



Department of Maine Veterans of Foreign Wars

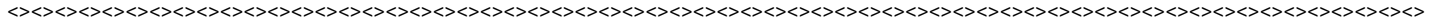


“Veterans First ~ United and Undivided”

February 2023

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 8

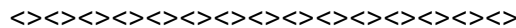


< ****SPECIAL NOTICES**** >

February 15th 2023> Remember The Maine Day

Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser for Commander’s Special Project – February 3rd, VFW Post 1603 Auburn, 5-p.m. Live music 6-9 p.m.

Department Adjutant: Please direct all correspondence and requests through Carl S. Lambert , Department Adjutant ‘s office at: carl.lambert19@gmail.com or 1-207-907-5584.



1. Dates for Council of Administration Meetings and Testimonials:

- >Apr 22 > Council of Administration, State Commander Testimonial.
- >Jun 9-11 > State Convention/CoA Meeting, Bangor, Maine

2. Council of Administration: Meeting will be held on 22 April at 1 pm.

- >Audit & Finance Committee Meeting > 8:30 am >
- >Service Office Committee Meeting > 9:30 am >
- >State Convention Meeting > 10:15 am >

3. A thorough program of Post inspection is necessary to ensure compliance with National and Department Bylaws and directives. District and Department Inspectors to include Assistant Inspectors shall make every effort to inspect every Post under their cognizance on an annual basis and correct such discrepancies as may be disclosed.

4. Checks Sent to Department of Maine: When forwarding checks to our State Quartermaster, please note that checks are to be made out to “Department of Maine, VFW” and in the memo line, note the name of the program it is for.

5. Convention Book Advertising: Consult Tele-Communications from Londonderry, 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.

6. 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.

7. Candidates for Department High Office 2023-2024: Any member wishing to run for any high office is to notify the State Adjutant office via e-mail of their intent.

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 > Teresa S. Drag > Post 9787
Department Surgeon > Randolph S. Michaud > Post 2599

8. District Meeting Dates:

D-4 > 4 Feb @ 2 pm > Hampden Post 4633 > SVC Bouchard
D-6 > 5 Feb @ 1 pm > Belfast Post 3108 > JVC Kimble
D-10 > 12 Feb @ 1 pm > Windham Post 10643 > CoS SanPedro
D-3 > 19 Feb @ 2 pm > Harrington Post 11553 > Cmdr Lane
D-1 > 19 Mar @ 1 pm > Presque Isle Post 2599 > Adj Lambert
D-5 > 19 Mar @ 10 am > Dexter Post 4298 > JA Meuchel
D-11 > 26 Mar @ 2 pm > Kittery Post 9394 > CoS SanPedro

BY COMMAND OF:

Jennifer L. Lane

Jennifer L. Lane
Commander

OFFICIAL:

Carl Lambert

Carl Lambert
Adjutant



State Commander Jennifer L. Lane



I hope this edition of the GO's finds you all well and safe and you were able to celebrate your holidays and enjoy your time with those you hold dear. We are entering month eight of the 2022-2023 year and I must convey my "Thank you!" to everyone in the Department's membership for your hard work that you have been doing for the organization and our communities. We are currently at 94.56% in membership and that is a pure reflection of you! Be proud and share your accomplishments! Please keep our comrades and their families in our thoughts and reach out to check on their welfare and needs. A phone call can mean so much for so little of your time!

I would like to take this opportunity to discuss a few items of interest with you.

- Please notify the Department Adjutant's office if you request a hard copy of the GO's to be mailed to you.
- Please reach out to Dept SVC Bouchard, Dept Inspection if you have any questions on how to complete your inspection reports. There are inspections that are incomplete and reflect "no discrepancies." We know this is not a true statement as we have Posts and Districts that do not have Charter numbers assigned by the State of Maine for your incorporation, IRS statuses that are not current. You all have received a spreadsheet with the latest public information on the above statuses; This a tool to allow you to take the steps to make these corrections. USE IT!
- Please forward a copy of your most recent 990's to the Dept QM office. This is required by law that this in the possession of the Dept QM's office.
- Please refer to our Dept of Maine VFW website for resources. There is a wealth of resources available to you.
- In my fundraising efforts for "Veterans Family Camp", the Commander's Special Project this year, I have a Dept wide raffle going on. The tickets are a \$10 donation with the following prizes: 1st prize: \$2,000, 2nd prize: \$1,000 and 3rd prize: \$500. If you would like to donate to the raffle or would like tickets to sell, please reach out to this office. Thank you to all that have already donated to this great organization.
- There will be a fundraising Spaghetti Supper at VFW Post 1603, 588 Minot Ave, Auburn on Friday, February 3, 2023; 5-7pm with live music starting at 6pm to raise awareness and funds for the Commander's Special Project. I hope to see all of you in attendance to enjoy a great meal and an evening of comradeship
- Please see the attached example of a Community Activities Report and how to complete one. DO NOT use the example attached. Use the online reporting form or the paper copy provided in the Community Activities Manual on the Maine VFW website

Keep up the fantastic work and outreach. You all make a difference! I am proud to represent this Department as your Commander.

The staff and I are open to and willing to assist in any capacity that we can! Please reach out! I continue to look forward to the great things we are going to accomplish together.

"Veterans First – United and Undivided."

Yours in Comradeship,

Jennifer L. Lane

Jennifer Lane

Department Commander

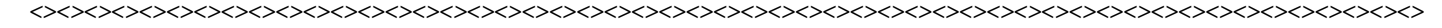


Deceased Roll Call



Department of Maine, VFW
Kevin G. Woodward, Chaplain
25 November – 24 December

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



District 4

1761 > Cyr, Anthony R.
3381 > Herbert . Philip A.

District 6

3108 > Alley, Keith H.

District 7

2197 > Dearborn, David

District 8

8835 > Cabana, Valmond H.

