



## THE NATIONAL JEEP

Honor Society of Women Legionnaires  
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### Colleen Heck, National Director VIP

Hello and I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday season. Please stay warm. This was not my original article, but I needed address a few things. First, is the National Honor Society of Women a part of the American Legion.

#### Short answer:

**No.** The **National Honor Society of Women Legionnaires** (commonly known as **Twenty and Four**, or 20 & 4) is **not officially part of *The American Legion*** as an internal department or chartered unit of The American Legion itself. It *is* an **independent honor society composed of women who are members of The American Legion**, organized to recognize and honor the service of female Legionnaires and to support veterans and Legion programs, but it operates as a *separate organization*.

#### What is the “Honor Society of Women Legionnaires” (Twenty and Four)?

- **Twenty and Four** (20&4) is an **honor society** comprised of women members of *The American Legion* who have served in elected, appointed, or leadership positions or who have provided distinguished service in Legion programs.
- It was **organized to recognize** the achievements of female Legionnaires and to provide service to women veterans and promote Legion programs.

Membership in Twenty and Four requires **membership in The American Legion**, but the entity itself maintains its own structure, officers, bylaws, and activities distinct from the Legion’s formal organizational structure.

#### Relationship to *The American Legion*

##### Not legally part of The American Legion:

- Twenty and Four is *not listed* among the primary components of The American Legion’s official organizational structure (which includes The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of The American Legion, and Legion Riders as part of the “Legion Family”).
- It is **not federally chartered** as part of The American Legion and does not appear in The American Legion’s own historical organizational documentation as a unit created by the Legion’s charter department.

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WINTER ALWAYS TURNS TO SPRING



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**Functional connection:**

- Many Twenty and Four members are American Legion members. That is a qualification for joining the honor society.
- The society’s mission includes promoting Legion programs, supporting veterans, and fundraising in conjunction with American Legion activities—but as an *independent society* rather than a direct Legion department.

**Was Twenty and Four ever part of The American Legion and then separated?**

There’s **no clear evidence** from available public sources that Twenty and Four was formerly an **official integrated part** of The American Legion and then *separated* at a specific historical point.

- The available histories indicate that Twenty and Four was created by women Legionnaires because existing Legion-associated honor societies (such as the Forty and Eight) were historically closed to women; it thus formed *as a separate society from the start* to recognize women Legionnaires. There is **no documentation found in the available historical sources** stating a termination of affiliation or split from an official Legion department at a specific date.

**Contrast with another group:**

- For comparison, the **Forty and Eight** (an honor society originally within The American Legion) did formally become *independent* of the Legion in 1959 due to discrimination issues before later changing membership rules. But that is a separate organization from Twenty and Four.

**Summary (with documentation)**

Organization	Affiliation Status	Notes
The American Legion	Independent veterans’ organization	Chartered by U.S. Congress (1919).
Twenty and Four – Honor Society of Women Legionnaires	Independent honor society	Membership requires American Legion membership, but it is a separate society with its own governance and mission, <i>not</i> formally part of The American Legion structure.
American Legion Auxiliary	Separate but historically affiliated	A distinct organization created early in Legion history to support Legion goals; operates alongside but not within the Legion.

“National Honor Society of Women Legionnaires” (Twenty and Four / 20&4) is not an official part (department/program/chartered component) of *The American Legion*. It’s a **separate honor society** whose members are women who are also members of *The American Legion*.

**Documentation that it’s separate (not an internal Legion component)**

1. The American Legion’s own “American Legion Family” page lists the recognized Legion-family components as:

- American Legion Auxiliary
- Sons of The American Legion
- American Legion Riders ...and **does not include Twenty and Four.**

2. A Twenty and Four echelon “About Us” page explains *why it was created*: because the existing Legion-related honor groups were gender-restricted, “women legionnaires organized The Twenty and Four as their ‘honor’ society.” That same page describes Twenty and Four’s **own structure** (national organization, local “Echelons,” and that an **Echelon receives a charter**), which is how independent organizations typically operate.

