



Department of Maine Veterans of Foreign Wars

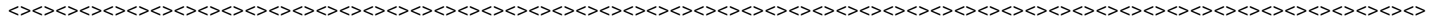


“Veterans First ~ United and Undivided”

July 2022

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 1



Happy Birthday to the “U.S. Army – Air Corps on their 247th Birthday”

Happy 4th July to One and All

SPECIAL NOTICES <> SPECIAL NOTICES

Absence of the Commander: During the period of 6 – 11 July 22, Commander Jennifer Lane will be out of the State of Maine. During this period, SVC John J Bouchard will be interim Commander. Anyone needing assistance are to contact him at the following: Tel: 207-834-3606 or email to: jbgrunt1@gmail.com.

Absence of the Commander: During the period of 14-22 July, Commander Jennifer L. Lane and Department Officers will be out of the State attending the national convention in Kansas City, MO. During this period, PSC Alfred E. Michaud will be the interim Commander. Anyone needing assistance are to contact him at the following: Tel # - 873-1121 or email: alandjanet53@yahoo.com.

Maine Officers Leadership Development (MOLD): Will be held on 13 August at Portland Post 6859, 687 Forest Ave., Portland and on 20 August at Bangor Post 1761, 1368 Hammond St. Ext., Bangor. ***Application is enclosed in this GOs. See attached agenda for MOLD.***



1. Having been duly elected and installed as Department Commander... “I, Jennifer L. Lane, 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, 11 June 2022 the following Officers were duly elected and installed:

- Commander > Jennifer L. Lane, 290 Old Greene Rd., Lewiston, ME 04240 > Tel: 514-4190
- Sr. Vice Commander > John J. Bouchard, 102 Highland Ave., Fort Kent, ME 04743-1467 > Tel: 834-3606; Cell: 834-3606
- Jr. Vice Commander > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
- Quartermaster > David D. Williams, PO Box 56, Rumford, ME 04276-0056 > Tel: 207-357-6664
- Judge Advocate > Amy Hope Meuchel, 5182 Ossipee Trl. W., Standish, ME > Tel: 259-3912
- Surgeon > William E. Day, 6 Prospect St., Unit # 1, Old Orchard Beach, ME 04064 > Tel: 858-395-2424
- Chaplain > Kevin G. Woodward, 9 Johnson Lane, Machiasport, ME 04655-3048 > Tel: 259-3912.
Cell: 263-7386
- National Council Member, Maine > Steven J. SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd., Windham, ME 04062-0251 > Tel: Cell: 315-777-0251

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 > Steven J. SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd., Windham, ME 04062-0251, Tel: (H) 893-5260; Cell: 315-777-0299

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 > Jo Ann Bolduc, 98 Canaan Rd., Clinton, ME 04927 > Tel: 416-3677
Past State Commander > Herman L. Littlefield Jr., 1360 Atlantic Hwy, Northport, ME 04849 -3608 > Tel: 338-5052

Asst. Quartermaster > Arthur J. Roy, 330 Russell St., Lewiston, ME 04240-4255 > Tel: 784-6883, Cell: 576-5552

Asst. Adjutant > Steven J. SanPedro, 251 Gray Rd, Windham, ME 04062-0251 > Tel: (H) 894-5260; Cell: 315-777-5260

Guard > Mark G. Reilley, 5 Academy Pl, Apt 62, Saco, ME 04072 > Tel: 408-9961

Historian > Amy H. Morse-Meuchel, 528 Ossipee Trl. W., Standish, ME 04082 Tel: 4894-0281

Public Relations Officer > Jared M. Sawyer, 78 Mellen St., Apt 5, Portland, ME 04101 > Tel: 469-8570

Sergeant-At-Arms > Mar G. Reilly, 5 Academy Pl, Apt 62, Saco, ME 04072 > Tel: 408-9961

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

Color Guard Captain > Vacant

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 04619-6121 > Tel: 454-3657

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

District 5 > Ivana Hernandez Clukey, 401 Corinth Rd., Garland, ME 04939-4419

District 6 > Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Round House Rd., Washington, ME 04574-3232, > 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 > Richard S. Hatch, 1021 Buckfield Rd., Hebron, ME 04238-3253 > Tel: 890-8176

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

District 11 > James E.N. Bachelder, 2973 Milton Mills Rd., Acton, ME 04001 > Tel: 432-7127

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 Jr., 243 Blue Hill Rd., Surry, ME 04684 > Tel: 667-0063

District 5 > Virgil D. Whitney, 327 Norridgewock Rd., Fairfield, ME 04937-3101 > Tel# 692-7915

District 6 > Leonard W. Harvey, 350 Moosehead Trl., Waldo, ME 04915-3307 > Tel: 322-4179

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 > Marlana D. Reichardt, 9 Sashas Way, Gray, ME 04039 > Tel: N/A

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 Jenifer L. lane

Sr. Vice Commander/Inspector John J. Bouchard

Jr. Vice Commander Anthony R. Kimble

Adjutant Andre L. Dumas

Quartermaster David D. Williams

District 1 Cmdr Danford G. Saucier

District 2 Cmdr James A. Ewing

District 3 Cmdr David O. Sivret

District 4 Cmdr Daniel P. Sullivan Jr.

District 5 Ivana Hernandez Clukey

Judge Advocate Amy Hope Meuchel
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District 6 Cmdr Christopher L. Armstrong
District 7 Cmdr Roger A. Stevens
District 8 Cmdr Carl S. Lambert
District 9 Cmdr Richard S. Hatch
District 10 Cmdr Willie L. Goodman
District 11 Cmdr James E. N. Bachelder

