



THE SALUTE

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DETACHMENT COMMANDER'S PROJECT

Joe Korba

This year's Detachment Commander's project is a partnership with the Department Commander's project to purchase furnishings for Veteran's Haven. If you or your group partners up, we will recognize total room donations with a plaque in your honor.

The Veterans Transitional Housing Program (Veterans Haven) is a New Jersey State operated facility for homeless veterans. The program is up to two years in length and only for occupational rehabilitation. The success rate for the program is 76%, and the goal is to return the veterans to a productive self-sustaining life.

Current construction has added 46 new units to the facility. Our project this year will help furnish the new units. The approximate cost per room is \$3,000. This will include a bed, mattress, 5 drawer chest of drawers, night stand, wardrobe, arm chair, and TV/DVD. All donations are greatly appreciated!

Please contact myself or Kent Heil (Commanders Project Chairman) for any additional information. Donations should be made payable to "SAL Detachment of New Jersey", Memo to Commanders Project. Thank you for your support of this worthy cause.

VETERANS HAVEN

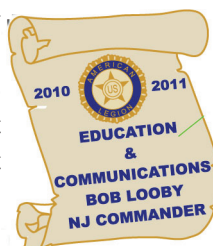
Frank Jiosi, Jr.

This year is no exception to what the SAL Detachment of NJ does to lend a hand to Vets Haven's 55- 60 residents. Volunteerism speaks volumes to everyone that resides there. On July the Detachment had its annual BBQ at the Veterans Haven Veterans Facility in Winslow, N.J. Thanks to all the members who donated their time to help this cause.

These are younger veterans who have go through some real tough times. They are put in this program, given a room, and job placement because they contribute to the facility.

LEGION COMMANDER PROMOTES TEAM

Bob Looby, 2010-2011's Department Commander, is out there with New Jersey's Ladies Auxiliary and Sons doing. He believes in Legion Family as the Veterans Haven Picnic and Legion Night at the Blue Claws show. His commitment to education and communications shows. Just look at his pin.



BOYS STATE RECAP

Robert Lasky, Chairman

LAWRENCEVILLE - If ever there was a year to say "It was hot", this was it. This year on the campus of Rider University, we had a heat wave as a delegation of one of the best corps of young gentlemen from around the Garden State. Final registration was 862 including 60 alternates. All were invited into the program as we turned no one away for the fifteenth straight year.

As the thermometer soared above 90 degrees, the Bergen County's David Bagatelle, Director of Boys' State, gave the order that shorts were allowed, and that remained the dress code of the rest of the week. We are happy to report no major illnesses due to the heat. There were a few minor heat-related incidents Thursday as over 300 statesmen donated blood during the Annual Red Cross Blood Drive. A few statesmen had to sit in the shade with a drink of water, but no serious incidents occurred.

This year's ALJBS governor, Anthony Covington, hails from Burlington County's Post 26, Bordentown. His Lt. Governor running-mate, Eric Tang hails from Princeton (an alternate sponsored by Post 168, Red Bank).

Two delegates, Tim Connell from Clark, N.J. out of Post 3 in Westfield (Union County) and L. Matthew Dunovant, IV from West Orange out of Post 190 in Orange (Essex County) were elected as Boys' Nation senators. Boys Nation will be held in Washington, D. C. July 23-31.

Three bills and one resolution were passed by this year's Boys' State legislature which will be passed along to the real legislature in Trenton. This year's bills included the repeal of Kyleigh's Law, a law that forces new drivers who have "provisional" licenses to display a sticker on their license plates, a new tenure law for teachers, and reallocation of a bigger percentage of state lottery profits for textbooks for the state's schools. The resolution honored the U. S. Soccer team goalie Tim Howard, a New Jersey native.

In the past, some of the bills passed by Boys' State actually became real bills on the legislative floor--one being an alternative to the proposed statewide deposits on soda bottles back in the eighties.

Great work from the best Boys' State ever!



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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Thank you for placing the trust in me to serve as the Detachment Commander for 2010-11. Thank you for your support in the past and continued support as we move forward. With not only being the candidate for Commander but also Liaison to the Convention Committee, I had a whirlwind week in Wildwood. Thank you everyone for your help with the convention, especially those who helped work the registration desk. I would like to thank Squadron #133 for providing the color guard for our wreath laying ceremony at the Vietnam Veteran's Wall across from the convention hall.

I had the high honor of being installed by the National Vice Commander for the Northeast Region of the American Legion, Mark Avis. We were also fortunate to have the candidate for National Vice Commander East for the Sons of the American Legion, Joe Gladden, at the convention. Both Vice Commander Avis and Joe Gladden kicked off my commander's project with a donation, and I thank both for that. I would like to thank Commander Bob Looby and President Linda Carroll for really making us feel like part of the American Legion Family. I anticipate a great year with their continued partnership with the Sons of the American Legion. Also, I would not be Detachment Commander without the help and support of all the Past Detachment Commanders, Chairman Norm Marlin, and my home Post #352 in Somers Point. Again, thank you everyone !

