



THE SOURCE



Well Hello Everyone. Hope all is well. To stop any rumors out there I'll just let you know. My wife and I have both tested positive for the Corona 19 virus. We are about half way through our 14 day quarantine. Please listen to what they tell you. Wear a mask, Wash your hands, and stay 6 feet apart. Trust me you don't want to catch this thing. It's all they say it is and worse. Enough on that.

Now, on to membership. Congratulations! We have made our 25th Consecutive All-Time High! You guys give yourself a round of applause for all the hard work you have done. On behalf of all the Detachment Officers I want to say Thank-You. We all belong to the greatest Detachment there is. We have been pushing 2020 cards for months and it's time to work on the 2021 cards and shoot for the 26th all-time high. I know you can do it.

We have some changes to the Detachment Officers. Jim Roberts has resigned from his position as Adjutant. Due to his work load from this virus and being hurricane season he feels in the best interest of the Detachment he steps down. Jim thank-you for the many years of hard work and dedication you have given this Detachment. Ed Sheubrooks will assume the duties of Detachment Adjutant. All correspondence should be sent to

Ed. This includes all report forms and donations. Other changes include the appointment of Jim Roberts to the position of Judge Advocate. Rocky Cirigliano is this year's Eastern Area Commander and Richard Mattick is the new 14th District Commander. Welcome and thanks for all you do.

We're all looking forward to this pandemic passing and things getting back to normal. I'm hoping to get back on the road and visiting everyone again. Holding fund raisers and doing functions is nearly impossible at this time, but we must all continue to do our best, hold our heads high, and remember why we do what we do.

Until next time. Be good and take care

For God and Country,

Tom Klinger
Detachment Commander



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2020-2021 Membership Target Dates:

September 3, 2020	10%	
October 8, 2020	25%	
November 12, 2020	35%	
December 3, 2020	45%	
January 14, 2021	60%	
February 4, 2021	75%	
March 4, 2021	80%	
April 14, 2021	90%	
May 6, 2021	100%	
June 16, 2021	20,500	Commander's Goal
Delegate Cut-off		



Gentlemen,

As I sit at the computer putting this article together, I am just wondering where I should start. In these uncertain times we have much to do, but with the opening and closing of our Posts and Squadrons, it makes it very difficult to accomplish what we need to for our Veterans. But like the Marines, we will adapt and overcome the challenges that have been placed before us. We will push forward and accomplish our goals because as a "FAMILY" we are a strong and united front in our Communities!!!

So let's discuss some of the things that we can still do! Number One and most important is to make sure we retain our members and recruit new ones! "How" you may ask? By personal contact through phone calls, emails, text, or even Facebook. And yes, I did mention Facebook. It does have some good uses for staying in contact with our members. However, we do not need to be negative in our postings on Facebook. That includes sending out information prior to Official notices being sent. Number Two is to maintain as much awareness in our Communities about the Sons as possible. I know with the Posts closed this will be harder to accomplish, but if we put our heads together I am sure we can come up with some ideas and plans.

So with the Covid 19, we have had to cancel District Conferences, our annual Detachment Convention, and we voted to retain our current District and Detachment Officers for another Year. Many Squadrons along with the Posts and Auxiliary Units have also retained their leadership for another year. A complete listing are in this issue of "THE SOURCE". We have had to make a few changes as Detachment Adjutant Jim Roberts resigned due to his work load with the State of Florida. We thank you Jim for your five years as service Detachment Adjutant. I have been appointed by Detachment Commander Klinger to fill this vacancy and to train and find a replacement for this position.

All Squadrons by now should have their 2021 Membership cards. If you do not, please contact [JoAnn Collins](#) at Department Headquarters. With the new cards comes an increase in the National per capita. With all 2021 cards, you must transmit \$11.00 per member instead of the \$8.00 as in previous years. This was a National increase that was discussed at our Fall Conference. We had no choice in the matter to raise the per capita.

The Detachment Administration Manual for "SPLASH: The Sequel" is now completed. I know that some Squadrons received this with their cards, while others did not because it had not gone to print. [The Administration Manual is available online](#) for those that want a copy. The Detachment Officer Roster is ready and will be distributed to the Google Groups Mailing List. The Squadron Roster is currently being prepared by Assistant Adjutants Tom Soeder and George Aichele. They will be Tag-Teaming the District and Area Commanders to get these reports in. It is most important that we have this information on file. It is the only way for Department to confirm your Squadron Adjutant to National for the use of [MySAL.Org](#).

