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COMMUNICATION IS POWER

TO OPT OUT OF OUR NEWSLETTERS, E-MAIL [MARIA KLENHARD](mailto:MARIA.KLENHARD@EPPOST2100.ORG)

OUR NEXT MEETING

MARCH 18th at 7:30 PM, is slated for our next tele-meeting, by invitation, using GoToMeeting. E-mail me if you want an invite:

commander@epost2100.org

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

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

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404-304-1772

VA VACCINATIONS

VA is providing COVID-19 vaccine to the following groups:

- Veterans living in VA long-term care facilities
- Veterans who already receive care at VA and are at high risk from COVID-19 based on VA and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [risk criteria](#). At many VA health care facilities, this group includes all Veterans who are at least 75 years old. Each facility will determine when Veterans in this group can receive a vaccine. They'll base this decision on vaccine availability, local needs, and the strict vaccine storage and handling requirements of the vaccines.
- Family caregivers who are enrolled in VA's Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers (PCAFC). PCAFC Caregivers are eligible for vaccination when the Veteran they care for becomes eligible. VA will tell the family caregiver if they can get a vaccine when VA invites the Veteran to get one.

VA health care personnel. Vaccinating VA health care personnel helps continue to provide care for Veterans.

YOUR CYBER POST OFFICERS

Post Commander.....	ROBERT GREEN	770-786-8702
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Junior Vice Commander	OPEN	
Adjutant.....	MARIA KLENHARD	916-952-7691
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Sergeant-at-Arms.....	DAVID GREEN	
Service Officer.....	ED MCMILLAN	770-757-6136
Chaplain.....	ROBERT TEETER	918-781-9328

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Some of our members take advantage of increased use of the Internet by going to mylegion.org:

[https://www.members.legion.org/CGI-BIN/lansaweb?](https://www.members.legion.org/CGI-BIN/lansaweb?webapp=MYLmain+webrtn=WR_landingpage+ml=LANSAXH_TML+partition=TAL+language=ENG)

[webapp=MYLmain+webrtn=WR_landingpage+ml=LANSAXH_TML+partition=TAL+language=ENG](https://www.members.legion.org/CGI-BIN/lansaweb?webapp=MYLmain+webrtn=WR_landingpage+ml=LANSAXH_TML+partition=TAL+language=ENG)

Without having to log in or establish an account, there is access to the main header menu for [Find a Post](#), [Find a Service Officer](#), and [Legion.org](#) (our National Headquarters), among other links.

However, if not using this tool, I urge you to consider getting an account to have resources and information for yourself and maybe, others.

The National site has news headlines, videos, and 28 links to various major resources.

Our Post's Website Veterans Assistance Center ([VAC](#)) may also be a good resource and if you have URL;s/addresses we might add to our VAC, please share them with me: 770-786-8702 commander@epost2100.org.

You might want or need to share some of the information you get with those who are not veterans, 99% of our population.

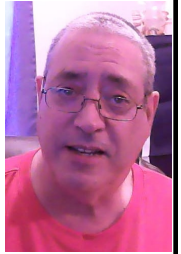
On another topic, our Adjutant reports we have achieved a new high for us, regrading membership. We currently have 90% achievement in reaching our membership goal for the year. That 90% could rise, even higher, so if you know of other veterans who might benefit from membership, contact [Maria](#).



OUR CHAPLAIN'S PAGE

Brrrrrrr!

As I am writing this, I must say it is one of the coldest periods I have experienced in some time. The weather here in Oklahoma has now been below freezing for 11 days and is not expected to reach the freezing mark until Saturday, 02/20/2021. This area has broken more records for low temperatures and wind chills over the last week than I care to think about. The positive is the beautiful snowfall along with keeping power on and no frozen pipes.



I was reading the American Legion Preamble the other day. I know this is something that I should know by heart, but the truth is I am not Perfect (DON'T LET THAT GET BACK TO MY WIFE). Believe it or not, there is even a version of the Preamble on Legion.org that provides a breakdown of each of the 10 clauses within the Preamble to better understand what we as Legionnaires are reading and have signed up for. I would challenge each of you to go to [Microsoft Word - THE AMERICAN LEGION PREAMBLE.DOCX](#) and read the preamble along with the meaning for each of the 10 clauses.

Yes, I am aware that we recite the preamble monthly during the meeting, but It is so quite easy to take for granted words that we become familiar with.

Now Let us look at something a little differently. Years ago, when I was a children's director at my church I was trying to come up with a short lesson for a very brief children's moment within the main service. So, I stood up in front of the congregation with the children a towel in one hand, an egg in the other, and a small container of water on a little table next to me. I asked for a volunteer from the children, and of course one did, and I laid the towel, which was quite thick, on his outstretched hand.

I then gently set the egg on the towel and began talking about faith. I would pause for dramatic effect to make sure he had not dropped the egg. When I was done with the talk, I asked him for his free hand, and I put one hand under the hand holding the egg and pushed the other hand firmly down on the egg squashing it. There was a loud gasp from the congregation and a complete look of surprise on the boys face to realize the egg was empty.

