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The Post Dispatch

"For God and Country"

MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES

The annual Clarke County Memorial Day Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 29th, in Rose Hill Park, Berryville, Virginia. The program for the service was developed by a committee of local citizens, representatives of VFW Post 9760, and representatives of American Legion Post 41. The program will include patriotic music, military salutes, prayers, and speeches.

This year, the committee is pleased and honored that a distinguished, high-ranking, retired U. S. Navy officer has agreed to share some brief remarks with the citizens of Clarke County. The speaker will be Vice Admiral Norbert R. Ryan, Jr., USN (Retired). He currently serves as President of the Military Officers Association of America.



VADM Norbert R. Ryan, Jr.

A group of wounded soldiers from the "Warrior Transition Brigade" at Walter Reed Army Medical Center will attend the service. The committee has also invited veterans who are residents at the Martinsburg VA Medical Center to attend.

A lunch will be held for these veterans immediately before the Memorial Day Service at the Golden Corral Restaurant in Winchester.

Memorial Day is the one day out of the year for the nation to get together to remember, reflect and honor those who have given their lives in service to their country. There is no better way to do this than with a small-town service surrounded by friends and family. All residents of Clarke County and the surrounding area are invited to attend the service.

After the service, you are encouraged to visit the local cemeteries to place flowers on the graves of veterans, family members, and friends.

Limited seating will be available so guests are requested to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets. Parking for elderly and handicapped guests will be available in the parking

lot adjacent to the Dollar General Store. In case of inclement weather, the service will be held at Johnson-Williams Middle School.

On Saturday, May 28th, U.S. flags will be placed on the graves of veterans buried in Clarke County cemeteries. Volunteers are needed to assist with the placement of flags at Green Hill Cemetery. If you would like to help, meet at the cemetery flag pole at 9:00 a.m. Flags will also be provided to the other cemeteries in Clarke County. The U.S. flags are provided by American Legion Post 41 and VFW Post 9760.

WEBSITE IS A HUGE SUCCESS

On January 1, 2011, American Legion Post 41 launched its first website. Our objective was to improve communications with our members, potential members, and our community. Over the first five months of publication, the website has exceeded our expectations. It has been a huge success.

In that short time, we have registered over 70,000 hits or page views to the site from over 4,000 users of the internet. It is evident that we are reaching not only a local audience but a national and world-wide exposure as well. The news stories "About Our People" have been especially popular as have our Post newsletters and news articles. So far, we have recruited only one new member via the website but the potential is there for more.



The website is also providing assistance to veterans and their families beyond our Post 41 family. For example, the online application for requesting a VA-provided military grave marker has been downloaded over 400 times. We have also had inquiries for contact information on some of our members from colleagues who served in the military with them and military unit associations looking for former servicemen.

So far, it appears that the annual \$100 fee for the web hosting service and the time committed to maintaining the website have been a good investment. If you have not visited the website, you are encouraged to check it out. The internet address is www.alpost41.org.

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CALENDAR

May

- 28 U.S. Flags on Veterans' Graves (9:00 a.m.)
Green Hill Cemetery
- 29 Memorial Day Service (2:00 p.m.)
Rose Hill Park

June

- 1 Regular Post 41 Meeting (7:00 p.m.)
Legion Meeting Room
- 7 Regular Post 41 Auxiliary Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
Berryville Auto Parts Store Conference Room
- 12 Fifteenth District Meeting (Noon)
Winchester Post 21
- 23 Executive Committee Meeting (4:00 p.m.)
Legion Meeting Room

July

- 6 Regular Post 41 Meeting (7:00 p.m.)
Legion Meeting Room
- 14-17 State Legion Convention
Sheraton & Holiday Inn Hotels, Roanoke
- 28 Executive Committee Meeting (4:00 p.m.)
Legion Meeting Room

August

- 3 Regular Post 41 Meeting (7:00 p.m.)
Legion Meeting Room
- 25 Executive Committee Meeting (4:00 p.m.)
Legion Meeting Room

September

- 7 Post 41 Family Picnic (6:00 p.m.)
Chet Hobert Park

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Memorial Day observance is at hand, and it is important that we remember exactly what it stands for. It is not Veterans Day, but a day set aside for us to remember those who died for their country. "Bivouac of the Dead", a poem by Theodore O'Hara says it best.



