

Department Clean-Up Day

A Big thanks and loads of appreciation to Don Bond, Richard Ramey, Debra Godwin, Steve Shollenburg, Flynn Phillips, Lynn Newton, Dave Ostojza, & Diane Standing for showing up and helping with the clean-up day at Department Headquarters. It was due for a good face cleaning, and they worked hard to get it done. We finished with a Barb-B-Zue and a lot of fun. We even had a Pine-Cone Chipping contest. Department Looks great, come on by and check it out. It is member friendly again, the parking lot is usually full.



Girls & Flynn working hard.



Getting Ready.



Richard & Dave beautifying the road.



Flynn dragging & bagging.



And the winner of the Pine Cone Chipping contest is?



Debra, Diane, Lynn getting it done.



Back tree all trimmed.



Department Headquarters!
Looking Good!



Nice lunch after a hard morning



Parking lot full on a Wednesday!
Legionnaires getting the work done...
And having fun doing it.



Looking good again!



SAVE THE DATE

CLACKAMAS COUNTY
VETERANS EXPO '25
10.15.25

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WEDNESDAY • OCTOBER 15, 2025

[Clackamas Community College](http://www.clackamas.us)

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Meet directly with service providers who specialize in veterans' benefits, housing, health care, education, and more. Attend informative sessions led by guest speakers, explore educational pathways, and connect with fellow veterans in a supportive, welcoming environment.

Connect, Learn, Be Inspired.

*Vendor registration required.

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Whether you're looking for resources, opportunities, or simply community, this event is for you.

PARKING IS FREE.

VENDORS: If you are interested in presenting as a vendor at this year's *EXPO*, please fill out the vendor registration form on-line. All vendors are required to be registered through the VAC before September 30, 2025. Space is limited to 52 vendors, so register early.

BE THE
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Law Enforcement Camp

My wife, Dana, and I were asked to be chaperones for this years Law Enforcement Career Camp (JWLECC). Having many years doing Scout camp, we thought we could survive it. So, we drove the Dept van down to Camp Rilea near Warrenton and had the grand tour with the Legion Program Director Ed Owens. There were, 9 boys and 6 girls. They were awesome! Everyone worked and played well together. Boys were downstairs in our "Starship" and girls were upstairs. We got to know the Lead Oregon State Police (OSP) instructor, Lt Jason Lindland and his handpicked crew of OSP officers that really made the camp fun and informative. Yes, we went through a fair number of Band-Aids and a few ice-packs, but that just proved they did something.

Morning Physical Training (PT) was not the most popular activity, but the staff made it as fun as PT can be. The kids got better as the week went on. The same with marching. Kudos to Bradley Owens, Ed's son and 4th year participant, for being the youth leader for the group. He made Dana and my jobs a lot easier.

I would recommend the camp to any teen that might be interested in law enforcement, or is just curious about what it takes. Besides...it's a week at camp!

Mike Speer,
Americanism Commission Chair

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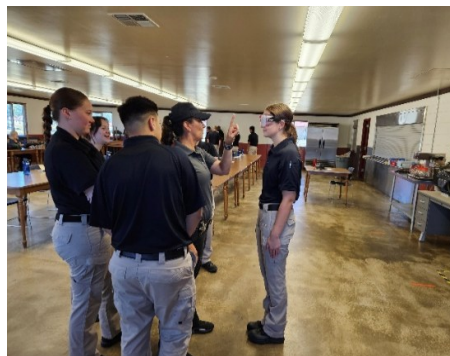
Jim Willis Law Enforcement Career



Morning formation, the day has started.



Classroom and learning, daily event.



A little Field Sobriety Test , learning curve.



Always good to know a little self defense.



A welcome visit from a Chinook & ride.



Learning explosives techniques.



Learning a little about S.W.A.T. techniques,
and equipment needed.

Law Enforcement Camp (con't)



Learning about crowd control.



Crowd control, equipment



Fish & wildlife scenario, with unexpected Kill.



Explosives dog, nice puppy.

What a wonderful experience at the Law Enforcement Career Camp. We need to get this information out to the schools, and build this program up. The American Legion has wonderful programs for our youth, and a lot of wonderful young people in our schools. Let's get the information out to them. Thanks for the wonderful experience.

Mike Speer
Americanism Chair

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OUR youth programs are so important to our upcoming youth today.

We all need to get out and **HELP** build our **YOUTH** programs up.

Go visit them when the program is active and the kids are there attending, you can see how important the program is to them.

They are being taught the true American values that we were raised on.

Let's keep that going.

SUPPORT OUR
YOUTH
PROGRAMS
& HELP BUILD
THEM UP.