7. Committee Chairman:

Americanism/Loyalty Day > Michael A. McInnis, 15 Vines Rd., Saco, ME 04072-1733 > Tel: 590-6058
Blood Bank > William E. Day, 6 Prospect St, Unit # 1, Old Orchard Beach, ME 04064 > Tel: 858-395-2424
Buddy Poppy > David D. Williams, PO Box 56, Rumford, ME 04276 > Tel: (B) 369-0302; Cell: 357-6664
Commanders Special Project > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
Community Activities > Christopher L. Robison, 15 E. Bucksport Rd., Orrington, ME 04474 > Tel: 825-3874m
Cell: 907-9720
Convention 2022-23 > Michael K. Davis, 135 Conant Ave., Auburn, ME 04210-4457 > Tel: 329-8784
Credentials > Jared M Sawyer, 78 Mellen St., Apt 5, Portland, ME 04101 > Tel: 469-8570
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
Legislative Assistant (Augusta) – Jared M. Sawyer, 78 Mellen St., Apt 5, Portland, ME 04101 > Tel: 469-8570
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 > Anthony R. Kimble, 65 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
South > James E.N. Bachelder, 2973 Milton Mills Rd., Acton, ME 04001-5018 > Tel: 432-7127
National Home > Joel D. Demers, 57 Brentwood Rd., Windham, ME 04062 > Tel: 650-1411
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
 Safety and Drug Abuse > William E. Day, 6 Prospect St., Apt 1, Old Orchard Beach, ME 04064 >
 Tel: 858-395-2424
 Scouting > Michael K. Davis, 135 Conant Ave., Auburn, ME 04210-4457 > Tel: 329-8784
 Student Veterans of America (SVA) > Jason P. Wyman, 280 Bean Rd., Mount Vernon, ME 04352 >
 Tel: 869-8727
 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 > Jo Ann Bolduc, 98 Canaan Rd., Clinton, ME 04927 > Tel:
 416-3677
 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) > Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Round House Rd., Washington, ME 04574 > Tel:
 845-2053 > Cell: 485-7561
 Voice of Democracy > Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831 > Tel: 338-9680
 Ways & Means > Amy Hope Meuchel, 528 Ossipee Trl., W., Standish, ME 04084 > Tel: 894-0281
 Website Coordinator > Thomas R. Lussier, 126 Bancroft St., Portland, ME 04102 > Tel: 761-3971 *
 Cell: 653-5658
 Website Coordinator (Assistant) > 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 > Michael A. Switzer, 6 Burrill St., Fairfield, ME 04937 > Tel: 313-0455

8. Dates for Council of Administration Meetings and Testimonials: Dates are as follows but locations could change as some hotels are still reluctant to do mass banquets.

- >Oct 15 > Presque Isle, ME > Council of Administration, State President Testimonial
- >Jan 21 > Augusta, ME > Council of Administration, Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen & Teacher of the Year Banquet
- >Apr 22 > Auburn, ME > Council of Administration, State Commander Testimonial
- >Jun 9 > Auburn/Lewiston, ME > State Convention, Council of Administration

9. Council of Administration: Will be held on 15 October 2022 at location designated>

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

10. 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, Chairmen and membership.

11. Department Directory: Will be mailed to all Commanders at all levels 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 the Post and District in the Department. Upon receipt of the directories, please

make sure that the information is correct. Please email the correct information to the State Adjutant office with any errors.

12. 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 – with program noted in memo line)*

Commanders Special Project: Anthony R. Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr., Northport, ME 04849-3831. *(Checks to be made to Department of Maine, VFW – with program noted in memo line)*

National Veterans & Military Support (NVMS): Christopher L. Armstrong, 30 Roundhouse Rd., Washington, ME 04574. *(DONATIONS MUST BE MADE THROUGH AMERICAN DASHBOARD and CONFIRMATION send to the chairman)*

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 program)*

Hospital-VAVS (Togus Aid): Michael W. Blair, 748 Hinckley Rd., Clinton, ME 04927. *(Checks to be made out to VAVS – with program noted in memo line)*

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

13. 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 FILE NEW ELECTION REPORT and 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.

14. District Meetings Date Changes: District Commanders are reminded to notify the State Adjutant office ASAP of any changes in District meeting dates so that the respective Department Representative can be notified in plenty of time.

15. Candidates for High Office 2023-24: Any member wishing to run for any high office are to notify the State Adjutant office via e-mail of their intent for publishing in the GOs.

16. Chain of Command: Commander Lane has asked that you use your chain of command if there are issues at your Posts. It is asked that you start with the Post Commander, then the District Commander and finally the State Commander's staff; initially the Judge Advocate. Most situations/problems can be rectified/resolved at the Post level.

17. 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.

18. Officers Duties: Article II, Section 218 – Officers and Chairman, Duties and Obligations - (a) Officers – (1) Duties of Commander - item (k) – "Assure that the Commander or their 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 employ all elected Post Officers and post members to attend District meetings

19. 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 no later than the end of the

month following the last day of each quarter to the Department Quartermaster. (Article II, Section 218 – Officers and Chairman, Duties and Obligations - (a) Officers – (1) Duties of Commander - item (j))

20. 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.

21. 2022 National By-Laws – Manual of Procedures Book: At the upcoming National Convention in Kansas City, many changes will be voted on and published in the 2023 book. All Posts are asked to order the book from the VFW store for their use. **CoA members will receive their by-laws book from the Department.**

22. 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. Several Post and Districts have submitted them to date and have been approved by National.

23. Arrearages, Deficiencies and Omissions: National By-laws: Article II - Section 213: “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.

24. Control of Units: National By-laws: Article VII – Section 709: ¶1: “Any activity, clubroom, holding company or unit sponsored, conducted or operated by, for or on the behalf of a Post, County Council, District, or Department shall be at all times under the direct control of such Post, District, or Department and that all **funds derived there from shall be at all times under the direct control of such Post, County Council, District or Department.**” National By-laws: Article VII – Section 709: ¶2: “All money, property or assets of any kind or nature, as well as all books and records, owned, held, or used by any activity, clubroom, holding company or unit sponsored, conducted or operated by, for or in behalf of a Post, County Council, District or Department shall be the property of such Post, County Council, District, or Department shall be the property of such Post, County Council, District or Department and **must be placed in the care and custody of the respective Quartermaster.** Such money, property, assets, books, and records shall be subject to the same rules and under the same procedure as any other Post, County Council, District or Department money, property, assets, books, and records.”

25. Delegates, District Convention & Meetings, Department and National Conventions: National Bylaws Article II - Section 222 (d): “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.” Post Quartermasters are encouraged to register their delegate on-line through the Online Membership System (OMS). Posts failing to comply with this provision will be considered delinquent and in arrears.

26. Post Commanders: Are reminded that Section 203 – Regular Meetings – All Posts shall hold at least one regular meeting each month. Failure to comply can result in immediate revocation of the Post Charter notwithstanding the provisions of Section 211 of the Manual of Procedures.

