

# LARRY A. HOFF ePOST 2100



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**COMMUNICATION IS POWER** 

TO OPT OUT OF OUR NEWSLETTERS, E-MAIL MARIA KLENHARD

### **OUR NEXT MEETING**

November 18th at 7:30 PM, is slated for our next tele-meeting, by invitation, using GoToMeeting. E-mail me if you want an invitation: commander@epost2100.org.

Our tele-meetings are provided for you to learn about and have input regarding your cyber Post. BTW, have you visited <u>Our Web site</u>, lately?

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

<u>Commander</u>

770-786-8702

### 9TH DISTRICT MEETING DATES

The 9th District meeting dates and locations are posted below.

- \* Canton 45 November 7th
- \* Sugar Hill 127 February 6th
- \* Gainesville 7 May 1st

# IT'S ALL ABOUT US

Because we are a cyber Post, it is almost impossible for us to physically come together to provide a community with a Veterans Day ceremony.

However, we can and should attend and support our local Posts in their efforts.

Afterall, its all about us...almost.

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### **COMMANDER'S CORNER**

November is surely a month filled with events.

For some, there is the 1st, All Saints Day and the 2nd, All Souls Day and...Election Day! Remember to reset clocks, if not automatic) for the 7th, ending Daylight Saving Time.



We veterans and many Americans annually celebrate Veterans Day, the 11th month, 11th day, and 11th hour. This is not Memorial Day, which honors our war dead.

The 25th is another thankful day, Thanksgiving, on which many folks overeat.

Hanukkah (an eight night Jewish celebration of religious freedom) ends out the month.

This month might also be the one in which many people do their Christmas shopping, if not already done, considering supply chain woes, at present.

Yes, we do have much to celebrate and to be thankful for, but as we grow older, we might tend to become jaded, apathetic and/or unappreciative of our many blessings. Among my many things for which I am thankful, I am thankful for you, our members. Thanks.

> -**Bol** Email 770-786-8702

# **OUR CHAPLAIN'S PAGE**

Here it is the end of September, and here in Oklahoma we are finally in the 50's and 60's and of course severe weather. I would like to request continuing prayer for Becky Alexander, who had surgery earlier this month. Recovery has been painful and slow, and she needs to feel much better before her next surgery can take place. On the issue of health and prayer, as your post Chaplain it is difficult to offer prayer for those who are in pain, ill or facing surgery if we do not know what is going on. I realize that Oklahoma is a great



distance, but I am only a phone call away, or video call for that matter away. I am home most of the time either doing homework or exercising. My phone directs all calls not recognized to voice mail, so if you call, please leave a message. I do listen to them and will return your call.

There is a program that coincides with the Four Chaplain's Ceremony, I have read about in my Chaplains handbook, and would like you all to read over and see if you know anyone who meets these criteria. Would it not be an awesome ability for Post 2100 to be able to submit a nominee for one of these awards?

The Legion of Honor award program recognizes outstanding members of society whose lives model the giving spirit and unconditional service to community, nation and humanity exemplified so dramatically by the Four Chaplains.

■ The Legion of Honor Gold Medallion is the Four Chaplains' highest and most prestigious award. It is given to a person whose leadership has brought his actions to worldwide attention, and whose very life epitomizes the spirit of the sacrifice of the Four Chaplains.

■ The Legion of Honor Bronze Medallion is the second highest award and is given for extraordinary contributions to the well-being of others at the national or world level, to world peace, or to interfaith and interethnic understanding.

■ The Junior Legion of Honor Award is given to young people who have contributed to improving interethnic and interfaith harmony in their communities, in a way that exemplifies the Four Chaplains' selfless service.

• The Legion of Honor Humanitarian Award is given in recognition of a lifetime commitment to selfless service that has demonstrably affected the quality of life in the community, state or nation, without regard to faith or race. The selection process for this award is rigorous.

• The Lifesaving Medallion is rarely awarded and is given to a person who has saved the life of another at grave personal risk.



As for this older Chaplain, I have moved my bicycle into the living room to get my daily exercise in. I had an accident a couple of weeks ago on the road where another rider rolled over me from behind and I still have muscle soreness and headaches. But let me tell you something that is the truth.

This bike going downhill is an absolute thrill at 40 miles per hour, and no, the accident wasn't going downhill. We were coming to an intersection and the rider behind me did not stop.

In closing, next month includes Veterans Day, so please take a moment, pause, breathe, and reflect. I have always believed what I did in service was good and a privilege for me to have had the honor to serve. My prayer in closing: Heavenly Father, we are Yours to command. I hope that we are of open mind and heart to hear your

words, and touch. You provide us with blessings O God, and when it is time, You will call us home to You. Watch over us, keeping us healthy and helping those to recover from surgery and illness quickly. In this I pray. Amen!

For those of you who are going to be out on Halloween, be safe. Remember children are priceless.

# **RECRUITING COLUMN**

### RECRUITING

# "No Veteran Left Behind" pin awarded for recruiting

American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard will award his national commander "No Veteran Left Behind" membership excellence pin to any Legionnaire who obtains three new members into The American Legion.

A new member is any eligible person joining for the 2022 membership year who was not a member of The American Legion during the 2021 membership year. Transfers do not count as new members.

Each member listed must be eligible for membership in The American Legion. Forward names of Sons of The American

Legion members or Auxiliary members to your detachment or unit for use in their respective incentive programs.