District 9

1603 > Berry, Elmer F.
Brookhouse, Philip A.
Walton, Charles J.
1641 > Canwell, Maurice C.

District 10

6859 > Langella, H. R.
Moody, Kenneth V. Jr.
Solak, Matthew J. Jr.
10879 > Ricci, Patrick A.

District 11

6977 > Fisher, Harry T.
7997 > Buzzell, Stephen
Fournier, Norman C.

Members at Large

15020 > Spurlock, Kevin W.



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



Another month is about to be over up .So let's get with the Program and get these inspections done. There's still a lot of Post that are not inspected and District so lets get with it and get the Commander 100% inspected. February 28th is the deadline.

DO NOT FORGET YOU CANNOT INSPECT YOUR OWN POST OR DISTRICT. You all be safe out their [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 Machinist's Mate 2 nd Class Lorentz E. Hultgren, 23, Tacoma, WA; buried Honolulu, HI 9 Jan 23
Navy Seaman 2 nd Class David J. Riley, 25, Juda, WI, to be buried in his home town on May 27, 23
Navy Fire Controlman 2 nd Class Donald R. McCloud, 21, Monaville, WV; will be buried in Dingess, WV on June 24, 23

Army Air Forces Tech Sgt Ralph R. Richardson, 21, Columbia, SC; will be buried in his hometown on date to be determined

Army Air Forces 1 st Lt Roy C. Harms, 26, Grafton, WI; will be buried in his hometown at date to be determined.

Navy Gunner's Mate 3 rd Class Herman Schmidt, 28, Sheridan, WY, will be buried Arlington National Cemetery on date yet to be determined.

Navy Fire Controlman 3 rd Class William F. Gusie 19, interment services are pending.

Army Pfc Thomas F. Green, 19, Ramona, CA, was buried in his hometown on Feb 23, 23

Army Air Forces Tech Sgt Harold Hretzer, 32, Odin, ILL; to be buried in Springfield, IL on date to be determined

Navy Aviation Ordnanceman 1 st Class Anthony Di Petta, 24, interment services are pending.

Army Air Forces 1 st Lt Carl D. Nesbitt, 23, Lima, OH, will be buried in Annville, PA on May 15, 23

Army Air Forces 1 st Lt Melvin B. Meyer, 25, Patonville, Missouri, will be buried in St Louis, Missouri, date yet to be determined.

Army Pfc Mark P. Wilson, 20, Elizabethton, TN, will be buried Arlington National cemetery date to be determined.

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

What a great turn out for the Voice of Democracy/Patriots Pen/Teacher of the Year banquet. Thank you again to everyone who helped pull off a wonderful celebration for the students, teachers, and their families. 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

The Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year programs have been completed. I would like to

thank every district, post, and auxiliary member that has helped in making this another successful year. Here are the final three standings for Voice of Democracy, Patriot Pen and Teacher of the Year.

2022-2023 Voice of Democracy			
Final Standing	District	Contestant Name	Post # and Post Name
1	10	Hunter M. Edson	Post 10643 Windham, Windham
2	11	Lucinda R. Brogan	Post 6977 Boardman-Ellis, York
3	3	Noah I. Hart	Post 9779 Boyd-Smith-Mitchell, Calais
No Particular Order	1	Elizabeth M. Wing	Post 9389 Lister-Knowlton, Caribou
	4	Landon J. Nason	Post 1761 Bangor Memorial, Bangor
	5	Peyton M. Chaisson	Post 5723 William B Doughty, Jackman
	6	Matthew E. Bruns	Post 3108 Randall & Collins Memorial, Belfast
	7	Haiden M. Allen	Post 2197 Rev Joseph Lamarre Memorial, Topsham
	8	Lily A. Belanger	Post 9 Bagley-Gardiner-Foster, Gardiner

2022-2023 Patriots Pen			
Final Standing	District	Contestant Name	Post # and Post Name
1	11	Annora S. Ferris	Post 9935 Sanford-Springvale Memorial, Sanford
2	7	Mikayla M. Brown	Post 2197 Rev Joseph Lamarre Memorial, Topsham
3	8	Sarah E. Mansir	Post 9 Bagley-Gardiner-Foster, Gardiner
No Particular Order	1	Hailee L. Pelletier	Post 9389 Lister-Knowlton, Caribou
	2	Lily-Rebecca C. Mitchell	Post 1605 Labelle-Perkins, Burlington
	3	Liam Travis	Post 9779 Boyd-Smith-Mitchell, Calais
	4	Lucus Fachiol	Post 4633 Whitcomb-Baker, Hampden
	5	Chase S. Ross	Post 10881 James A. McKechnie, Farmington
	6	Hannah E. Cole	Post 3108 Randall & Collins Memorial, Belfast
	10	Brooke W. Brunelle	Post 6859 Deering Memorial, Portland
	9	Gabriella E.H. Perry	Post 3335 Frank L. Mitchell, Jay

2022-2023 Teachers of the Year			
Final Standing	District	Contestant Name	Post #
Department TOY Winner	8	Rebecca I. McLaughlin	Post 9 Bagley-Gardiner-Foster, Gardiner
Elementary School TOY	8	Rebecca I. McLaughlin	Post 9 Bagley-Gardiner-Foster, Gardiner
Middle School TOY	3	No Submissions	
High School TOY	6	Thomas Hart	Post 3108 Randall & Collins Memorial, Belfast

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.

Commander Lane and I want to thank you the posts that have sent in your support of her special project and I encourage other posts to please send any donations directly to me: Anthony Kimble, 64 Bayview Dr, Northport, Maine 04849. Make all checks out to the Department of Maine and in the memo line put the Commander's Special Project. Thank you.

