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# Happy 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Post 184



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY LEGIONNAIRES

### July

5<sup>th</sup> William A. Burk, William F. Welch, Sr.,  
David L. Wilson, Sr.

9<sup>th</sup> Jay R. Shaffer

11<sup>th</sup> Daniel A. Dougherty, Leonard A. Lambert

15<sup>th</sup> William R. Davin, William D. Morris

16<sup>th</sup> Daniel W. Barclay

18<sup>th</sup> Robert M. Schlesinger

20<sup>th</sup> Robert J. Longo

23<sup>rd</sup> Craig E. Kasold

24<sup>th</sup> Ron L. Herron, Joseph E. Leinenbach

Andy Marmorstein, Robert J. Morrison

25<sup>th</sup> William G. Wright, Sr.

### August

1<sup>st</sup> Klaus W. Clippenger, Frank E. Owens

2<sup>nd</sup> Harlon Reece

4<sup>th</sup> George N. Key, Gerald Washburn

6<sup>th</sup> Gary House, Howard B. Peck

7<sup>th</sup> Ray L. Carmichael

9<sup>th</sup> John H. Eaker

15<sup>th</sup> Jim Fritz

18<sup>th</sup> Olin A. Baughman, Angelo Wider

23<sup>rd</sup> Donald J. Calder, Lewis H. Potter

24<sup>th</sup> Michael L. Davis, William I. Miller

26<sup>th</sup> Kevin R. Darby

27<sup>th</sup> Richard G. Dubuque, Roy T. Howe,  
Terry C. Tarbell

29<sup>th</sup> Jacob R. Epprecht, Jr., Ronald L. Marshall

30<sup>th</sup> James H. Godsey, Jr.

31<sup>st</sup> Robert D. Martin, Herbert O. Brickson

### September - 4<sup>th</sup> Patrick E. McCann

5<sup>th</sup> Allen R. Wild

6<sup>th</sup> Pinckney A. Lynch, Jr., Vaughn L.  
Siegenthaler

10<sup>th</sup> Herman D. Kirk

11<sup>th</sup> Allyson J. Cox, Joseph R. Fehrenback,  
Wendell T. Pugh

16<sup>th</sup> Gerritt Peck

17<sup>th</sup> Richard A. Otis

18<sup>th</sup> Robert G. Dalrymple, W. R. Knudsen, Jr.

20<sup>th</sup> Joseph H. Findley, Jr., Gary L. McCarthy

21<sup>st</sup> Hubert M. Jordan, Charles W. Palmer III

22<sup>nd</sup> Brian W. James

23<sup>rd</sup> Richard M. Thomas

25<sup>th</sup> Cyril M. Yencha

28<sup>th</sup> Joseph Malaga, Karen L. Schockley

29<sup>th</sup> Jack D. Hickson

30<sup>th</sup> William P. Schlosser

### October - 1<sup>st</sup> Ronald E. Kauffman

7<sup>th</sup> David V. Pauling

10<sup>th</sup> William G. Mattheis

11<sup>th</sup> Helen Ross

12<sup>th</sup> Leonard A. Dillman, Ray A. Letteer

13<sup>th</sup> John Cunliffe

15<sup>th</sup> Chester E. Wyskiel

16<sup>th</sup> Eric Clauch

18<sup>th</sup> Thomas R. Uiselt, F. Dale Williams

19<sup>th</sup> William A. Olson

20<sup>th</sup> Hammond D. Geyer

22<sup>nd</sup> Dmytro Andriuk, Stanley P. Beyer,  
Herman A Ferg, James R. Jones

