



# The American Legion Centennial POST



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The Official Newsletter of Post 27 ★ Unit 27 ★ Squadron 27 ★ Farmington, Utah

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## Commander's Corner



**Ron Jugenitz**

Moving is never a fun experience. The Post has known for quite some time that we would be required to leave the facilities of the Davis County Memorial Court House as the facility does not meet the State of Utah earthquake code requirements for government buildings. Davis County leadership just learned recently that the State of Utah had passed legislation imposing requirements on both county and city governments on how they may make government facilities available to non-profit organizations. The first impressions we had led us to believe we would not have a home to return to. However, the Post is currently engaged in ongoing discussions regarding this statute, the historical nature of the original Davis County Memorial Court House, its association with veteran organizations and how these all come together in affecting our position to relocate back to the court house following its renovation. The County is making a good faith effort in this matter. We will keep you posted.

The dust is starting to settle, just a little, with the moving of our Post material belongings to the storage space furnished by Russon Brothers Mortuary in Farmington. A big thank you to Matthew Russon and his team for preparing and opening up space to accommodate the needs of Post 27. By the time you are reading this our move on September 3<sup>rd</sup> will have been completed through the hard work and efforts of our Post comrades. Especially helpful was the trailer lent by Larry Podwys, Post 87 Commander, along with the donated use of several Post 27 member vehicles.

Thank you all for your efforts in getting this accomplished. We are very appreciative of the graciousness extended to our Post by Russon Brothers for the generous storage space extended to us. As a side note, I wish to extend a special acknowledgement to our friends at Lindquist Mortuary, in particular to Jason Smith and Brent Ballif, for their kindness in also offering storage space to the Post. What a wonderful community we are blessed to live in with such wonderful friends surrounding us.

The question remaining is, where and when will the Post 27 family be meeting? Acting Commander William Huber and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Bob Anderson, after having visited numerous locations and considering the possibilities and offering for temporary meeting space to host our monthly meetings and that of Post 27 Auxiliary Unit and SAL Squadron 27, have settled on a location near to our current home. Having met with Shane Pace, Farmington City Manager, and furnished him a letter from the Post outlining the many services furnished to the City and its citizens throughout the year by you - the Post members, the City Council has approved our use of conference rooms at the Farmington Community Center on a monthly basis. Due to organizations that have already scheduled these rooms, we will have to be flexible as the meetings dates may vary from month to month. Keep a close eye on this newsletter and we'll do our



### THE AMERICAN LEGION

POST 27

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### Post 27 Programs

- Flag Education
- High School Constitution Oratorical Scholarship Contest
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- American Legion charities support

level best to keep you informed. The month of September does not have a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. Our Post 27 Family will be holding its Annual Picnic at Farmington Heritage Park on Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:00 pm (Hope to see you there).

- **Our first monthly meeting at a new site, date and time will be on Monday, October 21 at 6:30 pm at the Farmington City Community Center, 120 South Main Street.** We will be meeting on the basement level in one of the several conference rooms. An elevator is available. Wheelchair access is available through the main entrance on the south face of the building.

Please join us for the picnic and the October Post meeting. We hope to hear from some of our Boys and Girls State graduates at the new meeting venue.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander



Fellow Legionnaires, August had its highs and lows for Post 27. On a high note, Ron Jugenitz has been showing us how to weather ill health and still be a participating member of Post 27. I applaud his strength, dedication, and support. Keep getting healthier, Ron.

On a low note: we were told by multiple agencies that there was no room at the inn for us to conduct our monthly meetings. On an upswing, through the efforts of Acting Commander William Huber and other members of the Executive Committee, we have a great potential conference room to use from Farmington City and plenty of storage space with Russon Brothers.



Bob Anderson

**Post business:** On August 15 we had a terrific Flag Retirement and Military Tribute! I'm amazed at the level of effort by all who worked to make it so memorable. Impressive. Such volunteerism and willingness to work is truly commendable. I have only been to three of these ceremonies, but this one was my best experience with this event. From me and my family, a personal thank you.