Only one pin will be awarded per individual. Upon receipt, national membership staff will confirm the names and mail the pin directly to the person who earned it.

Download the incentive pin form: Deglon.org/commander/pin

Listed below are just a few of the many programs The American Legion sponsors. Please check the one(s) that are of interest to you. If the program you like is not listed, please indicate it in the "other" area.

- □ Volunteer work at VA hospital.
- □ Work with youth.
- Help/participate in post's social activities ... dances, dinners, etc.
- Participate in educational activities ... (essay contests, oratorical contests, scholarships)
- □ Work with sports teams.
- Supervise groups (drill team, drum and bugle, scouts, etc.).
- Post improvement projects.
- Membership drives.
- Community projects.
- □ Other: \_
- □ Spouse would be interested in the American Legion Auxiliary.
- □ Son or grandson would be interested in the Sons of The American Legion.

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# Thursday, November 11, 2021



### **Georgia's Walk of Heroes Veterans Day Ceremony**



Address: 2825 Black Shoals Rd, Conyers, GA 30012 (use for GPS purposes; actual legal address of 3001 Black Shoals Rd will not get you to correct location on GPS). For more information, visit <u>www.walkofheroes.org.</u>



The 2021 Georgia Veterans Day Parade will take place at The Battery Atlanta at 1300hrs (1:00pm) on 06 November 2021.

# **Women Veterans Event**

### 06 NOV 1 -3 PM Doors open @ 12 PM - Program begins @ 1 PM

Jim Miller Park & Event Center 2245 Callaway Road Marietta, GA 30008



Free Event—Registration Required

Register @ http://nov6womenveteransevent.eventbrite.com?s=137473518

Questions: Call 770-528-3318



### The history of National Family Week

For more than the last 45 years, the week of Thanksgiving has been proclaimed National Family week by the president of the United States according to the National Family Week website.

In Ronald Reagan's first proclamation of National Family week as president he said, "A family is the basic unit of our society, the heart of our free democracy. It provides love, acceptance, guidance, support and instruction to the individual. Community values and goals that have America strength also take root in the home. In times of change and challenge, families keep safe our cultural heritage and reinforce our spiritual foundation.

"As the mainstay of our national life, family life must be preserved. When a family needs external assistance to help it to perform its unique role, this assistance should not interfere with the family's fundamental responsibilities and prerogatives. Rather aid should be supportive and purposeful in strengthening the family's stability, self-sufficiency and permanence.

"National Family Week is a time to be thankful for the family as a national heritage and resource. It is a time to recommit ourselves to the concept of the family – a concept that must withstand the trends of lifestyle and legislation. Let us pledge that our institutions and policies will be shaped to enhance an environment in which families can strengthen their ties and best exercise their beliefs, authority and resourcefulness. And let us make our pledge mindful that we do so not only on behalf of the individual family members, but for AMERICA."

# **FLAG RETIREMENT**

## CEREMONY

### **US Flag Retirement and Disposal Ceremony**

The United States Code stipulates, "When a U.S. flag is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning."

VFW Post 4670 Warms Springs in partnership with The American Legion Post 186 of Greenville, Post 88 Manchester, and Cyber ePost 2100 Georgia, conducted a Retirement and Disposal Ceremony on Monday evening October 18, 2021.



Tell your flag story on social media with the hashtag **#RallyAroundtheFlag**, or on Legiontown in the Rally Around the Flag category. **Legion.org/legiontown**.

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### **FROM 9TH DISTRICT COMMANDER'S NEWSLETTER**

### 9th District Meeting November 7 , 2021 – Canton, Post 45:

Please be sure to have representatives from your post attend the 9<sup>th</sup> District Meeting. Post 45, 160 McClure Street <u>Canton</u>, Ga 30114 phone #770-841-5833

(The host Post can invite 10 Veterans to our General Session / Service meeting and Lunch paid by District Commander)

9:30 am Registration and SAL Meeting

10:00 am ALR Meeting

11:00 am Opening General Session and Service

11:30 pm Lunch

12:15 pm Business Session

9<sup>th</sup> District Meeting Dates:

<u>Canton Post 45 - November 7th, 2021</u>

Sugar Hill Post 127 - February 6th, 2022

<u>Gainesville Post 7 - May 1st, 2022</u>

### **MEMBERSHIP WORKSHOP**

After the 9<sup>th</sup> District American Legion Membership Committee we will table all other committee reports. t. After the Membership reports we will table all other report and conduct 400 transfers revitalization calls for the duration of the meeting.

2021 – 2022 National Membership Target Dates

- Early Bird /NEF Kickoff September 9, 2021 = 50%
- Fall Meeting October 14, 2021 = 55%
- Veterans Day November 10, 2021 = 65%

Pearl Harbor Day – December 7, 2021 = 75%

Mission Blue Post Assistance Grants:

Since the Mission Blue Post Assistance Program went into effect following the approval of Resolution No. 36 by the National Executive Committee in October 2020, more than \$400,000 in financial grants have been provided to posts that have been negatively impacted from COVID-19.

The program provides up to \$2,000 in grants to posts that are in good standing with their respective department and meet the qualifying criteria. These funds must be used exclusively to pay current or past due rent, mortgage, utilities and insurance premiums. The Mission Blue Post Eligible posts are able to apply for this one-time grant up to July 1, 2022.