At the present time, our Annual Fall Conference is still on schedule to be held at the Sea World Renaissance. The Conference is scheduled for Nov 5 - 8, 2020. The SAL meetings will take place on Saturday, November 7th, 2020. Final plans are not yet completed for the schedule. We are leaning towards a mini

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Convention type meeting. This means that we will be rewarding all your hard work over the past year like as we have typically done at Convention. We will keep you informed as things progress for the Conference.

We continue to be very successful in our programs. We had 80 National and 89 Detachment Consolidated Reports, 38 Children & Youth Reports, 33 VA&R Reports, and 36 Americanism Reports submitted this year. These numbers are down considerably from last year, due to the closing of our Posts, so we really have some work to do for this coming year. I personally wish to THANK everyone that submitted the reports. From the reports submitted, a total of \$1,647,380.52 was donated to various programs and over 210,109 man-hours were recorded. A hearty JOB WELL DONE to all of you everything you all did this year. Hopefully we will soon be able to report another ALL-Time High in Membership as well. Currently we are 31 members short of this goal.

I think I have pretty much covered things, so enough ramblings from me this month!

Until next month!!!

In Honor of Those Who Served and Those Still Serving!!!

Ed Sheubrooks, Detachment Adjutant

From the Editor of 'The Source'

Gentlemen,

I'm again honored to have been selected to edit 'The Source', the monthly newsletter of the Detachment of Florida.

While I tend to stay out of the publication myself, I am compelled at this time to make a statement about the resiliency and dedication of our members throughout the Detachment of Florida.

Given the unique times we are currently in with political turmoil, a global pandemic and civic unrest, the Sons of the American Legion continue to stand tall and show respect to those through who's service we are eligible to serve in the great organization.

It makes me proud to wear the French Blue cover and carry my membership card. It makes me proud to know that regardless of what happens, we patriots, lovers of our country, defenders of our freedoms, will always stand by the preamble of the Constitution of the Sons of the American Legion:

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a true spirit of Americanism; to preserve the memories of our former members and the association of our members and our forefathers in the Great Wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the Community, State and Nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy, to consecrate and sanctify our friendship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness; to adopt in letter and spirit all of the great principles for which The American Legion stands; and to assist in carrying on for God and Country

I am so very proud to be a member of this organization and to be able to serve with the finest Americans I have ever known.

For God and Country,

Ray Leventhal (323 Lehigh Acres)
Editor, 'The Source'



Greeting Membership Team,

With all that has been going on over the past months we are continuing to make progress and have achieved an amazing goal. We've reached our 25th consecutive all-time high in membership.

When transmitting membership for 2021 cards, remember the per capita increase. Our per capita is \$11.00 per member. Six dollars (\$6.00) goes to the Detachment and five dollars (\$5.00) goes to National.

With the start of our 2020-021 membership campaign our first target of 10% is in September. Administration manuals should have arrived at your Squadron and if not should be shortly. Check out the target dates as this is especially important that we reach these targets. Membership is our life line.

I strongly believe that we all can say we need to have better contact information on all our members. Phone numbers, email addresses, and up to date mailing addresses. COVID-19 showed us why that is important.

We need to continue to always stay focused on our membership. We all need to remember the 3 "R's" (Recruit, Reinstate, & Renew). Always transmit your membership. That brings me to MYSAL.org. If your Squadron is not using MySAL you need to get it set up and get the process started. The National organization will sometime soon be going completely electronic. We need to be ready for that transition. Get with your Post Officers and get the guidance on getting signed up.

"SPLASH: The Sequel" is underway and we need to get our pools cleaned and treated. District Commanders, you must take the lead as a lifeguard and give them the needed swimming instructions. Each Squadron, each District, and each Area plays a big part to our success with membership. **We must communicate – and communicate regularly – with every one of our Squadrons.** Let them know you are available and willing to help. Go to their meetings with positive information, conduct training classes that they may need with MySAL and our Google mailing list. Communication will be an excessively big topic this year. We must make improvements in our communications.

