

The Official Newsletter of The American Legion John W. Sheets Post 27 ★ Unit 27 ★ Squadron 27 ★ Farmington, Utah

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## COMMANDER'S CALL

We have been pretty busy lately and are making good use of our "new" location. Our General Meetings for all American Legion members, Auxiliary members, SAL members, and guests are now consistently held on the second Thursday of each month. We will still share a Zoom link for our housebound members, but we welcome everyone to put it on their calendar. Plan on joining us!



**Jon Rue**




We currently are scheduled to participate in three activities on Veterans Day. Farmington at 11:00 am; a small rifle team will support the Bountiful Veteran's Memorial, also at 11:00 am; and we'll have a ceremony at the Davis Tech flagpole at 12:30 pm. Please come participate, or observe to honor Veterans everywhere.

Plans for our Holiday party are being developed. It will be held at the Davis Tech facility on Friday, December 16. A catered function, the post is asking \$20 per

person to help cover the cost of the meal. Put it on your calendar!

### Post 27 Family EVENTS CALENDAR



<p><b>November 10</b> – U.S. Marine Corps Birthday. <i>Semper Paratus</i></p> <p><b>November 10</b> – Post 27 Family General meeting. Davis County Memorial Courthouse, 7:00 pm</p> <p><b>November 11</b> – Veterans Day. <i>Fly the flag.</i></p> <p><b>November 11</b> – Veterans Day Ceremony. 11:00 am, Farmington Cemetery + Bountiful Veterans Memorial Davis Tech flag pole, 12:30 pm</p>	<p><b>December 7</b> – Pearl Harbor Day. <i>Fly the flag.</i></p> <p><b>December 13</b> – National Guard Birthday. <i>Fly the flag.</i></p> <p><b>December 16</b> – Post 27 Holiday Party. Davis Tech, 5:00 pm</p> <p><b>December 17</b> – Wreaths Across America. Lindquist Mortuary, Layton, 9:00 am</p> <p><b>December 20</b> – U.S. Space Force Birthday. <i>Fly the flag.</i></p>
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## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander

There is a major push to increase membership for the coming year from all levels of The American Legion. Though the actual numbers are not important, the people we invite into the Legion are. They could be a family member, a friend, a neighbor, or even an acquaintance who you talk to. Bring up what you know about what we do in The American Legion and our Post 27. They don't need to commit to signing up the first time you discuss the American Legion with them, but they might. Be ready to give them the who to contact and how to join. It's in this newsletter.



**Bob Anderson**

Veterans Day is almost here. Come and help with the ceremonies or at least come and enjoy them with us.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander



Dan Woodward

One of the most poignant moments in a person's life is spending a Thanksgiving away from family. My first time away was at Naval Officer Candidate School. I had arrived at Newport, RI just the week prior. We were still in the Indoctrination Week. I was tired, stressed, confused and wondering what I had gotten myself into. But the Navy still got we Officer Candidates (OC's as we were called) our turkey dinner, and for dessert, the chance to call home! I don't think I ever took my Thanksgiving Day gatherings with my family for granted ever again.

Our military personnel around the world will be served Thanksgiving dinner this year, as great efforts will be made by the logistics personnel to ensure they get fed. This tradition has been observed since the Revolutionary War, and through the Civil War. Abraham Lincoln's Thanksgiving Day proclamation included: "I do, therefore, invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next as a Day of Thanksgiving"

This continued through World War's I and II, where even C and K rations with turkey and cranberry were provided! And today, DLA (Defense Logistics Agency) will be providing more than 5,000 turkeys, 90,000 pounds of ham, 38,000 pounds of sweet potatoes and upwards of 60,000 cakes and pies and more! Truly a supreme effort to bring part of home to our deployed troops.

Be thankful we have an outstanding country to live in. Be thankful that we have dedicated Americans willing to protect it. Be thankful for your family and friends.



Thanksgiving dinner at American Military Hospital No.1, at Neuilly (supported by the American Red Cross)

Happy Thanksgiving to all you Sailors, Soldiers, Airmen, Marines and Guardsmen!

## Adjutant

### Membership is our Lifeblood!



American Legion Membership: Statistics are membership numbers through Nov. 1 2022.

2023 GOAL	PUFL	REGULAR	ONLINE	NEW	TRANSFERS	2023 TOTAL	PERCENT OF GOAL
134	20	38	18		5	81	60%



Dale Crockett

Sons of the American Legion Membership: Statistics are membership numbers through Nov. 1 2022.