27. Dates to Remember:

- 4 July > Independence Day
- 16 – 21 Jul > National Convention, Kansas City, MO
- 5 Sep > Labor Day
- 11 Sep > Patriot's Day
- 16 Sep > POW/MIA Day

28. Candidates for Department High Office 2023-2024:

- Department Commander > John J. Bouchard > Post 9389
- Department Sr. Vice Commander > Anthony R. Kimble > Post 3108
- Department Jr. Vice Commander > Amy Hope Meuchel > Post 6859
- Department Quartermaster > David D. Williams > Post 1641
- Department Chaplain > Kevin G. Woodward > Post 11553
- Department Judge Advocate > William E. Day > Post 7997
- Department Surgeon > Roger A. Stevens > Post 2197
- Department Surgeon > Randolph S. Michaud > Post 2599

29. District Meeting Dates:

- D-9 > 24 Jul @ 1 pm > Auburn Post 1603, Auburn > Cmdr Lane
- D-6 > 7 Aug @ 1 pm > Washington Post 9437, Washington > Cmdr Lane
- D-5 > 21 Aug @ 10 am > Farmington Post 10881 > QM Williams
- D-7 > 28 Aug @ 2 pm > Bath Post 7738 (Phippsburg Sportsmen's Club), Bath > JA Meuchel
- D-4 > 10 Sep @ Bangor Post 1761 > Cmdr Lane
- D-5 > 18 Sep @ 10 am > Jackman Post 5723 > Cmdr lane
- D-10 > 18 Sep @ 1 pm > Portland > SVC Bouchard
- D-11 > 18 Sep @ 2 pm > OOB Post 7997 > SG Day
- D-3 > 18 Sep @ 2 pm > Calais Veterans Center > Adj Dumas
- D-1 > 25 Sep @ 1 pm > Ashland Post 9699 > Cmdr Lane

30. Directory Changes: None

BY COMMAND OF:

Jennifer L. Lane

Jennifer L. Lane
Commander

OFFICIAL:

Andre L. Dumas

Andre L. Dumas
Adjutant



State Commander Jennifer L. Lane.



Greetings Comrades! It was nice to see those that attended this year's State Convention and I hope everyone enjoyed the BBQ and live music. This was the time to celebrate your accomplishments throughout this past year and I hope that you recognized the opportunity to share in the celebration. I want to thank the VFW Post 1603 and its Auxiliary for an excellent convention and all the hard work they did to prepare for the weekend.

I want to thank everyone for their continued support in this endeavor of mine and I wish for everyone to know that I am here to support you and this mission. Our department can use some improvements and motivation and I would like to know how I can do that for you. The Department took a hit on our overall membership, but I again hope that we can work together to bring us back up to where we should be.

Please read and share the membership program and employ your members to attend MOLD training. The training will have a different format than prior years, as there are several changes to our programs and reporting, including the American Dashboard.

I and the staff are open and willing to assist in any capacity that we can! Please reach out to us so we may assist you. There is never a dumb question. We have been lacking in communication and cross training in our Department and I want to change that, so everyone is aware of the available resources to complete our mission.

I look forward to a great year as we work together and remember – "Veterans First – United and Undivided."

Yours in Comradeship,

Jennifer Lane

Jennifer Lane
Dept Commander
(207) 514-4190

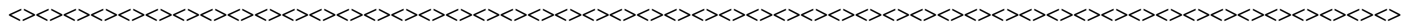


Deceased Roll Call



Department of Maine, VFW
Kevin G. Woodward, Chaplain
25 May 2022 ~ 24 June 2022

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



District 2

7529 > HATHAWAY, James K.

District 6

9437 > NEWTON, Ronald E. Jr.

District 7

2197 > WHITE, Ernest E. Jr.

District 8

887 > BEAULIEU, Ronald N.

8835 > MURPHY, Richard D.

District 9

3335 > La FRENIERE, Paul W.
McCORMICK, George E.
ROBINSON, Perley W.

District 10

6859 > SCHLEHUBER, Lynwood

District 11

9935 > BEAUDOIN, Raymond V.
McINTOSH, Kenneth W.

Members-at-Large

15020 > JONES, Ronald



**SENIOR VICE COMMANDER
INSPECTOR
POW/MIA
John J. Bouchard**



Inspections: Hope you are all well, I will be leaving for the National Convention on July 15 to 22. As the price of gas is up, when you have your District meetings, get most of your inspections done. Try to inspect two of three of your Posts to save on gas. Meanwhile, you all have a good summer and stay safe. It was nice to see you all at the State Convention. {SMILE, GOD LOVES YOU ALL}

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:

- >Navy Seaman 1st Class William Brooks
- >Navy Seaman 1st Class Houston Temples
- >Marine Corps Gunnery Sgt Arthur B., Summers
- >Army Staff Sgt Casimir P. Lobacz
- >Army Pfc David N. Owens
- >Navy Fireman 3rd Class Clarence Blaylock
- >Army Pfc. Sanford K. Bowen
- >Army Tech Sgt Ross H. Thompson
- >Army Pvt Carl G. Dorsey

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

I don't about you but WOW, I had a great time at the State Convention. Thank you, Auburn Post 1603, for hosting a wonderful event and your staff did a great job taking amazing care of everyone that attended. We are off to a great start with our change of command and I look forward to having a great year and I can't wait until we can all get together again and enjoy each other's company. Please be safe and stay healthy and check in on one another to make sure everyone is doing well. Keep Up the Fire!!

Voice of Democracy/Patriots Pen/Teacher of the Year

Let's start getting excited about Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen and get the word out now! Here are this year's themes, I know we can make this year better than ever.

2022-2023 Themes

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY (9-12 Grade) Why is the Veteran Important?

PATRIOTS PEN (6-8 Grade) My Pledge to Our Veterans

Program brochure's designed to be duplicated for distribution can be viewed at:

www.vfw.org/uploadFiles/VFW.org/Community/Teacher%20Award%20Brochure.PDF, or ordered through the VFW Store.