The muffled drum's sad roll has beat
The soldier's last tattoo;
No more on Life's parade shall meet
That brave and fallen few.

On Fame's eternal camping ground
Their silent tents to spread;
And Glory guards, with solemn round
The bivouac of the dead.

Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868, by General John Logan, National Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, and first observed on May 30, 1868. Sadly, for many, it has become just another vacation day or shopping day. But, we know better, and we will observe it on May 29th at 1400 hours at Rose Hill Park in Berryville. See you there.

Bill Overbey

Commander

MEMBERSHIP

Post 41 currently has 159 paid members. We were the first Post in the Commonwealth of Virginia to reach the membership goal assigned by National and the Department of Virginia. This marks the eighth consecutive year that Post 41 has exceeded its membership goal. We also have retained all but two of our members from the previous year. Thanks to everyone who brought in a new member.

Post 41 welcomes the following new members:

- Charles K. Browning Vietnam War Era
- Briana R. Kelly..... Persian Gulf Era

American Legion Post 41 2010-2011 Officers

<u>Commander</u> William I. Overbey, Jr.	<u>Chaplain</u> Shirley M. Flippo
<u>1st Vice Commander</u> Thomas J. Bundy	<u>Sergeant-At-Arms</u> Troy W. Kelly
<u>2nd Vice Commander</u> Larry W. Hardesty	<u>Judge Advocate</u> Norman deVere Morrison
<u>Adjutant/Historian</u> Robert A. Ferrebee	<u>Past Commander</u> David E. Clark
<u>Finance Officer</u> Michael L. Linster	<u>Executive Committee</u> Arthur L. Cunningham
<u>Service Officer</u> Will C. Nelson	Robert E. Jackson John A. Gallagher

Garrison Hats

Order your American Legion Post 41 garrison hat. The cost of the hat is \$42. To order a hat, please contact Adjutant Bob Ferrebee at 955-4628 or by email at post41@comcast.net.



LEGION NEWS

2011 Boys State

American Legion Post 41 of Berryville will send five delegates to the 69th Session of Virginia American Legion Boys State. Boys State will be held on June 19-25, 2011, at Liberty University in Lynchburg. The five delegates are Daniel Judge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Judge; Conor Mettenburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Mettenburg; Jessie Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Beach; Cory Russman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Russman; and Alex Sefton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sefton. Elliot Symonds, son of Ms. Claire Oliver; and Peter Levi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jon Levi, were selected as alternates.

All of these young men will be seniors at Clarke County High School in September. They were selected by American Legion Post 41 based on leadership, character, scholarship, and service to their school and community.

American Legion Boys State is among the most respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for U.S. high school students. It is a participatory program in which students become part of the operation of local, county, and state government. At Boys State, participants learn the rights, privileges and responsibilities of franchised citizens. Operated by students elected to various offices, Boys State activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law-enforcement presentations, assemblies, bands, choruses, and recreational programs.

Since 1939, American Legion Post 41 has sent at least one local high school student to Virginia American Legion Boys State. Boys State did not operate during the war years 1942-1945.

KP Duty

During our military basic training, we learned many useful skills and among these were how to field strip a cigarette, clean a latrine, and peel potatoes. On April 8th, six members of Post 41 and two

friends of Post 41 had an opportunity to apply one of these basic training skills to civilian life. They volunteered to peel the potatoes that would be mashed for the Post's Awards Dinner.

Post 41 members Larry Hardesty, Bob Ferrebee, Dan Pancoast, John Harris, and Bob Whitson were joined by two friends of the Post, Dave Evans and Chris Whitson at Brucetown United Methodist Church for KP duty. They peeled one hundred pounds of potatoes in less than an hour. Since everyone remained "cut free", no Purple Hearts were awarded for this hazardous duty.

Brucetown United Methodist Church catered our Awards Dinner on April 9th. Since we were expecting 175-200 members of our Post family and invited guests to attend the dinner, we decided to assist by peeling the potatoes for the church. The church ladies showed their appreciation by preparing the peelers a nice lunch of country ham sandwiches, potato salad, applesauce, and iced tea.

Who says that military basic training skills don't apply to civilian life?