QUARTERMASTER
BUDDY POPPY ~ INSURANCE & BONDS
David D. Williams, PSC

Hello, Vets, I hope these GOs find everyone doing well ,keeping warm , and surviving the winter. It was nice seeing everyone who attended the C of A last weekend in Augusta. I apologize for not making it to the Banquet but heard it went really well . Congratulations to all the Students and Teachers. Also to all the posts who entered the students because that was where it all started.

Reminder that all Posts are required to send in a copy of your 990 filing or Postcard filing whichever one it is your post does. By-laws state you must provide a copy to the State Quartermaster in a timely manner after filing.

Audits: As for Audits, Dec 31 close of books Audit is now past due if you have not submitted it.

Bonding all posts should be bonded by now either from the State or from your own Bonding company.

Poppy's: Poppy orders are back up and running pretty smoothly again. When I place an order I usually have an invoice within a week to 10 days which is good .

I hope that everyone has a great month to keep up all the great things you do for our Veterans. Do not forget to check the hit list if you have any questions on report.

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

Ways and Means:

Tickets have been handed out to the district commanders or their representative at the recent CoA for Ways and Means. Please make sure you get your stack. The prizes are 1st Place \$500, 2nd Place \$250, and 3rd Place \$100.

Historian:

I was finally able to give PSC Littlefield his memories from his time as Commander. I do have one more to give him. I am also currently working on Commander Lane's book. Please continue to send articles and pictures. My address is 528 Ossipee Trail W, Standish ME 04084.

Judge Advocate:

Continue to use your chain of command for any issues. Starting at the lowest level which is your Post. Use good judgment when conducting VFW Business. Refer to your By-Laws at all levels however if you have any questions I am just a phone call or email away. I definitely do not know everything but I will find an answer to any question that you may have.

Respectfully,
Amy Hope Meuchel

**SURGEON
Safety & Drug Abuse
William Day**

Greetings Comrades. Please remember that February is Cancer AwarenessMonth! There are many different types of cancer! You should educate yourself about all of these. You can help by making a

donation or volunteering at a fundraising event. Many Posts have reported on Safety and more need to. When you check your fire extinguishers, shovel or shop for the elderly, or a Veteran it counts as Safety! We are in the worst of Winter so remember to go slow! Don't Hurry! Be careful and stay safe! Stay healthy! Stay Happy!

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

Imagine – a sinking ship and not enough life jackets. Would you give up your life jacket to save another?

On a cold night in the North Atlantic on Feb. 3, 1943, not only did one man give up his life jacket, but three others joined him. This story may sound familiar to you: The Four Chaplains – Father John P. Washington, Rabbi Alexander D. Goode, the Rev. George L. Fox, and the Rev. Clark V. Poling – were on a sinking USAT Dorchester.

The Army transport was part of a convoy of three ships en route to an American base in Greenland. Before the ships could reach their destination, an officer on a German submarine noticed the convoy. Orders were given to fire, and the Dorchester was hit by a torpedo.

After the hit, the four chaplains attempted to bring calm to the chaos. They began by handing out life jackets, only to realize there were not enough. The men each removed their jackets to save four others.

As the ship was sinking, the four chaplains were seen standing on the ship's stern, arms locked as they prayed and sang hymns. Not only was it a sign of bravery, but the chaplains put aside their different faiths and prayed as one.

On that night, only 230 of the 902 on board survived. The ship was carrying servicemen, merchant seamen, and civilian workers.

The four chaplains were awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and Purple Heart posthumously. They could not be awarded the Medal of Honor because they didn't meet the requirements. As a result, a posthumous special medal of heroism was awarded in 1961 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The Four Chaplains' Medal was given and will never be given again.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Family remembers these men and their sacrifices each February. Four Chaplains Day is Feb. 3. Please take a moment to remember.

WAA: Wreaths Across America Day 2023 is December 16th This year's theme is "Serve and Succeed"

Beginning on Feb. 1, 2023, the cost to sponsor a veteran's wreath for placement on National Wreaths Across America Day will increase to \$17 to help offset the increased costs of the programs and administration.

NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER, MAINE (NCM,M)
CHIEF OF STAFF (CoS)
MEMBERSHIP
LEGISLATIVE ~ MAINE VETERANS HOMES (MVH)
Steven J. SanPedro, PSC

Comrades,

I hope all of you are in good health and in a safe environment. Please be careful during this winter season. We will be through it in no time at all.

Congratulations to Post 6977 York and District 2 for reaching their goal of 100%! That make 9 Posts and 1 District to have joined the Commander 100% Club. Will you be the next to join them.

Chief of Staff – I want everyone to be clear that there is only one Department Adjutant and everything adjutant wise must go through him. We are way behind on our Ways and Means so please sell your tickets and if you need more then please ask JA Amy Meuchel for more. If you just want to make a donation, please just send to her and it will be greatly appreciated!

National Council Member – Maine – Really not much going on right now. I did attend the January Council of Administration in August and I think things went rather well. It was nice to have National Surgeon General Daniel Kell here as the National Representative.

Legislation – There was a big push on trying to get a few Veterans focused bill passed before the a new Congress came in. Not much luck on that. Senator Collins Auto Bill was passed with the National Defense Authorization Act. Our Commander-in-Chief sent out a letter to President Biden urging him to sign the Major Richard Star Act into law. I have begun working on getting the meeting setup for the upcoming VFW Legislative Conference with all four of Maine's Legislators.

Membership – The Department is currently sitting at 93.87% with 5974 Members which is an increase of 1.97% and 128 Members. We need 398 Members to reach 100%. We have decreased the number of New Members by 5 and increased our Reinstated Members by 17 from this time last year. We have 13 Posts that have completed a Recruiter Event and submitted the proper paperwork to me. We are on track to hit our goals at Post, District and Department levels. Continue to work hard and make Membership a top priority for your Post. We must make sure we Retain, Reinstate and Recruit Members. Please read to make sure you understand the 2022-2023 Department and National Membership Program they have changed. If you have any questions on Membership, please contact me at 207-894-5260 or email me at sanpedro105@roadrunner.com

Maine Veterans Homes – As always the Homes continue to focus on keeping Covid and the flu out of the homes. This is a constant battle for them but the new thought process is that we need to live it! Things seem to be going well with the CEO and she has hit the ground running. I see good things in the future of the Homes with her. 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!”