2023 GOAL	REGULAR	NEW	TRANSFERS	2023 TOTAL	PERCENT OF GOAL
34	23	1		24	71%

Our post, Post 27, is one of the most active posts in the state of Utah. We have a number of Legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion, and Auxiliary members who support the activities we sponsor. We don't or can't sponsor every single program, but we do quite a few. Some of them include High School Oratorical, Utah Boys and Girls State, Military Funeral Honors, Boy and Girl Scout troops, Cub Scouts, Eagle Scout Court

of Honor Flag Ceremonies, Flag Retirement Ceremonies and Flag Education, Davis Tech Veterans Center, VA Outreach, Community programs and Parades just to name the main ones.

We try to follow the Officers Guide. It states: "The post has a responsibility to the veterans and children of its community – and to the community itself. What the community thinks of The American Legion is basic to what a Legion post thinks of itself. The American Legion exists only with the approval of a large segment of our society. Each post is judged by the community. Its success or failure depends on the community viewing it as a positive partner. A good post will encourage active participation by its members with other civic-minded committees and organizations within the community. It will seek to participate whether or not the activity is initiated by The American Legion. A good post will know the needs of the community. The simple process of planned contacts by representative post members with city officials, educators, welfare workers, community leaders, and other civic and fraternal groups will provide this knowledge. A Legionnaire who serves the community deserves recognition from the post, whether the project was post-sponsored or not. Veterans' activities alone do not establish the Legion as an asset in the eyes of the community. These are, however, of particular importance to an organization composed exclusively of veterans."

It is our hope that we are a post that represents this community with the support of each of our members. We need each of you to keep renewing and our goal for doing that is to renew by the end of the year. Thank you for your support.

***If I can do anything for you to make your membership renewal easier or more convenient in the future, or answer any questions you may have regarding membership, please let me know. I can be reached at Home (801) 451-9493/Cell (801) 560-2186 or email [dalescrockett@yahoo.com](mailto:dalescrockett@yahoo.com). You can also Venmo me to renew @Dale-Crockett-7 if you have the app.***

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## **Chaplain**

### **ELECTION DAY 2022**

**Election Day** is the annual day set by law for the general elections of federal public officials. It is statutorily set by the Federal Government as "the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November" equaling the Tuesday occurring within November 2 to November 8. The fact that Election Day falls on a Tuesday has become controversial in recent decades, as many people find it difficult to vote because of their job.

Most states allow early voting, letting voters cast their ballots before Election Day. Early voting periods vary from four to 50 days prior to Election Day. A federal holiday called Democracy Day, to coincide with Election Day, has been proposed, and some have suggested moving election day to the weekend. By 1792, federal law permitted each state legislature to choose presidential electors any time within a 34-day period before the first Wednesday in December. A November election was convenient because the harvest would have been completed but the most severe winter weather, impeding transportation, would not yet have arrived, while the new election results also would roughly conform to a new year. Tuesday was chosen as Election Day so that voters could attend church on Sunday, travel to the polling location on Monday, and vote before Wednesday, which was usually when farmers would sell their produce at the market. Originally, states varied considerably in the method of choosing electors. Gradually, states converged on selection by some form of popular vote



**Steve Steed**



Development of the telegraph, funded by Congress in 1843 and successfully tested in 1844, was a technological change that clearly augured an imminent future of instant communication nationwide. To prevent information from one state from influencing Presidential electoral outcomes in another, Congress responded in 1845 by mandating a uniform national date for choosing Presidential electors. Congress chose the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November to harmonize current electoral practice with the existing 34-day window in federal law, as the span

between Election Day and the first Wednesday in December is always 29 days. The effect is to constrain Election

Day to the week between November 2 and 8 inclusive. Beginning with Presidential elections, states gradually brought most elections into conformity with this date.

In 1920, during The American Legion National Convention in Cleveland, the organization went on record urging all American Legion men to become qualified voters. Since then, the organization has passed countless similar resolutions advocating Legionnaires to not only exercise their constitutional responsibility to vote, but to also encourage others to do the same.

We cannot forget that in this country, our government is “of the people, by the people and for the people.” It cannot survive as a democratic republic unless the people participate.

## Sergeant-at-Arms



David Layton

During the long HOT Summer months, we have been extremely busy. We have performed 13 Military Funeral Honors (MFH's) participated in Parade Ceremonies for Farmington City Days, and the American Flag rising for the new Farmington Court House, the above activities are very important for our Legion Member, the communities we serve and Family members of our Deceased Veterans.