We must work towards increasing membership, and with our new Chairman, PDC Patrick Gallagher, membership is in good hands. One key to increased membership is new and reactivated squadrons. I will be working with my vice commanders on this area, but everyone should pitch in. If you know of a post that wants to start a squadron, please let me know. Membership is the backbone of our organization.

We need to increase donations to CWF. Everyone has always supported the CWF program, and at the national level they need help now more than ever. We raised close to \$10,000 this year while nationwide the Sons raised over \$450,000. We will have a new chairman this year who will need your support.

This year I am partnering with the Department Commander to assist with his Commander's Project. Veteran's Haven will be adding 46 new units which we will help furnish. The cost will be approximately \$3,000 per unit. Please help with this worthy cause.

We have a great slate of officers and committee chairman for the year. They are there for you. Please reach out to them if you have need.

On June 19th, I attended our Detachment Bingo and Pizza party at the Vineland Veteran's Home. I would like to thank Carl Albern and Phil Boyd for their help. Please make an effort to attend these parties. The vets really appreciate it and deserve our support.

I attended both the opening ceremonies and graduation for Boys State at Rider College the week of June 20. About 860 high school juniors participated and learned leadership skills, how governments are run, and made connections that last a lifetime. Senator Robert Menendez, a participant of the program in the '70's, spoke at graduation. I would like to congratulate PDC Marsden on his tenth year assisting with Boys State.

June 27, I attended the Memorial Service at High Point. Our SAL had a strong turnout, and I would like to thank all the officers, PDC's and members who attended.

This year can be great ! But I can't do it alone. We have a strong team in place, but we need the support of every member and every squadron. Please see me if you are interested in getting more involved at the detachment level. We can always use the help. It's our year to shine and show everyone what a great "Value Added Program" the SAL can be for the American Legion. As a program of the American Legion, our accomplishments as the Sons of the American Legion make the American Legion Family even stronger.

Thank you for your continued support. See you on August 14 at the detachment meeting.

CALENDAR



Dates to Remember

Detachment Meeting, Trenton
National Convention, Milwaukee, WI
Membership 10% target
POW/MIA Watchfire, Seaside Hts.
Detachment Meeting, Trenton

August 14, 2010
August 27-29, 2010
September 10, 2010
September 10, 2010
October 16, 2010

FROM THE DESK OF DAVE HARING

I am looking forward to serving you as vice commander under State SAL Commander Joe Korba. He is a dedicated, strong leader who deserves our complete loyalty and hard work. Let's all work together to ensure that this year is a success for him and the Sons. I am also looking forward to visiting my counties of Atlantic, Bergen, Hudson, and Ocean. Many think of me as the vice commander from Ocean, but I have many good memories as part of the start of Bergen County and as commander (1996-1998) of Squadron 415 Saddlebrook. I am looking forward to making even more in Atlantic and Hudson. I like to visit the squadrons so I am sure the year will be interesting and enjoyable.

Squadron and county commanders, I would like very much to sit in at some of your SAL meetings and be a guest at some of your fundraisers and events. I'd like to talk with you on increasing membership, Children and Youth (I am program chair this year), and share detachment information with you.

Please let me know when and where your meetings are held. You can contact me by mail at 12 Tivoli Street, Toms River, NJ 08757, by email at DukeDave7@comcast.net, by phone at 732-244-8534 or cell 732-597-2604.

FROM THE DESK OF V. C. STADTLER

Thank you to all the S.A.L members who voted for me and supported me for the office of detachment vice commander. Please contact me at 908-910-3796 about your county and squadron meetings.

GRAVE DECORATION

Dunellen American Legion, Auxiliary, and S. A. L. worked together to place flags on veterans' graves for Memorial Day. Two of the post's youngest S. A. L. members, Anthony and Nicky Aloia (ages 4 and 2), worked with their grandfather Post Commander Bill Uhler to place the flags. Cmdr. Uhler said, "The boys did a good job helping and took it very seriously. I made the hole and they put the flag in."

Every year the Piscataway and the Dunellen American Legion along with the Dunellen VFW visit Lake Nelson and Resurrection Cemeteries in Piscataway to insure that every veteran's grave has a flag for Memorial Day.

EDITOR'S DESK

Because so many officers and chairs have failed to write articles and send photos, I have been forced to assign them as appropriate. Good communication is vital for this organization and its members. I regret that articles in this this post-convention information edition issue do not include the Adjutant's Corner, Membership, and Son of the Year.



It's about supporting our armed forces always

2010 POW-MIA WATCHFIRE SCHEDULED

The twentieth POW-MIA Watchfire has been scheduled for Friday evening, September 10, from dusk to dawn. Services including a flag retirement ceremony will begin at 7:00 P. M. on the Hering and Boardwalk beach front and continue until 7:00 A. M. Saturday morning.

Shore Boro Post 351 Seaside Heights will again serve as host post. Every member of the New Jersey Legion Family is invited. This watchfire could not go on without the support of its volunteers. There is no cost other than your time; however, whatever you do is always appreciated.

Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and Sons, be there if only for a moment or two. Show your respect and commitment to America's finest who gave all to defend the U. S. A. We want every one of them accounted for and back home.

