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TO OPT OUT OF OUR NEWSLETTERS, E-MAIL [MARIA KLENHARD](mailto:MARIA.KLENHARD)

OUR NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 20th at 7:30 PM

Eastern, is slated for our next tele-meeting, using GoTo. You can join the meeting using the following : <https://www.goto.com/meeting/join> Enter Meeting ID: 666710421

Our tele-meetings are provided for you to learn about and have input regarding our cyber Post. BTW, have you visited [Our Web site](#), lately?

OUR CYBER POST OFFICERS

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- Sergeant-at-Arms..... DAVID GREEN

OUR HELP DESK STANDS READY TO ASSIST US VETERANS WITH FREE COMPUTER-RELATED AID.

[Tech Support](#)
770-786-8702

COMMANDER'S CORNER

June is National PTSD month.



There are a few significant dates in June:

- June 6: 80th Anniversary of D-Day
- June 14: Flag Day in the United States - A day commemorating the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.
- June 14: U.S. Army Birthday - Celebrating the establishment of the United States Army on June 14, 1775, when the Continental Congress authorized the enlistment of riflemen to serve the United Colonies.

Also within this newsletter is this year's Clearview Elementary School Flag Etiquette Program

IMPORTANT DATES

Sat, June 29, 2024
Department Convention –
Duluth, GA

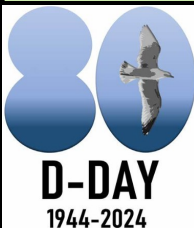
August 17, 2024
District 9 Meeting—
Hiawassee, GA

August 23 - 29, 2024
National Convention—
New Orleans, Louisiana

D-Day Anniversary

Membership Dues Increase

The American Legion's national per-capita dues will increase by \$5 for the 2025 membership year. The increase will go into effect July 1, 2024. From \$35 to \$40.



June 6, 2024, will mark the 80th Anniversary of D-Day in Normandy during WWII. A pivotal moment in WWII, when Allied forces landed on the beaches of Normandy, France, marking the beginning of the end of Nazi Germany's control in Europe.

2024 RENEWAL STATUS

As Of: 31 May 2024.

94.2%

In this video, you can hear the lived experiences of D-Day from three Medal of Honor Recipients: John Pinder, Carlton Barrett, and Jimmie Monteith.

[Watch the Video](#)



JUNE 14TH: THE BIRTHDAY OF THE U.S. ARMY

JUNE 14TH

USA FLAG DAY

[June 14th: The Birthday of the U.S. Army | U.S. Army Center of Military History](#)

America's Revolutionary War began on 19 April 1775 with exchanges of musketry between British regulars and Massachusetts militiamen at Lexington and Concord. As their fellow citizen soldiers from New Hampshire, Connecticut and Rhode Island responded to the alarm, a state of war existed between the four colonies and the British government. Called the Army of Observation, a force of New Englanders surrounded Boston and had the British troops who occupied it under siege, but they needed help. They appealed to delegates who represented all thirteen colonies to join them in the struggle for American liberty.

When the delegates to the Second Continental Congress convened in Philadelphia on 10 May, they soon learned that armed men commanded by Ethan Allen and Benedict Arnold had captured the British forts at Ticonderoga and Crown Point on Lake Champlain in New York. The constitutional crisis, in which Americans sought a redress of grievances from the British King and Parliament, had become open hostilities. The delegates realized that even though many desired reconciliation, they would now have to address the new military situation. The Congress took the next step that eventually transformed a local rebellion into a war for independence when it established the Continental Army: the force we know today as the U.S. Army.

Flag Day is a holiday celebrated on June 14 in the United States. It commemorates the adoption of the [flag of the United States](#) on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the [Second Continental Congress](#).^[1]

The Flag Resolution stated "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.

Nicknames for the flag include the **Stars and Stripes**, **Old Glory**, and **The Star-Spangled Banner**. Credit for the term "Stars and Stripes" has been given to the Marquis de Lafayette, a French soldier who volunteered his aid to the Continental Army, led by George Washington, in the Revolutionary War against Britain.

[Flag of the United States - Wikipedia](#)

Free, Easy-to-Use Veteran Buddy Finder

Find people you served with and make contact using Together We Served Veteran Buddy Finder. Over 2.3 million members.

[Buddy Finder provides a faster method to find former service friends - VA News](#)



HERSHEL "WOODY" WILLIAMS -

Williams was the last surviving World War II [recipient of the Medal of Honor](#), the nation's highest award for valor. [He died at age 98 on June 29, 2022.](#)

Born on October 2, 1923, Williams grew up on a dairy farm in the tiny community of Quiet Dell, West Virginia. The youngest of 11 siblings, only five of whom reached adulthood, partly due to the devastating 1918 flu pandemic.

DoD DPAA POW/MIA ACCOUNTING AGENCY UPDATE

The Department of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced this week the return of Two (2) U.S. personnel to their families for burial with full military honor and to bring closure to their loved ones.