23<sup>rd</sup> Hardy F. Cofield

29<sup>th</sup> Kevin S. Dresdner, Glenn F. Heselton

30<sup>th</sup> Robert S. Thompson

31<sup>st</sup> David E. Bellamy

### November

2<sup>nd</sup> Stephen Long, Kenneth E. Newton

3<sup>rd</sup> Walter Roman, Willie L. Ruff

4<sup>th</sup> Ted A. Longworth

5<sup>th</sup> Thomas Iremonger

7<sup>th</sup> David E. Hendrickx, John Johnston

8<sup>th</sup> Dennis D. Husch

10<sup>th</sup> John A. Rogosky

11<sup>th</sup> Raymond W. Hine

12<sup>th</sup> Charles D. Adams

13<sup>th</sup> Robert L. Guest

17<sup>th</sup> Paul F. Conroy

18<sup>th</sup> George J. O'Hop, Robert R. Rudine

22<sup>nd</sup> Richard A. Aceto

24<sup>th</sup> Mark J. Bates, Michael A. Rafalko

26<sup>th</sup> John S. Hardin

28<sup>th</sup> Joseph H. Schwimmer

### December - 1<sup>st</sup> Griswold C. Simpson

3<sup>rd</sup> Donald T. Meyer

12<sup>th</sup> Joseph P. McQuillan

15<sup>th</sup> David W. Twigg

17<sup>th</sup> Alan D. Lee

20<sup>th</sup> James D. Morgan, Robert A. Serveiss

21<sup>st</sup> Daniel M. Kush

22<sup>nd</sup> John Cuddehe

24<sup>th</sup> Robert P. Jensen

26<sup>th</sup> Richard E. Lubow

31<sup>st</sup> Bruce Morgret

***NOTE:*** If your birth date is listed incorrectly, or not listed at all, on page 2, please email the correct date to the post at [WMKAL184@yahoo.com](mailto:WMKAL184@yahoo.com), or, send it by mail to American Legion Post 184, P.O. Box 5118, Herndon, VA 20172

## \*\*COMMANDER'S CORNER\*\*



Time sure does fly by. Believe it or not Post 184 will be celebrating its 20th Anniversary of their Official Charter on February 3, 2010. To commemorate the Anniversary, the Town

of Herndon will present a resolution to members of the Post at 7 pm on Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at their Public Hearing in the Herndon Council Chambers located at 765 Lynn Street. Here is a preview showing the last two paragraphs of the resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council of the Town of Herndon, Virginia hereby congratulates the American Legion Wayne M. Kidwell Post 184 on its 20th anniversary, which will be celebrated on February 3, 2010, and extends best wishes for continued success in the future.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Council of the Town of Herndon, Virginia hereby recognizes and extends its deepest appreciation to the American Legion Wayne M. Kidwell Post 184 for its active involvement and valuable contributions to our community and for its dedication to serving our nation's veterans.

As an after holiday get together and to celebrate our anniversary, we are planning a dinner which will be held at the Amphora Restaurant in Herndon on Wednesday, February 3 at 6:00 PM. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. More details will be forthcoming and posted on our website as well as an email and a phone blast with the final details. Hope to see you there.

My hat goes off to our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander, Bob Thompson for riding herd on our membership renewals. As of January 13 we have achieved 91.6% of our 2010 target goal of 239 members. We still need 20 members to renew their membership. So, if you haven't renewed, please send us a check for the \$30 membership fee and we will get your 2010 Membership card to you – you don't want to lose your continuous years status as an American Legion member.

For God and Country

*David Kirby*

Post 184 Commander

## HELP YOUR LEGION GROW!

The American Legion needs new members in order to grow in strength and to continue to provide for our fellow veterans and their families. Give this form to prospective members, help them complete it, then have them mail it, with a copy of their current orders or a copy of their DD214 to:

**AL Post 184, PO Box 5118, Herndon VA, 20172.**

### American Legion Post 184 Membership Application

(Name) \_\_\_\_\_

(Mailing Address) \_\_\_\_\_

(City/State/Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

(Phone #) \_\_\_\_\_

(Email address) \_\_\_\_\_

(Date of Birth) \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues \$30 year --- Currently Serving: 1<sup>st</sup> year FREE**

Please check appropriate eligibility dates and branch of service below:

- Aug.2, 1990-cessation of hostilities as determined by U.S. Govt.  
 Dec.20, 1989-Jan. 31, 1990  
 Aug.24, 1982-July 31, 1984       U.S. Army  
 Dec.22, 1961-May 7, 1975       U.S. Navy  
 June 25, 1950-Jan.31, 1955       U.S. Air Force  
 Dec.7, 1941-Dec.31, 1946       U.S. Marine Corps  
 April 6, 1917-Nov.11, 1918       U.S. Coast Guard

I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

(Applicant

Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of

Recruiter: \_\_\_\_\_

## POST EVERLASTING

*John J. Dragonetti*  
**November 31, 1931 – 2009**  
**Korea – U.S. Air Force**

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*John C. Herge*  
**April 30, 1939 - 2009**  
**Vietnam – U.S. Army**