More information to follow soon and I as well as Commander Klinger are looking for a BIG SPLASH this year.

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Greetings Detachment of Florida,

With our annual Convention cancelled and our Post homes opening and closing and reopening we can all agree that we are in different times. The Detachment has had several Detachment Executive Committee conference calls to conduct business with success. We are working outside the box on transmitting members. As of this article the Detachment has reached it's all time high in membership! Given these times, this is not only noteworthy, it is AMAZING. Thank you for all your hard work in achieving this goal.

I would like to take this time to thank all of you and Detachment Officers for their continued hard work during this very difficult time. A Special thanks goes to Officers that have stepped down. Jim Roberts, I do what to say thank you for everything that you have done and will continue to do for the Detachment. Kent Smith, thanks for all your hard work over the years. We have lost several members of our Detachment Family also this year. Prayers for all the people and families due to these losses.

Let me introduce the 2020-2021 theme: SPLASH (The Sequel) – Why the SEQUEL? We have unfinished business to get done for Detachment Commander Klinger. COVID-19 really put a stop to the march we had going on in fundraisers and membership. We will get it done, Commander.

As we start the new service year ,A BIG THANK YOU goes out to Ed Sheubrooks for accepting the appointment/reappointment to reassume the greatest responsibility of our Detachment, our Adjutant. He will, I know, do a great job along with two (2) assistants (George and Tom). Thank you all ahead of time for all you have done and what you will do and have done for the Detachment.

Some of the improvement challenges I believe we are facing are in the list below. There are likely more, but this is a start. As we continue to grow our needs will be ever changing and we must be prepared for these changes.

- Improve communications with our Squadrons and their membership.
 - Squadrons need to develop a communication line to their members with both phone numbers and email contacts.
 - Explain to your membership the need for this information.
 - Explain to your membership the importance and value of using our website (floridasons.org).
- Improve communication to our Squadrons.
 - The Detachment should have a valid email address for each of the Squadron Officers.
- Improve communication within the Detachment of Florida.
- Improve communication with Commission/Committee Chairman.
 - Commission/Committee Chairman need to involve the members.
 - Regular communication should be held within the Commission/Committees as to what is going on and get them involved.
 - Promote involvement to all members.
- Improve and expand MT&D training.
 - Improve the education of our Officers, our Chairman, and most importantly our members.
- Improve the use of MySAL by our Squadrons.
 - Gain access to the applications that are online. It must be approved by your Post Officers.

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Internal Affairs (continued)

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- To use the MySAL membership portal it is imperative that your Squadron Officer report forms are completed properly and indicate the proper person for processing. If this form is not on file with the National organization, you cannot get access to MySAL. This is a must. Let me repeat, that you must complete and transmit the completed Squadron Officers report form to get your temporary log-in information. The Squadron Adjutant will be verified with Department before access is given by National.
- Improve Squadron reporting.

This just a snapshot of just some of the identified needs that I, as your Internal Affairs Chairman, have identified for improvements for our Detachment.

I will publish this with every Internal Affairs article I submit. Please read and memorize our preamble to our Constitution. Read each line and stop for just a minute and reflect on the words. These words are powerful and should have great meaning to us all. Think about what each line is saying. It is why we do what we do! This would also be a great training opportunity at each Squadron meeting. I keep this in my article because I think it is something very meaningful for you as a member and us a Veteran Organization.

PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

PROUD POSSESSORS OF A PRICELESS HERITAGE, WE MALE DESCENDANTS OF VETERANS OF THE GREAT WARS,

ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER AS “SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION” FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
- to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a true spirit of Americanism;
- to preserve the memories of our former members and the associations of our members and our forefathers in the Great Wars;
- to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;
- to combat the autocracy of both the classes and masses;
- to make right the master of might;
- to promote peace and good will on earth;
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- to consecrate and sanctify our friendship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness;
- to adopt in letter and spirit all of the great principles for which The American Legion stands;
- and to assist in carrying on for God and Country.





Gentlemen,

As we start the new year, we are still operating under the same unfortunate conditions as we ended the 2019-20 year. However, that does not mean that we are unable to conduct our programs. Our communities need our assistance now more than ever. Especially our veterans, these trying times have made our efforts even more important.

