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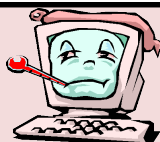
## OUR NEXT MEETING

May 17th at 7:30 PM is slated for our next tele-meeting using [ooVoo](#) . Click on [robertgreen00109](#).

Our tele-meeting is provided for you to learn about and have input regarding your cyber Post.

Have you visited [Our Web site](#), lately?

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## OUR ELECTION RESULTS

Commander ROBERT GREEN  
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Junior Vice Cmdr. PAUL AUST  
Junior Vice Cmdr. MARK FENLEY  
Finance Officer CHUCK GOETZ  
Judge Advocate TED RICHARDS  
Exec Committee TBA  
Exec Committee RICK SCHIRMER

Installation to follow, after the State Convention, June 18-24th.

## USPS UNIQUE SERVICE

Would you want to get graphic notices of your incoming postal mail? Check out:

<https://techcrunch.com/2017/03/31/the-post-office-will-now-email-you-photos-of-your-mail-before-its-delivered/>.

## WHY YOU SHOULD BELONG

The American Legion's "Why You Should Belong" booklet can be a good recruiting tool and might even bolster some members' understanding of the many benefits of membership.



This "Why You Should Belong" booklet, available for download [here](#) or by contacting our [department headquarters](#), can be a one-stop recruiting tool that provides information on dozens of Legion programs, as well as the impact of those programs. It's a valuable asset for any Legionnaire on the recruiting trail.

Commander McMillan is proposing we consider starting up an Auxiliary Unit. There are already national eUnits which meet via the Internet.

Visit Georgia's Auxiliary Website:

<http://www.galegionaux.org/default.html>.

If you'd like to provide feedback, contact me at [rgreen1@greenunicorn.com](mailto:rgreen1@greenunicorn.com).



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

Richard Barbay  
Leslie Green  
Duane Heieren  
Bob Joyner  
Robert McTureous  
Herschel Pilcher Jr.



Beware a phone scam which begins like, "Can you hear me?"  
By answering "Yes.", you might obligate yourself to charges you did not request.

1 MAY COMMANDER'S MESSAGE 2017

Ed McMillan Commander

The weather is getting warmer, flowers are blooming, and our ePost finally voted on a worthwhile [barely by my tie breaker] vote to help out our District. It did nothing for our posts accept cost us about \$150 of our \$600. One wonders what we're going to do with that \$600 if a project like homeless people etc. came up. Kind Legionnaires have stepped up this year namely Bart Immings, a loyal member, donated \$100 for the good of the post, and our kind District 9 adjutant secured \$200 for our post \$100 from her and her husband's own pocket. Add that up a minute. This vote cost the treasury, nothing repeat nothing, in funds earned but funds donated!! A cost fronted of \$137 for poppies for cost of goods to earn a profit that if members takes and sales, generates \$1 for each poppies with sales of 1000 will \$1370.00 generated on \$137.00 [our investment]

The poppies are on order and should be here in time for Memorial Day and a big sale near that day. I expect EVERYONE to take a great number and get them sold! Our cost is about .0137 per poppy!

Each year all posts have the big Kahuna in the closet. I am asking everyone to aid in the effort to reach and surpass 100% membership by the end of this year. We are a post of 40 by the skin of our teeth. Last year by ME! Everyone is expected to give me a list of benefactors who can help the post by donating money or in kind goods for raffles, time for boot drives, etc. In short GET INVOLVED it's your post help it succeed work with it.

We will have an auxiliary this year. They do better than we do and why not! We are no longer the WHY NOT post we are LET'S DO IT POST!

Thank post members passing the torch to Bob. He will do a fine job somewhat detailed at times. I ask him to delegate some work which was my shortcoming as I felt no one would take any own. This post has several great officers and several potential officers waiting to be asked. We have several officers now that hurried up for a slot with a title and no work since. You know who you are. Bob knows who you are. A vote would not keep you safe if I was still in Command. We are a team of 6-7 of the finest men I have worked with except 2. One was my OCS platoon at Fort Sill platoon for 8 weeks before going on to OCS at Aberdeen OCS and receiving a severe concussion in a fall down the barracks stairs. After a trip to Walter Reed Hospital for a long stay I was released with a profile with for several weeks no duty then cleared for duty Vietnam. I had a critical MOS and my skills were needed in theater. So for 9 months I used these skills and 3 more men rotating in with the same MOS but not command skills to boo. It was the best of times; it was the worst of times! We visit many nights with the events and the men I lost. Fortunately, I don't have as many as some I know for 1 is too many!