**Members of American Legion Post 184**

American Legion  
Post 184  
Box 5118, Herndon, VA 20172

**OFFICERS**

Commander	Dave Kirby
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Bob Thompson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Eric Claunch
Adjutant	Dave Kirby
Judge Advocate	Bob Mullenger
Finance	Dan Gillespie
Chaplain	Dmytro Andriuk
Service Officer	Dmytro Andriuk
Sergeant at Arms	-- vacant --
Historian	Harlon Reece
National Security	-- vacant --
Americanism	-- vacant --
Public Relations	-- vacant --

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Commander's Phone (703) 481-6189  
Post 184 Phone (703) 481-1200  
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**THE LEGION LETTER**

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**Veterans Day  
Observance**

*Wednesday, November 11, 2009  
11:00 AM*

*Veterans Memorial – Town Green  
Herndon, Virginia*

*Guest Speaker: Thomas D. Rust,  
Virginia House of Delegates,*

The weather was against us this year with a cold rain all day long. As a result, we were not able to display *The Avenue of Flags* at Chestnut Grove Cemetery, nor were we able to hold our *Veterans Day Observance* on the Town Green.

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**“Classic Quotes”**

*“Over the years, the United States has sent many of its fine young men and women into great peril to fight for freedom beyond our borders. The only amount of land we have ever asked for in return was enough to bury those that did not return.”*

(attributed to Colin Powell at a fairly large conference in England in response to an

accusation that the United States was 'empire building' in Iraq)

**TOWN OF HERNDON  
RESOLUTION**

**Resolution - Official Recognition, “VETERANS AWARENESS WEEK,” November 8 through November 14, 2009.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, hereby designates the week of November 8 through November 14, 2009, as “**VETERANS AWARENESS WEEK**” in the Town Of Herndon and calls on all individuals to respectfully pay tribute and express appreciation to all veterans in the Herndon community and around the United States for their efforts to defend our country and our way of life and to observe the week with appropriate activities, in particular on Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2009.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Council of the Town of Herndon, Virginia hereby encourages all individuals to attend the Veterans Day Observance on Wednesday, November 11, 2009, at 11:00 a.m., on the Town Green behind the Herndon Municipal Center and/or to pause at 11:00 a.m. on Veterans Day, November 11, for two minutes of silent tribute to our veterans to whom we owe so much.

*Adopted by the Herndon Town Council on  
November 10, 2009  
Signed: Steve DeBenedittis, Mayor*

**TOWN OF HERNDON  
RESOLUTION**

**Resolution - Official Recognition, “PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY,” December 7, 2009.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, hereby designates December 7, 2009 as “**PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY**” in the Town of Herndon and calls upon the citizens to observe and honor this day and the many brave Americans who fought in World War II with appropriate ceremonies and observances.

*Adopted by the Herndon Town Council on  
November 24, 2009  
Signed: Steve DeBenedittis, Mayor*

## ***The American Legion – National News***

### ***The American Legion cheers "landmark" VA appropriations measure***

WASHINGTON, DC (October 14, 2009) - A long campaign by The American Legion has come to a victorious conclusion with Senate passage yesterday of the Veterans Health Care Budget Reform and Transparency Act of 2009, better known as the "VA Advance Appropriations Bill."

The act authorizes financial appropriations for Veterans Affairs Department medical care programs one year in advance of the start of each fiscal year. It was already approved by the House of Representatives and is now on its way to President Obama's desk for signature.

National Commander Clarence E. Hill of The American Legion was greatly pleased when he learned of the Senate action last night. "Imagine having to live paycheck-to-paycheck, but not knowing how much that paycheck would be or when it would arrive," Hill said. "That's the situation the VA's Veterans Health Administration (VHA) has been in. This has resulted in hardships for the agency and even compromises in care to veterans. I have every confidence that President Obama will sign this act into law and thus resolve this longstanding problem," continued Hill. "This is a milestone measure and The American Legion celebrates it." Hill has sent thank you letters to congressional leaders instrumental in shepherding the bill and to President Obama. His letter to the President reads, in part:

"Your signature enacting this critical piece of legislation would be greatly appreciated and a noteworthy achievement. The American Legion believes this bill will go down in history as landmark legislation in the veterans' community."

With a current membership of 2.5-million wartime veterans, The American Legion was founded in 1919 on the four pillars of a strong national security, veterans affairs, Americanism, and youth programs. Legionnaires work for the betterment of their communities through more than 14,000 posts across the nation.