Visitation Committee

Vice-Chairman Tom Bundy has organized a committee to make regular visits to members of Post 41 who are in nursing homes or assisted living facilities. The committee visits each Legionnaire at least twice a month. John Harris, Shirley Flippo, Will Nelson, Bill Overbey, and Roy Glammeyer have volunteered to assist Tom in making the visits. Our comrades genuinely seem to appreciate the visits. If you would like to assist, please contact Tom (955-5650).

New Sump Pumps

When the Legion Building was built in 1938, there was a spring flowing in the



From left to right, Chris Whitson, Bob Ferrebee, Bob Whitson, Larry Hardesty, Dan Pancoast, Bev Whiting, John Harris and Dave Evans peel potatoes for the Post's Awards Dinner.

area where the building's foundation was laid. Sump pumps were installed to discharge overflow water and prevent the basement meeting room from flooding.

When electrical service to the building is interrupted, the pumps do not work and water floods the basement meeting room. In the past, this has resulted in as much as a foot of water covering the floor. This past year, power failures have caused minor flooding on three separate occasions. The floor tiles have also been damaged by the water.

In February, Commander Bill Overbey appointed a committee to explore cost-effective solutions for a back-up system for the two sump pumps. Legionnaires George Dellinger, Sam Mansfield, and Troy Kelly volunteered to serve on the committee. After researching several options, they recommended that battery-operated pumps be installed in each of

THANK YOU

- ★ Dan Pancoast for maintaining the grounds around the Legion Building.
- ★ Nora Drury and Margaret Pope for providing cookies and cakes for our Legion meetings.
- ★ George Dellinger and Sam Mansfield for installing the new sump pumps.
- ★ Schrock Tours for discounting the cost of the bus for the Marine Corps Museum trip.

the two sumps to back-up the electric pumps. The Executive Committee approved the recommendation.

Legionnaires George Dellinger and Sam Mansfield spent the better part of two days installing the two back-up pumps. The pumps are now operational, and we hope this has corrected the problem. The cost for the project was \$984. The members and officers of Post 41 extend a sincere thank you to George and Sam for volunteering their time and skills to this project.

Military Markers

Military markers were recently placed on the graves of two veterans buried in local cemeteries. A marker was placed on the grave of Douglass C. Cochran, Sr., a veteran of World War II buried in Green Hill Cemetery. His son and grandson assisted with the installation.

A marker was also placed on the grave of Palmer Jackson, a veteran of World War II buried in Milton Valley Cemetery. His son assisted with the installation.

E-Mail Options

If you have a high-speed internet connection, you can now receive the Post's newsletters by e-mail. The Post also uses e-mail to notify members of changes in events and announcements. If you would like to be added to our e-mail distribution list, send a request to post41@comcast.net.

You can also read the latest news, newsletters, and other information about the Post and Legion online. Visit our website at www.alpost41.org.

Over sixty percent of our members are currently receiving Post information by e-mail. The Post saves about \$5 a year in printing and postage costs for each member who selects this option.

Museum of the Marine Corps

American Legion Post 41 and VFW Post 6790 sponsored a bus trip to the

National Museum of the Marine Corps at Quantico, Virginia, on Tuesday, April 19, 2011. Schrock Tours provided the bus at a discount rate and the driver volunteered his services. The two Posts split the cost of the bus. It was a great trip with 42 members of Post 41 and VFW Post 9760 participating.

You did not have to be a Marine to appreciate this museum. It covered the entire history of the Marine Corps using multi-media and historic artifacts. Docents were available as guides to explain exhibits and answer questions. Some of our group had lunch at the "Mess Hall" cafeteria while others opted for Tun Tavern. The Museum Store had almost every imaginable item related to the Marine Corps.

A very special thank you is extended to Mike Kirby for volunteering his time to drive the tour bus. Thanks also to Tom Bundy and Paul Sheehan for organizing the trip.

Veterans' Food Drive

The Fifth Annual Clarke County Veterans Food Drive will be held during the month of July to benefit the FISH Food Pantry and the Blue Ridge Food Bank Network.

It is sponsored by American Legion Post 41 and VFW Post 9760. Vice-Commander Tom Bundy will coordinate the food drive.

The need has never been greater than it is today, and the cupboard at our food bank is bare!! Won't you help by bringing in a non-perishable food product at our July 6th Legion meeting to kick-start this year's collection effort? Also, please remind all the people you know that they can deposit their generous food donations during the entire month of July at the Dollar General Store in Berryville, VFW Post 9760, and Duncan Memorial United Methodist Church. Other food collection locations will be announced at a later date.