“VETERANS FIRST – UNITED AND UNDIVIDED”

AMERICANISM/LOYALTY DAY
Michael A. McInnis, Chairman

I would like to thank all the Posts in the Department of Maine that have already reported in Americanism/Loyalty Day Programs so far this year for the 2022-2023 reporting cycle. By now, there is no reason that all Posts in the Department of Maine have not reported in Americanism! Only about 53% of the posts in our state have reported in Americanism/Loyalty Day Programs. We also should remember the USS Maine on the 125 th anniversary of its sinking in Havana Harbor on February 15 th 1898. Hoping that posts in our state remember the ship named for our great state. Its sinking led us into the Spanish-American War. You should submit your Community Activity Reports on-line at the Department of Maine website, I will receive them. If you do not receive credit, please contact me @ 207-590-6058 or at my email: qmvfw7997@yahoo.com

AUDIT & FINANCE
GRANTS COORDINATOR
Alfred E. Michaud Sr., PSC

The Audit and Finance Committee will meet at the next COA.

Grants: Homeless Veterans Grant through the Department of Labor \$10,000.00 , approved 9/23/2022 funds drawn down. Waiting for a final discussion with DOL on receipts to start closing grant. Our State of Maine VSO Grant \$60,000.00 on track. Our VA Transportation New Grant is \$37,344.00 up and running. State Homeless Veterans Grant we have had no info passed on if we will receive any this year so far.

Anyone interested in becoming the Grants Officer for the Department contact the State Commander. Must be eligible to be a Federal Contractor, computer experience, pass State and Federal background checks.

HOSPITAL/VAVS
Michael W. Blair, Director

Total donations for the month of January, 2023 were \$1,575.00. \$250.00 was given to the Recreation Department. The remainder of \$1,325.00 was donated to Togus VA Hospital / VAVS for care and needs of Veterans. I would like to thank Posts # 6859 Portland, # 6924 Fairfield, # 9935 Sanford, # 7738 Bath and the VFW Department of Maine.

NATIONAL VETERANS AND MILITARY SERVICE
Christopher L. Armstrong, Chairman

Hello Comrades

Hope this finds everyone doing well and staying healthy, and enjoying the new year . I want to say how much I enjoyed the PP/VOD /Teacher of the Year Banquet this year and how proud I am of all the students and their hard work. They are all WINNER'S in my book. Great job everyone

There is not a lot to report this month however I am going to say this again **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU GO TO THE VFW DASH BOARD TO MAKE YOUR DONATIONS , THE CHECKS DO NOT COME TO ME**, and if you need any help I am here to help you , 207-485-7561

Thank you for all you do for our Veterans keep up the good work, Stay healthy

SSG Christopher Armstrong (Ret)National VFW Veterans & Military Service Committee
Post Commander, VFW Post 9437 Past VFW Maine State Commander 2018-2019207-485-7561e- [mail-wolfpack03cl@yahoo.com](mailto:wolfpack03cl@yahoo.com)

NATIONAL HOME
Joel D. Demers, Chairman

Greeting Comrades! National Home donations are coming along well. We have twin financial goals to accomplish and we are making good progress on one and surpassed the other. As always, please let me know what you have donated. Reporting helps us promote our and your generousness. 23 of 46 Posts have made their goal of \$0.50 per member. Please consider more if your goal seems low. Check out the great job that some of our Posts are doing! Very much appreciated.

The top three by %: Gardiner - 3104% Farmington - 2307% Topsham - 1261%

Top Three by \$: York Beach - \$1015 Gardiner - \$714 Topsham - \$555

We have blown past our other goal of \$2895 for the Department. As of 24 January, we are at \$6008. Great work. Keep it up. I know that the National Home appreciates every dollar. Please consider taking a moment at your next meeting to educate your Post members on the National Home. They have excellent videos explaining the impact that they have. They can be found at: <https://vfwnationalhome.org/stories/>

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

Hello from the Davis house. We hope this finds you well.

We had our first convention meeting in January at the COA. Lots of work still to be done but I believe this will be a great convention.

Lots of great things going in our posts for youth and scouting. Posts are donating their hall for meetings, children's Christmas parties, Toys for Tots, VOD/Patriots Pen, Flag etiquette and flag folding ceremonies just to name a few.

If I missed you on the list below please send me a note and I will correct it.

The below posts are report in youth for 2022-2023

Dist 1 2599
Dist 3 9779
Dist 4 109, 3381
Dist 6 3108
Dist 7 2197, 7738
Dist 8 9, 887, 9526, 8835
Dist 9 1603, 9787
Dist 10 6859, 10643, 10879
Dist 11 5744, 6977,7997, 9394, 9935, 9936

The below posts are reported in Scouting for 2022-2023

Dist 1 2599
Dist 4 109, 3381
Dist 6 3108
Dist 7 2197
Dist 8 887, 9526, 8835
Dist 9 1603, 9787
Dist 10 10643, 10879
Dist 11 5744, 6977, 7997,9394, 9935, 9936

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 SERVICE OFFICE
Cornelius J. Ware, SO

1. Service Office COVID-19 procedures . We are still following the Covid-19 policy of VAMC and the Regional office. Our office is still doing appointments with walk-in traffic on a case-by-case basis for urgent disability claims issues, we are trying to limit the social calls for now please. This ongoing measure is temporary, but necessary for complying with VARO, protocol and handling the flood of daily claims work the office has to be completed. We will continue to update the Dept. leadership of the VARO's plans and procedures for the full safe reopening of the office in the immediate future. We ask for your patience and understanding as we continue to adapt to the present situation. Remember we are here to help and assist you, so please reach out to us as the need arises. We are still conducting business with the health and safety of the office staff and the veterans serve as our number one priority. Sorry for any temporary inconvenience this may cause. 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 .