### ***The American Legion supports troop increase, opposes 'Surrender Strategy'***

WASHINGTON (December 1, 2009) - The American Legion praised President Obama's decision to send more troops to Afghanistan, but is troubled by some reports that the administration might set artificial timelines for withdrawal.

"The American Legion is opposed to any exit strategy that takes place before the mission in Afghanistan is accomplished," National Commander Clarence E. Hill said. "To do otherwise would more correctly be called a 'surrender strategy' to which the Legion would be opposed."

Hill said the 30,000 additional troops that President Obama reportedly will send to Afghanistan are a step in the right direction. "As I said back in September, I would have liked for him to send the 40,000 that Gen. Stanley McChrystal requested but at least the president is not heeding the call by many in Washington to scale down our efforts. The best way to address the extremely high demands that we are placing on our military heroes is to increase our overall military troop levels, a policy that the Legion has advocated since long before the War on Terrorism started."

In October, The American Legion unanimously passed Resolution 1, which states, in part, "The American Legion fully supports the men, women and leadership of our armed forces as they are engaged in the global war on terrorism..." Although supportive of the military leadership, The American Legion was reminded that special weight must be given to the commanders in theater. Admiral Mike Mullen, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told The American Legion National Convention that the war cannot be won from the Pentagon. "You have to be there," he said. "You have to see and hear firsthand what the issues are. You can't hope to see problems through someone else's eyes if you aren't looking into those eyes."

"We wholeheartedly agree with Adm. Mullen on this point," Hill said.

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## ***The American Legion – National News***

### ***American Legion assisting Fort Hood shooting victims***

INDIANAPOLIS (November 23, 2009) - The American Legion's Operation Comfort Warriors program is donating gift cards to the men and women who were wounded at Ft. Hood earlier this month.

"Americans everywhere have reached out to these victims," American Legion National Commander Clarence E. Hill said. "It's only appropriate that The American Legion family does its share. We have sent \$3,800 so each of the 38 wounded can receive \$100 gift cards to use at the Ft. Hood AAFES (post exchange). This is on top of the \$10,000 of electronic games and instruments we sent in Operation Comfort Warriors donations to Ft. Hood just prior to the shootings. These gifts won't make the injuries go away, but they do show that we care."

"The government does a good job of providing the necessities," Hill continued. "Through Operation Comfort Warriors we have been able to provide gifts to troops in military hospitals everywhere. These are items that usually don't appear in government budgets, such as personal sweat suits, I-Pods, DVDs, phone calling cards and other comfort goods. The American Legion is challenging its members and friends to continue giving to those who have already given us so much."

The American Legion has already raised more than \$217,000 for Operation Comfort Warriors since its inception last December. Upon taking office in August, Commander Hill set a goal to raise an additional \$100,000 by year's end. Donors can make online contributions by visiting [www.legion.org/ocw](http://www.legion.org/ocw) or by sending a check to Operation Comfort Warriors, PO Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206. Administrative and promotional costs for Operation Comfort Warriors are paid by The American Legion, allowing 100 percent of the donations to be spent directly on the troops.

"Some people think that expecting \$100,000 during an economic recession is too lofty a goal. I don't," Hill said. "Americans are generous and what better way is there to show our holiday spirit than to remember those who have served and are still serving?"

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### ***The American Legion celebrates signing of landmark VA financing law***

WASHINGTON, D.C. (October 22, 2009) - On what leaders of The American Legion characterized as "an historic day," President Barack Obama signed into law the Veterans Health Care, Budget Reform and Transparency Act of 2009. The landmark legislation contained a provision for which the nation's largest veterans' service organization had long campaigned: advance budget appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) medical care operations.

"While this is indeed an historic day for VA," said Peter Gaytan, executive director of The American Legion's Washington headquarters who attended the Presidential signing at the White House, "it is an especially important day for our nation's veterans."

"No longer will VA and the veterans in its care have to suffer from the 'check's in the mail' syndrome," said Clarence E. Hill, national commander of The American Legion. "Now the VA will know a year in advance what resources will be available to it so plans can be made accordingly. Advance appropriations will go a long way toward minimizing compromises in the delivery of the high quality VA health care our veterans expect and deserve."

President Obama made brief remarks during the White House ceremony, which was attended by Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki and members of Congress who played key roles in the passage of the legislation. The signing ceremony was also attended by The American Legion's Director of Economics, and Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran Joseph C. Sharpe, Jr., as well as representatives of several other veterans' service organizations.