The point is we get so focused on what we can see or what we hear, we become blinded to what is important. I know this has happened to me as well, I get so laser-focused on a goal that everything else falls away. The biggest goal I have now is to ride my bicycle cross country, slowly, 100 miles and then stay a day where I am at. This would be the ride of a lifetime and would be an incredible way to see and meet people that I would otherwise drive right past doing 55-75 miles an hour (it is driving my wife crazy). We should have faith that God has a plan, and when He is ready, He will reveal it to each of us. Will His plan for me be the same for you? Only He knows, but I would like to believe that when He calls on me, I will be ready. Sometimes faith is like looking at something through the eyes of a child. Children can believe, even if they cannot see. How about us? Can we regain that ability?

Grace and Peace ,

Bob Teeter

OUR APPRECIATION

Ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence ?

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died.

Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned.

Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured.

Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War.

They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

What kind of men were they?

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists.

Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated, but they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.

Thomas McKean was so hounded by the British that he

was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton.

At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months.

John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year, he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished.

So, take a few minutes silently thank these patriots. It's not much to ask for the price they paid.

The above is an oldie, like me, but sent from a high school friend who just wanted to share his appreciation for our many freedoms, even under the current Covid-19 trying conditions. We veterans do appreciate, as our years of service confirm.

I think he took it from [this site](#).

—Bob

The American Legion Membership Application

(Name) (Date of Birth)
 (Mailing Address) (Phone Number)
 (City) (State) (Zip) (Post #)
 Male Female (Gender) (Dues)
 (E-mail)

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. Coast Guard
<input type="checkbox"/> Korea	<input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (WWII only)
<input type="checkbox"/> WWII	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts	

Signature of applicant Date Name of recruiter

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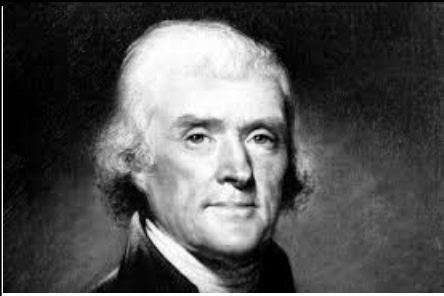


Receipt of Dues

(Please Print)

From _____ \$ _____ for 20____ Post # _____
 Recruiter's Name _____
 Recruiter's Signature _____
 Recruiter's Phone # _____

NOT YOUR AVERAGE POLITICIAN



His face is on the two-Dollar Bill.

Thomas Jefferson was a very remarkable man who started learning very early in life and never stopped.

At 5, began studying under his cousin's tutor.

At 9, studied Latin, Greek and French.

At 14, studied classical literature and additional languages.

At 16, entered the College of William and Mary.

Also, could write in Greek with one hand, while writing the same in Latin with the other.

At 19, studied Law for 5 years starting under George Wythe.

At 23, started his own law practice.

At 25, was elected to the Virginia House of Burgesses.

At 31, wrote the widely circulated "Summary View of the Rights of British America," and retired from his law practice.

At 32, was a delegate to the Second Continental Congress.

At 33, wrote the Declaration of Independence.

At 33, took three years to revise Virginia's legal code and wrote a Public Education bill and a statute for Religious Freedom.

At 36, was elected the second Governor of Virginia, succeeding Patrick Henry.

At 40, served in Congress for two years.

At 41, was the American minister to France and negotiated commercial treaties with European nations along with Ben Franklin and John Adams.

At 46, served as the first Secretary of State under George Washington.

At 53, served as Vice President and was elected President of the American Philosophical Society.

At 55, drafted the Kentucky Resolutions and became the active head of the Republican Party.

At 57, was elected the third president of the United States.

At 60, obtained the Louisiana Purchase, doubling the nation's size.

At 61, was elected to a second term as President.

At 65, retired to Monticello.

At 80, helped President Monroe shape the Monroe Doctrine.

At 81, almost single-handedly, created the University of Virginia and served as its' first president. At 83, died on the 50th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence, along with John Adams.

NEW VA SECRETARY



The U.S. Senate confirmed [VA Secretary nominee Denis McDonough](#) Monday, February 8th, and he was sworn in Tuesday, February 9th as the eleventh VA Secretary.

"At this moment when our country must come together, caring for you – our country's Veterans and your families – is a mission that can unite us all.

Every decision I make will be determined by a simple principle, that it increases Veterans' access to care and benefits and improves outcomes for them."

- Secretary *Denis McDonough*

STIMULUS CHECKS

[Military.com](#) writes that many individuals received stimulus checks in 2020 and early 2021.

These payments were based on the individual's or couple's 2018 or 2019 tax returns.

In some cases, the taxpayers' income changed in 2020, making them eligible for a stimulus payment.

Some individuals may have also had a baby or adopted a child during the year, which may make them eligible for an additional payment.

If your situation changed, you may be able to request a stimulus payment when you file your taxes this year.

Your [tax software program](#) or a tax professional should guide you through the process.