We chose the month of July because that is the slowest month of the entire year for food donations to the food pantry. Because of vacations and summertime activities, food donations are just not at the top of everyone's list, so we have put it on the TOP of our list. Those in need have a need in July, just like every other month of the year.

The Food Bank most needs the following items: canned meats, canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned soups and



Members of Post 41 and VFW Post 9760 arriving at the National Museum of the Marines Corps at Quantico.

stews, mac & cheese, pasta, cereal, and peanut butter. Please do not include anything perishable, frozen or in glass containers.

If you prefer, you may make a cash donation that will be used to purchase food items for the Food Bank. Cash donations can be mailed to American Legion Post 41, P.O. Box 507, Berryville, VA 22611.

Your assistance and generosity is greatly appreciated. For more information, contact Tom Bundy at 955-5650 or at TimothyLLC@aol.com.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- ★ Donated \$500 to the John H. Enders Fire Department.
- ★ Donated \$500 to Boy Scout Troop 34.
- ★ Donated \$1,250 to American Legion Auxiliary Unit 41.
- ★ Donated cookies to the VA Clinic in Kernstown.
- ★ Donated a U.S. flag to the Clarke County Court House.
- ★ Provided Blue Star Service Banners to two local families with grandsons serving on active military duty.
- ★ John Harris, Bill Overbey, and Cathy Cohen participated in pre-Memorial Day activities at the Wee Angels Day Care Center.

LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR

Thomas J. Bundy has been a member of Lloyd Williams Post 41 for six years. Even though he has been a member for a relatively short time, he has been active in the Post's programs and activities since day one.

- ★ He has served as Vice-Commander for the past three years.
- ★ Five years ago, Tom started the annual Veterans Food Drive to support the FISH and Blue Ridge Area Food Banks. This is a month-long drive that has collected over a thousand pounds of food each year.
- ★ Two years ago, Tom used his business experiences to negotiate a new lease for the Legion Building with the Dollar General Corporation. This resulted in additional revenue for the Post's activities and programs. He also solicited bids for our property and liability insurance that saved the Post over \$1,000 a year in premiums.
- ★ This past year, Tom organized a group of Legionnaires to visit our members who are residents of nursing homes or home bound. This insures that these veterans are visited by a member of the Post at least twice a month.
- ★ Tom and his wife, Jo, also volunteer each year to Christmas shop for a Grafton School student sponsored by the Post.
- ★ Tom is always one of the first to volunteer whenever the Post needs help with an activity.



Tom served in the United States Army during the Korean War Era. He was discharged with the rank of sergeant first class. He is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and a graduate of Penn State University. In civilian life, he was employed by US Steel and IBM at various locations. In 1986, he started a commercial real estate firm in the Washington, DC area which he still owns and operates. He and his wife, Jo, moved to Clarke County in 2002. They have six children and twelve grand children.

In addition to the Legion and work, Tom is also involved with community activities and organizations. He is a member of VFW Post 6790 and the Clarke County Honor Guard.

In recognition of his dedicated and conscientious service to Lloyd Williams Post 41 of The American Legion, Thomas J. Bundy has been selected as the 2011 Legionnaire of the Year. His fellow Legionnaires salute his service and dedication to his Post and the mission of The American Legion.

POST EVERLASTING

Robert W. Bayliss, Sr., 79, of Berryville, died on May 10, 2011. He was a Korean War veteran and a member of Post 41.

Dr. Thomas C. Iden, 86, of Berryville, died on April 2, 2011. He was a World War II veteran and a member of Post 41.

Mattie Lee Willingham, 86, of Berryville, died on March 23, 2011. She was a member of Auxiliary Unit 41.

The officers and members of Post 41 join in extending heartfelt sympathy to their families in this time of sorrow.



Awards & Recognition Dinner

On April 9th, our annual Awards & Recognition Dinner was held at the John H. Enders Fire Company. About 175 members of our Legion family attended this year's dinner. We were honored to have Department of Virginia Commander Mike Mitrione and Fifteenth District Commander John Kokernak in attendance.

