



The Pride



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Commander's Corner by Mike Gray

Comrades, where did the year go? I can't believe it went by so fast. It seems just last month I was installed as your commander. My term is now coming to year's end, and what a year it has been.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of my Officers, Committee Chairman, Committeeman, Commission members, DECman, and all District Commanders, for a great and successful year. Above all I want to thank all you the blue cap members of this detachment for working so hard on all of our programs. This year's success is because of all the hard work and dedication you have as

members of this great organization. To all I give you a right hand salute!

This year has been a year of hard economic times, but thru it all you still found a way to raise money for all of our programs. My commander's project was such a huge success I can't even begin to describe my gratitude for not only reaching but for surpassing our goal. I don't want to give away any numbers here in the article, but just wait till you hear the total on the convention floor it will just blow you away.

Membership is such an important part of

Convention Issue

organization, and again you the blue cap members of this detachment answered the call again. Throughout the year we were in the top 10 in the nation. We reached all of the target dates set by the national organization. Although we are just a little short of an all time high, I feel confident that by the national convention in August we will reach that number. Let's all work together and get those last few renewals in.

As you will hear from the reports on our convention floor all of our programs were a great success. I will not say any totals here, but when the chairman give their reports just listen to the total monies raised and the number of volunteer hours that we have done this year. We are above and beyond all of my expectations

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Adjutant's Archives by Bill Matoska

Keynote Speaker: Detachment Commander, Mike Gray, has invited Mr. Joseph Mayne to this 36th Annual Convention as the keynote speaker, Joe is a Past National Commander from the state of Minnesota and visited Maryland while in office as National Commander in 1996 and again in 2001 as the Department of Maryland's keynote speaker at their convention in Ocean City. Joe is a member of The National Speakers Association and The National Speakers Association-Minnesota Chapter since 1995. Joe delivers his customized leadership message to business/trade organizations and college/youth groups through personal experience, humor, and principles made applicable for every level of career development. Joe is an accredited author and his featured book "Aspire Higher" can be obtained by visiting his web site at www.maynespeaker.com. We are both excited and happy that Joe accepted Commander Mike's invitation to address our delegates and guests at this years convention. Joe is a very personable individual has always welcomed interaction with the Blue Cap members.

Don't hesitate to walk up to Joe and introduce yourself and give him a Maryland welcome.

Membership Cards: The 2010 membership cards are in and are available for pick up at the delegate registration table. Each squadron must have their 2009-2010 Squadron Certification Form handed in along with their 36th Annual Convention delegate fees paid before issuance of the new membership cards can take place. The membership team at the registration table will have certification and delegate payment records available if you are not sure if your squadron has completed the required paperwork. The team will have blank certification forms and an amount due for your convenience if necessary. The delegate fees are \$15.00 per delegate based upon your squadron membership on May 29, 2009, as recorded by Department Headquarters. Any membership cards that are not picked up at this convention will be available at the Department of Maryland's Annual Convention in Ocean City beginning July

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Commander's Corner by Mike Gray

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of the goals we set for ourselves.

In closing I wish you all a great and

successful convention. Have a great time and share in the glory of the work done this year. It was made possible because of you;

The Blue Cap Members.

Yours in Service
Michael Gray
Detachment Commander

We Treasure Membership by Mark Gilbert

Ahoy pirates of The Chesapeake

It's been a good year for membership in the Detachment of Maryland. We finished the year (05/29/2009) at 108 % of goal set by the Detachment with 15,104 members on board. Three of our Districts made Four Star and one District was Three Star. Also, thirty-eight squadrons made Four Star and twenty seven were at Three Star. That makes sixty-five squadrons that increased their membership from last year. Congratulations on your hard work.

The Crew Race is over with the Northern Central District leading the way six out of nine weeks ending with the highest score. Mountain District came on strong at the end, the top percentage the last

three weeks and the first District to reach a hundred percent, finishing one point ahead of North Eastern Shore District. A right hand salute to Commander Larry Ford and the other members of the NCD. It was fun and thanks to Commander Mike for being a good sport. He does look good in his pirate hat.