2. The impact of the PACT ACT(Just a friendly reminder). Here is some basis

information provided by VBA as we prepare to start processing claims. The Secretary has authority to accelerate some of these dates, but this is what is in the law now for PACT Act:

VA may move forward irrespective of these dates if the claim is for DIC or the Veteran fits into one of the priority processing categories (e.g., Homeless, Financial Hardship, Terminally Ill, 85+ years of age, etc.)

Claims Processing Date and Effective Date for new Herbicide Presumptive Conditions. Service connection for Hypertension and MGUS can be processed on a direct, facts found basis; as a presumptive as early as October 1, 2022, for MGUS and October 1, 2026, for Hypertension. Nehmer only applies to DIC claimants.

Expanded location for Herbicide Exposure:

-Thailand at any United States or Royal Thai base; without regard to where on the base the Veteran was located or what military job specialty (MOS) the Veteran performed: January 9, 1962, to June 30, 1976

- Laos: December 1, 1965, to September 30, 1969

- Cambodia at Mimot or Krek; Kampong Cham Province: April 16, 1969, to April 30, 1969

-Guam, American Samoa, or the territorial waters thereof: January 9, 1962, to July 31, 1980

- Johnston Atoll or on a ship that called at Johnston Atoll: January 1, 1972, to September 30, 1977

- Enactment Dates:

August 10, 2022 – DIC and priority processing

October 1, 2022 – All other applicable claims based on the new locations

(Burn Pits and other Toxic Exposure

- Asthma, Respiratory cancer, Brain cancer, Constrictive bronchiolitis or obliterative bronchiolitis, Emphysema, Granulomatous disease, Interstitial lung disease, Pleuritis, Pulmonary fibrosis, Sarcoidosis, Chronic sinusitis, Chronic rhinitis, or Glioblastoma: August 10, 2022

- Chronic Bronchitis, COPD: October 1, 2023

- Head cancer, Neck cancer, Gastrointestinal cancer, Reproductive cancer, Lymphoma cancer, Lymphomatic cancer, Pancreatic cancer: October 1, 2024

- Kidney Cancer, Melanoma: October 1, 2025

Expansion of Radiogenic Exposure Locations Associated with Three Specific Historical Events

Location Dates

Eniwetok Atoll radioactive material clean-up January 1, 1977, to December 31, 1980

Palomares, Spain nuclear response January 17, 1966, to March 31, 1967

Thule, Greenland nuclear response January 21, 1968, to September 25, 1968

3. More PACT ACT Info. VA has proactively contacted Veterans and survivors via US Mail on the following dates to increase awareness of PACT Act: November 7-11, 2022
a. Veterans affected by radiation and previously denied compensation were advised to file a supplemental claim under PACT Act using VA Form 20-0995, Decision Review

Request: Supplemental Claim

b. Survivors of radiation affected Veterans were advised to use the VA Form 21P-534EZ, Application for DIC, Survivors Pension, and/or Accrued Benefits to request reevaluation of a previously denied DIC claim. Surviving parents are advised to use VA Form 21P-535, Application for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation by Parent(s) (Including Accrued Benefits and Death Compensation When Applicable) to request reevaluation of a denied DIC claim. If a claim has already been filed, no action is necessary. Please seek out a qualified Veterans Service Representative or Togus VBA Public Contact team for assistance.

4. Be vigilant of PACT Act scammers. Scammers are taking advantage of new opportunities to commit fraud. There's been an increase in PACT Act-related phishing (email), vishing (phone), and social media scams targeting Veterans to access their PACT Act benefits or submit claims on their behalf. Veterans should be cautious of anyone who guarantees a lucrative financial benefit or service. To report suspected fraudulent activity, Please contact VA at vaoghline@va.gov or call (800) 488-8244.

Tips for Veterans, survivors, and dependents who are potentially eligible for VA benefits:

Do not provide personal, benefits, medical, or financial details online or over the phone

Federal agencies will not contact you unless you make a request

Enable multi-factor authentication on all accounts

Work with accredited Veteran service providers

Do not click on online ads or engage with social media that seem suspicious

5. PACT ACT Referrals VFW launched a new initiative to inform veterans of www.pactactinfo.org, a website that streamlines referrals to our cadre of accredited service officers for VA Disability Claims related to the PACT Act. When a veteran visits the site, they can answer a short series of questions to determine if they are potentially eligible for benefits and can also request that an accredited representative contact them to discuss their claim.

"VETERANS SERVING" VETERANS

VETERANS ADVISORY TO VA MAINE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

Jo Ann Bolduc, Chairperson

February is American Heart Month and February 5 is National Wear Red Day. Betcha didn't know that comrades. We've all heard it : maintain a healthy diet, get exercise, stop smoking, but we've only got one ticker and making sure we take good care of it is important. Starting January 17, Veterans is suicidal crisis can go to any VA or NON VA health care facility for free emergency health care. This is a huge step in reducing the average reported 22 a day who decide this beautiful Life is just too much.

PACT ACT toxic exposure screenings are going strong and VA Maine is in the top ten of facilities in the country in processing our Veterans. This screening takes sound 5 to 10 minutes to help identify any toxic exposure you may have been exposed to in the military. If you are interested in this screening you may request one through your VA

primary care provider.