USSAF, 1st Lt Bruce H. Brown, 23 of Richmond, California, 401st Bombardment Squadron, 91st Bombardment Group (Heavy), 8th Air Force, Lost on 12/20/1942---Accounted for on 09/22/2023---Romilly-sur-Seine, France/WWII

Army, PFC Manuel Trujillo, 22, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Battery C, 200th Coast Artillery Regiment, POPW on 04/09/1942---Accounted for on 07/13/2023---Bataan/WWII

~~ TOTAL TO DATE—95: WWII—76, KOREA—17, VIETNAM—2 ~~

American Legion Georgia Boys State

Make plans to join us LIVE on Facebook from Georgia Boys State June 9-15, 2024.

GEORGIA BOYS STATE JUNE 9-15, 2024 FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM SCHEDULE

Sunday, 6/9	Monday, 6/10	Tuesday, 6/11	Wednesday, 6/12
5-General Session 5-General Session	8:45-Athletics (Tentative) 1:30-General Session 7:30-General Session 9:00-Party Rally	8:45-Athletics (Tentative) 1:30-General Session 2:30-State Party Convention 7:30-General Session 9:00-State Party Convention	8:45-Athletics (Tentative) 1:30-General Session 7:30-General Session 8:30-Presentation of Party Platforms Lt. Gov/Governor's Debate
Thursday, 6/13	Friday, 6/14	Saturday, 6/15	
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↑ Note: 6/9 & 6/13 times cut off at source.

Schedule is subject to Change.

Clearview Elementary School Flag Etiquette Program

The Clearview Youth Flag Etiquette Program aims to empower 5th-grade student team with the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to honor and respect the American flag. Through engaging activities and experiential learning, participants will develop an appreciation for their country's symbols and traditions, fostering a sense of pride and responsibility as citizens of the United States.

Legionnaire/SAL member Eric Parsons has managed the Youth Flag Etiquette Program for the last 9 years.

The year-long program includes

Training session: Covered flag etiquette, including proper hoisting on Mondays and lowering on Fridays.

Detailed instructions on the significance of flag folding and its historical and symbolic importance

Interactive discussions on the history of the American flag and its evolution

Hands On -Practical demonstration of flag hoisting and lowering ceremonies under supervision.

Guided practice session on proper flag folding techniques.

Recognition: End of year ceremony to commend student team who demonstrate exceptional commitment and mastery of flag handling and were presented a Certificate and a 3 x 5 embroidered flag. Encouraging students to become ambassadors of flag etiquette by sharing their knowledge and skills with peers and younger students.



Lagrange, GA

THE AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The American Legion Membership Application

(Name) _____ (Date of Birth) _____

(Mailing Address) _____ (Phone Number) _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____ (Post #) **GA2100**

(E-mail) _____ Male Female **\$ 40.00**

(Gender) (Dues)

I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941 and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Please check appropriate service era and branch of service below

<input type="checkbox"/> Global War on Terror	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army
<input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy
<input type="checkbox"/> Panama	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force
<input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines
<input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Space Force
<input type="checkbox"/> Korea	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard
<input type="checkbox"/> WWII	<input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (WWII only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts	



30-009 Signature of applicant _____ Date _____ Name of recruiter _____

Receipt of Dues
(Please Print)

From _____

\$ **40.00** for 20 _____ Post # **GA2100**

Recruiter's Name _____

Recruiter's Signature _____

Recruiter's Phone # _____

Cyber Post GA2100 is virtual/online.

Forward membership application and \$35.00 to: American Legion Post 2100, 115 W 3rd Street, Manchester, GA 31816

YOU CAN BE A MEMBER OF BOTH THE AMERICAN LEGION AND THE SAL

Veterans who are eligible for membership in The American Legion are also eligible to join the SAL.

[The American Legion a U.S. Veterans Association](http://www.americanlegion.org)

Sons of The American Legion Membership Application

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Date _____

Detachment of GA Squadron No. 2100 Date of Birth _____

Name _____ Recruited by _____

(First) (Initial) (Last) (Initial) (Last)

Address _____

(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

E-mail Address _____ Telephone _____

Veteran through whom eligibility is established _____

(a) Above is a member in good standing of Post No. _____ Dept. of _____

OR (b) Above is a deceased veteran who served honorably from _____ to _____

(c) Relationship of Applicant to Veteran _____

I hereby subscribe to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion, apply for membership, and transmit \$ 20.00 as annual membership dues.

Signed _____ (By Applicant or Parent)

Eligibility certified by _____ (Post Adjutant)

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RECEIPT

Date _____ Received of _____

\$ 20.00 in payment of dues for 20 _____ in _____ Detachment of _____

For God and Country

Squadron _____ By _____



Forward SAL membership application and \$20.00 to: SQDN 2100, 115 W 3rd St., Manchester, GA 31816