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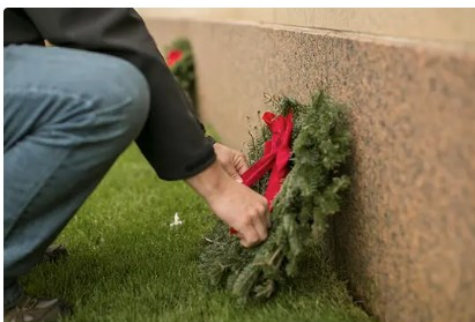
MISSION MATTERS



REMEMBER ★ HONOR ★ TEACH

This year, National Wreaths Across America Day will be held on Saturday, December 13, 2025. Join the more than two million volunteers and supporters who will gather to Remember, Honor and Teach at more than 4,900 participating locations in all 50 states, at sea and abroad.

No matter where they served or how, Wreaths Across America strives to ensure that no one is forgotten. Learn about the lives and stories of those who have served our country by viewing the 4,596 recent posts made by our supporters. Or, sponsor a wreath and add another name to our roll call of heroes.



REMEMBER

Sponsor a veteran's wreath in honor of or in memory of a loved one who served in our armed forces. Or, sponsor and allow us to designate a recipient among the millions of heroes who rest in honored glory.



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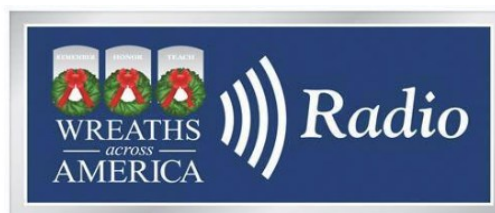
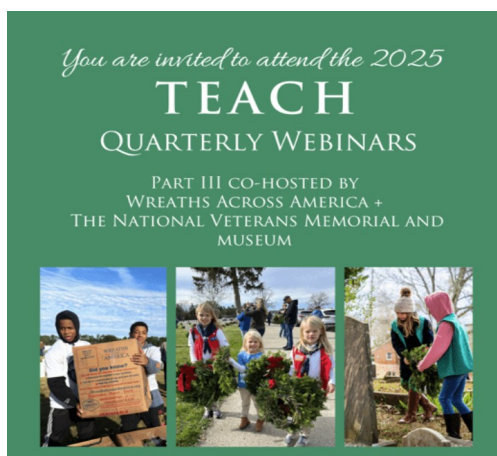
Volunteer with us as we honor our veterans throughout the year. From laying wreaths locally to leading a sponsorship group or coordinating a ceremony location, there are many ways to get involved



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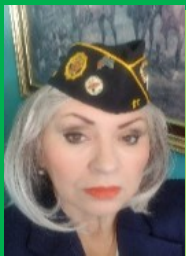
Invite your network of friends, family, coworkers and organizations to join us as we strive to honor every veteran. As the scope of our mission grows, so too does the need for support. Help us to spread the word!

2025 THEME: KEEP MOVING FORWARD



LISTEN NOW ON THESE PLATFORMS





Greetings from The Judge Advocate

Congratulations Department of Oregon! The Honor Society of Women Legionnaires approved an Echelon for Oregon at the National Convention on August 22, 2025, in Tampa, Florida. The name is Oregon Echelon 52 20/4. An Echelon is for example our Department. The desire to create an Honor Society of Women Legionnaires who had rendered outstanding service to the American Legion was initiated separately in several areas of the country within a relatively short period of time. It was officially recognized by the American Legion Convention in Washington D.C., in 1954. This is the first 20/4 Echelon in Oregon! Contact us for more information! The red jeep is the emblem/logo.

Our officers are:

Director Maria Del Socorro Tye
Aid Carol Bova-Rice
Vice Director Ann DeWalt
CQ Betty Fish Ferguson



Check out their website: twentyandfour.org

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SAVE THE DATE

National Regional Information Conferences

JAN. 31, 2026 - INDIANAPOLIS or **FEB. 7, 2026 - ATLANTA**

WHAT? One-day, comprehensive curriculum that covers:

- Legal topics
- Be the One
- American Legion Programs
- Running an Effective Meeting
- Post Operations
- Membership Retention

WHY? To strengthen understanding and implementation of American Legion Programs and Services!

WHO? American Legion leaders in departments, districts and posts looking to increase operational effectiveness.

HOW? Contact The American Legion National Internal Affairs division at ia@legion.org or call 317-630-1287.

REGISTRATION OPENS AUG. 27, 2025, AND SPACE IS LIMITED, SO SIGN UP NOW!!