## OUR OFFICER CADRE

Commander	<a href="#">ED MCMILLAN</a> 770-757-6136
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## BACKUPS?



Some businesses and institutions keep their computer file backups off-site (as well as on-site) as insurance against unforeseen disasters.

Do you see a need to follow such practices in your own personal/professional/business records?

It only takes one painful incident to point out the probable need for such "insurance".

Today's solid-state hard drives are an excellent media for incremental backups, and [Dropbox](#) and [iCloud!](#)

While on the topic of backups, some people follow the practice of naming sequential files with endings such as (a,b,c,1,2,3), so that if they need to return to a previous form, nothing would be lost.

Another "backup" ploy might be to carry/use a high-capacity thumb drive for such items as family medical records, etc.

If you video your home/business possessions, that digital video could also be stored, for insurance purposes.



May is a special month, in my mind, as it commemorates May Day, National Day of Prayer, Cinco de Mayo, Passover, Easter, Mother's Day, Armed Forces Day, the First of Ramadan, and Memorial Day.

On the outset, it may seem this plethora of events is almost too much to effectively appreciate, yet alone, commemorate, but each has its special meaning. Some events have universal appeal, while others have religious and/or national appeal.

Most American Legion Posts will hold observances for the appropriate holidays and we should make every effort to attend these ceremonies.

As a cyber American Legion Post, we have no way to bring our members to a common physical meeting place, so it is incumbent upon each of us to do our duty to seek out local observances to attend and maybe participate in, if able.

Yes, the month of May offers many opportunities to recall what is important to us.

As I looked back at the list of May's events, I recalled how, as a parent, I was able to share what was important to me with our children.

What will they not only do, but inculcate their own children in my values? Children are our future and as the past is prologue...

Editor *Bob*

## VIETNAM MOVING WALL

First **click on a state**. When it opens, scroll down to the city and the names will appear.

Then **click on their names**. It should show you a picture of the person, or at least their bio and medals.

This really is an amazing web site. Someone spent a lot of time and effort to create it. I hope that everyone who receives this appreciates what those who served in Vietnam sacrificed for our country.

The link below is a virtual wall of all those lost during the Vietnam war with the names, bio's and other information on our lost heroes. Those who remember that time frame, or perhaps lost friends or family can look them up on this site.

Pass the link on to others, as many knew wonderful people whose names are listed.

<http://www.virtualwall.org/iStates.htm>

## FREE INSURANCE COVERAGE

Have you enrolled in the American Legion's free (no premiums to pay) accident insurance policy?

<https://www.thelit.com/no-cost-legioncare>

As a member of the Legion Family, you're eligible for the following benefits:

- \$5,000.00 NO COST To You Accidental Death Protection if traveling on official American Legion business.
  - \$1,000 Accident Protection for all other covered accidents.
- But regulations require your Confirmation on file in order to finalize this complimentary coverage. Please activate your NO COST To You insurance coverage today.

## LEGION MEMBERSHIP DATES

**Below, are the eligibility dates for those veterans seeking membership in the American Legion:**

**WWI: 4/6/17 TO 11/11/18**

**WWII: 12/7/41 TO 12/31/46**

**KOREA: 6/25/50 TO 1/31/55**

**VIETNAM: 2/28/61 TO 5/7/75**

**LEBANON/GRENADA: 8/24/82 TO 7/31/84**

**PANAMA: 12/20/89 TO 1/31/90**

**GULF WAR /WAR ON TERRORISM: 8/2/90 TO THE PRESENT**

**If you have questions about eligibility, please contact Adjutant, [Ted Richards](#).**

## UPDATE SPRING CONFERENCE

I was able to attend the Department Of Georgia's 2017 Spring Conference, 3/24/2017 and visited, briefly, with our 9th District Commander, Geoff Toman. He is running for a JVC slot in Department of Georgia (DOG).

Denise Rohan <http://www.deniserohan.org/>, leading candidate for 2017-18 should be the first female Legion National Commander. She has an old flyer of ours. Randy Goodman, past Department of Georgia Commander and current National Membership Chairman, should visit with her about us.

