabilities was made to reflect modern procedures and recovery time. These changes are reflected in 38 CFR 4.71a, Schedule of Rating for the Musculoskeletal System. Most notably, the length of time allowed for a 100 per-cent evaluation immediately following a total knee or hip replacement was reduced from a combined total of 13 months down to five months. In addition, the topic of knee and hip resurfacing with post surgical convalescence was added.

If you have any questions concerning how the new rating table will impact your present claims please contact the VFW Service Office at (207)623-5723.

Togus Public Contact Live Video Sessions: Togus is the first Regional Office in the nation to offer live video Telebenefits sessions through VA Video Connect (VVC) from the comfort of the Veteran's home. VVC uses secure, live video technology to connect the Veteran and a Togus representative visually and audibly throughout the session. This service increases VA's responsiveness to Veteran needs, reduces travel costs and time, and improves access to benefits. To schedule an appointment, contact the Togus Public Contact Team at (207) 621-6938.

eBenefits Migration: As eBenefits migrates to va.gov, VA is removing references to eBenefits from VA websites and literature. Veterans are encouraged to visit va.gov for information regarding their claims and appeals. This update allows Veterans to obtain information at just one location.

Where to get "one-stop shop" assistance after an emergency or natural disaster: Did you know there is a "one stop shop" for Veterans seeking assistance after an emergency or natural disaster?

DisasterAssistance.gov. is a site that has the ability to deliver 70 forms of assistance from 17 federal agencies. There, users can apply for disaster assistance, check application status, identify FEMA Disaster Recovery Center (DRC), find housing assistance and more.

Veterans can find information on replacing lost or destroyed medical equipment, service animal, benefits, caregiver support, housing, debt management, and replacing service records. To locate Veterans' information on the site, go to the "Information" pull down menu and select "Veterans." The information is available in both English and Español.

Call or visit your local VA Medical Center or Community Resource and Referral Center if you are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Resources can be found on the link below or call the hotline.

<https://www.va.gov/homeless/>.

1-888-4AID-VET (1-877-424-3838).

If you are a Veteran in crisis or concerned about one – free, confidential support is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Veterans Crisis Line is available by phone, text or chat.

Call **1-800-273-8255** and **Press 1**.

Send a text to **838255**.

<https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help/chat>.

Support for deaf and hard of hearing: Call **1-800-799-4889**.

The best way to protect you and your family is to stay informed with local forecasts, have a preparedness plan, and heed guidance from local emergency management officials. Stay safe!

"VETERANS SERVING VETERANS"

VETERANS ADVISORY TO VA MAINE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

John Poulin, Chairman

Covid cases Togus update: 400 reported cases 337 recovered, 33 Hospitalized 22 Outpatient 5 inpatient 3 passed.

Positive development AO Presumptive issues are being accepted but still pending Guiding regs. PARKINSONS LIKE SYMPTOMS < GALL BLADDER CANCER, and HYPERTHYROIDISM.

New Regs on musculoskeletal issues. Check your newest daily regs for changes.

New Knee replacements are now being granted 4 mos. rehabilitation where before it was 1 year.

VA is doing away with e-benefits claim fax submissions. VA moving to direct submissions only.

Hospital working to provide mass injection Covid injection sites Caribou or Presque Isle, Brunswick, Bangor. More to come. 75 and older and co-morbid 1st, 70-to 75 and 2nd, 1 others will come after.

Portland CBOC in the works hoping for early fall opening, Caribou in the planning, Rumford looks long term.

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

Where in the World is Juliette Gordon Low? Are you interested in solving mysteries and learning about other countries? In this 5-session series, you'll learn more about Girl Scouts own Juliette Gordon Low and the World Centers. Global Connection. Date: 7 Mar and 4 April. Reg. By: 17 Feb. Start Time: 6 pm. End Time: 7 pm. Location: Virtual. Levels: C. Girl Fee: \$ 10.00. Adult Fee: \$ 0.00.

College Knowledge: Build Heathy Habits – in this virtual workshop, we'll cover the fifth step of the College Knowledge badge. When you start college, you'll take your first step into Independent Adult life. You'll be juggling classes, homework, friends, family, finances and more. Date: 24 Mar. Reg By: 17 Mar. Start Time: 6 pm. End Time: 7 pm. Location: Virtual. Levels: A. Girl Fee: \$ 3.00. Adult Fee: \$ 0.00.