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# **The American Legion – National News**

## **Operation Comfort Warriors keeps pledge**

### National Commander's Message

One of my favorite clauses in the Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion comes at the end: "To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness."

These are more than words. They are a pledge to help our comrades. Operation Comfort Warriors is the epitome of that pledge. The men and women defending America in uniform are, indeed, our comrades. They help us by preserving our way of life; we help them by providing comfort items to those who are wounded or sick.

Thanks to the generosity of our American Legion family members and friends, we have purchased sweat suits, phone cards, DVDs, CDs, iPods, puzzles, books, video games, and other items for men and women who are recovering at military hospitals and warrior transition units. These items won't make all of these heroes whole again, but it does show them that we care and appreciate their sacrifice.

More than 35,000 men and women in U.S. military uniforms have been injured since the global war on terrorism started. Factor in the thousands who are hospitalized each year because of accidents or illnesses, and you can see that the need to help is quite significant. From December 2008 until the close of the 91st National Convention in Louisville, Ky., last August, The American Legion family raised about \$189,000 for Operation Comfort Warriors. One of my first acts as national commander was to set a new goal: to raise an additional \$100,000 by the end of this year; we already have brought the total to more than \$210,000.

The goal is achievable. Donald Williams, a World War II veteran and Legionnaire from Clinton, Minn., sent a note along with a check imploring us to "keep Operation Comfort Warriors going." Bruce D. Edwards of San Diego added, "I am a former Marine from Vietnam and glad to be able to contribute to this ongoing campaign."

Not a penny of donated money is spent on administrative costs or marketing. Those expenses are paid from our headquarters budget.

The American Legion has found a special partner to help distribute some of these items. Klay South was shot in the face and leg by an Iraqi insurgent during the 2004 battle of Fallujah. This Marine also bore the brunt of a grenade blast and endured more than 40 follow-up surgeries and procedures. Now with a titanium jaw and 22 false teeth, South has dedicated himself to supporting his fellow wounded warriors with a group of his own called Veterans of Valor.

Impressed by this dedicated veteran, delegates at our 91st American Legion National Convention passed Resolution 108, which supports Veterans of Valor and its programs to assist severely wounded veterans. A Legionnaire from Post 252 in Greenwood, Ind., South is not paid for his efforts - he is one more Legionnaire who helps make Operation Comfort Warriors the success it is.

Some people may think that expecting \$100,000 during an economic recession is too lofty a goal. I don't. Legion family members are generous, and the holiday season is fast-approaching. What better way is there to show your holiday spirit than to remember those who have served and are still serving?

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**HAVE YOU HEARD THIS ONE?** As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 77, please be careful." "Heck," said Herman, "It's not just one car, it's hundreds of them."

**...OR THIS ONE?** Three retiree's, each with a hearing loss, were playing golf one fine March day. One remarked to the others, "Windy, isn't it?" "No," the second man replied, "It's Thursday." And the third man chimed in, "So am I, let's have a beer."

# **The American Legion – Department of Virginia News**

## **Virginia Department of Veterans Services Releases Progress Report on Virginia Wounded Warrior Program**

Commissioner Vincent M. Burgess and Executive Director of the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program Catherine A. Wilson have jointly released the 2009 Progress Report on the VWWP. Authorized and funded in 2008, the Departments of Veterans Services, Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, and Rehabilitative Services, and the Adjutant General of the Virginia National Guard have worked together to establish the program and expand its reach across Virginia. Commissioner Burgess said, "the VWWP Team, our state agency partners, veterans service organizations, including the Joint Leadership Council which sponsored this program, have made great strides in developing a structure to connect veterans and their families to services for combat stress and traumatic brain injury."

Since July 1, 2008, the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program has

- Established 3 Regional Offices that cover Northern, Western and Central and Southern Virginia
- Funded five regional consortia of community mental health, brain injury and rehabilitative services specialists as well as Veterans Administration and military resources to connect veterans and families with local services for assistance
- Initiated a statewide needs assessment to learn about the gaps in services for veterans and their families who struggle with combat stress or traumatic brain injury
- Established a powerful Executive Strategy Group to explore partnerships and resources that can assist Virginia veterans, and
- Initiated steps to reach out to veterans and their families to encourage them to seek help.