The National Commander's Visit: May 18- 20, 2017.

Don't forget, our National Commander, Charles E. Schmidt, of Oregon, will be in Georgia. <http://www.galegion.org/assets/newsletter.pdf>

*Paul*

## YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD'S VALUE

Your American Legion membership card not only identifies you as a veteran, but also marks you as a patriot who served our nation.

That card can often be used to reduce rates at those establishments which give veterans a discount, but we must usually ask, "Do you give a veteran discount?"

**AMERICAN LEGION EPOST2100 (CYBER POST) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**YES!** I'll help my fellow veterans by becoming a member of The American Legion. I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty during the dates marked below and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

**epost 2100 mailing address ---->** Chuck Goetz  
675 Washboard Road  
Cleveland, GA 30528

Application may be made in any of the following methods:

1. Complete this application and mail it to Ted Richards, epost 2100 Adjutant along with a check in the amount of \$35.00 (payable to American Legion) and a copy of DD214
2. Simply call and make application telephonically (less than 5 minutes).
3. Visit our website at epost 2100.org and make application there

Please check applicable "Dates of Service" and "Branch of Service":

DATES OF SERVICE	BRANCH OF SERVICE
<input type="checkbox"/> AUG. 2, 1990 – OPEN	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. ARMY
<input type="checkbox"/> DEC. 20, 1989 – JAN. 31, 1990	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. NAVY
<input type="checkbox"/> AUG. 24, 1982 – JUL. 31, 1984	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. AIR FORCE
<input type="checkbox"/> FEB. 28, 1963 – MAY 7, 1975	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. MARINES
<input type="checkbox"/> JUNE 25, 1950 – JAN. 31, 1955	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. COAST GUARD
<input type="checkbox"/> DEC. 7, 1941 – DEC. 31, 1946	
<input type="checkbox"/> APR. 6, 1917 – NOV. 11, 1918	
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. MERCHANT MARINE — DEC. 7, 1941 – DEC. 31, 1946	

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BIRTH DATE

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Recruiter's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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A COPY OF YOUR DD-214 ,  
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The Lincoln Memorial faces the elliptical World War II Memorial in this view of a Virginia sunset taken from the top of the Washington Monument. (Photograph by Gary Silverstein)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	1817: Spanish consul in New Orleans complains of personal and public mistreatment.	1817: Navy Dept. orders reduction of forces on lakes Erie and Ontario.	1817: J.Q. Adams is informed that Spain might cede Florida if US helps suppress South American revolts.	1817: US Navy officers disapprove of petition to Senate complaining of harsh punishments for disobedience.	1817: Monroe, Jefferson, and Madison attend first meeting of Board of Visitors of U. of VA.	1817: Boston's <i>New England Palladium</i> reports on the return of slaves captured during the War of 1812.
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
1817: <i>Boston Patriot</i> reports that the frontier was in a "constant state of alarm" from hostile Creeks.	1817: Pres. Monroe is congratulated by the Irish patriot Archibald Rowan for his election.	1817: Jefferson asks former Capitol architect Wm. Thornton for advice about U. of VA buildings.	1817: <i>Daily National Intelligencer</i> (DC) describes new variety of wheat immune to Hessian Fly disease.	1817: <i>Boston Commercial Gazette</i> predicts all harvests east of the Blue Ridge will be ruined by the Hessian Fly.	1817: Boston's <i>Repertory</i> reports that NH's Superior Court would hear <i>Dartmouth v. Woodward</i> case.	1817: NY Peace Society congratulates new Ohio chapter for fighting "the popular delusion in favor of war."
<b>Mother's Day</b> <b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Armed Forces Day</b> <b>20</b>
1817: Jefferson believes the cost of the War of 1812 was a cheap price for uniting all political parties.	1817: Jefferson believes congressmen should read economics books and circulate them among constituents.	1817: Pres. Monroe acknowledges Portugal's ambassador was actively discouraging US support for Brazilian revolt.	1817: <i>American Advocate</i> reports that American students in Edinburgh celebrated Washington's birthday.	1817: John Adams complains that American youth who travel abroad risk losing their patriotism.	1817: Newspaper reports money is being raised in VA for monument to George Washington.	1817: First American peer-reviewed publication on the natural sciences begins publication in Philadelphia.
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
1817: Former senator Samuel L. Mitchell (NY) describes a new American "epoch in learning."	1817: Pres. Monroe congratulates king of The Netherlands on birth of the future William III.	1817: J.Q. Adams cites constitutional prohibitions in declining customary diplomatic gifts.	1817: Gov. Oliver Wolcott, Jr. praised for repairing Hartford Convention's damage to CT's reputation.	1817: Future representative Sydenham Moore (AL), who would die defending Richmond in 1862, is born in TN.	<b>Ramadan Begins</b> 1817: John Adams warns Jefferson against radical innovations in his proposed university.	1817: <i>New York Columbian</i> marvels at discovery of Mammoth bones within sixty miles of NYC.
<b>28</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b> <b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	 <p>John Adams, in a 1826 copy of Gilbert Stuart's 1824 painting, corresponded regularly with Thomas Jefferson throughout 1817. (<i>Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Institution</i>)</p>		
1817: Pres. Monroe is petitioned for federal assistance to establishing a colony on the Pacific	1817: <i>Watch-Tower</i> (Cooperstown, NY) reports Mexico's thanks to Henry Clay for his "manly and	1817: US consul requests US naval presence in Caribbean to protect	1817: President Monroe begins his			