3. The American Legion’s Centennial post history site describes members of a Legion post joining the “Honor Society of Women Legionnaires,” and notes that **an Echelon was formed** (with approvals and an echelon number), again pointing to a separate society operating alongside posts rather than *inside* the Legion’s formal structure.

**“When were they separated from The American Legion?”**

From the public documentation above, **they were not “separated” at a specific later date**—they were **organized by women Legionnaires as their own honor society** (i.e., formed as separate from the start), rather than being created as an internal Legion branch and later split off.

**If you need a “hard” separation/affiliation record**

The most definitive paper trail would typically be:

- Any **American Legion National Executive Committee** action/resolution recognizing (or not recognizing) Twenty and Four as a Legion program, and/or
- Twenty and Four’s **constitution/bylaws/incorporation** language describing its legal independence.

**1) Is there an American Legion National Executive Committee (NEC) action/resolution recognizing Twenty and Four?**

**I did not find any publicly accessible NEC resolution/minutes** that explicitly says something like “Twenty and Four is hereby recognized as an official component/program of The American Legion.” (That doesn’t prove none exists—only that

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National Director VIP

it wasn't readily findable in public-facing sources I could access/index.)

What I *could* find in official Legion-hosted materials is that "Twenty and Four" appears in **convention program materials** as a separate organization's activity/meetings at convention (i.e., listed alongside other groups/events), but that's **not the same as an NEC recognition resolution**. If you need a definitive "yes/no" from NEC records, the most reliable approach is to request:

- the specific NEC minutes/resolution number (if any) from **American Legion National Headquarters** (Internal Affairs / governance records), or
- any published NEC digest that lists recognized affiliated organizations.

## 2) Does constitution/bylaws/incorporation language describe Twenty and Four as independent?

**Yes—at least at the Department (state) level, Legion governing documents commonly treat Twenty and Four as a *separately named organization* that the Legion "recognizes," not as an internal Legion committee.**

For example, the **American Legion Department of Michigan Constitution/Bylaws** contains a dedicated article titled "**TWENTY AND FOUR**" and states:

- "The American Legion recognizes an organization known as the Michigan Echelon, Twenty and Four. 20/4 is otherwise known as the 'Honor Society of Women Legionnaires'."
- It then specifies membership is limited to "**women members of The American Legion, in good standing,**" which is consistent with an *external organization whose membership is drawn from Legion members*, rather than an internal Legion unit.

(Those statements are at **Department level**, not NEC/National level—but they are formal constitutional language.)

Separately, Twenty and Four's own public description emphasizes that members "**are also members of The American Legion**" and that they "**promote the programs of The American Legion**," which again reads like a distinct organization aligned with the Legion, not a subdivision of it. And an echelon site history explains it was organized by "women legionnaires" as *their* honor society (because other honor groups were closed to them), reinforcing the "separate honor society" framing.

### Practical takeaway

- **National NEC recognition resolution:** I couldn't locate one publicly in accessible NEC materials.
- **Governance-language evidence of independence:** Department constitutions

(example: **Michigan**) explicitly describe Twenty and Four as an "organization" the Legion "recognizes," which is strong documentary support that it's **not simply an internal Legion committee/unit**.

### What Arizona's governing documents show

#### 1) Arizona Department Constitution/Bylaws do not treat Twenty and Four as a Department component

In the **Department of Arizona Constitution & Bylaws (Revised June 26, 2022)**, the Department Executive Committee's composition explicitly includes **one representative of the American Legion Auxiliary**—but there is **no comparable mention** of Twenty and Four in that governance section. The same document's "Organization Relationships" bylaw section discusses relationships with organizations **outside The American Legion** but **does not name Twenty and Four as a recognized internal program/branch** in the way you'd typically expect if it were structurally part of the Department.

#### 2) Twenty and Four's own language describes it as a separate society whose members are also Legionnaires

Twenty and Four describes itself as "**The Honor Society of Women Legionnaires**" and states: "**We are also members of The American Legion**," which is consistent with an **independent organization whose membership is drawn from Legion members** rather than a Legion department/program.