A lot of work has been done in preparation for moving out of the County building and a lot of effort is still needed. For those who have already stepped up, thank you again. For all who have or will put forth the needed effort to get the job done, the Post could not function at its best without you. Thank you all. For the best high of the month, we are having the Post Picnic on the 13<sup>th</sup>. I'm so psyched to get to enjoy our time together. Look for the details elsewhere in the newsletter. Hope to see you all there.

I could not end without mentioning the MOST important event in US military history. September 18<sup>th</sup> marks the **72<sup>th</sup> birthday of the US Air Force**. Be sure to mark your calendar, light a candle on that day, and say a prayer of thanks as you go to sleep that night that, after multiple attempts, the DoD finally got it right in 1947.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander (Acting Post 27 Commander)



William Huber

Our A big shout out to a wonderful Flag Retirement Ceremony held in August at the Legacy Event Center. This is our largest post event of the year requiring many hands to get it all pulled together and done well. We had a fine turnout from the members of our Post as well as support

from SAL Squadron 27 and the American Legion Auxiliary. We also received support from District 2 Commander Joe Guimond; Scott Sparks, 1st Vice Cdr. and other volunteers.

Thank you to Ron Craig, Bob Anderson and Frank Lennartz for your help in the opening phase of the ceremony. A special thank you to Ruston Jensen of Kaysville for furnishing the audio support given our event. He previously has furnished the audio support at the Kaysville Memorial Service programs. We had a beautiful rendition of the National Anthem by Madeline Hansen of Farmington High School.

## CALENDAR

- **September 11 – Patriot Day.** *Fly the flag and never forget!*
- **September 11 – 9/11 Program at Farmington Fire Department,** 6:15 am
- **September 13 – Post 27 Family Annual Picnic.** 6:00 pm, Heritage Park, 1591 N 1075 W, Farmington.
- **September 16 – The American Legion Day.** *Fly the flag.*
- **September 18 – U.S. Air Force Birthday.** *Fly the flag.*
- **September 20 – POW/MIA Recognition Day.** *Fly the flag.*
- **October 12 – Department of Utah Fall Training Meeting.**
- **October 13 – U.S. Navy Birthday.** *Fly the flag.*
- **October 14 – Columbus Day.** *Fly the flag.*
- ★ **October 21 – Post 27 General Meeting.** Farmington Community Arts Center, 6:30 pm, 120 South Main Street.
- **October 27 – Navy Day.** *Fly the flag.*



The 23rd Army Band of Salt Lake once again out did themselves proud with the great music support. In past years they have always provided a five-person brass ensemble. They have enthusiastically accepted the opportunity to perform at this event with us and this year a percussion player was added to their group, increasing the musicality of their performance. Their performance elevated the solemnness of this event for all present. Thank you, also, to SGT Wilcox and PV2 Jordan from the Utah Army National Guard Military Funeral Honors Team for participating on the fire line with us.

Our collaboration continues with the fine support and participation from Scouting BSA, Girls Scouts and Cub Scout programs. We had very good support from the leaders and


members of the boys and girls troop sponsored by Post 27 as well as several other troops from our local communities. We could not have pulled this off without their support.

Paul Hubenthal did a well-orchestrated job in pulling together the many parties making up the fire pit line and keeping the young scouts focused on the task at hand. He, along with scout leaders at the tables and all those serving as wranglers adjacent to the two fire pit lines, succeeded in helping the scouts get the flags carried out respectfully and efficiently to the fire pit and without any mishaps. A lot goes into this event and Bob Anderson provided great support in helping as our PR person in working with the cities and Legacy Event Center in getting us in their newsletters and on the Fair's website and putting up our banners in Farmington to advertise the event. Many hands were involved with the gathering of the donated wood from six lumber businesses and one airplane club. Thank you again to Bob Anderson and his son, Dale Crockett and Dave Parker, Keith Gardner, and Frank Ferrante and William Huber.

Thank you to Dale Crockett, Bob Anderson, William Huber and Ron Craig for collecting the 325+ flags from the community drop boxes and from Colonial Flag of SLC. And to the many Post 27 members and our own scout troops for prepping and tri-folding them ready for the event. A special thank you to Dave Layton, Bob Anderson, Dale Crockett, Dave Parker and others who helped in bringing the tables, many bags of flags scheduled for immolation, branch service flags, bunting, banners, rifles and other material support of the ceremony and returning the items back to the Post home following the event. Thank you, Chuck Stephenson and the rifle team for the volleys that punctuated the ceremony. Well done. Many of the members of the rifle team as well as many others filled multiple roles to help insure the event came together well.