We had twelve members receive Crew Recruiter Awards by signing up six or more members. I know we had more, but it was a good start. The shirt was my way to thank those members who went out for the extra effort getting new members on board. Without their efforts, we would not grow as a Detachment

As far as National goes, membership is

still being counted until the end of the calendar year. The Detachment of Maryland is sitting at just over 97%. We need 348 more to reach 100% of goal. It is my hope that we achieve this goal by our convention. I know with a little effort, we can make it happen.

In closing, I want to thank the members of the Detachment for the great job you did getting members renewed and new members on board, and for allowing me to be the First Vice Commander for the Best Detachment in The Nation

Yours in the Pirate of the Chesapeake
Brotherhood,
Mark Gilbert
1st Vice Commander
Membership Chairman

Casey Cares by Larry Griffin

On behalf of The Casey Cares Foundation, I want to thanks each and every one of you for the donations you have made this year. Although they were

a little less than last year, we are glad you were able to help out in any way you could. I will be giving you the donation total at convention, because donations

are still coming in. Keep up your support for the children and their families.

Larry Griffin

Children & Youth Chatter by Buddy Mastin

I truly believe that "the children are our future" and thanks to the Squadrons and members of our Detachment we have done a great job in securing that future this year. As long as there is a child in need The Sons of The American Legion will be there to help, and you have shown that this year. Thank you to all our members and Squadrons for the thousands of dollars and hours you have donated to our C&Y programs this year. Thank you also to the Squadrons who took the time to fill out reports to let the American Legion and Congress know

about the great job our organization is doing in helping the children of our nation. I would like to thank all of the C&Y sub-committee chairmen who did a fabulous job getting the programs out to the blue cap members. This year our Squadrons donated over \$155,000.00 and 19,100 volunteer hours to our Children and Youth programs, and that is with less than 50% of our Squadrons filling out reports. Just imagine what the other 50% of our Squadrons did that no one knows about. Hopefully, we will increase the number of reports next

year.

It has been my privilege to serve as your C&Y Chairman this year. It has been an easy job this year with all the support of my committee members and the volunteer hours and dollars of our blue cap members. Once again, for the children of our community you have helped, I thank you.

Yours In Service
Buddy Mastin
Children & Youth Chairman

Adjutant's Archives by *Bill Matoska*

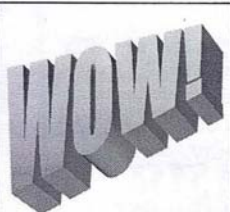
14th in the Convention Center.

Post Convention DEC: Please be advised that after the adjournment of this convention, a brief meeting of the Detachment Executive Committee will take place immediately on location there at Francis Scott Key Post. The D.E.C. will ratify any new Detachment appointments, the 09-10 budget, new D.E.C.men, and delegates to the National Convention. Districts please be prepared to hand in your newly elected officers, D.E.C. representatives, and National delegates from your district. I will list these criteria for your convenience. Article VII, Section 1 of the Detachment Constitution states: "The Detachment Executive Committee shall consist of ... one (1) Sons of The American Legion member from each District, plus one (1) from each District for every 400 members or major portion thereof, plus the District Commander, which are to be chosen at the respective District Caucus to serve for a period of one (1) year." Article V, Section 3 of the National Constitution states: "... each Detachment shall be entitled to one (1) delegate and one (1) additional delegate for each 500 members or major fraction

thereof..." For both of these criteria please refer to the membership report issued by the Department of Maryland on May 29, 2009 for your district's totals. Typically, not every district submits their total number of allotted delegates for the national convention which will allow for other districts to exceed their allotment, therefore, please list everyone that intends on traveling to the national convention and we will address any surplus if necessary.

National Convention:


Yours In Service,
Bill Matoska
Detachment Adjutant



THANK YOU!

**SONS OF THE
AMERICAN LEGION SURPRISE
HFM WITH A \$5,000 DONATION IN
SUPPORT OF
"SONS SENDING KIDS TO CAMP"**

By: Emma Miller



As many of your know, through my friend, Kathy Robinette-Stoneberg, I had the opportunity to meet Mr. Michael Gray, Sons of the American Legion Detachment Commander and his lovely wife, Brianne whose family is affected by VonWillebrand Disease. Mr. Michael Gray had selected HFM as his commander project and wanted to support our mission of sending children to camp with a Sons of the American Legion initiative entitled "Sons Sending Kids to Camp". Mr. Gray and members of the SAL purchased several tables to our annual Bull & Oyster Roast in April, and surprised me with a \$5,000 donation to HFM in support of this year's camp at Dragonfly Forest Camp. On behalf of HFM, I would like to thank the Gray family and the Sons of the American Legion for their support of HFM's mission to send kids to camp. For more information about the Sons of the American Legion, I encourage you to visit the following website: www.mdsal.org.

