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COMMUNICATION IS POWER

TO OPT OUT OF OUR NEWSLETTERS, E-MAIL [cgoetz@myemc.net](mailto:cgoetz@myemc.net)

## OUR NEXT MEETING

August 18th 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 our cyber Post.

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

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

TED RICHARDS: 404-754-0415

[tkr1258@gmail.com](mailto:tkr1258@gmail.com)

BOB GREEN: (770) 786-702

[commander@cyberpost2100.org](mailto:commander@cyberpost2100.org)

## YOUR CALCULATOR

Some of you may already use (or not) this computer option, but it might prove to be useful to have a basic calculator minimized on your desktop's task bar, or as a shortcut on the desktop (or both?).

The figures can be copied and pasted to and from the calculator, thus avoiding possible transposition errors.



Plus, the calculator never needs batteries!

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It is that time, again. We need those \$35.00 renewals of memberships in The American Legion. Send check to:

**Chuck Goetz**



**675 Washboard Road**

**Cleveland, GA 30528**

## COMMANDER'S CORNER



"Heavy is the head that wears the crown". This anonymous phrase embodies what is often the case in our society, but in our ePost, that, fortunately, is not the case.

We have a cadre of volunteer officers who loyally work together to support the functions of our ePost and belie the quote, above.

Much gratitude is owed to our leaders and our members who do not always receive the praises, due, but continue to make our organization an integral part of our Department of Georgia.

I wear no crown, but as your commander, I do have overall responsibilities for our successes. My head is not heavy. It is proud...proud to be an American Legionnaire and your commander.

*Bob*

[commander@cyberpost2100.org](mailto:commander@cyberpost2100.org)

770-786-8702

## VA CAREGIVER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

If you are caring for a loved one who is a veteran, you may be eligible for assistance through the Department of Veterans Affairs Caregivers Program. Find out more by visiting <http://www.caregiver.va.gov/>.

## OUR OFFICERS

Commander	<a href="#">Robert (BOB) GREEN</a> 770-786-8702
Senior Vice Cmdr	<a href="#">LES GREEN</a> 770-596-5635
Junior Vice Cmdr	<a href="#">PAUL AUST</a> 770-258-5043
Junior Vice Cmdr	<a href="#">MARK FENLEY</a> 678-661-1031
Finance Officer	<a href="#">CHUCK GOETZ</a> 706-219-4209
Judge Advocate	<a href="#">TED RICHARDS</a> 404-754-0415
Exec Committee	<a href="#">ED MCMILLAN</a> (Past Commander) 770-757-6136
Exec Committee	<a href="#">RICK SCHIRMER</a> 678-687-7270

## FREE ACCIDENTAL DEATH INSURANCE

As a Legion, SAL, or Auxiliary member, you are eligible for up to \$5,000 in NO COST TO YOU accidental death insurance.

\$5,000.00 NO COST To You Accidental Death Protection if traveling on official American Legion business\*.

\$1,000 Accident Protection for all covered accidents Regulations require your Confirmation on file in order to finalize these complimentary benefits. Please activate your NO COST To You benefits today. This benefit is provided by our Department of the American Legion.

Please visit: <https://www.thelit.com/no-cost-legioncare> for more information.



## MY TWO CENTS

The Byrds have given us the memorable lyrics, "To everything (turn, turn, turn) / There is a season (turn, turn, turn) / And a time to every purpose, under heaven." The words come from Ecclesiastes 3 and denote the cyclical passage of the four seasons of the year.

Our American Legion finds no "season" for asking us to almost constantly search for new members (and bring back, former members).

Though a seemingly onerous task, it is a vital one, for our membership strengthens our national efforts to support our causes. It starts from the Post, up.

Each of our newsletters and our Web site contains an application for membership. If you find an interested potential member, an [E-mail](#) or call to our adjutant (404-754-0415) can expedite the enrollment.

Veterans do receive benefits without belonging to any veteran organization, but having some input in Washington is always a plus.

Most vets probably are unaware of American Legion benefits. They can be directed to a listing of some of those benefits at <http://www.legion.org/benefits>.

To get an idea of what membership means in Georgia, check out the Web site: <http://www.galegion.org/>.

Of course, membership in our CYBER Post has its special perks, right?

Editor *Bob*

## BOB HOPE

<http://biggeekdad.com/2011/02/bob->

## YOUR E-MAIL

One ploy to try, when having to give out your E-mail in order to get some services, is to use an alternate E-mail, such as free Google mail (gmail):

<https://support.google.com/mail/answer/56256?hl=en>

This will relegate messages to that account, not your real/main account.

You might also want another account to separate personal from business or other activity.



## WIDE OPEN SPACES

You've probably noticed that our newsletters have unusual spacing, text size, etc.

This is due to our editor lacking enough timely material.

As you come across items of interest to veterans, consider sending them to the [editor](#).

## WINDOWS KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/kb/126449>

### Windows system key combinations

F1: Help  
CTRL+ESC: Open **Start** menu  
ALT+TAB: Switch between open programs  
ALT+F4: Quit program  
SHIFT+DELETE: Delete item permanently  
Windows Logo+L: Lock the computer (without using CTRL+ALT+DELETE)

### Windows program key combinations

CTRL+C: Copy  
CTRL+X: Cut  
CTRL+V: Paste  
CTRL+Z: Undo  
CTRL+B: Bold  
CTRL+U: Underline  
CTRL+I: Italic

## 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 Commander [Bob Green](#) or Adjutant, [Ted Richards](#).

## YOUR FINANCES

Did you read the Personal Finance page in the August 2016 issue of "The American Legion" magazine?