I have not mentioned all those who have participated and I apologize for those whom I have not recognized by name. Thank you for your selfless service in helping to insure this event succeeded. Without you too, things would not have gone well. Together we put on a great event watched, not only by those sitting in the bleacher seats, but a great deal more who stopped and stood along the length of the east arena fence as we conducted the flag burning ceremony. Thank you everyone!

**Odyssey Elementary School** began its new year with a special honor guard ceremony provided by Post 27 members: Dale Crockett, Jay Hess and William Huber. Hundreds of students assembled together in classroom blocks with the early morning sun flooding the playground. The colors were marched out ceremoniously, the stars and stripes explained and their symbolism. The students all joined in respectfully reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. It was a good morning and a great start to a new school year.

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Welcome to new Post 27 Legionnaires  
Jared Hale, Troy Rackman, Raymond Zeller



Dale Crockett

## Membership is Our Lifeblood

**American Legion Membership:** Statistics are membership numbers through 1 Sep 2019.

2020 GOAL	PUFL	REGULAR	ONLINE	NEW	TRANSFERS	2020 TOTAL	% OF GOAL
130	14	34	15	2	1	66	51%

**Sons of the American Legion Membership:** Statistics are membership numbers through 1 Sep 2019.

2020 GOAL	REGULAR	NEW	TRANSFERS	2020 TOTAL	% OF GOAL
42	20			20	48%

We now have new membership rules. In the past, to be an American legion member, you needed to be in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard or Air Force of the United States and assigned to duty at some time during any war period as provided in the Constitution. In other words, there were gaps between wars where some who served did not qualify. What a shame. Every military person did their duty in both war and peace time. Fortunately, Congress and the White House agree to expand definition of war eras to include all who served since Dec. 7, 1941.

More than 1,600 members of the U.S. Armed Forces were killed or wounded in periods of time not designated as war eras since the end of World War II. The newly signed Let Everyone Get Involved in Opportunities for National Service Act of 2019 – The LEGION Act – honors those veterans, their spouses and descendants, extending membership eligibility in The American Legion Family to hundreds of thousands who had previously been excluded.

The LEGION Act offers American Legion membership eligibility to any U.S. military veteran who served at least one day of active military duty since Dec. 7, 1941, and was honorably discharged or is serving now. The act also affects membership in the American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion, expanding eligibility for those groups, as well. So, let's get out there and invite all to join us in making our post the best in the state.

*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).*

## Americanism Programs

### MONTANA GETS IT RIGHT WITH STOLEN VALOR

*Reprint from the MTN News, August 23, 2019 by Lindsay Hiatt.*

On Friday (August 23, 2019), two men in Great Falls (Montana) were sentenced for crimes committed while pretending to be military veterans. Judge Greg Pinski placed some unique requirements on their sentences. Ryan Morris and Troy Nelson both claimed to be military veterans in an effort to receive lesser sentences and be eligible to enter Judge Pinski's Veterans Treatment Court. During Friday's proceedings, Judge Pinski made it clear that their dishonesty and acts of stealing valor will not be tolerated. Pinski made Morris and Nelson watch a video of a stolen valor suspect being confronted by a member of the armed forces. Judge Pinski then read the names of Montanans who have died while serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.



Paula and Chuck Stephenson

Morris, who was convicted of burglary, was sentenced to 10 years in prison with three of the years suspended. Nelson received five years in prison with two years suspended for a conviction of criminal possession of a dangerous drug. When they complete their prison terms, they then must complete Judge Pinski's additional requirements before they can be considered for parole. Both men must wear signs at the Montana Veterans Memorial during each Memorial Day and Veterans Day ceremony while they are under court ordered supervision; the signs will read: **I AM A LIAR. I AM NOT A VETERAN. I STOLE VALOR. I DISHONORED ALL VETERANS.** In addition, they will be required to complete the following:



- Hand write the names of all 6,756 Americans killed in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars
- Hand write the obituaries of the 40 Montanans killed in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars
- Write letters of apology to the following organizations: The American Legion, AmVets, Disabled American Veterans, the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Vietnam Veterans of America
- 441 hours of community service (one hour for each of the fallen Montanans killed in line of duty since the Korean War).