These programs cannot be completed without your participation. The Utah Army National Guard is in charge of training for MFH's. We are on the scheduled list for MFH training, so everyone will have the opportunity to be trained in the correct Manual of Arms procedures. Post 27 is scheduled for late October or early November. When we have the official date from the state NCOIC, we will let everyone know for Sign-up.

Thanks to everyone for your participation when called upon for services. Remember it takes everyone to meet the many requirements that Post 27 is asked to perform every day.

## For Your Information

### SMITH'S DONATIONS FOR POST 27 PROJECTS

Support **American Legion Post 27**  
every time you shop at Smith's.  
Signing up is free and easy!

1. Go to [SmithsFoodandDrug.com/inspire](https://SmithsFoodandDrug.com/inspire)
2. Sign into your digital account or choose "Create an Account" and fill in the information.
3. Link your Rewards Card to your organization: Enter your organization's number: **XN453** or at least 3 letters of your organization's name and click "Search", select the organization and choose "Save".

Then, every time you shop at Smith's with your Rewards Card, they donate 0.5% of your total order to our nonprofit.\*

**Helpful Information:**  
What purchases qualify? Just about everything you purchase during your regular shopping trips! The only exclusions are alcohol, tobacco, postage stamps, Smith's Gift Cards, re-loadable Gift Cards and debit cards, lottery and promotional tickets, Western Union, fuel and sales tax.

**There's no cost to participate in this program, and you'll still earn fuel points on eligible purchases every time you shop!**  
\*0.5% based on eligible purchases. See Helpful Information for exclusions.

*Smith's Inspiring Donations* has been a good program for our Post/Unit/SAL service projects the past few years. Because we have had many members link their Smith's Reward Cards for donations to Post 27, since May 2019 we have received a generous \$1,318 from Smith's – no cost to you, but the generosity of you doing daily grocery store shopping and Smith's program donating 0.5 % of your total orders. With this money we have been able to provide food for the Homeless Veterans Fellowship in Ogden and the Airman's Attic Food Pantry at Hill Air Force Base for our military families. A HUGE THANK YOU!!

We continue to receive quarterly checks and will continue to provide these two worthy groups much needed support. Encourage your family, neighbors, and friends to sign up to increase what we can to minimize food insecurity for our veterans and military families. The Hill Air Force Base project will again be kicking off shortly.



Members of Post 27 with Boys Stater Aaron Miller and his mother, Izana (center).



# PACT ACT VA HEALTH CARE ELIGIBILITY

The **PACT Act** is a new law that expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits and other toxic substances. This law helps provide generations of Veterans—and their survivors—with the care and benefits they’ve earned and deserve.

The law **expands health care eligibility to several groups of Veterans** who may not have been eligible before and requires VA to phase in hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care for any illness to three new categories of Veterans:

**Category 1:** Veterans who participated in a toxic exposure risk activity (as defined by law) while serving on active duty, active duty for training, or inactive duty training.



**Category 2:** Veterans assigned to a duty station (including airspace above) on or after:



**August 2, 1990**, in Bahrain, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, or United Arab Emirates

**September 11, 2001**, in Afghanistan, Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Uzbekistan, or Yemen, or any other country determined relevant by VA

**Category 3:** Veterans who deployed in support of:



Operation Enduring Freedom    Operation Freedom’s Sentinel  
Operation Iraqi Freedom    Operation New Dawn  
Operation Inherent Resolve    Resolute Support Mission

Between October 1, 2022, and October 1, 2023, **Veterans who served on active duty in a theater of combat operations during a period of war after the Persian Gulf War or in combat against a hostile force during a period of hostilities** after November 11, 1998, and who were discharged or released between September 11, 2001, and October 1, 2013, may receive care and apply for enrollment for VA health care.

**Veterans** who served in certain countries during specific time periods:

**Republic of Vietnam**  
January 9, 1962 - May 7, 1975

**Thailand**  
Any U.S. or Royal Thai base  
January 9, 1962 - June 30, 1976

**Guam or American Samoa**  
(or in their territorial waters)  
January 9, 1962 - July 31, 1980

**Laos**  
December 1, 1965 - September 30, 1969

**Cambodian**  
at Mimot or Krek,  
Kampong Cham Province  
April 16, 1969 - April 30, 1969

**Johnston Atoll**  
(or on a ship that called at Johnston Atoll)  
January 1, 1972 - September 30, 1977

## Toxic Exposure Screening



Every enrolled Veteran will receive an **initial toxic exposure screening** and a follow-up screening every five years. Veterans not enrolled but who are eligible will have an opportunity to enroll and receive the screening.