Pictured above: Michael Gray, SAL Detachment Commander; Emma Miller, HFM Executive Director and Brianne Gray

Commander's Project by Ken Jones

Gentlemen, what can I possibly say. The Detachment of Maryland has opened up its heart and pockets for Commander Mike Gray's project, "The Hemophilia Foundation of Maryland". As of early June, the total was over \$40,000 with donations still coming in. There is no doubt this Detachment will be able to

send more kids to camp this year than we could ever have imagined. More kids will have confidence, self-sufficiency, positive self-esteem, as well as learning to self-infuse.

It's been my pleasure to serve as your commander's project chairman this year.

You have made my job an easy one. On behalf of Commander Mike Gray and the Hemophilia Foundation, I sincerely "THANK YOU"!!! You came through as only you can.

Yours in Service,
Ken Jones, 410-829-9974

5th Annual Casey Cares Bike Ride by PDC Bear Weinzirl

Once again this year, motorcycle enthusiasts from around the state will join together for a day of fun and riding at the 5th annual SAL Detachment of Maryland's "Ride for Casey Cares". This year's ride will be held on Saturday July 25th [rain or shine] and will begin at Harford Post 39 in BelAir with opening ceremonies commencing at 9:00am. Riders are requested to arrive at 8:00.

On this day, we will be taking a nice scenic ride through Harford and Cecil Counties. We will be stopping at Slate Ridge Post 182 in Whiteford, Mason

Dixon Post 194 in Rising Sun, Susquehanna Post 135 in Perryville, and Joseph L. Davis Post 47 in Havre de Grace before arriving back at Harford Post 39 for food and beverages. This year's ride will also be a "Poker Run". The donation to participate in this ride will be \$25 per rider and \$25 per passenger. Cars are also welcome at the same rate. Please help us spread the word about this ride to riders throughout the state.

Let's make this year's ride a huge success as we raise monies to assist the

Casey Cares Foundation in providing uplifting programs with a personal touch to critically ill children and their families. For registration forms, sponsorship sheets or more info, please contact me at [410] 642-2659 or e-mail me at nedsal@aol.com. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you on July 25th.

Larry "Bear" Weinzirl
Past Detachment Commander
Ride Chairman
Casey Cares Foundation Board Member

Community Service Report by Bob Trueblood

As the year draws to an end, let's reflect on the service that each Squadron has performed for their respective communities. Unless your Squadron is just a Squadron on paper, you have performed Community Service at some point during this past year. If your Squadron has helped your Post with any repairs, maintenance, fundraisers, or memorial services, clean-up, etc, then your Squadron has performed Community Service. If any member of your Squadron has volunteered his services to your local Fire Departments, Police Departments, or Rescue Squads, you can claim the hours, they volunteered, as Community Service.

If any of your members have volunteered their services as a coach of any sports leagues, such as youth football, softball, baseball, basketball, wrestling, hockey, etc, your Squadron may claim their hours as Community Service.

If any member has volunteered his services at any school, in your community, whether they were conducting a flag etiquette program, or flag education, or helping as an aide, your Squadron can claim their hours as Community Service.

If your Squadron helped with, or sponsored a Holiday Party at your Post,

the hours and cost can be claimed as Community Service.

There's a lot that your Squadron is doing to serve your communities. You just need to ask yourself this question, if you're not sure. "Does what my Squadron do, help or pertain to my Community?" Make sure that you place this information on your Consolidated Report Form and make sure that you give a copy, of your report, to your Post Commander.

In Service to Our Communities,

Bob Trueblood

Child Welfare Foundation by Larry Ford

To raise money for the Child Welfare Foundation this year we sold CWF Coins and CWF 2008 Christmas Ornaments. They are great collectors items. The CWF Coin and Christmas Ornament are very handsome looking and we sold them for

\$10 a piece. You have opened your wallets and give generously for a good cause. Many worth while programs have been sponsored with the money that has been raised for the Child Welfare Foundation. I want to thank everyone

who donated to CWF. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Yours in Service,
Larry Ford, Chairman
Child Welfare Foundation

Americanism Report by Ken Jenkins

Americanism was involved with many different programs this year, and this was reflected on the report forms that were turned in. As we move into the new administrative year, please keep these programs in mind.