There is no plan to abandon the Fisher House on the Togus campus, nor is it condemned despite the erroneous news reports circulating. The house is located right next to the pond on swampy ground and experienced some settling as new buildings tend to do. Although it is currently closed, the Fisher House Foundation and the VA are working the best way forward to reopening. The Fisher House Foundation will continue to provide accommodations for Veterans in Maine through its Hotels for Heroes program. Rumford CBOC is well on schedule for the Spring ribbon cutting ceremony. Stand by for more information as the day gets closer.
Be good to yourselves and be good to each other.

WEBSITE COORDINATOR
Thomas R. Lussier, PSC

NOTE: If you have more than one (1) program, please reproduce extra copies to make your reports. This form will facilitate the preparation of minutes of the CoA meeting. Please turn in this form to CoS after your program reporting is completed.

Date: 02/01/2022

Program: Website Coordinator

Positive Remarks: The NEW Department Website is up and in excellent working order. It now contains the 2023 National Podium, By-Laws & Manual edition.

Problem Areas: 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.

Recommendation: 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!

BEALS HOUSE
Jennifer L Lane

The Beals House is still running strong! On behalf on the Board of Directors, I want to thank you, your post and your personal donations of funds and supplies that support our mission. We can always use coffee pods for a Keurig machine, bottled water, paper goods (single ply toilet paper), and cleaning supplies. Please promote the house and use the pamphlet that is available to use as a resource for our veterans and our families. When you are at the Togus campus, stop in and take a tour of the house; We are one of a kind!

***Credentials/Public Relations
Jared Sawyer***

Greeting Comrades

Credentials: Per National and State By-Laws, to vote at the State Convention you must have turned in all 4 Trustees Reports, 3 of which should have been turned in at this point. Your Post must also have been inspected, your Quartermaster must be Bonded, all monies owed to the Department must be paid, and ALL Post and Districts are required to be incorporated. Your Post is entitled to 1 delegate and 1 alternate per every 30 members in good standing as of March 31 st of that year and has paid a registration fee for every delegate. You can vote as a Post Commander (1 Vote) or on behalf of them if you are a Post Senior or Junior Vice Commander, but you cannot then vote as a Post Delegate if you do.

Public Relations: Media outreach is an essential aspect when it comes to veterans issues. By working with media outlets, Posts can raise awareness of the challenges faced by veterans and the work we are doing to support them. This can help to shape the narrative around veterans issues and ensure that they are given the attention they deserve.

Effective media outreach can also help to bridge the gap between the veteran community and the general public. By sharing the stories of veterans and highlighting their experiences, Posts can help to humanize the issue and increase empathy and understanding among the public. This can lead to more support and resources for veterans, and ultimately better outcomes for them, and can also drive recruitment to our organization.

***HOMELESS VETERANS, VETERANS' CEMETERY SOUTH/
ASSISTANT LEGISLATIVE (Augusta)/MEMBERSHIP RECRUITER (South)
James Bachelder***

Enjoy the Snow

Homeless Veterans: The By-Name-List is released by the Maine Homeless Veterans Action Committee (MHVAC). The MHVAC meets quarterly so we are not receiving the monthly reports. With the control of the report moving from Preble Street and MHVAC to Maine State Housing, the report should be available monthly. The Chairperson of MHVAC is looking at what part of the report can be released without formal approval. We start working on this year's Stand-Downs. The MBVS needs to set the dates and locations. They also need to do an inventory and set this year's order needs. The Point-in-Time survey was coordinated by the state. We will see the results when the report is released in around 3 months. Our Stand-Down funds need donations. What fundraising can your Post do this year?

Maine Veterans in Need (MVN): We are making progress on our website and Facebook page. Both sites will have a donation button. We have a PayPal account for online donations. The American Legion Post 202 in Topsham is having its Annual Winter Classic Softball

Post Location	Contact Email	Goal In total financial contributions	\$ donated	Value of: NHC Bricks	Value of: NHC LMs	Total Donations for the Year	%
D1		0	0	0	0	0	
Presque Isle	randy.michaud1964@gmail.com	50	0	0	0	0	
Fort Fairfield	vfw6924@myfairpoint.net	28	0	0	0	0	
Caribou	smith.carle@jobcorps.gov	190	10	0	0	10	5%
Ashland	fido214@gmail.com	31	0	0	0	0	
D2		0	0	0	0	0	
Burlington	qm1605@yahoo.com	57	20	0	0	20	35%
Island Falls	tphartin@gmail.com	31	0	0	0	0	
D3		0	0	0	0	0	
Calais	homatoc@hotmail.com	53	50	0	0	50	94%
Harrington	bampa_5@yahoo.com	56	105	0	0	105	188%
D4		0	0	0	0	0	
Ellsworth	Googamos59@gmail.com	73	110	0	0	110	151%
Bangor	hollandlk@gmail.com	99	5	0	0	5	5%
Old Town	brianhnate.1@gmail.com	89	0	0	0	0	
Hampden		55	0	0	0	0	
D5		0	0	0	0	0	
Dexter	clukeyjason@aol.com	31	0	0	0	0	
Jackman	harald.moore@ymail.com	6	0	0	0	0	
Fairfield	brianross1114@hotmail.com	55	0	0	0	0	
Madison-Anson	cwsteward1964@gmail.com	68	100	0	0	100	147%
Farmington	Cthulhu.rules55@gmail.com	13	300	0	0	300	2307%
Newport	classic04965@yahoo.com	15	0	0	0	0	
D6		0	0	0	0	0	
Friendship	jemkpmeyn@aol.com	7	0	0	0	0	
Belfast	vfw3108.Anthony.Kimble@gmail.com	69	120	0	0	120	174%
Vinalhaven	patrick999@roadrunner.com	7	0	0	0	0	
Northport	donald.ramsey6131@gmail.com	36	5	0	0	5	14%
Washington	v1bb3@yahoo.com	16	16	0	0	16	100%
D7		0	0	0	0	0	
Topsham	usnvrag20@gmail.com	44	355	0	200	555	1261%
Bath(Phippsburg)	raineyts49@gmail.com	38	160	0	0	160	421%
D8		0	0	0	0	0	
Gardiner	coutureetc4@gmail.com	23	714	0	0	714	3104%
Augusta	elysia.e.glazier@outlook.com	117	360	0	0	360	308%
Waterville	vfwpost1285qm@yahoo.com	107	0	0	0	0	
Winslow	sempertrue@gmail.com	122	202	0	0	202	166%
Winthrop	jbrenn2008@yahoo.com	20	5	0	0	5	
D9		0	0	0	0	0	
Auburn	kdavis62@yahoo.com	185	370	0	0	370	200%
Rumford	davidpost1641@live.com	61	10	0	0	10	16%
Jay	dlachapelleusmc@gmail.com	99	109	0	0	109	110%

