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AUG. 26 - SEPT. 1, 2022

NATIONAL BIVOUAC – 2022

August 25 – 26, 2022

It disappoints me to have to tell you that I have nothing to report on the upcoming Bivouac in Milwaukee, WI, as this time. Thanks to the assistance of the Department of Arizona, we are attempting to negotiate a contract with the Potawatomi Hotel and Casino in Milwaukee. This is the headquarters hotel for Department of Arizona and others for the National convention. It is located approximately 3.5 miles from the convention center and shuttle transportation is provided during business hours.

It has been unusually difficult trying to secure a venue for our Bivouac this year. Several of the hotels turned us down or did not respond to my requests. I know this makes it difficult to plan your travel and hotel stay. I would advise you to book room nights with your department because we will **not** be provided a block of rooms at the Potawatomi.

As soon as I receive detailed information regarding Bivouac and the Banquet, I will forward it to you along with the Call to Bivouac. Thank you for being patient.

Marilyn Rideaux
2022 Bivouac Chair



*Beth Nehring, PND, Echelon 35
VIP, waiting in line to present our
20/4 wreath at National Cemetery*

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

JUNE 2022

ECHELON	2022 Goal	Current 2022 Members	New 2022 Members	PERCENT
50-AL	15	15	6	100%
29-AK	10	11		110%
35-AZ	35	12	2	34%
01-CA	50	40	1	80%
05-FL	22			
30-FL	20	14		70%
08-IL	24	24	5	100%
02-MA	20	11		55%
09-MT	22	24		109%
27-NC	20	27	9	135%
31-TX	35	19	1	54%
24-VA	12	1		8%
03-WA	13	12		92%
11-WI	13	7		53%
TOTAL	311	217		71% of Goal

In Remembrance – Memorial at Bivouac August 2022

Please email me the name and echelon of those Jeepettes who have transferred to post everlasting during this Legion year 2021 – 2022 to ensure that preparation can be made at Memorial Service at Bivouac August 2022.

We've cried our tears and mourned our loss. Now we give our grieving hearts relief by coming together to celebrate all the wonder that held membership in the National Twenty and Four. Though we experience the sadness of their passing, we can honor the best of our experiences and the echo of their positive presence. We know that she would want us to not dwell on the sad but remember the good. We will be so grateful to have the ability to gather all those dear to us.

Until we meet in August 2022, God's speed, and guidance is sent as you get on your way. I wish you the very best.

Gigi Callaway, Sky Pilot
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PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN



CA - Echelon 1 & 40 (Merger)

*Karen Caddel
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Irene Cruz
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Diane Drake
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Lula Gooden
Marj Goosey
Magdalena Gradkowska
Donna Griggs
Annette Grimsley
Jeanne Haines-Wood
Kathleen Heeren
Hattie Hicks
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Lillian Moss
Maggie Mudd
Anna Marie Pina-Brown
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Marilyn Rideaux
Sandy Schneeberger
Delores Shick
Janice E. Somers
Desirae Storey-Smith
Lisa Thompson-Wiebe
Josephine Thomas
Nita Ullman
Cynthia Verrill
Ruth Wempole-Wells
Ada Joanne Wilson
Janet Wilson
Mildred Wright Pearson*



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WA - Echelon 3

Donna A Botelho

Teresa J Bryan

Mary R Fike

Cathy M Hennie

Barbara A Hoerr

Marie V Honeywell

Gail F Porter

Carol M Reed

Margaret L Reining

Nancy J Robbins

Carrol M Stripling

Maria D Tye



IL - Echelon 8

Nadia Baran

Teresa "Terri" Browne

Georgianna "Gigi" Callaway

Sonja Creekmore

Detraff "Dee" Dearbone

Diana Fecarotta

Barbara Wilkinson Fletcher

Candy Gann

Sandra Harker

Christine Hildebrandt

Helen Hull

Iris I. M. Kirschner

Mary E. Kulavic

Jan Lepinski

Patricia Maher

Carolyn Mahoney

Cindy Joan Young

Rasmussen

Regina Shutta

Cheri Stanton

Edna L. Taylor

Annette Tincher

Cheryl Walker

Ronnie Turner-Winston

Robin Vandiver

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**HOME
OF THE
FREE
BECAUSE
OF THE
BRAVE**

AZ - Echelon 35

*Marge Ahrens
Martha Albano
Judi Beischel
Gerry Berger
Eszter Blair
Nancy Browne
Gilian Burns
Patricia Carlisle-Thompson
Margaret Chaput
Sandi Deatherage
Rosa DelRosario
Lisa DeLeclerc
Lisette Eckman
Eldora Engebreston
Rebecca Faris
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Mary Freeman
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Georgie Jones
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Lenore Katz
Bobbie Kimelton
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Joyce Lee
Jeri Logenbaugh
Malina Lopez
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Beth Nehring
Anna Nemecek
Charee Reckner
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Joan Sisco
Carol Stensby
Paula Stephenson
Jeri Strande
Janet Stripe
Ellen Truesdedell
Felice Wimbish-Tribue
Karen Young*

May this special day of remembrance and honor remind you of all those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. **Let us reflect on the courage and bravery of those who came before us and for those who presently serve. Bringing you greetings from Echelon 35.**



CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL OFFICE 2022-2023

Beth Nehring PND, Nomination NMI

Are you considering running for a National Office?