And Twenty and Four's "Find an Echelon Near You" page lists **Arizona (AZ-35)** as its own echelon, again reflecting separate organizational structure (echelons) rather than a Legion department unit.

### Bottom line for Arizona

- **Arizona Department Constitution/Bylaws (6/26/2022):** does **not** document Twenty and Four as an internal Legion Department component (unlike how it explicitly references the Auxiliary).
- **Twenty and Four's own materials:** describe a **separate honor society** made up of women who are also Legion members, including **Arizona Echelon 35**.

**NEC recognition resolution:** I couldn't find a public NEC action/resolution that formally recognizes Twenty and Four as part of the Legion's official structure.

Information from the Arizona American Legion Membership chair.tr

Next, I am sincerely asking every member of the National Honor Society of Women Legionnaires please instead of taking comments and complaints to other people. I would appreciate it if anyone is uncomfortable about new changes like a Hybrid Meeting mid-year they would please talk to me. Please try to understand and accept changes. The purpose of this Hybrid meeting was to allow comradeship. Originally, I wanted to have something in Virginia when I was there, but other responsibilities took preference. I hope maybe this will catch on, and we could try to have the meeting around the country at other Echelons in the future. Thank you and please keep taking care of our woman veterans in need.



**Dakota Tolbert**  
**Senior Vice National Director**

Time is flying by and it is appreciated that most of the Echelon's have submitted membership reports to the National Aide. However, we still haven't heard from a few. Reach out to me directly or to the

National Aide.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.  
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**Tweila-Rochelle Cauthen**  
**Sky Pilot**

Time truly flies. It seems with each passing year, time speeds exponentially. Annually, resolutions are made: lose weight; workout daily; acquire a

new hobby; quit smoking; listen more; talk less, etc. However, any plans for self-renovation, must first begin with the state of our mental attitude.

An attitude? Yes! Our attitude is simply our way of thinking and feeling about something or someone, and it is reflected in our behaviors. What does your algorithm reflect?

Are you sincere, kind, thoughtful, and selfless? Do you seek out opportunities to serve disabled and needy women veterans? Do you bother to conduct health and comfort checks? Or do you simply look at your daily schedules and say, "I just don't have any time, nor skill set to be helpful"?

Do you realize that a prayer or mindful petition can be beneficial? A quick text can change the trajectory of a person's day. Our focus and efforts of outreach should be deliberate and ongoing, and our attitudes should be healthy, helpful and pleasant...especially on our 'bad hair days'.

Let us be deliberate and usher in 2026 with an attitude of servitude. Continue to pray for healing and the health of our National Disbursing Officer, and keep our National Director and her family in prayer during this time as she is in a season of bereavement due to her sister's transition from Time into Eternity.



**Rita Brock Chandler**  
**Junior Vice National Director**

Dear Honor Society Women  
Legionnaires Echelons:

We're launching an exciting new project:

**Raffle Basket Challenge.**

The theme for the Challenge will be the Kentucky Derby.

The Echelons will prepare a basket with the theme.

Entries: Take multiple photos. These can include photos of individual items to be placed in the raffle basket. Send the photos to me at rdchand@cox.net.  
\* Echelon 24 will be judging but not submitting a basket for competition consideration.

Prize: Two (2) tickets to the Banquet in Kentucky.

With your help, we can raise enough money to cover all our Banquet Cost and other financial needs of the National Budget.

Why this campaign? This is an annual fundraising campaign

Need: To keep our organization financially sound we must raise money by donations.

The solution: With each Echelons' support, by creating a Raffle Basket to be donated at an event. (Ideas can be at the American Legion Conferences or Echelons individual events.) All money raised will be sent to National Honor Society 20&4 Disbursing Officer.

Your role: Your contribution will directly fund our Budget

Be a part of something big — donate today!

Thank you for considering this special opportunity to make a difference.