Your Squadrons can assist with community food drives, donations for school supplies as our children head back into the new school year. Another important aspect that we have all been talking about is Buddy Checks. These are vitally important, not only to our veterans but also to our membership as well. There are many people in our communities, especially the elderly that could benefit greatly from just a kind word or assistance with obtaining the necessities that they may not be able to go out and get themselves. Coordinate with your Posts and Units to see what they are doing that you can assist with. Now, more than ever we need to remember that we are a FAMILY and family helps one another.

Please stay safe and secure and remember that we do what we do, for God and Country.



Hello All! I hope this message finds you all safe and healthy. I am honored to once again be serving as your Public Relations Chairman. We have some big things planned from the PR/Communications side of things for this year.

The COVID-19 situation has really shown us how much we need to improve our communications throughout the Detachment. We are taking major strides in improving our communication with you. I have a few requests from you all to assist us in our efforts:

First of all, and I know I may sound like a broken record, I would like to ask all Squadrons, Districts and Area Commanders to encourage all members to sign up for our Detachment Mailing List. During the lockdown, we were able to communicate information this way. It is imperative that we get all members that have an email address signed up. This will help everyone stay connected and help you to not feel alone or abandoned at any time.

Secondly, we need email addresses for all Squadron Commanders and Adjutants. You can provide this information by simply filling out and submitting your new officer form. I am requesting that you all take a minute to fill them out (even if you have already) and send them a copy to both Adjutant Sheubrooks and myself. The form is available on the [Detachment Website and can be filled out online](#). Once filled, you can either save the file to your computer and email it, or print it and mail it in.

Finally, I encourage you all to use our website. Our website is updated constantly. Not only is a current copy of the Administrative manual on the website, but fillable PDF files of any report form you need are there. All of your Detachment Officers, Area & District Commanders and Committee Chairmen are listed on the website, with their contact information as well. You can also use the website to communicate directly with Detachment and you can also use it to submit your events, a Source article and even find a Post near you while traveling throughout the state. The website is mobile-friendly too, so it can easily be accessed by your tablet or smartphone.

Increasing our communication is very important, especially with everything going on in the Nation today. I encourage you all to increase your communication within your Squadrons, Districts, and Areas while helping us increase ours throughout the Detachment.

Until next time, stay safe and healthy.

For God and Country,

Christian M Rapp, Public Relations Chairman
Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Florida



Hello Sons! I hope this message finds you all safe and healthy. It is my pleasure to be serving again as the District Commander for the Mighty 13th District. I would like to personally thank the entire 13th District staff for continuing to serve as officers this year.

We have definitely had an interesting year, to say the least. Even with all that is going on, many of you were able to make the final push for membership and get your squadrons to 100%. I don't have the final numbers as of this writing, but I have a good feeling that the Mighty 13th and the Detachment of Florida met or exceeded our 100% goal. Thanks to you all for making this happen.

By now, you all should have received your 2021 Membership Cards. If you haven't, please call Headquarters and request them. Our very first membership goal is 10% by September 3, 2020. I have no doubt you all will reach this. Please remember that National has raised the per capita. **YOU NOW MUST SEND IN \$11 PER MEMBER.** Some Squadrons may need to raise the amount you charge for annual dues. I encourage you all to look at your pricing structure, if you haven't done so already, to ensure you are not losing money on each transmittal.

I have received notification from Detachment that they do not have everyone's officer reports. Some of you have told me that you have sent them in already. I am requesting that you all take a minute to fill them out again and send them a copy to both Adjutant Sheubrooks and myself. The form is available on the Detachment Website and can be filled out online. Once filled, you can either save the file to your computer and email it, or print it and mail it in. The link for this is: <https://floridasons.org/administration/forms/officers.pdf>

I wish you all luck as your Posts reopen and am looking for many great things, as usual from the Mighty 13th District. Please don't forget to email me your events and submit them through the Detachment Website. I am available to attend any function, meeting you would like as long as I have enough advance notice.

Best wishes for a great year! Stay safe and healthy.