### Smith's Donations for Post 27 Scholarship Fund

American Legion Post 27's partnership with "Smith's Inspiring Donations" started October 2018. This program is Smith's donations to Post 27 based on your spending at any Smith's Food and Drug store, with the critical link of your Smith's Rewards Card. You must sign up though. Follow the steps on the card to the right. Cut this card out and give it to someone else who shops at Smith's. There is no cost to you for participating in this program. All the proceeds will go to support our youth scholarship programs. Please help us help our kids!



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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.\*

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**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.



### HAT FOUND • STILL SEARCHING FOR OWNER

This hat was found by a concerned citizen on a road in the Kaysville area on April 12. It found its way to me through Google because of my name on the middle pin on the hat. If it belongs to you or you know who it belongs to, please contact me at 801-589-2971 or email [sphnsnc@aol.com](mailto:sphnsnc@aol.com).

*Paula Stephenson*



### Legion Nuggets



Sept. 1, 1966

The Legion voices great concern over the fate of prisoners of war in Vietnam. Today, the Legion urges a full accounting of all POWs and troops missing in action; and has formed a special group from among the nation's major veterans organizations to continue pressing for further resolution of this issue.

## Historian

### LITTLE KNOWN FACTS

*Our military culture is as storied as it is unique. Here are some interesting bits of military trivia that we hope will entertain and enlighten you. We welcome tidbits from you as well.*



**Kent Hansen**

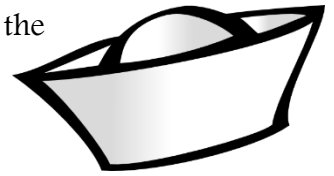
- Thirty one of the 45 men who've served as President of the United States have served in the military. One U.S. President, Theodore Roosevelt, even received the Medal of Honor (*as did his son, Theodore Roosevelt Jr., one of the founders of The American Legion*). And only one - James Buchanan - never became an officer.

- Every March, airmen participate in Mustache March, growing mustaches to honor Air Force legend and triple ace **Brig. Gen. Robin Olds**.



- Fewer than 100 people have received the title of honorary Marine. The title of honorary Marine can only be bestowed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps. In order of seniority, the list of honorary Marines includes: **Chuck Norris** (rank unknown but also unneeded), **Brig. Gen. Bob Hope**, **Master Sgt. Bugs Bunny**, **Cpl. Jim Nabors** (star of Gomer Pyle, U.S.M.C.), and **Gary Sinise**.
- Only female Marines are authorized to carry umbrellas in uniform.

- “Tossing a Dixie Cup under the Bridge” For many a short-timer, crossing under the Coronado Bridge (or any other bridge near home port) marks a moment of reflection. Should the sailor stay in or get out? Because sailors are often superstitious, many leave the decision up to the sea, tossing their cover into the deep. If it floats, the sea is asking them to stay. If it sinks, it’s time to move on.



- Marines often pin their next promotable rank onto their uniforms as a motivator. They usually hide these pinned reminders in their cover, or under a pocket flap.
- Before World War II, the Army’s 45th Infantry Division wore a swastika patch on their left shoulders in honor of Native Americans. They changed it to a thunderbird in the late 1930s.
- **Anthony Christy** was the oldest active serving Coast Guard member. The keeper of the Christiana Lighthouse in Delaware, Christy died on duty in September, 1862 at the age of 105.




- **Bill the Goat** has been the Naval Academy mascot since the early 1900s. Legend has it that a Navy ship once kept a goat as a pet, but on the way back to port the goat died. Two ensigns were entrusted to have the goat stuffed, but were distracted by a Naval Academy football game. One of the ensigns allegedly dressed up in the goatskin and pranced around at halftime. The crowd loved it, and the Navy won the game.

- Two U.S. presidents — **Ronald Reagan** and **George W. Bush** — served as airmen. Reagan’s served when the branch was still known as the Army Air Forces. George W. Bush served in the Texas Air National Guard, before transferring to the Air Force Reserve.
- Marines in uniform are not authorized to put their hands in their pockets. One wonders, then, why there are pockets in their uniforms.