E: rdchand@cox.net

**Submitted by: Georgiann Callaway, PND**  
**National Aide**

Prayers for those that have gone on to the Supreme Commander and those that are providing comfort to the afflicted. Our newsletter was delayed by several that were ill, hospital and were effected by those that have gone before us. We apologized for any inconvenience that this delay may have caused.

Additionally, If your echelon has yet to submit membership it would be a delight to see that transmission.

New email: admin.nationaljeep@gmail.com  
If you have my personal email, use both at this time so that your information is not missed.

Warm Regards,  
Semper Fortis. For God, Family, Country.

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**DISBURSING DIRECTOR  
Judi Beischel, PND**

**INCOME/ EXPENSES by Category  
8/1/2024 through 7/31/2025**

**2026-2027 BUDGET**

**INCOME**

WAYS AND MEANS	\$2,275
MEMBERSHIP	\$5,000
JEEP CHRISTMAS GREETINGS	
	\$400
DONATIONS	\$100
EMBLEM SALES	\$1,000
OTHER (FINES ETC.)	\$50
BIVOUAC REGISTRATION	\$1,400
BANQUET TICKETS	\$3,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$13,225</b>

**EXPENSES**

JEEP	\$1,200
INSURANCE	\$450
NATIONAL AIDE PRINTING	\$200
ARLINGTON - WIMSA	\$300
DC VISIT - NATIONAL DIRECTOR	\$300
NATIONAL DIRECTOR INCIDENTALS	\$250
AWARDS	\$100
LOG DIRECTOR	\$25
WAYS & MEANS	\$50
MEMBERSHIP SR. VICE	\$25
ECHELON DEVELOPMENT	\$200
SCHOLARSHIP (NOT INCL./OWN ACCT.)	\$1,000
MARKETING	\$2,000
<b>EXPENSES SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,100</b>

**BIVOUAC EXPENSES**

NATIONAL DIRECTOR VIP	\$400
SR VICE DIRECTOR	\$300
JR VICE DIRECTOR	\$300
DISBURSING DIRECTOR	\$300
EMBLEM SALES	\$400
NATIONAL AIDE (ROOM/SHIPPING)	\$500
BIVOUAC NMI (\$350/\$75)	\$425
HONORARIUM (NATIONAL DIRECTOR)	\$100
NATIONAL CQ (FLAG SHIPPING)	\$75
NATIONAL SKY PILOT (FLOWERS)	\$25
BIVOUAC EXPENSES	\$5,000
BIVOUAC NATIONAL GUEST (UP TO 4)	\$300
<b>SUBTOTAL - BIVOUAC EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$8,125</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$14,225</b>

20 & 4 Income	3,621.00
20 & 4 Scholarship Fund	200.00
Bivouac	16,868.35
Interest Inc	1,583.24
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>22,272.59</b>

20 & 4 Exp.	2,066.73
Bivouac Expense	15,343.35
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>17,410.08</b>

**OVERALL TOTAL 4,862.51**

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Bivouac is going to be at the following:  
The Galt House Hotel (Wyndham)  
140 North Fourth Street  
Louisville, Kentucky 40202  
Gallthouse.com

70th Annual Bivouac and Banquet  
National Honor Society of Women Legionnaires

August 27 & 28, 2026, Louisville, Kentucky  
This year's [2026] theme will be the Kentucky Derby



Condolences Related to the Passing of Cheri L Stanton Echelon 8, Department of Illinois, Twenty and Four

WHEREAS, With feelings of deepest loss, Echelon 8, Department of Illinois, Twenty and Four, must record the passing of friend and associate Cheri L. Stanton, from Monmouth, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Cheri was raised and educated in Monmouth, graduating from Monmouth High School in 1965; and

WHEREAS, Cheri joined the United States Navy. She was stationed at NAS Jacksonville where she worked in Air Operations processing flight plans. This is where she met her first husband, Russell Clayton; and

WHEREAS, Cheri was honorably discharged from the Navy, moved to Monmouth for five months, before returning to Georgia where she had her son Andy; and

WHEREAS, Cheri graduated from Valdosta State College and started teaching third grade in Georgia at a K-12 school; and