For God and Country,

Christian M Rapp

13th District Commander

Sons of the American Legion

Detachment of Florida



Officers of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Florida For the 2020—2021 Service Year



Detachment Commander, Tom Klinger
Squadron 7, Clearwater



John Jennings, National Executive
Committeeman
Squadron 71, Lake Wales



Bill Kelly, National Exec Committeeman Alt
Squadron 137, Jacksonville



Gerard Sambets
Vice Commander Central Area
Squadron 275, Dunedin



Brian Carter, Vice Commander Northern Area
Squadron 120, Holly Hill



Rocky Cirigliano
Vice Commander Eastern Area
Squadron 81, Melbourne



Paul Stawicki, Vice Commander Southern Area
Squadron 142, Pompano Beach



Ernest Sheffield, Vice Commander
Southwestern Area
Squadron 266, Sarasota



Robert Farley, Vice Commander Western Area
Squadron 240, Warrington

Officers of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Florida For the 2020—2021 Service Year



Ed Sheubrooks, Adjutant



Position Vacant, Assistant Adjutant



George Aichele, Assistant Adjutant



Tom Soeder, Assistant Adjutant



Randy Collinworth, Chaplain



Paul Micieli, Historian



James Roberts III, Judge Advocate



George Steger, Sergeant-At-Arms



Richard Smith, S.A.L. Advisor

**TOGETHER
WE CAN
AND WILL
MAKE A
DIFFERENCE**

Officers of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Florida District Commanders and Vice Commanders For the 2020—2021 Service Year



Andrew Mercer, District 1 Commander



Neil Gahimer, District 1 Vice Commander



Kent Smith, District 2 Commander



District 2 Vice Commander



District 3 Commander



District 3 Vice Commander



John 'Jack' Bennett, District 4 Commander



Tim Susskind, District 4 Vice Commander



Walter Rasco, District 5 Commander



Terry Phillips, District 5 Vice Commander



George Worton, District 6 Commander



Dennis Kirsch, District 6 Vice Commander



Doug Erskine, District 7 Commander



Scott Kelly, District 7 Vice Commander



James Edwards, District 8 Commander



District 8 Vice Commander

Officers of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Florida District Commanders and Vice Commanders For the 2020—2021 Service Year



Christopher Holden, District 9 Commander



Fernando Durand, District 9 Vice CDR



Richard Smith, District 11 Commander



Anthony Lombardi, District 11 Vice CDR



Randy Chilcott, District 12 Commander



Pete Puzzo, District 12 Vice Commander



Christian M. Rapp, District 13 Commander



Michael Nigbor, District 13 Vice CDR



Richard Mattick , District 14 Commander



Wayne Schorr, District 14 Vice Commander



Mark Getty, District 15 Commander



Jimmy Sutphin, District 15 Vice CDR



Richard Cummings, District 16 Commander



Gregory Tong, District 16 Vice Commander



Bryan Barcomb, District 17 Commander



Mark Wiemelt, District 17 Vice Commander

Officers of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Florida Commissions and Committees For the 2020—2021 Service Year



Americanism Commission

Steve Gordon, Chairman
103, Punta Gorda

Members:
Ron Lechner, 103 Punta Gorda
Anthony Galimidi, 148 Riverview
Paul Miceli, 305 St. Pete Beach



Special Olympics Committee

Randy Chilcott, Chairman
117, Palm Bay

Members:
Tom Harris, 283 Arlington
Stan Borowy, 103, Punta Gorda
Paul Asplen, 286 Pine Castle



Children and Youth Commission

Tom Soeder, Chairman
347, Lady Lake

Members:
Anthony Galimidi, 148 Riverview
Ron Lechner, 103 Punta Gorda
Paul Miceli, 305 St. Pete Beach



Commander's Advisory Committee

Bill Kelly, Chairman
137, Jacksonville

Members:
PDC Ed Sheubrooks, 40 Ft. Pierce
PDC James Roberts III, 4 Lakeland
PDC John Jennings, 71 Lake Wales



Internal Affairs Commission

John Jennings, Chairman
71, Lake Wales

Members:
Rocco Cirigliano, 81 Melborne
Mark Getty, 148 Riverview



Convention Committee

Ed Sheubrooks, Chairman
40, Ft. Pierce

Members:
George Aichele, 117 Palm Bay
Tom Soeder, 347 Lady Lake



Constitution and By-Laws Committee

James Roberts III, Chairman
4, Lakeland

Members:
George Aichele, 117 Palm Bay
Robert Lessard, 1 Titusville



Member Training and Development Committee

James Roberts III, Chairman
4, Lakeland

Members:
Vice Chair John Jennings, 71 Lake Wales
Ed Sheubrooks, 40 Ft. Pierce
Bill Kelly, 137 Jacksonville
Michael Nigbor, 136 St. James City