DEPT @ 93.12% - Need 522 For 100% (22+)
Department Statistics

Maine as of Friday February 26, 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	56	0	2	25	83	82	101.21%	+1	FORT FAIRFIELD	0
9389	1	359	3	6	113	481	481	100.00%	0	CARIBOU	0
9699	1	63	0	2	15	80	79	101.26%	+1	ASHLAND	0
District Total	1	572	3	10	164	749	802	93.39%	-53		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1605	2	119	1	1	11	132	132	100.00%	0	BURLINGTON	1
7529	2	58	0	0	10	68	82	82.92%	-14	ISLAND FALLS	0
District Total	2	177	1	1	21	200	214	93.45%	-14		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9779	3	103	0	3	30	136	136	100.00%	0	CALAIS	0
11553	3	102	0	0	16	118	139	84.89%	-21	HARRINGTON	1
District Total	3	205	0	3	46	254	275	92.36%	-21		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
109	4	116	3	0	36	155	176	88.06%	-21	ELLSWORTH	0
1761	4	170	3	0	31	204	244	83.60%	-40	BANGOR	0
3381	4	157	3	3	24	187	209	89.47%	-22	OLD TOWN	0
4633	4	97	1	0	7	105	111	94.59%	-6	HAMPDEN	1
District Total	4	540	10	3	98	651	740	87.97%	-89		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
4298	5	51	0	0	14	65	74	87.83%	-9	DEXTER	0
5723	5	5	0	0	10	15	15	100.00%	0	JACKMAN	0
6924	5	98	0	0	6	104	121	85.95%	-17	FAIRFIELD	3
7865	5	100	1	0	13	114	131	86.92%	-17	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	11	32	35	91.42%	-3	NEWPORT	0
District Total	5	304	1	0	59	364	413	88.13%	-49		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	22	138	168	82.14%	-30	BELFAST	1
4169	6	9	0	0	4	13	14	92.85%	-1	VINALHAVEN	0
6131	6	48	0	2	22	72	76	94.73%	-4	NORTHPORT	0
9437	6	39	1	0	5	45	50	90.00%	-5	WASHINGTON	0
District Total	6	223	1	3	57	284	327	86.85%	-43		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2197	7	56	4	0	17	77	79	97.46%	-2	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	38	212	225	94.22%	-13		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9	8	39	0	0	14	53	59	89.83%	-6	GARDINER	0
887	8	194	1	0	47	242	264	91.66%	-22	AUGUSTA	1
1285	8	221	1	0	8	230	248	92.74%	-18	WATERVILLE	1
8835	8	237	5	0	24	266	272	97.79%	-6	WINSLOW	1
9526	8	33	0	0	6	39	43	90.69%	-4	WINTHROP	0
District Total	8	724	7	0	99	830	886	93.67%	-56		3
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1603	9	283	2	25	51	361	359	100.55%	2	LEWISTON-AUBURN	1
1641	9	61	1	10	29	101	144	70.13%	-43	RUMFORD	0
3335	9	211	0	0	28	239	254	94.09%	-15	JAY	0
9150	9	62	0	0	11	73	80	91.25%	-7	LEWISTON	0
9787	9	103	2	0	25	130	146	89.04%	-16	SOUTH PARIS	0
District Total	9	720	5	35	144	904	983	91.96%	-79		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	303	2	0	62	367	396	92.67%	-29	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	25	73	75	97.33%	-2	WINDHAM	0
10879	10	275	2	0	31	308	338	91.12%	-30	GORHAM	0
11362	10	30	0	0	5	35	35	100.00%	0	NAPLES	0
District	10	801	5	0	134	940	1008	93.25%	-68		0

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
5744	11	110	0	0	33	143	156	91.66%	-13	SOUTH BERWICK	3
6977	11	170	0	1	16	187	199	93.96%	-12	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	7	7	133	309	294	105.10%	+15	SANFORD	1
District Total	11	651	11	33	256	951	942	100.95%	+9		5
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
15020	99	587	11	37	95	730	776	94.07%	-46	RUMFORD	5
District Total	99	587	11	37	95	730	776	94.07%	-46	QM'S HOUSE	5
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
State Total	0	5670	61	127	1211	7069	7591	93.12%	-522		22



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 <<>> FEBRUARY 26, 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	105.10%
3. 9328 HARRISON	100.00%	3. 8835 WINSLOW	97.79%
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	100.55%
2. 6187 FORT FAIRFIELD	100.21%	2. 6859 PORTLAND	92.67%
3. 7738 BATH	100.00%	3. 10879 GORHAM	91.12%
DIV. III (101-200) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. VI (401- HIGHER) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 1605 BURLINGTON	100.00%	1. 9389 CARIBOU	100.00%
2. 9779 CALAIS	100.00%	2.	
3. 4633 HAMPDEN	94.59%	3.	