## KEY ELIGIBILITY DATES

**AUGUST 10, 2022:**  
PACT Act signed into law.

**OCTOBER 1, 2022:**  
Presumptions of service connection take effect for Veterans who served in the Republic of Vietnam, Thailand, Laos, certain provinces in Cambodia, Guam, or American Samoa (or their territorial waters), or the Johnston Atoll (or a ship that called there) during specific time periods. Applies for health care eligibility.

**NOTE:** This will go into effect immediately for eligible Veterans who are terminally ill, homeless, under extreme financial hardship, are over 85 years old, or otherwise can demonstrate sufficient cause.

**OCTOBER 1, 2022 - OCTOBER 1, 2023:**  
Veterans who served on active duty in a theater of combat operations during a period of war after the Persian Gulf War or in combat against a hostile force during a period of hostilities after November 11, 1998, and who were discharged or released between September 11, 2001, and October 1, 2013, may receive care and apply for enrollment for VA health care.

**NOVEMBER 8, 2022:**  
Begin incorporating toxic exposure screening for enrolled Veterans.

**OCTOBER 1, 2024:**  
Phase in enrollment for Categories 1 and 2 for Veterans discharged or released August 2, 1990 - September 11, 2001.

**OCTOBER 1, 2026:**  
Phase in enrollment for Categories 1 and 2 for Veterans discharged or released September 12, 2001 - December 31, 2006.

**OCTOBER 1, 2028:**  
Phase in enrollment for Categories 1 and 2 for Veterans discharged or released January 1, 2007 - December 31, 2012.

**OCTOBER 1, 2030:**  
Phase in enrollment for Categories 1 and 2 for Veterans discharged or released January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2018.

**OCTOBER 1, 2032:**  
Phase in enrollment for Category 3 Veterans.



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Learn more and sign up at [VA.gov/PACT](https://va.gov/PACT)  
Download the [VA Health and Benefits App](#)  
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# PACT ACT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



..... VIETNAM .....



..... GULF WAR .....



..... POST-9/11 .....



..... POST-9/11 .....

**The PACT Act** is a new law that expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits and other toxic substances. This law helps us provide generations of Veterans—and their survivors—with the care and benefits they've earned and deserve.

The Act **(1)** expands and extends eligibility for VA health care for Veterans with toxic exposures and Veterans of the Vietnam era, Gulf War era, and Post-9/11 era, and **(2)** expands eligibility for benefits for Veterans exposed to toxic substances.

## What new or expanded presumptions will the Act create and when will they be in effect?

VETERANS AND SURVIVORS CAN FILE CLAIMS FOR ALL CONDITIONS OUTLINED IN THE PACT ACT IMMEDIATELY.

### For Gulf War and post 9-11 Veterans, that includes:

Brain cancer, Glioblastoma, Respiratory (*breathing-related*) cancer of any type, Gastrointestinal cancer of any type, Head cancer of any type, Lymphoma of any type, Lymphatic cancer of any type, Neck cancer, Pancreatic cancer, Reproductive cancer of any type, Kidney cancer, Melanoma, Asthma (*diagnosed after service*), Chronic rhinitis, Chronic sinusitis, Constrictive bronchiolitis or obliterative bronchiolitis,

Emphysema, Granulomatous disease, Interstitial lung disease (*ILD*), Pleuritis, Pulmonary fibrosis, Sarcoidosis, Chronic bronchitis, Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (*COPD*).

### For Vietnam Veterans and other Veterans exposed to tactical herbicides, that includes two Agent Orange presumptive conditions:

Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (*MGUS*), High blood pressure (*hypertension*).

## How can Veterans apply for VA health care?

Apply **online** at [VA.gov/health-care/apply/application/introduction](https://www.va.gov/health-care/apply/application/introduction).

**Call** our toll-free hotline at 877-222-8387, M-F, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. ET.

**Mail** a completed, signed Application for Health Benefits ([VA Form 10-10EZ](#)).

**Bring a completed, signed VA Form 10-10EZ** with you to your [nearest medical center or clinic](#) or get help through your [state's Department of Veterans Affairs Service Officer](#).