Blood Drives

At this time of year the need for blood is high but donations are low. So try to get your Post to sponsor a blood drive.

Adopt-a Road

Contact your local jurisdictions for information on how you can adopt a road or highway in your neighborhood

Americanism Report Forms

At the next meeting pick-up the form "What Donations and Hours Can I Put On My Americanism Report". If you can't make it to the convention contact me or your DEC for a copy.

Flag Replacement Contest

This year the top two Squadrons in flag replacements for this year will be receiving special prizes.

The Squadron with the most flag replacements will receive ...

The Spirit of Freedom American Bald Eagle Sculpture

The sculpture stands 7 ½" high clutching a 2008 un-circulated Presidential dollar coin clad in mg pure 24kt gold
The second place Squadron will receive ... 24kt 5th Anniversary World Trade Center Commemorative Coin

For God and Country,
Ken Jenkins II
Americanism Chairman

Time and Place by Bill Stem

.The convention is here and I hope everything is progressing smoothly. The search is still on for a place for the 2010 convention. As of this date we only have a submission from Hagerstown. We are looking at other venues but that is the only solid request we have at this time.

Please contact me with any questions or ideas.

Have a great convention.

For God and Country
Bill Stem

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VAVS Variety by Tom Deal

I was very pleased that I was able to visit Charlotte Hall and the VA Centers this year as your chairman. I saw a lot of you working hard for these veterans and I thank you for all your hard work and dedication to the Veterans. We just finished judging reports and you all did a great job again this year. Total number of visits to Veterans Homes and Medical Centers was 1412. Total hours spent helping Veterans and visiting VA Homes and Medical Centers was 13,940. The total amount of costs and donations to

VA&R programs was a whopping \$59,941. We had a record of 48 Squadrons reporting VA&R activities. I want to thank everyone for making this year a success and keep up the great work next year. We saw an increase in reporting this year and let's keep a record during this year so you remember all the little things you do over the year. The winners will be announced at convention and maybe there are a few surprises this year with amount of reporting. Remember it's never too late

to make a donation to one of the VA Centers, hospitals, homes or programs.

My phone number is 410-642-2561 and my e-mail is tom.deal@verizon.net. Feel free to ask any question or to offer assistance or an idea.

Serving all Veterans
Tom Deal
VAVS Chairman

Legislative by Bill Stem

Once again the state legislature has failed to pass any of our legislation this year. The economy has taken the main focus of this year's session. Hopefully we can get an early start for next year. As in

the past your support and voice are essential to us getting heard in Annapolis. I will keep you informed of the Legion's plans for next year.

Your in Service
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District News

Northern Central News

It is hard to believe my year as NCD Commander is about to come to a close. It has been a good year. We have raised a lot of money for our veterans and children and youth programs. Many service hours were given to accomplish our goals.

I want to congratulate all seventeen Squadrons in North Central District for the great job they have done with membership. We have been #1 in membership until the week of 3/16/09-3/20/09. We have many 3 Star and 4 Star Squadrons. We are a 4 Star District and for the first time in our history NCD has surpassed the 3000 member mark! I am so proud of each and every Squadron in NCD and want to personally say thank you for all your hard work!

My Commander's Project this year was VetDogs. What is VetDogs? "Helping those who have served our country honorably to live with dignity and independence whether they are visually impaired or have other special needs, by using guide dogs, service dogs and innovative technologies." VetDogs train and supply guide dogs for the visually impaired veteran, service dogs for veterans with disabilities other than blindness, and have trained physical therapy dogs. Also available for visually impaired veterans is Trekker, an