<http://www.legion.org/magazine>.

It dealt with the TSP (Thrift Savings Plan). Follow this link to that reference:

<http://www.legion.org/usaa/focusonfinances>.

## MY HEALTH VET WEB SITE/NEWSLETTER

Check out the following VA attempts to help us with our health and health of our loved ones:

[https://www.myhealth.va.gov/mhv-portal-web/anonymous.portal?\\_nfpb=true&\\_nfto=false&\\_pageLabel=mhvHome](https://www.myhealth.va.gov/mhv-portal-web/anonymous.portal?_nfpb=true&_nfto=false&_pageLabel=mhvHome)

## ELDERLY SCAM

Paul wants to bring this item to our attention:

[Stop the Scam: Elderly parents or family members with cognit... : Neurology Now](#)

**TO JOIN, SUBMIT THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (BELOW),  
YOUR DD-214 AND A CHECK FOR \$35.00**

**TO: Chuck Goetz  
675 Washboard Road  
Cleveland, GA 30528**

**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, 1961 – 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	

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

PHONE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

BIRTH DATE

SIGNATURE

**OFFICERS NEEDED**

We are looking for members to fill a couple of officer slots:

**Adjutant:** Serves as a recording and corresponding secretary and handles reports. Ted will mentor the new volunteer!

**Chaplain:** At present, our chaplain only needs to offer the opening and closing nondenominational prayers at our once-a-month meetings

**A COLLECTION OF WARFARE LINKS**

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| <a href="#">Aviation Pioneers</a>       | <a href="#">WW2 German Aces</a>       | <a href="#">WW2 German Planes</a>     |
| <a href="#">World War I Aces</a>        | <a href="#">Korean War Aces</a>       | <a href="#">WW2 Airplane Pictures</a> |
| <a href="#">Hall of Fame of the Air</a> | <a href="#">Russian Aces</a>          | <a href="#">History of Airplanes</a>  |
| <a href="#">WW2 European Theater</a>    | <a href="#">Vietnam Era Aces</a>      | <a href="#">Nose Art</a>              |
| <a href="#">WW2 Pacific Theater</a>     | <a href="#">Airplanes</a>             | <a href="#">Postwar Jets</a>          |
| <a href="#">WW2 US Marine Corps</a>     | <a href="#">World War I Planes</a>    | <a href="#">World War Two</a>         |
| <a href="#">WW2 US Navy Aces</a>        | <a href="#">1930s Aircraft photos</a> | <a href="#">WW2 Facts and Firsts</a>  |
| <a href="#">WW2 Mediterranean</a>       | <a href="#">WW2 Fighters</a>          |                                       |
|   | <a href="#">WW2 Bombers</a>           |                                       |



# BOYS STATE



Jacob Elijah (Eli) Pontes and Chuck, photographed by Ted, enjoying a pre-registration meal before arrival at Riverside Military Academy, site for this year's American Legion sponsored Boys State.



Ted, Chuck and Eli arrive in time to register and get Eli's gear into his dorm room.



Unpacking with the help of our intrepid two, Chuck and Ted.

Now, onward to registration.



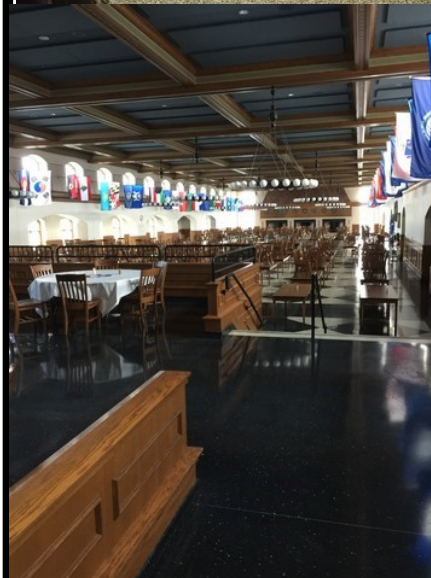
Registration is always an exciting challenge.

All went smoothly and Eli was assigned his city and dorm room.



Home sweet home was never like this, eh?

Eli and the other boys were divided into cities, counties, and prepared for elections and operating a government at various levels.



This "chow hall" was nothing like we experienced in basic training, right?

Eli will send us a report for our newsletter after he returns from Boys State.

## THE IMPORTANCE OF AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the American Legion is an important part of a Veteran's life. As we know, there are many challenges in life, but they can be made easier by associating with others of like mind. When Vets cannot always get out to a meeting, a Cyber post is one answer to that issue.

A Cyber post serves friends who have gone thru similar situations, as have many of the Vietnam era vets, especially those who served in country. Just talking and kidding around may relieve some of the tensions of daily life, and the problems of getting older seem to loom in our vision.

A Cyber post can sometimes help people to understand how *esprit de corps* plays into our psyche, when they have no military service. That short time online with our Legion friends helps to fill that gap, because we KNOW some of what the other person has experienced in the service of our country and that creates a special bond.

We must tell others, unaffiliated Veterans, how much we mean to each other. It is up to each of us to tell other Vets about the American Legion and especially about our [ePost](#).

*Les*