A delicious home-cooked dinner was provided by Brucetown United Methodist Church. They also provided an assortment of home-made desserts. A special thank you to Vice Commander Larry Hardesty for coordinating the dinner.

Before the dinner, the Auxiliary conducted the Five-Candle Memorial Service in memory of Post members who have died this year. The five candles, symbolizing Peace, Faith, Hope, Love, and Memory were lighted in honor of Thomas Iden, Henrietta Whiting, Esther Boyd, and Mattie Willingham.

The following people received awards or special recognition:

- ★ Thomas J. Bundy was recognized as the Post's "Legionnaire of the Year".
- ★ Past Department Commander Bob Pope was presented a certificate in honor of fifty continuous years of membership in The American Legion.
- ★ Legionnaires Bob Jackson, Will Nelson, Jim Wink, Norm Freeman, and John Gallagher were recognized for their efforts in coordinating the Post's numerous programs and activities.
- ★ Bonni Broy from Clarke County High School was presented a gift certificate as thanks for her work coordinating the Virginia Boys & Girls State application and interview process.
- ★ Legionnaires George Dellinger and Sam Mansfield were presented gift certificates for their work with the Buildings and Grounds Committee.
- ★ Nora Drury and Margaret Pope were thanked and presented bouquets of flowers for providing cookies and cakes for our general Legion meetings.
- ★ Buster Kerns and his daughter Dawn were presented gift cards for serving as bartenders for the dinner.

It was also announced that Post 41 had donated \$1,250 to the Auxiliary to be used for its veterans outreach, community programs, and Virginia Girls State. The Post also donated \$500 each to the John H. Enders Fire Department and Boy Scout Troop 34.

In addition to honoring and thanking deserving members, this annual event also provides an excellent opportunity for members of our Post family to socialize and have some fun.

Thanks to John H. Enders Fire Department for the use of its Social Hall for this event. Thanks also to the Legionnaires and members of the Auxiliary who helped set up for the dinner.

Post 41's Approved Budget

July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012

Revenues		\$41,900
Building Lease	\$39,000	
Dues	\$2,700	
Hats/Clothing	\$200	
Expenses		\$41,900
Awards & Recognition Dinner	\$2,750	
Boy Scouts	\$500	
Building Maintenance & Reserves	\$2,500	
Charitable Contributions	\$2,500	
Christmas Party	\$1,600	
Clarke County Honor Guard	\$1,000	
Department Dues	\$3,600	
Donation: Fire Departments	\$1,400	
Donation: Post 41 Auxiliary	\$1,250	
Education & Conferences	\$300	
Emblems, Flags & Awards	\$650	
Food & Beverages (Meetings)	\$1,300	
Funerals, Flowers & Memorials	\$200	
Hats/Clothing	\$200	
Little League Baseball	\$450	
Memorial Day Activities	\$900	
Newsletter/Website Costs	\$800	
Picnic	\$800	
Postage, Printing & Office Supplies	\$1,200	
Reserve/Savings	\$7,695	
Scholarships	\$4,000	
Insurance & Licenses	\$4,070	
Utilities	\$135	
VA Center Donations	\$1,000	
Virginia Boys State	\$1,100	
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$0



1. Past Department Commander Bob Pope, Department Commander Mike Mitrione, Post 41 Commander Bill Overbey, and District Commander John Kokernak. 2. Nora Drury and Margaret Pope receiving flowers from Commander Overbey. 3. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Norm Freeman, Bob Jackson, Will Nelson, John Gallagher, and Jim Wink. 4. George Dellinger and Sam Mansfield were presented with gift certificates for their work on buildings and grounds.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello, Ladies,

On March 23rd, Mattie Willingham a dedicated member of our Unit for thirty-three years died. Even though Mattie never held a leadership position, she was always there when called upon. She was our "Lady of the Year" in 2001-2002. Condolences go out to Mattie's family.

In February, our cruise ship docked at the Clarke County High School to interview rising seniors for delegates to Virginia Girls State to be held in mid-June at Longwood University in Farmville. The delegates selected are Julia Johnston, daughter of John and Tina Johnston, and Alex Chambers, daughter of Nicholas and Kim Chambers. Alternates are Michaela Garrison, daughter of Larry and Sandy Garrison, and Julianna Cantrell, daughter of Cliff and Jan Cantrell.