orientation aid that uses GPS technology and digital maps to help blinded veterans navigate unfamiliar territory. VetDogs services are provided at no cost to the veteran! I want to say thank you to Bill Stem who headed up that project. Bill, a job well done. We had a few fund raisers that were very successful. Our first fund raiser was a Turkey shoot at Parkton Post #256. Danny Robinson hosted the Turkey Shoot. We raised over a \$100 and fun was had by all. Our next fund raiser was a Bike Ride hosted by Towson Legion Riders. I want to thank Joe Gladden who headed up that fund raiser and Towson Post for the donations and cook-out we had afterwards. We raised \$1320 that day. Our last fun raiser was our trip to Atlantic City. Bob & Joyce Snukis did a wonderful job running the Bus trip, as always. They should become professional tour guides to Atlantic City. We had a ball. There was food, drink and we may merry. Approximately \$1,200 was raised. Thanks to everyone who made these fun raisers so successful! Also I want to thank all Squadrons and individuals who donated time and/or money to VetDogs. It is greatly appreciated!

It has been great working with my officers and chairmen of my committees. Anytime I needed help or assistance they were there. Thank you for working with

me so well. Also, I could not have had such a good year if it were not for my officers and the Blue Cap SAL members, who put in a lot of time for our programs, and will help anytime when asked. I thank all of you who have helped in anyway.

In the coming year, I am looking forward to working with our new SAL Commander Jerry Saunders and I know he will do a good job. Jerry I will give you any support and/or advice that you need. I know Jerry will have a good year as Commander of North Central District 2009-2010.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Commander this year. It was my pleasure and my honor to serve. We are the greatest District in the state of Maryland, and in fact the greatest District in the nation!!!

Be sure to fly your flag.
God Bless our Troops and God Bless America!
Forever in Service to our God and our Country,
Larry Ford
NCD Commander
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Western Maryland Tribune

Greetings from the Western Maryland District. I am proud to report that we are a Four Star District thanks to all of the hard work by the squadrons in the district. Squadrons are in full swing with programs and membership. I would like to congratulate Squadrons 10, 11, 31, 121, 191, 200, 223 and 282 for achieving Four Star status and Squadrons 168 and 202 for reaching Three Star. Hats off also go out to Carroll and Frederick Counties for being Four

Star counties.

I would also like to congratulate Mike Thomas, the incoming Western Maryland District Commander and wish him the best of luck next year. I also can't forget our representation at the Detachment level and wish Bill Hill success representing our District.

We look forward to having everyone throughout the Detachment of Maryland

visit our district at the Convention and hope everyone has an enjoyable and prosperous weekend. Thanks goes out to Francis Scott Key Squadron #11 for being the host Squadron for the weekend.

Yours in service,
Michael Mandish
Western MD District Commander

Northeastern Shore Gazette

I want to thank everyone for the great year I had as commander of the North Eastern Shore District. I also want to thank all my officers for the great job they did. I have been elected to a third term and I am looking forward to building more for the upcoming year. We had a great year and I would like to continue with our success and keep the NES District moving in the right direction.

Our district finished third in membership, but we achieved 4 Star with 101% of the goal. We still have some renewals to

round up, keep working on those last few.

Reports are in and our district could have done a much better job. We can't do these reports in a day or two, we have to start keeping a log of hours and projects now for the upcoming year. Continue to check the website, Bear has done a great job updating this and will continue to do so. <http://squadron135.tripod.com/NESD>. We use this web page to keep you informed of what is going on in the District, the

Detachment and even the National organization. If you have a fundraiser scheduled or an event at your post, email us at NESDSAL@aol.com and it will be put on the web page.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, you may contact me at 410-829-9974 or email me at jki44@aol.com.

Yours in Service,
Ken Jones
NESD Commander

Southern Maryland Times

I would like to thank everyone who has helped make this a great year in Southern Md. District. I would also like to thank everyone who filled out a Consolidated Report this year. We had five more Squadrons turn in reports than we did last year, but we are still under 50% reporting. Hopefully we will keep improving next year. We need your help in letting everyone know the great work we do as an organization.

We are having more people showing up at District meetings now then we have in a long time, thank you. Let's keep this up next year. This is your organization; we need your help and input to make it better. Our District is heading in the right direction. With your help we can make the next step. Thanks to all the District Officers, DEC and Sal Advisory members who helped to make this a great year in The Great Southern Md. District.

Congratulations to Tommy Bryant, Our newly elected SMD Commander. Please help make his year as successful as you have helped make mine. Don't forget to stop by the SMD hospitality room while you are at convention.