<i>South Paris</i>	rhatchhebron@yahoo.com	61	9	0	0	9	
D10	(\$75 from District prorated to all Posts, excess to the right)		5	0	0	5	
<i>Lovell</i>	Davetteney@hotmail.com	20	71	0	0	71	355%
<i>Portland</i>	qm6859@gmail.com	180	466	0	50	516	287%
<i>Harrison</i>	rscotty65@yahoo.com	17	2	0	0	2	12%
<i>Yarmouth</i>	gorhamjanene3@gmail.com	33	106	0	0	106	321%
<i>Windham</i>	vajda3x@gmail.com	34	60	0	0	60	176%
<i>Gorham</i>	timothy@sandeno.us	127	337	0	0	337	265%
<i>Naples</i>	command591@aol.com	15	32	0	0	32	213%
D11	(\$248 from District spread equally to all Posts, per their request. Excess to the right)	0	3	0	0	3	
<i>So Berwick</i>	rjguptill@gmail.com	72	49	0	0	49	68%
<i>York Beach</i>	raljr76@yahoo.com	92	1015	0	0	1015	1103%
<i>OOB</i>	qmvfw7997@yahoo.com	129	194	0	0	194	150%
<i>Kittery</i>	kty9394vfw@hotmail.com	27	49	0	0	49	181%
<i>Sanford</i>	james.bachelor@metrocast.net	137	234	0	0	234	171%
	YTD Totals:		5758	0	250	6008	
	Goal for the year:	2895					208%
	Percent = amount donated/goal x 100						
	23 of 46 Posts have met their Goal						50%

**"VETERANS FIRST UNITED AND UNDIVIDED"
JENNIFER LANE STATE COMMANDER**

DIVISION LEADERS <<>> JANUARY , 2023

>> 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. 9437 WASHINGTON	103.12%	1. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	104.66%
2. 9526 WINTHROP	102.50%	2. 8835 WINSLOW	101.63%
3. 11191 NEWPORT	96.55%	3. 10879 GORHAM	94.48%
DIV. II (51-100) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. V (301-400) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 9394 KITTERY	103.70%	1. 1603 AUBURN	96.48%
2. 10529 YARMOUTH	100.00%	2. 9389 CARIBOU	94.47%
3. 7738 BATH	98.66%	3. 6859 PORTLAND	91.94%
DIV. III (101-200) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.		DIV. VI (401- HIGHER) TOP 3 POSTS IN DIV.	
1. 7865 MADISON	108.82%	1.	
2. 3108 BELFAST	105.07%	2.	
3. 1605 BURLINGTON	103.50%	3.	
TEN HIGHEST POSTS BY %		TEN LARGEST POSTS	
1. 7865 MADISON	108.82%	1. 9389 CARIBOU	359
2. 3108 BELFAST	105.07%	2. 1603 AUBURN	357
3. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	104.66%	3. 6859 PORTLAND	331
4. 9394 KITTERY	103.70%	4. 7997 OLD ORCHARD BEACH	269
5. 1605 BURLINGTON	103.50%	5. 8835 WINSLOW	248
6. 9437 WASHINGTON	103.12%	6. 10879 GORHAM	240
7. 9526 WINTHROP	102.50%	7. 9935 SANFORD	239
8. 8835 WINSLOW	101.63%	8. 887 AUGUSTA	210
9. 10529 YARMOUTH	100.00%	9. 1285 WATERVILLE	200
10. 6977 YORK	100.00%	10. 3335 JAY	192
DISTRICT STANDINGS		MAGIC NUMBERS FOR 2022-2023	
1. District 2 EWING	100.00%	WE HAVE = 6133 – WE NEED 367	
2. District 7 STEVENS	98.14%	ALL POSTS/DISTRICTS SHOULD BE AT 100%	
3. District 11 BACHELDER	97.25%		
4. District 3 BENNER	96.77%	5 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A BLUE BALL CAP	
5. District 6 ARMSTRONG	96.26%	10 N/R MEMBERS & EARN A WHITE VFW SHIRT	
6. District 5 CLUKEY	95.69%	ALL DEPT OFFICERS ARE ASKED TO RECRUIT	
7. District 8 LAMBERT	94.98%	LET'S ALL WORK AS A TEAM AND	
DEPARTMENT OF MAINE, VFW	94.35%	RETAIN – RECRUIT & REINSTATE 3 MEMBERS?	
8. District 4 SULLIVAN	94.10%	NEED HELP or HAVE QUESTIONS	
9. District 10 GOODMAN	93.83%	ASK ANYONE ON THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM OK?	
10. District 1 SAUCIER	93.62%		
11. District 9 HATCH	90.14%		