TEN HIGHEST POSTS BY %		TEN LARGEST POSTS	
1. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	110.68%	1. 9389 CARIBOU	481
2. 9935 SANFORD	105.10%	2. 6859 PORTLAND	367
3. 10881 FARMINGTON	104.16%	3. 1603 AUBURN	361
4. 9699 ASHLAND	101.26%	4. 9935 SANFORD	309
5. 6187 FORT FAIRFIELD	101.21%	5. 10879 GORHAM	308
6. 1603 AUBURN	100.27%	6. 8835 WINSLOW	266
7. 11362 NAPLES	100.00%	7. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	259
8. 9328 HARRISON	100.00%	8. 887 AUGUSTA	242
9. 7738 BATH	100.00%	9. 3335 JAY	239
10. 1605 BURLINGTON	100.00%	10. 1285 WATERVILLE	230

DISTRICT STANDINGS		MAGIC NUMBERS FOR 2020-2021	
1. District 11 DAY	100.95%	WE HAVE = 7069 – WE NEED 522	
2. District 7 STEVENS	94.22%	ALL POSTS/DISTRICTS SHOULD BE AT 100%	
3. District 8 LAMBERT	93.67%		
4. District 2 EWING	93.45%	5 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A BLUE BALL CAP	
5. District 1 SAUCIER	93.39%	10 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A WHITE VFW SHIRT	
6. District 10 GOODMAN	93.25%	ALL DEPT OFFICERS ARE ASKED TO RECRUIT	
DEPARTMENT OF MAINE, VFW	93.12%	LET'S ALL WORK AS A TEAM AND	
7. District 3 SIVRET	92.36%	RETAIN – RECRUIT & REINSTATE 3 MEMBERS?	
8. District 9 DRAG	91.96%	NEED HELP or HAVE QUESTIONS	
9. District 5 TWEEDIE	88.13%	ASK ANYONE ON THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM OK?	
10. District 4 SULLIVAN	87.97%		
11. District 6 ARMSTRONG	86.85%		

				Americanism/Loyalty Day	Blood /Safety/Drug Abuse	Ordered Buddy Poppies	Commanders Special Project COVID-19 Relief	Community Activities	National Military Service	Youth	POW - MIA	Hospital /NAVS	Audit Report - Jun	Audit Report - Sept	Audit Report - Dec	Audit Report - Mar	Bonding	Voice of Democracy	Patriot Pen	Teacher to Department	Delegates to National	Post Inspected	Recruiter's Event Booth	Scouts
Dist	Div	Post #	Name																					
1	4	2599	Presque Isle	x	x	500		x		x	x	x	yes	yes			yes							
1	2	6187	Fort Fairfield	x									yes	yes			yes					x		
1	6	9389	Caribou	x			x				x	x												
1	3	9699	Ashland	x																		x		
1			District 1										6/19	9/23										
2	2	1605	Burlington	x		1000	x			x	x	7/13	yes	yes			yes						x	
2	2	7529	Island Falls	x			x					x	7/21	10/6	1/5		yes							
2			District 2										yes	yes	yes		yes							
3	3	9779	Calais										yes	10/5								x		
3	3	11553	Harrington																			x		
3			District 3																			x		
4	3	109	Ellsworth	x	x		x	x		x	x	x	yes	yes	yes		yes					x		
4	5	1761	Bangor	x	x							x										x		
4	5	3381	Old Town	x				x		x	x		8/5	yes	yes							x		
4	3	4633	Hampden	x	x	2000	x			x	x	x	yes	yes			yes					x	x	
4			District 4																			x		
5	2	4298	Dexter														yes					x		
5	1	5723	Jackman Stal				x						yes	yes	yes							x		
5	3	6924	Fairfield									x	yes											
5	3	7865	Madison										yes	yes	yes							x		
5	1	7866	Norridgewock										yes	yes			yes					x		
5	1	10881	Farmington				x					x	7/9	10/23	1/10		yes					x		
5	1	11191	Newport										yes	yes	yes		yes					x		
5			District 5										yes	yes			yes					x		
6	1	3095	Friendship	x									yes											
6	4	3108	Belfast	x	x		x	x		x	x		yes	yes			yes	x	x			x		
6	1	4169	Vinalhaven	x																				
6	2	6131	Northport	x		1000							8/13	10/2	yes		yes	x			x	x		
6	1	9437	Washington	x									7/15	10/23	yes		yes					x		
6			District 6				x						yes	yes								x		