Yours In Service
Tom Eloshway

NEF Report by Dave Hullihen

Hello everyone, this will be the last time and chance for anyone who has not donated any money to the NEF Fund for this year to do so. I have been chairman for 3 years straight and I am hoping this will be the best one yet. I know that with all the flooding, fires and other natural disasters we have had this year the monies that have been spent to help this great cause must be diminishing rapidly. So I think it is now time for the great SAL

to step up to the plate once more .please try and give as much as possible, it is never too late to do so. I have in the past ask for at least a \$1.00 per member and in some cases this may be a bit much for the larger squadrons but if you can't give that much dig down and give as much as you can. I hope to see you all at convention (depending on my health) and I will gladly accept any donations there. If for any reason I am not there,

please give all donations to the Americanism Chairman Ken Jenkins. If you have already donated through your own means and or districts, please let me know so you can get the credit you so deserve. Thank you once again.

NEF Chairman
Dave Hullihen

The Future by Joe Gladden

The wonderful thing about waking up each day is that we never know what's going to happen. While it's always possible something bad can happen, I chose to believe that good things are on the horizon, and I was right.

Just recently, I was asked to run for National Vice Commander for the 2010-2011 Administrative year, and I have agreed to be a candidate for this year.

At the conclusion of the National Convention in Louisville, I will officially become the Leading Candidate for National Vice Commander for the Eastern Region for 2010-2011. I am extremely excited about this opportunity and look forward to serving the East.

While I truly believe this is the stepping stone that will lead me to the top, I am going to take this opportunity to make

Maryland proud, and to make the East the best that it can be. Working together, I know that only good things will happen, and that it will be a year to remember!

Yours In Service
Joe Gladden
Past Detachment Commander
2001-2002

“Sons Sending Kids To Camp”

Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Maryland

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Candidates for 2009-2010 Detachment of Maryland

The following gentlemen have endorsement letters received and on file with the Detachment Executive Committee from their respective squadrons, posts, and districts.

They are as follows:

Mark Gilbert	Squadron 130	Commander
Thomas Deal	Squadron 135	First Vice-Commander
Buddy Mastin	Squadron 7	Second Vice Commander
William Hill	Squadron 191	Third Vice Commander
Michael Gray	Squadron 47	Judge Advocate
Larry Griffin	Squadron 29	Finance Officer
Robert Filippi	Squadron 183	Historian
Ken Jenkins	Squadron 122	Sgt-At-Arms
Ken Jones	Squadron 29	Chaplain

NEC News by Andy Dadds National Executive Committeemen

I bring you greetings from National Commander Tommie Cisna. At the NEC in May, Commander Cisna praised the membership chairmen for doing a tremendous job in collecting and transmitting membership. I know Commander Gray is very proud of his membership chairmen.

Membership for the Eastern Region is doing well with several Detachments at or above goal. As of June 5 our Region stands in at 1st place. Nationally Detachment of Maryland stands in 23rd place at 97.268% of goal and 4th in our Region. Our renewal for 2009 is 87.71% which puts us in 5th place. Keep up the good work.

Twelve members of the Detachment traveled to Indianapolis to attend the Spring NEC. While there we attended various commission meetings. Vice commander's Tom Deal completed NMI

2, Buddy Mastin completed NMI 1 and Mark Gilbert graduated from NMI 3. Larry Ford has been considered for a national appointment.

Here are a few more FAQ's that the National Chairmen receive taken from the National Website:

Question: There are speeches that I can use for some of the major Holidays, are they updated on a regular basis.

Answer: Yes they are rewritten to keep the speeches current and relative to today's ever changing information.

Question: May a person, other than a veteran, have their casket draped with the flag of the United States?

Answer: Yes, although this honor is usually reserved for veterans or highly regarded state and national figures, the Flag Code does not prohibit this use.

Question: Who is eligible for the

American Legion Legacy Scholarship?

Answer: Eligibility: Child/Children, or legally adopted child/children, of active duty United States military and Guard, and Reserve personnel who were federalized and died on active duty on or after September 11, 2001. Must be a high school senior or high school graduate to apply for the scholarship. Scholarship is for undergraduate study at a U.S. school of higher education.

General information and additional questions can be found on the National web site, www.sal.legion.org.

Yours In Service
Andy Dadds
NEC