Finance Committee

Ed Sheubrooks, Chairman
40, Ft. Pierce

Members:
Bill Kelly, 137 Jacksonville
James Roberts III, 4 Lakeland
Rocco Cirigliano, 81 Melborne
Steve Gordon, 103 Punta Gorda
John Jennings, 71 Lake Wales



Squadron Activities Committee

George Worton, Chairman
347, Lady Lake

Members:
Thomas Bugg, 356 Lynn Haven
Chris Richertt, 117 Palm Bay
Brian Carter, 120 Holly Hill



Membership Committee

John Jennings, Chairman
71, Lake Wales

Members:
Richard Cummings, 158 Treasure Island
Joe Eckenrode, 120 Holly Hill
Greg Trammell, 402 Panama City Beach



Community Affairs Committee

George Aichele, Chairman
117, Palm Bay

Members:
Walter Rasco, 137 Jacksonville
Kent Smith, 356 Lynn Haven
Scott Pennington, 304 Dania Beach

Officers of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Florida Commissions and Committees For the 2020—2021 Service Year



Legislative Commission

Bill Kelly, Chairman
137, Jacksonville

Members:
James Reed, 1 Titusville
Gregory Tong, 158 Treasure Island
Bryan Barcomb, 270 Port Orange



Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Committee

Gerard Sambets, Chairman
275, Dunedin

Members:
Ernest Sheffield, 266 Sarasota
Randy Collinsworth, 7 Clearwater
Charles Coleman, 112 Winter Park



Public Relations Commission

Christian M. Rapp, Chairman
323, Lehigh Acres

Members:
George Steger, 238 Safety Harbor
Paul Stawicki, 142 Pompano Beach
Kent Smith, 356 Lynn Haven



Project: VetRelief Committee

Randy Collinsworth, Chairman
7, Clearwater

Members:
Ed Sheubrooks, 40 Ft. Pierce
Johnnie Wilson, 356 Lynn Haven

Distinguished Guest Committee



John Jennings, Chairman

Bill Kelly, Vice Chairman



**Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Florida
Individual Program Reports
2019-2020**



Detachment Americanism Reports				# Submitted	37
Boys State	# of Boys	22	Cost	\$12,400.00	
Baseball	Teams Sponsored	8	Cost	\$6,475.00	
Scouting Costs		\$6,438.00			
Oratorical	Sqd Sponsored Contests	2	Costs	\$995.36	Hours 80.00
Flag Education	# of Programs	20	Costs	\$615.00	Retirements 640
Education	Members completed 5-Star / 10 Ideals	10	Cost	\$295.00	
Flags Presented	363	Vet Graves / Parades	10,725	Costs	\$4,655.00
Cost of Scholarships Awarded	\$18,500.00	Hours on Education	870.00		
Community Service	Hours of Service	59,928.10	Cost of Sponsorship	\$838,620.43	
Jr Shooting Sports	Hours of Service	82.00	Cost of Sponsorship	\$500.00	
Color Guards	Appearances	236	Cost of Sponsorship	\$5,750.00	
Other Hours	500.00	Other Contributions	\$29,775.00		

Detachment Children & Youth Reports				# Submitted	39
Child Welfare Foundation	Total Dollars	\$14,550.00	Total Hours	7,224.02	
Special Olympics	Total Dollars	\$60,758.00	Total Hours	9,633.02	
Childrens Miracle Network	Total Dollars	\$4,200.00	Total Hours	5,530.00	
Programs Not Listed	Total Dollars	\$53,250.12	Total Hours	13,010.00	

Detachment Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Reports				# Submitted	33
VAVS Representatives	Total # of Representatives	8			
Section I - Hours					
State VA Veteran Homes	615.00	VA Medical Centers	1,470.00		
Section II - Field & Home Service Hours					
Field Service Hours	3,762.90	Home Service Hours	2,400.00		
Section III - Visits to VA Homes / Medical Centers					
VA Veteran Home Visits	106	VA Medical Center Visits	217		
Section IV - Donations					
Total Cash Donations	\$36,159.26	Items Donated (Est \$)	\$12,678.68		