- The Marine Corps mascot is an English bulldog named **Chesty**. The mascot is named after Marine **Lt. Gen. Louis B. “Chesty” Puller**, the only Marine to earn five Navy Crosses.



- In the Navy there are no windows, walls, or bathrooms. The Navy has a rich lexicon, but don’t get it mixed up. Ships don’t have walls, they have bulkheads. They don’t have windows, they have portholes. Your left side is your port side, and your right side is starboard. The mess deck is where you eat, and the deck is where you walk. Above your head is an overhead, not a ceiling or a roof. If you need a toilet, you will find that in the head —the rack is where you sleep.
- Ever since Vietnam, Marine Amtrac crews will not eat apricots which are considered bad luck.
- The Coast Guard refers to a vessel as a “cutter” if it’s more than 65-feet long.



SGT. SAGE SEZ

Power corrupts but absolute power is kinda cool.



## POW/MIA News



### POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

**You Are Not Forgotten** – that’s the central phrase behind POW/MIA Recognition Day, a day to honor the sacrifices made by America’s prisoners of war, those who are still missing in action and their families. Many of our service members suffered as prisoners of war during several decades of varying conflicts. While some of them made it home, tens of thousands more never did.

Here are some things to know about how this important day of remembrance got started, what it means and how you can help recognize it.

Jay Hess

POW/MIA Recognition Day is commemorated on the third Friday of every September, a date that's not associated with any particular war. In 1979, Congress and the president passed resolutions making it official after the families of the more than 2,500 Vietnam War POW/MIAs pushed for full accountability. During the first POW/MIA Recognition Day commemoration, a ceremony was held at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., while the 1st Tactical Squadron from Langley Air Force Base in Virginia flew the missing man formation.



Most ceremonies since then have been held at the Pentagon, and many smaller observances have cropped up across the nation and around the world on military installations.

The point of POW/MIA Recognition Day is to ensure that American remembers to stand behind those who serve and to make sure we do everything we can to account for those who have never returned.

According to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), 82,478 Americans who fought in those wars are still missing, including:

- 73,014 from World War II (an approximate # due to limited or conflicting data)
- 7,729 from the Korean War
- 1,603 from Vietnam
- 126 from the Cold War
- 6 from conflicts since 1991

The DPAA said about 75 percent of those missing Americans are somewhere in the Asia-Pacific. More than 41,000 have been presumed lost at sea. Efforts to find those men, identify them and bring them home are constant. For example, the DPAA said that in 2016, it accounted for 61 men missing during the Korean War. They had been identified either through recovery operations, from remains turned over by North Korea in the 1990s, or they'd previously been buried as unknowns.

## Declaration from Governor Gary Richard Herbert

**Whereas, 1,589 Americans are still missing from the Vietnam War, as well as 7,633 unaccounted-for from the Korean War, 126 from the Cold War and 72,707 from WWII, though thousands from WWII are assessed as unrecoverable deep-sea losses; and**

**Whereas, the families and friends of unaccounted-for Veterans still await the recovery and identification of their remains or, if determined unrecoverable, information surrounding their fates;**

**Whereas, successive administrations have reinforced solid commitment to accounting for our nation's POW/MIAs as a matter of highest national priority for the United States;**

**Whereas, information and records from the countries involved in the wars are becoming more accessible; and**

**Whereas, we seek to honor all Americans still missing and unaccounted-for from the Vietnam War, Korean War, Cold War and World War II;**

**Now, Therefore, I, Gary R, Herbert, as Governor of the great State of Utah, do hereby declare September 20, 2019, as POW/MIA Recognition Day in Utah.**



## American Legion Auxiliary

We have some exciting news! You should have all received an email from me with our new slate of officers!

**President -Marcie Mojica ★ Secretary-Michele Done ★ Treasurer-Paula Stephenson**

We have 5 votes in so far! All affirmative! These ladies will do an awesome job!

Our last meeting on August 13 was so fun at our home...and our next meeting will be the party at Heritage Park in Farmington (behind the old K-Mart) on September 13. It will be a pot luck with some yummy pulled pork! We will let you know what we need you to bring!