******Important Dates to Remember:******

Voice of Democracy/Patriot's Pen

1 November> All 1st Place School Winners due to the **Post** for **Post Judging**

15 November> All 1st Place **Post Winners** due to **District** for **District Judging**

****1 December**> All 1st Place **District Winners** due to **Department** for **Final Judging**

District to Department - One entry per District - with student's head and shoulders photo, and all personal information filled out on entry form. This applies to all entries to Department. Including your Districts posts participation report, form will be provided to be filled out and returned with your first-place entry.

30 December> Completion of Department Judging

15 January> Department Winners to National (Complete Package)

Teacher of the Year

1 November> Teacher Nominations Due to the Posts

- 15 November**> Teacher package due to the District for Judging
- 1 December**> Teacher Packages forwarded to Department for Final Judging
- 30 December**> Completion of Department Judging
- 30 December**> District Participation Reports due to Department Chairperson

NOTICE!!! Requirements for Teacher of the Year Entries

- Completed Teacher VFW Entry Form
- Nomination Letter (Up to 350 words)
- Teacher Resume (1 page up to both sides)
- Up to five (5) pages (both sides) of supporting documentation
- A good quality head and shoulders photo

CSP: This year's Commander's Special Project is *Veterans Family Camp-Bond Fires that Heal*". Please take a few moments to visit their webpage at www.veteransfamilycamp.com , read their mission and get to know more about their mission. Find YOUR Purpose. Opening day is on July 11th at 5pm, if you are able attend, please RSVP to Joel Lavenson at 207-689-8004.

Commander Lane and I want to Thank you for your support of her special project and please send any donations directly to me: Anthony Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr, Northport, ME 04849. Make all checks out to **Department of Maine** and in the memo line put **Commanders Special Project**.

QUARTERMASTER
CHIEF OF STAFF (COS)
BUDDY POPPY ~ INSURANCE & BONDS
David D. Williams, PSC

Hello everyone

I joke that everyone is enjoying the nice weather.

I'd like to congratulate all the new elected Officers for the yr. 2022-2023. I look forward to working with all the newly elected QMs and the one who have been doing them for a while.

Audits Now that July is here, we all have another Quarterly report due soon. As we start the new year, let's try being prompt and get reports in on time.

Poppies: The price for Poppy's remains the same \$64.00. 500. \$128,00 for 1000.

Have a great summer.

JUDGE ADVODATE
HISTORIAN
WAYS & MEANS (W&M)
Amy Hope Meuchel

JA: Thank you all who voted for me to continue up the chain of command. I will do my best to be fair with any issues that may come across my desk. Remember to always deal with any problems or concerns at Post Level. If any issues do come across my desk the first thing I will ask is, "Did you use the proper chain of command and was this issue dealt with starting at the Post Level?" If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email me. I am still learning a lot however the department is full of knowledge, so I will find an answer to your question.

Historian: Last call for any articles and pictures to go into the PSC Littlefield's memory book. I will be presenting him with the memories at the CoA in October. Email any articles to meuchelamyh@yahoo.com or Mail to Amy Hope Meuchel at 528 Ossippee Trail West, Standish, ME 04084.

W&M: The tickets will be mailed to all Post and District Commanders, please work on selling these tickets during any post events. We are going with the same prizes as last year, 1st Prize \$500, 2nd Prize \$250, 3rd Prize \$100. Please mail your ticket stubs and monies collected to me: Amy Hope Meuchel at 528 Ossippee

Trail West, Standish, ME 04084. Make all checks out to **Department of Maine** and in the memo, line put **Ways and Means**.

CHAPLAIN
MAINE OFFICERS LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (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. 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 from 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

WAA: National Wreaths across America Day 17 December 2022. The theme for the 2022 Wreaths Across America Program is: **"FIND A WAY TO SERVE."** You can send your sponsorship checks to me, remember that the check must be made out to Wreaths Across America. In 2021, more than 2.4 million Veterans' wreaths were placed by volunteers on headstones at 3,136 participating locations around the country in honor of the service and sacrifices made for the nation's freedom, with each name said out loud. If you wish to do sponsorships online you can use this link.

<https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/20060/Overview/?relatedId=14720&modSw=donate>

MOLD: This year's Maine Officer Leadership Development (MOLD) for this training to take place on August 13th at VFW Post 6859 in Portland and August 20th at VFW Post 1761 in Bangor. I highly recommend that you consider carving out some time to be a part of this training. It will provide valuable information to assist you in performing your duties as Officers and Chairmen. **PLEASE NOTE** the requirements in the Membership Program. **If you are a Commander or Quartermaster you MUST attend to be considered for All State. Must attend MOLD training as scheduled by Department ALONG with Post, adjutant, quartermaster and at least one trustee."**

IMMEDIATE PAST STATE COMMANDER
Herman L. Littlefield Jr.

Greetings!!

I was very honored to have been your Maine State Commander for the 2021–2022 year.

I would like to Thank David Williams for being my Chief of Staff and the Department Quartermaster. He did a great job, as usual, and was always there when I needed him. Thank you, David.

A huge thank you goes to Andre Dumas for being our Department Adjutant for the 18th year. Keep up the great work. We rely heavily on your leadership and hours of work behind the scenes.

A big Thank you to all my other Department Officers. It takes a team to be the backbone of a successful organization, and you all provided that teamwork.

I wish to thank our Past State President Patsy Littlefield and our great Department of Maine VFW Auxiliary officers and members for their never-ending support and hard work on behalf of our Veterans.

My congratulations are extended to the incoming Auxiliary President Lisa Michaud for her election to head that great organization for the year 2022–2023.

I extend congratulations to all the newly elected officers for the 2022–2023 year. Commander Jennifer Lane, I wish for you a great year. You have the backing of a great team once again this year.

Let us all help the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Maine to continue with “Unwavering Support For Uncommon Heroes”. Show your patriotism.

Loyally,

**NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER, MAINE (NCM,M)
MEMBERSHIP
LEGISLATIVE ~ MAINE VETERAN'S HOMES (MVH)
Steven J. SanPedro, PSC
“ADVANCING THE VFW MISSION”**

Comrades, Congratulation to Herman Littlefield for a successful year as our Department Commander! You and your team did a great job this year under stressful conditions. I want to welcome aboard Jennifer L. Lane as our new Commander, I wish you and all your team a very successful year!