DEPT @ 94.35% - Need 367 For 100% (23+)
Department Statistics

Maine as of Monday January 30, 2023

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2599	1	82	0	0	10	92	100	92.00%	-8	PRESQUE ISLE	0
6187	1	41	0	0	7	48	55	87.27%	-7	FORT FAIRFIELD	0
9389	1	321	3	0	35	359	380	94.47%	-21	CARIBOU	0
9699	1	54	0	0	5	59	61	96.72%	-2	ASHLAND	0
District Total	1	498	3	0	57	558	596	93.62%	-38		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1605	2	111	3	0	4	118	114	103.50%	+4	BURLINGTON	0
7529	2	48	0	0	9	57	61	93.44%	-4	ISLAND FALLS	0
District Total	2	159	3	0	13	175	175	100.00%	0		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9779	3	86	2	2	15	105	106	99.05%	-1	CALAIS	0
11553	3	95	0	0	10	105	111	94.59%	-6	HARRINGTON	0
District Total	3	181	2	2	25	210	217	96.77%	-7		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
109	4	103	5	0	31	138	145	95.86%	-6	ELLSWORTH	0
1761	4	150	0	0	21	171	197	86.80%	-26	BANGOR	0
3381	4	148	2	0	22	172	177	97.17%	-5	OLD TOWN	1
4633	4	100	1	0	8	109	109	100.00%	0	HAMPDEN	1
District Total	4	501	8	0	82	591	628	94.10%	-37		2
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
4298	5	45	1	0	10	56	61	91.80%	-5	DEXTER	0
5723	5	3	0	0	5	8	12	66.66%	-4	JACKMAN	0
6924	5	88	1	0	4	93	109	85.32%	-16	FAIRFIELD	0
7865	5	110	4	15	19	148	136	108.82%	+12	MADISON-ANSON	0
10881	5	20	0	0	3	23	25	92.00%	-2	FARMINGTON	0
11191	5	19	0	0	9	28	29	96.55%	-1	NEWPORT	0
District Total	5	285	6	15	50	356	372	95.69%	-16		0

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
3095	6	8	0	0	4	12	13	92.30%	-1	FRIENDSHIP	0
3108	6	110	5	2	28	145	138	105.07%	+7	BELFAST	0
4169	6	8	0	0	3	11	13	84.61%	-2	VINALHAVEN	0
6131	6	45	0	0	12	57	72	79.16%	-15	NORTHPORT	0
9437	6	31	0	0	2	33	32	103.12%	1	WASHINGTON	1
District Total	6	202	5	2	49	258	268	96.26%	-10		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
2197	7	61	3	0	21	85	87	97.70%	-2	TOPSHAM	0
7738	7	64	1	2	7	74	75	98.66%	-1	BATH	0
District Total	7	125	4	2	28	159	162	98.14%	-3		0
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
9	8	35	0	0	5	40	46	86.95%	-6	GARDINER	0
887	8	185	1	0	24	210	234	89.74%	-24	AUGUSTA	0
1285	8	192	0	0	8	200	214	93.45%	-14	WATERVILLE	1
8835	8	213	2	0	33	248	244	101.63%	4	WINSLOW	0
9526	8	33	0	1	7	41	40	102.50%	1	WINTHROP	0
District Total	8	658	3	1	77	739	778	94.98%	-39		1
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
1603	9	310	4	0	50	364	370	98.37%	-6	LEWISTON-AUBURN	1
1641	9	47	0	0	11	58	122	47.54%	-64	RUMFORD	0
3335	9	166	0	0	26	192	198	96.96%	-6	JAY	0
9787	9	98	0	0	20	118	122	96.72%	-4	SOUTH PARIS	1
District Total	9	621	4	0	107	732	812	90.14%	-80		2
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
6783	10	32	0	0	4	36	39	92.30%	-3	LOVELL	0
6859	10	292	2	1	36	331	360	91.94%	-29	PORTLAND	4
9328	10	28	0	0	2	30	33	90.90%	-3	HARRISON	0
10529	10	66	0	0	0	66	66	100.00%	0	YARMOUTH	0
10643	10	74	0	2	19	95	98	96.93%	-3	WINDHAM	0
10879	10	218	0	0	22	240	254	94.48%	-14	GORHAM	0
District	10	710	2	3	83	798	850	93.88%	-52		4

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
5744	11	107	1	0	31	139	144	96.52%	-5	SOUTH BERWICK	0
6977	11	162	3	1	17	183	183	100.00%	0	YORK BEACH	0
7997	11	151	3	8	107	269	257	104.66%	+12	OLD ORCHARD BEACH	1
9394	11	49	1	1	5	56	54	103.70%	+2	KITTERY	1
9935	11	150	1	0	88	239	273	87.54%	-34	SANFORD	0
District Total	11	619	9	10	248	886	911	97.25%	-25		2
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
15020	99	573	18	6	74	671	731	91.79%	-60	RUMFORD	8
District Total	99	573	18	6	74	671	731	91.79%	-60	QM'S HOUSE	8
Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	+/-	City	N/R LM
State Total	0	5132	67	41	893	6133	6500	94.35%	-367		20



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

THIS 2022 – 2023 YEAR - WILL YOU HELP?

“VETERANS FIRST UNITED AND UNDIVIDED”

“RETAIN-REINSTATE-RECRUIT”



VFW BOOSTER ADS

*Each Booster Ad may have two (2) lines of copy
Each line limited to 27 characters or spaces (Maximum)*



Deadline: < 25 March 2023 >

******* Print Name Clearly *******

1.	9.
2.	10.
3.	11.
4.	12.
5.	13.
6.	14.
7.	15.
8.	16.

Send all Booster Ads to:

Carl S. Lambert

Department of Maine, VFW

576 Prescott Rd., Manchester, me 04251-3011

Make check in the amount of: \$3.00 per name

Make your check payable to: "Department of Maine, VFW" and earmark "Booster Page"



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1/4 Page - \$ 65.00

1/8 Page - \$ 45.00

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Make check made payable to “*Department of Maine, VFW*”

Mail to: **Carl Lambert, Adjutant**

576 Prescott RD, Manchester, ME 04351

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“CUT OFF DATE IS April 20, 2023”