Virginia Girls State provides citizenship and government training at the state level. We were not sure we were going to have the funds to send even one delegate this year. But, with the generosity of an anonymous donor, our ALA Unit was able to send two girls. There are angels among us. Thank you for caring.

At the end of February, Pat White and I delivered the items collected at the Christmas Dinner and coupon books to

the veterans at the Martinsburg VA Medical Center. It is rewarding to see their faces light up when you give them the gifts. Our new friend Tracey, who is a homeless veteran, has been our guide during recent visits and welcomes us with open arms.

Thanks to those who generously donated items for the veterans. The

estimated value of the items was almost \$400.

On April 9th, the Post's annual Awards and Recognition Dinner was held. This was a well-attended event with fourteen ALA ladies present. A memorial service was conducted for members of our Post family who died this year—Esther Boyd, Henrietta Whiting, Mattie Willingham and Dr. Thomas Iden. A candle burned throughout the night in their memory.

ALA membership pins were presented to the following members: Dale Coumes (5 years); Beverly Schuller (20 years); Sherry Chapman (35 years); Irene Pope (45 years); Peggy Hart (45 years); and Evelyn Ward (55 years).

All enjoyed a great meal and fellowship. Thanks to Pat Jacobs for the beautiful corsages for all of our ALA members and special ladies. Thank you Post 41 for your donation of \$1,000 to support our work for veterans and the \$250 toward next year's Virginia Girls State.

It looks like you will have the same crew officers for 2011 - 2012:

- President.....Sherry Chapman
- Vice PresidentDoris Speiser
- Secretary.....Brenda Jenkins
- Treasurer.....DeEtra Warchola
- ChaplainPat Jacobs
- Sergeant-At-Arms.....Peggy Hart

Officers will be installed at the June 7th meeting. Thank you for your continued service to our Unit.

The ALA cruise ship will be making one more stop for the Fifteenth District meeting on June 12th at Winchester Post 21. Registration will take place at noon followed by lunch and the business meeting. Reports and awards will be given out at this time.

Well, ladies, our cruise is almost over, and we will pull into our home port at the end of June. But before we depart, ALA Unit 41 will hold a bake sale in front of the



President Sherry Chapman (center) presents Peggy Hart and Irene Pope with 45-year service pins.

Dollar General Store on South Church Street on Saturday, June 18th at 9:00 a.m. Everyone in our Post family is invited to assist by providing baked goods or a monetary contribution. Please deliver your baked items to Brenda Jenkins, 122 South Church Street, Berryville, the day before, or bring them to the bake sale that morning. We need a successful sale to support our programs and activities.

We will be starting a new year on July 1st, so please send in your membership dues of \$20 as soon as possible to DeEtra Warchola, 1910 Brucetown Road, Clearbrook, VA 22624. Our Membership Citation needs to be turned in to the Department by the end of August.

Even with our ship hitting some bad weather and rough seas this year, the cruise has been a pleasant one. So, I hope you have enjoyed the activities enough to invite friend to join our unit.

I have been informed that Helen Mallory is a resident at Heritage Hall Nursing & Rehab, 122 Morven Park Road, NW, Room 121, Leesburg, VA 20176. Keep her in your prayers along with our ALA members and families.

Thank you for sailing with the ALA "Power of One" Cruise Ship.

Sherry Chapman
ALA Unit 41, President

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 Doris Speiser
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 Carolyn Arnold
Sergeant-At-Arms
 Peggy Hart
Chaplain
 Pat Jacobs

American Legion Eligibility Dates

World War I

April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918

World War II

December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946

Korean War

June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955

Vietnam War

February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975

Lebanon & Grenada

August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984

Panama

December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990

Persian Gulf

August 2, 1990 to Cessation of hostilities

All regular federal active duty military personnel who served during one of these periods are eligible. Members of the National Guard and Reserves who served at least one day of federal active duty during any of these periods are eligible.

For more information, contact any American Legion member.

Auxiliary Membership

- ✓ A woman who is eligible for membership in The American Legion is also eligible to join the American Legion Auxiliary.
- ✓ The mother, wife, daughter, sister, grand-daughter, great-grand-daughter, or grandmother of members of The American Legion, and deceased veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces during the eligibility dates of one of eight war eras.
- ✓ Step relatives are also eligible.

For more information, contact Sherry Chapman at (540) 869-2249.

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