National Council Member, Maine: As I start my second year as your National Council Member, I want to Thank everyone for the support you have given me over the past year. I am looking forward to continuing to represent our Department at the National level. I am looking forward to work together as one team as we start another VFW year!

Legislation: I want to thank Commander Littlefield and James Bachelder for all the support this year. We were heard at State and National level. We were able to speak in favor or against many bills here in the State. As a team, it looks like we will get the Sealed Tickets changed back to help all the Post that utilize them. We were able to work with our Legislators in D.C. as they Sponsored or Co-Sponsored bills that will help Veterans, Service Members, and their Families! I am hoping that by the time you read this we will have passed the Honoring Our PACT Act. A lot of effort went into this but it will help so many Veterans it is worth everything we did to get it passed. I look forward to having another successful year as the Legislative Chairman and serving as a Member of the National Legislative Committee.

Membership: The year is over and we didn't quite hit our goal of 100%! Some Posts did a lot of work and we Thank them for their efforts. As we start this year, I ask all of you to support Commander Lane as we work to get back on track and attain 100% again! To do this we must work hard to **Retain, Reinstate and Recruit** Members. As I always say, 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 2022-2023 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: This was a very challenging year for the Homes! As always, I would like to commend the staff of the Homes for their efforts during this pandemic. By no means are we done and I am sure they will continue to give top care to the residents. The Augusta Home is up and running and the Residents love the small group concept. As the Homes start opening up more stuff, they are looking for volunteers to help screen visitors and help with the residents. If you want to help reach out to your local home and help them live up to their motto of “caring for those who served!”

**AMERICANISM/LOYALTY DAY
Michael A. McClinnis, Chairman**

First of all, I would like to thank our Department Commander Jen Lane for having me Continue as Department American/Loyalty Day Chairman.

That being said, to start off our new year, I would like to start by defining what Loyalty Day and Americanism are!

Loyalty Day originally began as "Americanization Day" in 1921 as a counter to the Communists' May 1 celebration of the Russian Revolution. On May 1, 1930, 10,000 VFW members staged a rally at New York's Union Square to promote patriotism. Through a resolution adopted in 1949, May 1 evolved into Loyalty Day.

Americanism is an unfailing love of country, loyalty to its institutions and ideas; eagerness to defend it against all enemies; undivided allegiance to the flag; and a desire to secure the blessings of liberty and posterity.”

All of our Posts in this great Department of Maine, do many things that follow the meaning of these important patriotic events. Take time and report, report, report. It shows how much this Country means to all of us.

CREDENTIALS
PUBLIC RELATIONS (PRO)
Jared M. Sawyer

Greeting Comrades, it was nice seeing and meeting many of you at the State Convention!

Credentials: Post and District Quartermasters, Adjutants, and Commanders, start chipping away now at the required items for voting at next year’s Convention, review your by-laws and get your audits filed to Department QM Dave Williams as soon as possible! Keep an eye out in the next few months GOs about how we will streamline the process for registering delegates for next year’s Convention.

Public Relations: As Commander Lane stated at the last Council of Administration; “a News Release to the media is free.” Sending out a release of what you are doing in your community costs nothing but a little time, with huge benefits if it is run! We also need to establish relationships with the local media and leverage those relationships when we are doing good works in our community, this will also increase the chance of an actual story being run about your event. All of this will get our names out there and will increase membership, support for our causes, and even possibly bring in donations. I would also like to challenge every Post to establish a presence on social media. Some Posts have Facebook pages that are private groups, this is good for communicating to Members, but doesn’t work well for communicating what we are doing to the public. Social media is controversial and can be a cesspool, but it is also great at getting information out to the public.

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

Homeless Veterans: Stand-Downs: The new manager at Cabela’s said that he doesn’t want to make any profit on our purchase. He is verifying the cost and will get back to us. We are ready to make the final adjustment on both orders to be with in our budget.

Togus: The VA2K Walk was back in several locations. We don’t have any information on donations at this time.

The Annual Point-in-Time Survey: Explanations to the large increase in homeless in general and homeless Veterans: 1. The general population increase was affected by the number of homeless in the refugee community. 2. The increase in the homeless Veteran population is attributed to refugees not understanding and answered yes to the Veteran question. The Homeless Veterans Action Committee is using the By-Name-List as the state standard.

Maine Veterans in Need (MVN): There is a Point-in-Time Survey/By-Name-List monthly meeting. In order to attend, one needs to be Homeless Management Information System approved. This is operated by Maine Housing.

The VA Veterans Benefit Administration has an app that will verify if anyone is a Veteran. Anyone needing this application will need training and more to use it.

MMCN: The Maine Military and Community Network had their Annual Conference at the USM in Lewiston on June 16th. The Department shared a table with MVN. Since James Ware is on the injured list, MVN pulled double duty. During the general assemble, Jerry Dewitt, MC, introduced MVN and asked for a brief statement on what they do.

All donations to Maine Veterans in Need will receive credit for Homeless Veterans support.

We always need Welcome Kits: The kit list was in the September GO's. You can see it on the Department website. You can print pages 22 and 23 to a pdf file and print all the copies you need.

If there are any questions on any subjects in this report, contact me at james.bachelder@metrocast.net or 207-432-7127 from 9 am to 9 pm.

Veterans' Cemetery South: It was decided to skip the June, July and August meeting then a meeting was called for June 16th. Since the MMCN conference was replanned, we don't have an update of what was accomplished this month.

Assistant Legislative Chairman (Augusta): We defer to Chairman SanPedro to update the Department on the gaming hearing.

HOSPITAL/VAVS

Michael W. Blair, Director

Total amount of donations for the month of June 2022 was \$750.00.

\$250.00 will be used to buy bingo Coupon Books.

\$500.00 will be used by hospital / VAVS for Veterans' needs.

I would like to thank Post # 6859, Portland and Post # 6924, Fairfield for their donation.

NATIONAL HOME

Joel D. Demers, Chairman

Greeting Comrades. First, I would like to thank Commander Lane for allowing me to head this Committee. The National Home is a great organization.

Apologies for not yet having a fully formed plan for the coming year. I am currently trying to collect all the information that I will need. The objectives: to increase year over year donations and Life Memberships, and to increase our member's knowledge about the Home. More to come. Take care.