WHEREAS, She got her master's degree from WIU in 1982. She taught third grade at Willits School, where she retired from the Monmouth School District after a total of 34 years in education; and

WHEREAS, Cheri married Jonathon Gill Stanton in Monmouth at the American Legion on June 2, 1990, and he passed away on July 16, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Cheri enjoyed spending time with her son, grandchildren, and family, especially cooking for them. When she wasn't cooking and serving meals with her legion ladies' auxiliary or taking food to the teachers' lounge, she was cooking for her Fillman Family gatherings. She felt her biggest compliment was to take food to a gathering and come home with an empty pan, and.

WHEREAS, Cheri was most proud of her gift of community service at the local, state, and national levels. She served on the United Way Board, Special Olympics Board for Area 4 representing the American Legion, Children and Youth Programs, President of Unit 136 multiple times and held many chairmanships for the Auxiliary; and

WHEREAS, Cheri held the position of 14th District Commander twice, 3rd Division Commander, Department Chair of Children and Youth Services, worked with Operation Military Kids through the Legion, in charge of the Hospitality Tent for State Games for Special Olympics, and staff member every year for Girls State held at Eastern IL University; and

WHEREAS, Cheri served every year at the American Legion Department of Illinois Convention as the Sgt-At-Arms on the stage. On the national level Cheri served every year as the

special assistant to the National Sgt-At-Arms at the American Legion National Convention; and

WHEREAS, In 2017 Cheri was the first female Commander for the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Cheri's accomplishments as a member of the Twenty and Four were recognized and admired by her fellow Jeepettes based on her service as National Director VIP for the National Honor Society of Women Legionnaires in 2022-2023, as well as serving as the Director VIP Emeritus for Echelon 8; and

WHEREAS, We fully realize the benefits from which our Echelon derived from the work of this Jeepette, and because of the warm personal feeling inspired in our hearts by her kindly, unselfish life; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By Echelon 8, Department of Illinois, Twenty and Four, that we enter into the records of this Echelon a tribute to the memory of one who was held in highest esteem and respected by all her associates, and who, because of her kindness, courtesy, and integrity, exemplified to the highest degree the purpose and mission of our Society; and be it further

RESOLVED, that our deceased Jeepette, together with the assurance of our sincerest sympathy be recorded.

May the Heavenly Father console them in their present sorrow and may these words of appreciation and high regard be solace in the years to come.





**Condolences Related to the Passing of Cindy J. Young-Rasmussen Echelon 8, Department of Illinois, Twenty and Four**

**WHEREAS**, With feelings of deepest loss, Echelon 8, Department of Illinois, Twenty and Four, must record the passing of friend and associate Cindy J. Young-Rasmussen, from Colona, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Cindy was raised in Galesburg, Illinois. She married David Rasmussen on September 27, 2000, in East Moline, Illinois (he preceded her on November 4, 2013); and

**WHEREAS**, Cindy worked as a substance abuse counselor for R.I.C.C.A., Bridgeway, and the Kewanee Correctional Center, helping countless people over the years; and

**WHEREAS**, Cindy She was a member of the Colona American Legion Post #1233, serving on the Honor Guard for many years. She enjoyed mechanical work and attending car shows and had a special interest in 1970 and 1974 Chevy Camaro's. She also loved going to local baseball and hockey games, as well as car races of all kinds; and

**WHEREAS**, With feelings of deepest loss, Echelon 8, Department of Illinois, Twenty and Four, must record the passing of friend and associate Cindy J. Young-Rasmussen; and

**WHEREAS**, Cindy membership in the Twenty and Four were recognized and admired by her fellow Jeepettes based on her service in Echelon 8; and

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The best thing you can do is to not rush your recovery. Rest, save your energy and you'll feel better in no time. We are thinking of you every day and sending you lots of hugs and virtual chicken soup!