And there is some good news: If your income situation changed and you earned too much to qualify for the stimulus payment, the IRS will not claw back that money if you have already received it.

OFFICE DEPOT & OFFICE MAX DISCOUNTS

Veterans can save up to 70% discount on items purchased at Office Depot and Office Max:

[The American Legion - OfficeDiscounts : OfficeDiscounts](#)

These are just a couple of discounts offered to us veterans, if we want to take advantage of them.

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**JESSIE CAMPBELL
FOR
DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA
SR. VICE COMMANDER**

Greetings, Post Commanders

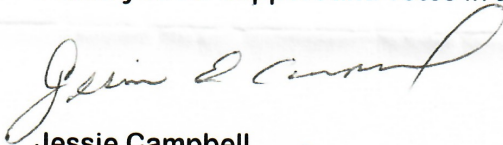
I am a candidate for the position of the 2021 – 2022 Sr. Vice Commander of the American Legion, Department of Georgia. Attached is a copy of my Resolution, I would appreciate if you will read this in your general meetings.

My mission and goal are to work the 3 R'S. Retention, Recruiting and Revitalization and with us all working together we can bring Georgia back to 100% in membership.

I have visited some District meetings, unfortunately, due to this pandemic, makes it difficult to continue making personal visits. Attached is a copy of my speech, I would appreciate if you could read in your membership meeting for your members to understand more of my plan, if elected.

I strongly believe that I am the best candidate to lead us back to 100% in the American Legion. I am asking for your support and vote as Department of Georgia, Sr. Vice Commander.

Thank you for support and votes in advance.



**Jessie Campbell
Jr Vice Commander**



Department of Georgia, 5th District
American Legion Paul E. Kelly Jr., Post 296 Inc

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, American Legion Paul E. Kelly Jr., Post 296, Inc., has a Legionnaire (Jessie Campbell) who has proven his honesty, dedication and integrity in numerous capacities and every assignment bestowed upon him. He has been a member of the American Legion for 24+ years; a "Paid-Up-For-Life (PUFL) member; a Georgia American Legion College graduate; successfully completed the requirements of the American Legion Extension Institute Course and online Basic Training Course of the American Legion Education Institute (2018); and a member of 40/8; and

WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell has served Post 296 as Historian, Executive Board member and Commander (2007-2011); and

WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell has served as 5th District Jr. Vice Commander (4 consecutive years, 2011-2015), and 5th District Sr. Vice Commander (2015-2016) and 5th District Commander (2016-2017); and

WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell has served as Department of Georgia, Jr. Vice Commander, three consecutive years (2018-2021), with his first year of leadership, his assigned Districts reached top echelon in membership and received all monetary awards in the Department for the year; and

WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell has demonstrated excellent leadership skills within and outside the Post. During his Post commandership, Post 296 received Honorary Mention for Outstanding Post of the year and runner up for Outstanding Post competition, his second year in commandership. His dedication to recruiting veterans has made 100% membership goal for two consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell during his District commandership, the 5th District (2017-2018) held 3 training classes in training leaders for tomorrow, Post level to District level, 3R workshop (Renewal, Retention and Recruiting) and Service Office training for veterans and Auxiliary spouses. Started a new Post in the District (Post 338) and received the "District Commanders' New Post Achievement" award from the National Commander; and

WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell served on numerous committees during several National Conventions, as a member of National Security Conventional Armed Forces Sub-committee, 2017-2018, Employment and Veteran preference committee, 2018-2021; and

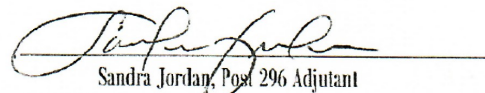
WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell served in the Vietnam War, receiving numerous medals along with receiving the Navy Commendation medal and Good Conduct medal with 4 stars. He was also a Military Instructor School graduate and Certified Master Training Specialist, and after 21 years, retired as a Sr. Chief Vietnam Veteran; and


WHEREAS, Jessie Campbell's determination and solid commitment has prepared him for increase leadership within the American Legion; and

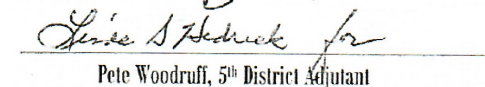
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That American Legion Paul E. Kelly Jr. Post 296, Inc. and the 5th District, unanimously endorse Jessie Campbell as an elected candidate for the high office of **Department Sr. Vice Commander** in the American Legion, Department of Georgia, for the year of 2021-2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this resolution shall be presented at Paul E. Kelly Jr. Post 296 general meeting on September 11, 2019, and the 5th District regular meeting on November 17, 2019. Upon approval, copies shall be forwarded (by email) to the Department of Georgia Adjutant, Members of the Department Executive Committee, District Commanders, District Adjutants, Post Commanders, and Post Adjutants throughout the American Legion Department of Georgia.


Napoleon Parker, Post 296 Commander


Sandra Jordan, Post 296 Adjutant


Walter Cusick, 5th District Commander


Pete Woodruff, 5th District Adjutant

For God and Country

***Updated: November 2, 2020**