Commenting on the tremendous progress in just one year of operation, Executive Director Wilson said, "I am confident that we will continue this momentum and demonstrate a record of success that adds unprecedented value to the quality of the lives of Virginia's veterans, service members and their families in the years to come."

This report is being distributed electronically only and is available at <http://www.VirginiaforVeterans.com>, click Publications and Forms.

## **Healthcare and Insurance Headaches? ...Get Relief NOW**

The complex healthcare system can sometimes make it difficult to find and understand the right information necessary to make informed decisions, resolve thorny insurance coverage or billing issues, or to get a timely appointment with a specialist, for example. Health advocacy services have emerged as a bridge between the consumer, insurance company and health providers, offering help to address these and other complicated, time-consuming healthcare- and insurance-related issues.

The Department wants you to know about a special new program for you and your family. Health Proponent - a program brought to us through the Legionnaire Insurance Trust - offers expert, personalized help to solve a full range of healthcare and insurance problems and save you time, money and worry. Here are some of the many things the service does:

- Helps you resolve insurance claims and assist with negotiating billing and payment arrangements.
- Helps find the right doctors, hospitals, dentists and other leading healthcare providers anywhere in the country.
- Negotiates Medical Bills
- ...and much more

By calling 866-939-3435, you can find out more about this unique new program and how you can enroll to start getting the benefits. We hope you will find this valuable program useful



**THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
APPLICATION FOR PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE (PUFL) MEMBERSHIP  
(Please type or print)**



APPLICANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER ID # \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NO. [\_\_\_\_\_] \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL PUFL FEE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mo./Day/Year) (See Chart on Reverse)

**BRANCH OF SERVICE (check one only):**  US Army  US Navy  US Marines  US Air Force  US Coast Guard

Full Payment Enclosed **OR**  Time Payment Enclosed – Requires minimum payment of **10% OF TOTAL** as down payment.

**PAYMENT IS MADE BY THE FOLLOWING METHOD:**

Check or Money Order (Made payable to The American Legion) **DO NOT SEND CASH.**

Please provide check or money order number \_\_\_\_\_

Charge to MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Credit Card Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Expiration Date)

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's signature may be omitted if PUFL is to be given as a gift. If card is to be mailed to another address, enter below.**

**IF GIFT, MAIL CARD TO:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mbr ID # (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE POST ADJUTANT OR FINANCE OFFICER**

1. *By signature below*, I certify that the PUFL applicant named above is a member in good standing and holds a valid membership card. Annual dues were last paid for the \_\_\_\_\_ membership year and were paid to Post # \_\_\_\_\_ in the Department of \_\_\_\_\_.

2. **Check one:**

Member is applying at a PUFL fee based on our annual Post dues rate of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

With Post approval, this member is applying at a PUFL fee based on the **reduced Post dues rate** of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

3. *If applicable*, this member is transferring from the above Post to (new) Post # \_\_\_\_\_ in the Department of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Post Adjutant or Finance Officer*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Dept/Post #*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date Processed By Post*

POST FORWARDS APPLICATION WITH PAYMENT TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. (RETAIN A COPY FOR POST RECORDS.)

**THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS**

Member National Per Capita \_\_\_\_\_

Post Dept Per Capita \_\_\_\_\_

Dept. Post Per Capita \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received at National: \_\_\_\_\_

**PFLN**

FORM #32-090 (October 2003)

^ DETACH HERE ^

**APPLICANT'S RECEIPT:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Name of Applicant*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Payment Received*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date Processed By Post*

The member named above has applied for a Paid-Up-For-Life membership. The application has been certified by the Post and sent to the Department Headquarters with the payment noted above. After Department approval, it will be forwarded to National Headquarters for final processing. National will issue a permanent membership card in recognition of your status as a PUFL member of The American Legion.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Post Adjutant or Finance Officer*

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



American Legion  
Post 184  
Box 5118, Herndon, VA 20172

## NEXT 3 MEETINGS

Mark Your Calendar  
3<sup>rd</sup> **WEDNESDAY**, 7:30–8:30  
PM

February 17<sup>th</sup>

March 17<sup>th</sup>

April 21, 2010

Meetings held on the **1st Floor** of the  
Herndon Moose Lodge  
714 Center Street  
Herndon, VA



## SHOW YOUR COLORS

*Display your Flag !!*

Lincoln's Birthday  
February 12<sup>th</sup>

President's Day  
February 15<sup>th</sup>

Washington's Birthday  
February 22<sup>nd</sup>