NATIONAL VETERANS & MILITARY SUPPORT (NV&MS)

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE (VSO)

Christopher L. Armstrong, PSC

Hello Comrades, I hope everyone is having a great summer!!

At this time, I would like to refresh everyone as to what NV&MS is and does! NV&MS stands for National Veterans & Military Support!! National has several programs to help Veterans and military troops in need!! All donations from all Posts in the United States, Germany, and many other places where we have Posts are sent to National Headquarters! National uses the funds to help Veterans that are in need due to hurricanes down south, floods that we have seen numerous across a lot of states and anything that can help our veterans and Military.

We have the Unmet needs program for some of these needs, also if your Post is interested you can use the Adopt a unit program, to adopt a local Military Unit that is deployed. If anyone is interested in any of these programs, please don't hesitate to call me at 207-485-7561 anytime! I know from experience that there are many Posts out there that do a lot for local Veterans and military personal and should be making a note of it for the community activities so I can report to National what our posts in Maine are doing to help-out our veterans and military personal. There are a lot of things that National can help us to do all we can do to help-out our communities. So, this year it would be extremely nice to be able to have everyone report how they are helping-out other veterans and military personal, so I can report to national all the great things that are being done by

all the posts in Maine! Again, my Contact info is cell # 207-485-7561 or e-mail wolfpack03cl@yahoo.com. I Thank all the posts in Maine for their support of our veterans and military personal.

**SCOUTING
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
Michael K. Davis**

Congratulations to Jennifer Lane as our Department Commander. I know you will make us proud and do an awesome job.

The Department had a really good scouting year 2021-2022. Let's make 2022-2023 even better. Future general orders, I will list posts activities for the past month in scouting. All the GO's will have the Scouting deadlines.

Any activities that you do with Scouts/Scouting is reportable. Posts in the past have reported on using the Post for Scout meetings, Flagging Graves, Working with Scouts on their Eagle Projects, Getting Scouts involved in various community activities. Scouts have also helped with mowing the posts yard, Painting and various other events.

Scouts who are registered, active members of a Boy or Girl Scout Troop, Venturing Crew, or a Sea Scout who have received the Eagle Scout Award, Girl Scout Gold Award, Venture Summit Award or Sea Scout Quartermaster Award are eligible for the Scout of the year.

Scout of the Year dates: Deadline for entry to VFW post is March 1st
Deadline to Department April 1st (Posts should notify District of submissions)
Deadline to National Headquarters May 1st

My desire and goal are for all Posts and Districts to seek out applicants to work with and submit them to me for consideration. I should receive applicants from each District.

If you know of a Scout that has completed his Eagle project and will be awarded Eagle rank, contact me. I have certificates that the Department can award to those Scouts.

Boy Scout Web Page

Pinetree Council <https://www.pinetreebsa.org>

Katahdin Council <https://www.katahdinareabsa.org>

Katahdin Area Council Boy Scouts of America, Northern Maine Boy Scouts

Based in Orono, supporting scouting in northern Maine. Includes information on Camp Roosevelt, calendar.

**VETERANS ADVISORY TO VA MAINE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
JoAnn Bolduc, Chairperson**

"Everything that is really great and inspiring is created by the individual who can labor in freedom." -Albert Einstein

As we enter full force into our gorgeous Maine summers, lets please keep safety in the back of our mind. Sunscreen, bug spray, hydration and minding the overexertion should be essential parts of our summertime fun.

Covid and its variants are still lurking about. Contact your PCP or the vaccination clinic to see if a booster shot is right for you. Togus vaccine clinic is 207-623-8411 X7490.

Did you know you can order FREE covid tests to be delivered to your home? Order online at [Covid.gov](https://www.covid.gov) or call 1-800-232-0233.

The new method of submitting travel reimbursement claims continues to be a source of heartburn. This is not localized to Maine but is a national problem. You may still use the old VA Form 10-3542 and put it in the drop box at your local clinic travel office. Using the online method is slightly more complicated but I have found that whatever method you decide to use, payments are still behind. It has been suggested to contact your State Congressional Representatives as they are the only ones who can truly address this nationwide issue.

I am happy to return in whatever capacity I can give at the Service Office. I Thank You in advance for your patience as we figure out the best way to keep the office running as smoothly and efficiently as we can during this transitional period. Be good to yourselves and be good to each other. V/R JoAnn B.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
Cornelius J. Ware, SO

Service Office Covid-19 Procedures (Just a friendly reminder): As we continue to deal with the impact of COVID on the VAMC and the Regional office. Our office is still doing appointments only no walk-in traffic except on a base by case basis for urgent disability claims work only no social calls for now. This is still a temporary measure but necessary for complying with R.O. protocol. We will keep you updated on the VARO's plans and procedures for the full safe reopening of the office in the immediate future. I recently suffer a knee injury and will be out of the office until the July 26th or longer depending on how my injury heals and follow up PT. In the interim JoAnn Bolduc has returned as part time AVSO to fill the void as best she can. She is working on getting recredentialed so she can access veteran files, but it is going to take a little time. So please be patience when you call her for information as she may not be able to access it. I will try to assist her remotely when possible. But for now, my focus is on healing and recovery. So as the SO staff adapts to the present situation remember we are here to assist , through limited. We are still conducting business with the health and safety of the office and the veteran's 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. Or send mail to:

VFW Dept. Service Office, VA Regional Office, P.O. Box 3311, Augusta, ME 04330-3311

Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to work through this crisis together. You can also contact the Togus Benefits Office at 207-621-6938 for assistance in our absence. But for now, please stay healthy and stay safe.

VA establishes new presumptive service connection for rare respiratory cancers for certain Veterans (Just a friendly reminder): The Department of Veterans Affairs is adding nine rare respiratory cancers to the list of presumed service-connected disabilities due to military environmental exposures to fine particulate matter. The following list of rare respiratory cancers will be added to Interim Final Rule published in the Federal Register on April 26, 2022:

- Squamous cell carcinoma of the larynx.
- Squamous cell carcinoma of the trachea.
- Adenocarcinoma of the trachea.
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the trachea.
- Adenosquamous carcinoma of the lung.
- Large cell carcinoma of the lung.
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the lung.
- Sarcomatoid carcinoma of the lung.
- Typical and atypical carcinoid of the lung.