For further information, contact Thomas E. Marsden, POW-MIA Chairman at 151 Queen Ann Road, Brick, NJ 08723 (mail), 732-255-5939 (phone), cell 732-684-5965 (cell), or sal-tom@usa.net (email).

A. L. NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 92nd annual American Legion National Convention is slated for August 27-September 2 at the Midwest Airlines Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The New Jersey Legion Family is being housed at the Best Western Milwaukee Airport, 5105 South Howell Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207.

The city offers something for everyone. Between business sessions there is a lot to do from water recreation along Lake Michigan, shops and restaurants along Riverwalk, the Milwaukee Art Museum, Discovery World, the Children's Museum, the Milwaukee Zoo, to Brewers baseball and local breweries.



We recognize Ray for years of service and support.

We honor our Vietnam veterans, Thanks, Sq. 133.

National A.L. Vice Comander installs Com-mander of the Sons.

The Detachment pays respects at High Point.



DETACHMENT OFFICERS & APPOINTMENTS

This year's delegates to the state convention voted in Commander Joe Korba and Vice Commanders Matt Beida (Middlesex, Monmouth, Essex, Union), Phil Boyd (Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem), Dave Haring (Atlantic, Bergen, Hudson, Ocean), Harold Houseworth (Burlington, Hunterdon, Mercer, Somerset), and Brett Stadtler (Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Warren); Carl Kline, Chaplain with Kent Heil NEC and Gary Nelson ANEC.

No resolutions were presented. The appointments of Jeff Hicks, Adjutant; Carl Alber, Jr., Judge Advocate; Ed Downs, Joe Colontone, Lenny Free, Bill Lanham, Sgts.-at-Arms; Arthur C. Wanke, Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms; and Kermit Riley, Sgt.-at-Arms Emeritus were approved with a historian still to be announced.

At the reorganization meeting, Cmdr. Korba named as commission and committee chairs:

VA&R--Frank Jiosi, Jr.
Americanism--Phil Boyd
Boys State--Rob Lasky
Flag History/Dedication--Phil Boyd
Color Guard--OPEN
Drug & Alcohol Prevention--TBA
POW/MIA--Thomas E. Marsden
Religious Emphasis--Carl Kline
Son of the Year--Dean Staknys
Children & Youth--Duke Haring
CWF--Bill DeAngelis
Essay Contest--TBA
Josh Dog/Spinoza Bear--Matt Beida
Special Olympics--Steve Rodrigues
Young Citizen's Award--Patrick Gallagher
Internal Affairs--Jim Noble
Commander's Project--Kent Hehl
Constitution & Bylaws/ Resolutions--Jay Gillman
Convention--Harold Houseworth
Finance--Gary Nelson
Scholarship--Amel Balega, Jr.
Internet--Carl Alber, Jr.
Legislative--Gary Nelson
Membership--Patrick Gallagher
Public Relations--Jeff Hicks
Community Affairs--Jeff Hicks
Legion College--Kent Hehl
Salute--Thomas E. Marsden
Ways & Means--Matt Beida
Young Citizen's Award--Patrick Gallagher

The schedule of meetings at the War Memorial Building, Trenton is set for 9:45 A. M. August 14, October 16, December 4, February 5, and April 2, with the convention at the Wildwood Convention Center June 10. Norm Marlin will serve as American Legion SAL Committee Chairman.

NEXT SALUTE DEADLINE IS AUGUST 31, 2010.

2010 SAL DETACHMENT AWARDS

AMERICANISM

1st--Sq. 338
2nd--Sq. 232
3rd--Sq. 346

CHILD WELFARE

1st--Sq. 338
2nd--Sq. 346
3rd--Sq. 159

MEMBERSHIP

Category A (100+)
1st--Sq. 138
2nd--Sq. 279
3rd--Sq. 43
Category C (49-)
1st--Sq. 424
2nd--Sq. 293
3rd--Sq. 56

VA&R

1st--Sq. 139
2nd--Sq. 365
3rd--Sq. 338

COMMANDER'S AWARDS

William Breen, Lifetime Achievement
Patrick Gallagher; Jim Noble

SCRAPBOOK

Squadron: 1st--Sq. 414; 2nd--Sq. 493
County: Ocean

ERNIE WILSON SCHOLARSHIP

Andrew Fedynich, Sq. 213

RICHARD PHILLIPS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

"Big" Joe Henry

SON OF THE YEAR

Dave Page, Sq. 455

YOUNG CITIZEN

Tiffany Wallace, Sq. 346

CHILDREN & YOUTH

1st--Sq. 348
2nd--Sq. 455
3rd--Sq. 338

COMMUNITY SERVICE

1st--Sq. 338
2nd--Sq. 348
3rd--Sq. 146

Category B (50-99)

1st--Sq. 434
2nd--Sq. 174
3rd--Sq. 352

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

1st--Sq. 338
2nd--Sq. 252
3rd--Sq. 194



The SAL awards Andrew Fedynich, Sq. 213, the 2010 Ernie Wilson scholarship.

Dave Page, Sq. 455, is the 2010 Son of the Year.