**Get help** filing your claim by working with an [accredited representative](#).

## What are the PACT Act key components?



The Act **expands and extends eligibility for VA health care for Veterans with toxic-exposures** and Veterans of the Vietnam era, Gulf War era, and Post-9/11 era.



VA **will improve the decision-making process** for determining what medical conditions will be considered for presumptive status.



Every enrolled Veteran will **receive an initial toxic exposure screening** and a follow-up screening every five years. Veterans who are not enrolled, but who are eligible to enroll, will have an opportunity to enroll and receive the screening.



VA health care staff and claims processors will receive **toxic exposure-related education and training**.



The Act requires **research studies** on mortality of Veterans who served in Southwest Asia during the Gulf War, Post-9/11 Veteran health trends, and Veteran cancer rates.



The Act will help VA **build a stronger, more skilled workforce** to meet the growing demand for benefits and services.



The Act authorizes **31 new medical facilities** across the country, providing greater access to VA health care.

## How can a Veteran file a claim?



Veterans who would like to file a claim must complete [VA Form 21-526EZ](#) to apply for benefits and submit any supportive evidence.



To learn about standard VA disability claims, supplemental claims, secondary claims, and more visit: [VA.gov/disability/how-to-file-claim/when-to-file](https://www.va.gov/disability/how-to-file-claim/when-to-file).

## If a Veteran was previously denied a claim, what can they do?

VA will contact Veterans when a presumption of service connection is established or changed. However, **Veterans previously denied a toxic-exposure related claim** are encouraged to file a supplemental claim. Once a supplemental claim is received, VA will review the claim under the new law.

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## WORLD WAR II: THANKSGIVING OVER THERE



Kent Hansen

Shortly after its initial liberation by American forces from an almost four-year nightmare in September 1944, the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg soon thereafter became a rest and recreation and billeting area for numerous US units that badly needed a respite from combat operations. Thousands of GIs were temporarily stationed or transferred to Luxembourg to rest, restore their morale, allow them some free time, and enjoy hospitality from grateful Luxembourgers, all while their decimated units were being rebuilt by a steady stream of reinforcements arriving from the United States. Their equipment was brought up to snuff again, and their combat readiness was reconstituted during that time. The grateful nation of Luxembourg, newly liberated from Nazi oppression, warmly welcomed its American liberators. Needless to say, all the GIs greatly appreciated this spontaneous demonstration of genuine gratitude despite the language barrier—to them Luxembourg soon became the “paradise for weary troops.”

A fair number of those US troops were stationed in the north and east of the country bordering with Germany, where they were billeted in many Luxembourg farming villages and small towns. A number of different units rotated through the area during the war. Around November 20, 1944, battle-fatigued troops from the 28th US Infantry “Keystone” Division arrived from the area south of Aachen, where they had experienced a considerable number of casualties in the bloody and costly battle of the Huertgen Forest. They moved into positions and quarters that had been occupied by units that preceded them along the Luxembourg-German border overlooking the Our river. They were actually facing the “*Siegfried line*.”



As they were now billeted again primarily in villages, rather than in uncomfortable and often leaking tents, there was frequent contact between American GIs and the local villagers. Despite language problems, the locals were happy to host their “American liberators” and went out of their way to make American soldiers’ stay as pleasant as possible by inviting the them into private homes, volunteering to assist the GIs with things such as clothes repair, and offering the Americans local food and drinks. With the US liberation of Luxembourg, a bit of American culture and “lifestyle” came to Luxembourg. The music that was “forbidden” for four painful years was soon heard from gramophone records, played everywhere by the GIs during their off-duty hours! Baseball became omnipresent and numerous farmer boys soon learned how to handle a bat. In addition, US

food products, primarily canned food, the so-called “C” ration cans that numerous GIs gave to the villagers in exchange for small services such as “laundry washing,” rapidly gained popularity. Food products like corned beef, vegetable hash, potato flakes, spaghetti and meatballs in tomato sauce, dehydrated powdered eggs, soluble coffee—you name it—brands like Spam, Kellogg’s, and Pilchards soon found their way to locals’ tables as easy-to-make supplementary food. Of course, the ubiquitous chewing gum and “Hershey” bars were cherished by the village children. Chocolate and chewing gum, by the way, became the first two words of English even toddlers picked up very quickly.