VA will begin processing disability compensation claims for Veterans who served in the **Southwest Asia theater of operations** for any amount of time beginning Aug. 2, 1990, to the present, or Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Syria or Djibouti beginning Sept. 19, 2001, to the present. Any Veteran who has or had one of the listed cancers at any time during or after separation from military service may be eligible for disability compensation benefits. Veterans, survivors, or dependents who had been previously denied for any of these respiratory cancers are encouraged to reapply for benefits.

"VETERANS SERVING VETERANS"

WEBSITE COORDINATOR
Thomas R. Lussier, PSC

The **NEW** Department Website is up and in excellent working order. It now contains the 2022 National Podium, By-Laws & Manual edition. As soon as National publishes the next edition I will add it to our website.

Please ensure any directory changes that need to be made are sent to the **Department Adjutant**. The password for all forms is 1921. Also, if you have any photos of Department events; please forward to me.

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!

DEPT @ 92.80% - Need 548 For 100% (1+)
Department Statistics

Maine as of Monday June 27, 2022

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2599	1	95	0	0	15	110	169	65.08%	-59	PRESQUE ISLE	0
6187	1	52	1	0	11	64	83	77.10%	-19	FORT FAIRFIELD	0
9389	1	340	2	1	59	402	486	82.71%	-84	CARIBOU	0
9699	1	62	0	0	6	68	80	85.00%	-12	ASHLAND	0
District Total	1	549	3	1	91	644	818	78.72%	-174		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1605	2	120	1	1	2	124	132	93.93%	-8	BURLINGTON	1
7529	2	56	1	0	10	67	83	80.72%	-16	ISLAND FALLS	0
District Total	2	176	2	1	12	191	215	88.83%	-24		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9779	3	100	0	0	19	119	136	87.50%	-17	CALAIS	2
11553	3	102	0	0	17	119	139	85.61%	-20	HARRINGTON	1
District Total	3	202	0	0	36	238	275	86.54%	-37		3
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
109	4	117	1	0	44	162	170	95.29%	-8	ELLSWORTH	0
1761	4	170	2	1	35	208	244	85.24%	-36	BANGOR	1
3381	4	158	1	1	28	188	197	95.43%	-9	OLD TOWN	0
4633	4	102	1	1	10	114	111	102.70%	+3	HAMPDEN	2
District Total	4	547	5	3	117	672	722	93.07%	-50		3
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
4298	5	51	0	0	16	67	69	97.10%	-2	DEXTER	0
5723	5	3	0	0	8	11	15	73.33%	-4	JACKMAN	0
6924	5	98	3	0	17	118	119	99.15%	-1	FAIRFIELD	4
7865	5	121	5	1	22	149	144	103.47%	5	MADISON-ANSON	2
10881	5	24	0	0	3	27	25	108.00%	2	FARMINGTON	0
11191	5	21	0	0	10	31	35	88.57%	-4	NEWPORT	0
District Total	5	318	8	1	76	403	407	99.01%	-4		6

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
3095	6	8	1	0	4	13	17	76.47%	-4	FRIENDSHIP	0
3108	6	119	1	0	29	149	171	87.13%	-22	BELFAST	2
4169	6	8	1	0	4	13	14	92.85%	-1	VINALHAVEN	0
6131	6	48	2	1	28	79	78	101.28%	+1	NORTHPORT	1
9437	6	38	0	0	2	40	45	88.88%	-5	WASHINGTON	0
District Total	6	221	5	1	67	294	325	90.46%	-31		3
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2197	7	58	6	2	26	92	86	106.97%	+6	TOPSHAM	0
7738	7	56	8	0	17	81	73	110.95%	+8	BATH	0
District Total	7	114	14	2	43	173	159	108.80%	+14		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9	8	39	0	0	12	51	54	94.44%	-3	GARDINER	0
887	8	202	3	5	46	256	261	98.08%	-5	AUGUSTA	0
1285	8	218	3	3	13	237	235	100.85%	+2	WATERVILLE	2
8835	8	236	5	3	21	265	275	96.36%	-10	WINSLOW	1
9526	8	33	1	1	6	41	43	95.34%	-2	WINTHROP	0
District Total	8	728	12	12	98	850	868	97.92%	-18		3
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1603	9	331	5	0	59	395	462	85.49%	-67	LEWISTON-AUBURN	1
1641	9	59	0	8	64	131	151	86.75%	-20	RUMFORD	0
3335	9	198	0	2	30	230	244	94.26%	-14	JAY	0
9787	9	104	0	0	25	129	143	90.20%	-14	SOUTH PARIS	1
District Total	9	692	5	10	178	885	1000	88.50%	-115		2
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
6783	10	35	2	0	4	41	42	97.61%	-1	LOVELL	0
6859	10	306	9	4	60	379	388	97.68%	-9	PORTLAND	4
9328	10	34	1	0	4	39	42	92.85%	-3	HARRISON	0
10529	10	72	0	0	0	72	78	92.30%	-6	YARMOUTH	0
10643	10	48	0	0	25	73	76	96.05%	-3	WINDHAM	0
10879	10	255	0	0	34	290	321	90.34%	-31	GORHAM	0
11362	10	28	0	0	3	31	35	88.57%	-4	NAPLES	0
District Total	10	778	12	4	131	925	982	94.19%	-57		4

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
5744	11	108	1	0	38	147	145	101.37%	+2	SOUTH BERWICK	1
6977	11	179	4	1	16	200	193	103.62%	+7	YORK BEACH	4
7997	11	169	7	6	101	283	273	103.66%	+10	OLD ORCHARD BEACH	1
9394	11	44	2	1	8	55	53	103.77%	+2	KITTERY	1
9935	11	167	1	0	130	298	333	89.48%	-35	SANFORD	3
District Total	11	667	15	8	293	983	997	98.59%	-14		10
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
15020	99	651	31	10	117	809	847	95.51%	-38	RUMFORD	6
District Total	99	651	31	10	117	809	847	95.51%	-38	QM'S HOUSE	6
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
State Total	0	5643	112	53	1259	7067	7615	92.80%	-548		42



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

THIS 2021 – 2022 YEAR - WILL YOU HELP?