## CHUCK SENT THIS IN

This Indianan high schooler had this flag as his class project.

There are 4,466 army soldiers on the flag, painted red, white, and blue. It took more than 52 hours!

Kinda makes ya feel warm and proud of recognizing that there are good and patriotic American youth, right?



## REVIEW OF OUR POST'S NAMESAKE



Col. Larry Alan Hoff, USAF (Ret), of Loganville, passed away on Thursday, October 20, 2011, after a long and courageous battle with esophageal and liver cancer. Larry was born on November 8, 1946 in Monroe, WI to Glen and June Hoff, Sr. Col. Hoff entered the United States Air Force in 1968 after receiving his commission from ROTC at San Jose State University. He was a career pilot, unconventional warfare officer and Joint Staff Officer who had commanded at all levels from detachment to Squadron. During Operation Desert Shield\Storm, Col. Hoff was the Director of the Joint Staff Crisis Action Team (CAT).

He followed this with assignments as the Director of Operations for the United Nations Special Commission for Iraq (UNSCOM) responsible for planning and conducting international inspections for weapons of mass destruction within Iraq. He followed that with an assignment as Director of Special Management (AMC-TACC) where he was responsible as Director of NATO Air Operations for NATO AFSOUTH for planning and operations of the NATO imposed peace between Croatia, Bosnia, and Serb combatants in the former Yugoslavia. After retirement, in 1995, he served thirteen years as the Senior Aerospace Science Instructor (SASI) for GA-956, Senior Representative for AFJROTC region COAR-2 HQAFJROTC, and as Director of Emergency Management for Walton County Public School System. He retired in June 2010.

Col. Hoff was also an assistant professor of Health Science/Emergency Management for TUI University. He was a member of the American Legion (Department of Georgia Junior Vice Commander), National Sojourners (Commander of Hero's of 76), Daedalion Society of Military Pilots, Air Force Association, Military Officers Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Royal Order of Scotland (president), Loganville Shrine Club (past treasurer and vice president), Yaarab Shrine and Legion of Honor, York Rite, Scottish Rite and Columbia Lodge #91.

## FROM GA REPRESENTATIVE ROB WOODALL

Additionally, last week the House passed and sent to the President's desk, [S. 544](#), which will extend the Veterans Choice program that was set to expire this August. As you know, the Veterans Choice program started in 2014 as a way to allow veterans to receive necessary health care more quickly. Rather than sitting through long waits at a VA health center or clinic, or needing a course of care that the VA could not provide, the Veterans Choice program has helped over 1 million veterans get care in a timely fashion from their local community providers. This, along with bills we passed last month to make it easier for the VA to recruit medical professionals and also to remove bad employees, is just another step in the right direction towards fixing our beleaguered VA health care system and ensuring our men in women overseas come home to the best possible health care available.

If you or a family member are having trouble using your Veterans Choice Card, or are unsure if you qualify for the card, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 770-232-3005 and one of our dedicated VA caseworkers will assist you so that you can get the health care treatment that you need and deserve.