The end of November customarily marks the Thanksgiving holiday in the United States, and to the GIs in Europe, thousands of miles away from home, the news that the traditional turkey dinner would take place “on the frontline” became a powerful morale booster and a sentimental bridge to their loved ones back home! For their Luxembourg hosts and friends, this was something totally new, never seen, never experienced before in the country. The villagers could hardly believe their eyes when GMC trucks pulled up and mess sergeants distributed live, or frozen, turkeys to the various mess halls and field kitchens, along with cans of cranberry jelly, flaked potatoes for mash, and other ingredients. All day long the “chefs” were frying turkeys in their gasoline-operated field stoves and the smell of freshly-cooked turkey soon filled the air! The hungry GIs enjoyed their turkey dinner and servings as prepared in the local units’ field kitchens. They ate their traditional “Thanksgiving Dinner” out of their mess kits in tents or in the barns. They entertained the Luxembourg families and villagers and got themselves “entertained,” for example with “Quetsch,” a strong local booze distilled from plums. Truly, a piece of home in

the GI mess kits on the frontline, provided by Uncle Sam. Thanksgiving Day 1944 resulted in an early, successful American-Luxembourg socio-cultural event, which is still recalled by many senior Luxembourgers today.

## **POW/MIA News**

A poem title might help us, on this Veterans Day, to feel a deeper respect for our military men and women who have and are serving and sacrificing for our country. It might also spark our appreciation for them this Thanksgiving.

“Mommy, Where is my Daddy?” is from *TAPS on the WALLS – Poems from the Hanoi Hilton* by John Borling, Major General, USAF, Ret.



**Jay Hess**

Then, Capt. Borling created in his mind and memorized poems. Using the forbidden POW tap code, he passed them through walls to encourage and keep everyone’s spirits alive. His daughter was nine months old when he was shot down. She was seven and a half when he came home. He was a POW a year longer than me. We eagerly looked forward to his poems. Hope you get something out of four verses I’ve picked from “Mommy, Where is my Daddy?”.

You think that I’m too young to know  
The agony and pain  
Of missing the man gone away  
In search of war and fame.

He didn’t come home with all the rest;  
It’s been four years and more.  
His squadron mates don’t know his fate,  
O cruel, unending war.

But now I’m gone, listed missing,  
Ten thousand miles away.  
And nothing left for me to do,  
Just sit and wait and pray.

And God must play a vital part;  
To Him all thanks belong.  
For He is here when I am weak,  
And helps me get along.



**SGT.  
SAGE  
SEZ**

“Whoever said the pen is mightier than the sword obviously never encountered automatic weapons.”

## **American Legion Auxiliary**

What a treat to have three Girls State citizens report to us about their experiences at Girls State 2022! Two citizens were from Davis High and one from NUAMES! We were delighted to feel their excitement of spending a week with the top girls in the state! We are so proud of all of our citizens, but we are particularly proud of these from NUAMES and Davis! Our goal is getting some interest from girls at Farmington! On Thursday, there was a Boys State citizen from Farmington at the Post meeting and he was equally impressive! With young leaders like our awesome Girls and Boys Staters, our country is in good hands!

The Veterans’ Gift Shop will be held at the Salt Lake City Veterans Administration Medical Center on November 28 and 29<sup>th</sup>! This is a fabulous opportunity to serve our Veterans as they shop for dear family members! You may also donate items (afghans and quilts are very popular!) but any new items you think might be a wonderful gift! We also talked about recording our service hours and I handed out forms that you can use to record them! You can actually use any method you like and the reporting period is from April 1 to March 31. You can go on the website [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org) and also find the forms!

Our next meeting will be held on November 10 at 6:00 pm at the Davis County Memorial Courthouse! Following that, the Post will hold their meeting. Remember that Veterans Day is Nov. 11, and there will be an observance at the Farmington Cemetery at 11:00 am! I am so excited to be a part of such an amazing group of auxiliary members!



Paula and Chuck will be honored by the Daughters of the American Revolution on November 19 at 10:30 am at the Farmington Library! They are being recognized for their outstanding service to community youth and our veterans! We are proud to serve with Chuck and Paula!

## **Legion Laughs** BY KENT HANSEN



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### **Take Advantage of our Veterans Outreach Program**

A representative from the Utah Department of Veteran and Military Affairs can assist veterans with benefit questions, disability and benefit applications, and families of veterans. Call for an

appointment with a Service Officer: **801-662-8256.**

***Be sure to bring a DD-214 or Discharge Certificate with you.***



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