Get Well:

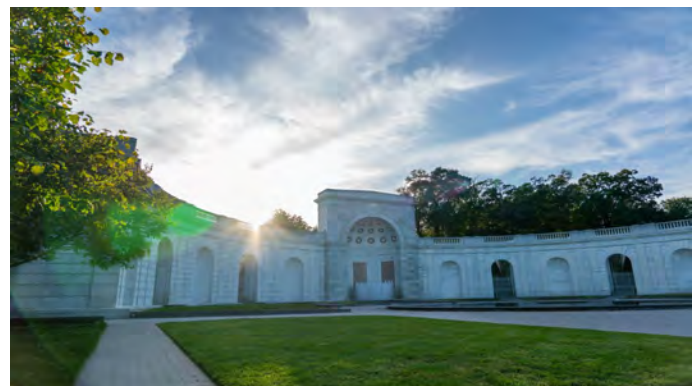
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And all Jeepettes and family members who are on the mend.

"I can only hope that a new generation of people are inspired by seeing a woman as the captain of our ship of state, recognizing that for them too, there is no limit to what they can accomplish." – Commander Billie J. Farrell, U.S. Navy Commanding Officer, USS Constitution

A history-making naval officer, Billie J. Farrell became the first woman to command the historic USS Constitution, the oldest commissioned warship afloat, in 2022. A surface warfare officer with multiple sea deployments, she has led Sailors around the globe, demonstrating operational excellence and steadfast leadership. Taking the helm of "Old Ironsides" marked a powerful milestone in the Navy's storied history, symbolizing progress while honoring tradition. Commander Farrell's service reflects both the strength of today's Navy and the expanding opportunities for women to lead at every level.



## Echelon 9 - Montana

By Chaya "Hiya" Semple

Echelon 9 Jeepettes Linda Cousineau (left) and Jennifer Dalrymple (right) stand with fellow participants following the annual Four Chaplains Service held February 7th at the historic WWII Chapel at Fort Harrison, Montana. Chaya Semple also participated as Chaplain (not pictured due to taking the picture.) Jeepette Leslie Slocum supported the event by blasting it on the Lewis and Clark Post 2 Facebook and Instagram pages. Just under 50 people attended this very meaningful service.



## National Honor Society of Women Legionnaires

By G. Callaway, PND

Honor Society of Women Legionnaires attend the February 11 & 12, 2026, 92nd Annual National American Legion Pilgrimage to the Tomb of President Abraham Lincoln. (Dakota Tolbert, Senior Vice National Director, steps in for National Director due to the loss of her sister.) Dakota Tolbert, Senior Vice National Director, gave the speech at the tomb. She was amongst The American Legion Family leadership that gave a speech that day. Melanie Willstead, Echelon 8 JVD, assisted in the Wreath Laying the National SVD. The luncheon banquet was attended by approximately 20 Departments, including various veterans organizations, and political representatives.

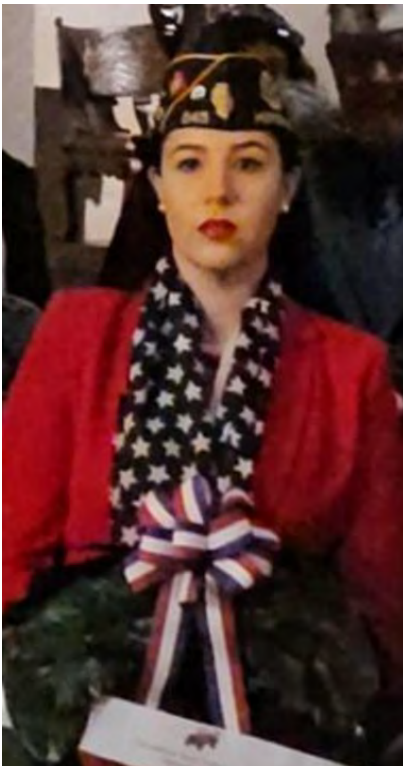


Photo left: Dakota Tolbert, Senior Vice National Director carrying wreath into the tomb.

Top Photo: SVD giving speech inside the tomb.

Photo right: Melanie Willstead, Echelon 8 JVD, and Dakota Tolbert, SV National Director presenting honors.



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