**Deb Hansen**

“Our future meeting location and day is tentatively scheduled for the third Monday of each month at 6:30 PM, at the Farmington City Community Center, 120 South Main Street, Farmington. In October, we will meet with the Legion and SAL on Monday, October 21, 6:30 PM at the Community Center. This is when the 2019 graduates of Girls and Boys State from Post 27's sponsored schools report to our membership about their

# Sons of The American Legion Scoutmaster



Brian Knox



I regret to inform you of my inability to continue to serve as the SAL Squadron Commander. As I began my service and looked over the work to be done, I simply realized that, coupled with my service as Scoutmaster, I could not do justice to either position by serving in both. The good news, however, is that one of our Assistant Scoutmasters, and a good friend of mine, **Brad Henderson** has consented to serve in this position. We will need to hold a vote on this (wasn't at the last Post meeting - maybe it already happened there), but I expect there will be no opposition. Welcome Brad!

## And here's the latest on our Scout Troops...

What an eventful month for your scout troops. First, and perhaps most exciting, we have taken the necessary steps to adopt the number 27 for both troops. As I understand it, the boy's troop will be troop 1027 and the girl's troop will be 8027. In any event, they will both simply wear the number "27" on the sleeve.



**SCOUTS**  
BSA

We have had several rank advancements over the past month. I am going to miss some of these, but here goes. **Jacob Knox** advanced to Second Class, **Ethan** and **Ammon Hale** each advanced to Life Scout, **Ally** and **Evelyn Mills** advanced to Star Scout (they're fast-tracking it and may be the first girls in the nation to earn their Eagle Scout awards. We'll see!!!), **Sarah Love** earned her Tenderfoot and Second Class.

We had our five-night summer camp at Camp Steiner this past month. It was a blast. There were a few mishaps, but overall fantastic. Many merit badges were earned, good food was eaten, no bears ate any scouts, and we just had a fun time! At one point, we had four members of our Post there, Dale Crockett, Jared Hale, Brad Henderson, and myself. It's too bad we didn't take a picture of this.

Many of our scouts and leaders were able to help with the annual flag retirement at the Fair. Thank you for allowing us to participate. We look forward to being involved with you in so many more activities and service.

## **Legion Laffs** BY KENT HANSEN



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*Learn why we do what we do*

It's a **FREE** on-line course for members of The American Legion Family

Go to: [WWW.LEGION.ORG/ALEI](http://WWW.LEGION.ORG/ALEI)



## 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 at 801-662-8256 (Monica Mann).

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

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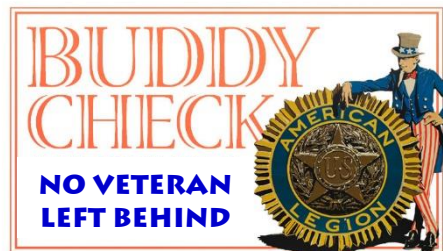
# THE LAST WORD FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF UTAH



**Marti Bigbie**  
Commander  
Dept. of Utah

**BUDDY CHECK** is an ongoing program that the incoming National Commander has expressed his desire that this effort be continued at all levels with the Department, Area and District Commanders and Posts.

This year, 2020 goals set by National included transferring Direct Mail Solicitation DMS (D99) members from National to Posts or Department of Utah. Hopefully, this information has been sent to Commanders. We have our first goal of 50% paid membership due by 9-11-19 and still have a way to go. Individuals can go on-line at [mylegion.org](http://mylegion.org) and Posts can go on-line to make payments for the checks received from members or Posts should be mailing the renewal dues to Department as they are received and membership cards sent to the members.





# THE AMERICAN LEGION

## POST 27

# Annual Picnic

**Friday, September 13, 2019, 6:00 P.M.**

**Heritage Park Pavilion**

**1591 N 1075 W, Farmington, UT (west of Hwy 89)**



**LEGIONNAIRES, AUXILIARY,  
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION,  
POST 27 SCOUTS  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

**BBQ meats provided by Post 27**

**Plus Potluck foods/desserts/beverages**

**Please RSVP not later than Monday, September 9**

**with # people coming & potluck item**

**Frank Ferrante: 801-589-3292 (voice or TXT)**

**Or email: [fbferrante@aol.com](mailto:fbferrante@aol.com)**