“ADVANCING THE VFW MISSION”

“RETAIN-REINSTATE-RECRUIT”

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HERMAN LITTLEFIELD STATE COMMANDER**

DIVISION LEADERS <<>> JUNE 27, 2022

>> 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	108.00%	1. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	103.66%
2. 9526 WINTHROP	95.34%	2. 1285 WATERVILLE	100.85%
3. 6783 FRYEBURG-LOVELL	93.23%	3. 887 AUGUSTA	98.08%
DIV. II (51-100) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. V (301-400) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 7738 BATH	110.95%	1. 6859 PORTLAND	97.68%
2. 2197 TOPSHAM	106.97%	2. 10879 GORHAM	90.34%
3. 9394 KITTEERY	103.77%	3. 9935 SANFORD	89.48%
DIV. III (101-200) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. VI (401- HIGHER) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 6977 YORK BEACH	103.62%	1. 1603 AUBURN	85.49%
2. 7865 MADISON	103.47%	2. 9389 CARIBOU	82.71%
3. 4633 HAMPDEN	102.70%	3.	
TEN HIGHEST POSTS BY %		TEN LARGEST POSTS	
1. 7738 BATH	110.95%	1. 9389 CARIBOU	402
2. 10881 FARMINGTON	108.00%	2. 1603 AUBURN	395
3. 2197 TOPSHAM	106.97%	3. 6859 PORTLAND	379
4. 9394 KITTEERY	103.77%	4. 9935 SANFORD	298
5. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	103.66%	5. 10879 GORHAM	290
6. 6977 YORK BEACH	103.62%	6. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	283
7. 7865 MADISON	103.47%	7. 8835 WINSLOW	265
8. 4633 HAMPDEN	102.70%	8. 887 AUGUSTA	256
9. 5744 BERWICK	101.37%	9. 1285 WATERVILLE	237
10. 9437 NORTHPORT	101.28%	10. 3335 JAY	230
DISTRICT STANDINGS		MAGIC NUMBERS FOR 2020-2021	
1. District 7 STEVENS	108.80%	WE HAVE = 7067 – WE NEED 548	
2. District 5 WEBBER	99.01%	ALL POSTS/DISTRICTS SHOULD BE AT 100%	
3. District 11 DAY	98.59%	5 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A BLUE BALL CAP	
4. District 8 LAMBERT	97.92%	10 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A WHITE VFW SHIRT	
5. District 10 GOODMAN	94.19%	ALL DEPT OFFICERS ARE ASKED TO RECRUIT	
6. District 4 SULLIVAN	93.07%	LET'S ALL WORK AS A TEAM AND	
DEPARTMENT OF MAINE, VFW	92.80%	RETAIN – RECRUIT & REINSTATE 3 MEMBERS?	
7. District 6 ARMSTRONG	90.46%	NEED HELP or HAVE QUESTIONS	
8. District 2 EWING	88.83%	ASK ANYONE ON THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM OK?	
9. District 9 DRAG	88.50%		
10. District 3 SIVRET	86.54%		
11. District 1 SAUCIER	78.72%		

RECRUITING EVENTS

Post or District# _____

Location of Event _____ Date _____ Time _____

VFW Member & Title Present at Event

Description of Event: _____

Approximate # of People Talked With: _____

of People Signed Up: New _____ Reinstated _____

Comments of Event: _____

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

Submit a signed copy of this Report to the Membership Chairman
Steven SanPedro 251 Gray Rd., Windham, ME 04062

sanpedro105@roadrunner.com Please include photos or news articles to be used in
the Commanders Membership Book

Date: _____

Signature of Post Commander or Department Officer

Department of Maine
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S.

MAINE OFFICERS LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (MOLD)

TO BE HELD ON: 13 August 2022 – VFW Post 6859 Portland

20 August 2022 – VFW Post 1761 Bangor

This year's MOLD is primarily for District and Post level Commanders, Quartermasters, Adjutant, Inspectors, Chaplains, and Trustees. Any one is welcome and are encouraged to attend. Valuable information is available to anyone wishing to attend.

****Please refer to the current membership program for requirements of attendees for All-State Program****

Forward the completed form, along with a check and/or money order in the amount **as listed below** for the MOLD Class. Cost for the MOLD class is **\$15.00 per person**.

NOTE: The fee includes training materials, a lunch at noon time and donuts in the morning upon your arrival.

Checks and/or Money Orders are to be made payable to: **“Department of Maine, VFW.”**

Send both the form and check and/or money order NLT 15 July 2022:

Kevin G. Woodward, MOLD Chairman
9 Johnson Ln, Machiasport ME., 04655

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Department of Maine
Maine Officers Leadership Development (MOLD)

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

VFW Post #: _____ Title: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone #: _____

E-mail Address: _____

NOTE: See General Orders for more information. (Make Copies as needed for Other Comrades Who Wish to Attend the MOLD Training)



Department of Maine Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States
Maine Officers Leadership Development (MOLD)
Saturday - 13 August 2022 Post 6859 Portland
Saturday - 20 August 2022 Post 1761 Bangor



Time	Subject	Instructor
07:30-08:00	Registration	
08:00-08:15	Opening Ceremonies Salute to the Flag Opening Prayer Pledge of Allegiance Introduction of Staff Opening Remarks	CoS SanPedro Chap Woodward CoS SanPedro Chmn Woodward Cmdr Lane Chmn Woodward
08:15-08:45	Commanders Duties	Cmdr Lane
08:45-09:15	Adjutant Duties/Parliamentary Procedures	Adj Dumas
09:15-10:00	By-Laws	JA Meuchel
10:00-10:15	Break	
10:15-11:00	Quartermaster Duties/Trustees Reports	QM Williams
11:00 - 12:00	Dashboard	Cmdr Lane/Lynn Rolf II
1200-12:30	LUNCH	
12:30- 13:15	Membership Program	Chairman San Pedro
13:15-13:30	Veterans Military Service	Chairman Armstrong
13:30-14:00	VOD/PP/TOY/CMS	JVC Kimble
14:00 -14:15	Break	
14:15-14:45	Inspections	SVC Bouchard
14:45-15:15	Community Service	Chairman Robison
15:15 -15:30	Credentials	Chairman Sawyer
15:30 -15.45	Chaplains Duties	Chaplain Woodward
15:45	Open Forum Final Comments Salute to the Colors	Staff Available for questions CoS SanPedro