Americanism Squadron Totals	Hours	61,460.10	Dollars	\$925,018.79	
Children & Youth Squadron Totals	Hours	35,397.04	Dollars	\$132,758.12	
VA&R Squadron Totals	Hours	8,247.90	Visits	323	Dollars \$48,837.94



**Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Florida
Consolidated Report Totals
2019-2020**



Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Programs

Emergency Aid Given from Funds	<u>\$55,497.15</u>	VA Hospital Hours	<u>5,686.90</u>
Contributions to VA Volunteer Program	<u>\$21,685.00</u>		
National Security / Blood Donor	Pints <u>705</u>	# of Members Donated	<u>280</u>
Uniformed Groups Costs	<u>\$11,334.00</u>		

Americanism Programs

Boys / Girls State	# Sponsored	<u>46</u>	Cost of Sponsorship	<u>\$22,025.00</u>
Baseball	Legion Team Costs	<u>\$8,864.00</u>	Non Legion Team Costs	<u>\$8,875.00</u>
Oratorical	# of SAL Contestants	<u>6</u>	Cost to Sponsor	<u>\$ 1,247.36</u>
Education	# of Schools Assisted	<u>49</u>	Cost	<u>\$ 11,380.79</u>
# of Scholarships Awarded	<u>32</u>	Value of Awards	<u>\$24,050.00</u>	
Hours for Education	<u>1,918.00</u>	Additional funds expended on Education	<u>\$6,442.00</u>	
Scouting	# of Youth in Scouting	<u>341</u>	Donations to Scout Activities	<u>\$19,762.00</u>
Flag Education	Flags Presented	<u>4,683</u>	Cost	<u>\$8,751.00</u>
Junior Shooting Sports	# of Youth	<u>45</u>	Cost	<u>\$1,830.00</u>
Community Service	Estimated Hours	<u>156,984.60</u>	Cost	<u>\$1,095,855.64</u>

Children and Youth Programs

# of Activities Held	<u>239</u>	Cash Aid Given to Needy Children	<u>\$41,090.77</u>
Estimated Value of Goods	<u>\$38,206.00</u>	# of Children Given Aid	<u>1,433</u>
Cost of Operating Program	<u>\$4,980.00</u>	Administrative Expenses	<u>\$260.00</u>
Dinners, Parties, Gifts	<u>\$6,175.00</u>	Other Children & Youth Expenses	<u>\$1,053.00</u>

Contributions

MDA	<u>\$350.00</u>	All Childrens	<u>\$2,100.00</u>	Special Olympics	<u>\$81,868.00</u>
Handicap Children	<u>\$3,410.00</u>	Dollars to Posts	<u>\$78,782.54</u>	Hrs to Posts	<u>47,558.00</u>
CMN	<u>\$2,700.00</u>	CWF	<u>\$20,770.36</u>	NEF	<u>\$3,800.00</u>
		Other Contributions	<u>\$68,800.77</u>	Florida C&Y	<u>\$2,960.00</u>

Total # of submitted Detachment CSRs 91 **National CSRs** 93

Squadron Total Hours 212,147.50

Squadron Total Contributions \$1,654,905.38



HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

Each member has access to many benefits including the National Emergency Fund if a natural disaster should occur. However, your dues have to be current at the National Organization for you to be eligible for this and many other benefits.

Remember, your dues also help support Squadron Programs, the Child Welfare Foundation, National Emergency Fund, Operation Comfort Warriors, Fisher House and many more.

Without your support we cannot continue to support the great programs of the American Legion Family. Please follow up with your Squadron Membership Chairman to pay your dues and ensure they are transmitted for the current year.

Having an Event? Let the Detachment of Florida Help!

Attention all Sons of the American Legion

If your Squadron, Post Family, District or Area are having an event, we can help get the word out.

If you are interested in getting your event published and promoted using:

- The Detachment of Florida's Website (floridasons.org)
- The Detachment of Florida's Facebook page (facebook.com/pg/FloridaSAL)
- The Detachment of Florida's Newsletter, The Source

There's only one thing you have to do: Let Us Know!

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