The National Elected Officers of the 20/4, to be elected at the National Bivouac in Milwaukee, Wisconsin shall be: National Director VIP, the National Senior and Junior Vice Directors, National Sky Pilot, National CQ, Disbursing Director and National Aide.

Remember that in accordance with our Twenty and Four Procedures Manual, **ALL CANDIDATES** must submit your endorsement from your Echelon, a bio, and a letter of intent for the Office desired to the Nominating Committee. All members of the committee are to receive these nominations prior to July 1st so that **ALL CANDIDATES** are included in the July issue of the JEEP.

Nominations should be sent to the following:

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If you have any questions, or need further information please feel free to contact me.

Nomination for Jr Director, Echelon 8

Echelon 8 proudly presents Georgianna (Gigi) Callaway for the office of National Jr Director for the year of 2022-2023. She will perform her duties as directed with respect to all.

We are proud to have a Jeepette in our Echelon who is passionate about serving as Jr Director.

In Friendship.

Earnestine Doubek National Aide



Greetings honorees, hope all is well, and you are planning to attend this year's Bivouac in Milwaukee, WI, August 25 and 26. Remember to let your Aide know you plan on attending. She will fill out the registration form for your Echelon and send it to the National Aide with payment. Deadline for registration with your Echelon is set by your Echelon Aide. The National Aide must have **ALL REGISTRATIONS FORMS AND CORRECT FEES BY AUGUST 6, 2022**. Contact me with any questions or concerns, (708) 691-2447, ewdoubek@yahoo.com. Looking forward to seeing all of you in Milwaukee.

Echelon 9 Welcomes a New Kids' Superhero to Our Ranks: Commander Legionnaire!

Chaya Semple

What I thought was a chance encounter at National Convention last year allowed me to cross paths with a new superhero: Commander Legionnaire!

When not out and about promoting Patriotism, the US Constitution, and Military Service as costumed superhero Commander Legionnaire, new Echelon 9 member, Lisa Milner, from the Department of Oklahoma, currently serves as Past Commander and 2nd Vice Commander of Tulsa Carson-Wilson-Rigney-Forrester-Shoemaker Post No. 1 and Department of Oklahoma Children and Youth Chair. One busy lady!

The first photo taken with Past National Commander Bill Oxford and Commander Lee of Oklahoma Grove Post 178, shows her first costume created with help from a Legion friend. Commander Oxford invited Lisa to National Convention last year to talk about her project.

Unfortunately, stars kept coming off the costume, so it was redesigned, and the new costume made its appearance just recently during a Commander Dillard parade into town and then placing his name brick at the F-14 static display with a ceremony renaming the park to The American Legion Park. (Unfortunately we have no good photo of that!)

Lisa got the idea for Commander Legionnaire while she was at a school speaking to children and the superhero, Thor, showed up for a little girl's birthday – she had just returned to school after an extended stay at the children's hospital and loved Thor, so her parents sent someone over dressed like him. There was no way Lisa could compete with their excitement over Thor or regain the kids' attention after that!



On the way home that day, she got to thinking and was blessed with the inspiration to create Commander Legionnaire – with a non-gender specific name so any Legionnaire who wanted to take it over from her or create their own program anywhere else in the Legion could do so.

After getting approval from her Department to proceed, and, in spite of COVID restrictions keeping her out of schools this past year, all systems were go to expose Commander Legionnaire to the public! Public appearance opportunities just popped up! From the back of a Legion Riders' motorcycle to parade floats and other appearances – Commander Legionnaire started catching the public's attention.

With COVID restrictions limiting visitor access to schools now dropped, Lisa has been speaking with school principals this spring and plans to reach kindergarten through third grade this coming school year. She also plans to visit nursing homes and the local VA hospitals to cheer hospitalized veterans having birthdays. Her next scheduled appearance is at Oklahoma Boys State.

Please keep Lisa in your prayers – as a result of injuries sustained during her time in the service (she's an Air Force and National Guard Veteran) she's had one knee surgery in early May and has three more surgeries on other areas of her body to hopefully be completed this coming summer/early fall.

May you be inspired and may you be well!





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