



# Sons of the American Legion

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## **SALUTING THE COLORS ON MEMORIAL DAY**

**Commander: Henry Cleveland**

**Sr. Vice: Steve England**

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**So. Area Commander: David Hendee**

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**Chaplain: Bruce Gideos**

**Asst Sgt-at-Arms: Justin Laundry**

# Commanders Message

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### *Detachment Commander*

*Hello Squadron Commanders and all squadron members as your Detachment Commander I would like to thank all the squadrons that have worked so hard with our Veterans, Children & Youth and your Legion Family's. In the past few weeks of my Visitations I keep hearing and seeing all the great things you all do, that is why I'm so proud to be your Commander. Keep up the good work and let our Detachment Team know if there is anything we can do for you.*

*I want to thank all the squadrons that works so hard this and every year to get there 100%.*

*But our job is not done yet! We are so close to getting 100% for our Detachment. right now we are at 99.30% only 46 members from our goal so please help me out let's get these last few members in for our 2015 membership. Your Detachment team is here to help in any way we can. I also see a lot of Squadrons with no membership in for 2016 you should have at least all of your officers in by now how can you ask your members to pay theirs when you do not have yours paid, so please get these in .*

*Here are some of the great things squadrons are working on. Squadron #5 Brattleboro talked about an early bird dinner for membership, working on a gun raffle and also made donations to The Dodge House and our Commanders Project.*

*Squadron #59 Waterbury are working on their 8th Annual Vacation give a way \$4000.00 grand prize check it out on our Web site. They also made donation to one of their post members fighting cancer and gave a donation to a squadron members to go see his brother in Florida that he has not seen in a long time.*

*Squadron# 91 has one of their members going on a Honor Flight with a WWII Veteran .Also found a great place to hand out our Josh Dog to Children at the Ronald McDonald House. They all work so good with their Legion Family as you can see I have had a great time with my visitations so far and cannot wait to come see you all.*

*Please use our web site, Lucas Herring is our web master his e-mail is [salvylegionpost10@gmail.com](mailto:salvylegionpost10@gmail.com) you can send him your new upcoming events and he will post them for you. If you have any questions call me I will be working with Lucas to get the web page up dated ASAP.*

*Dodge house donation should be the first thing we all need to support. I know in the past you have done a great job of this. Always remember all the good work they do there and if you get a chance stop by and say Hi I know they would love that. So get your donation in, I will be presenting this donation on November 11<sup>th</sup> .Veterans Day*

*Next is our Commanders project A Wounded Veterans Wish there will be a copy of the program with this news letter. This will be one of those projects that can change two of our wounded Veterans life's .Think of all the good that will come out of this so please get behind this project and make it happen. The Sons can get it done .*

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*DEC Fall conference and training will be held Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at Vergennes Post # 14  
I would like to have at least one member from each squadron there Adjutant, Membership, fund raising  
and our National Commanders Kevin Collier's Message*

*New email for me is [Henryclevelandsq7@gmail.com](mailto:Henryclevelandsq7@gmail.com)*

*Commander Henry Cleveland*

*Always have fun in the Sons and remember Veterans are our Heroes*

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# SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

From the Sr. Vice-Commander:

I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful but warm[!] weather. I have had the privilege of attending Squadron meetings at SQ. 63, Northfield, SQ. 59, Waterbury, and SQ. 30, Lyndonville. All these folks are working hard and serving the Veterans and their Communities. It is good to see a number of new Officers at each Squadron, and on behalf of the Detachment of Vermont, we thank you for your dedication and commitment.

The race is on for the Membership Cookout Challenge! A few Squadrons have submitted renewals and new memberships for 2016 – As of this Newsletter, SQ. 7, Hardwick and SQ. 10, Barre, are leading the way – this could be close and a really fun challenge. I encourage all the Squadrons to join in and have “Fun In The Sons” as we see who gets to the 100% first!

I was reminded again last weekend how we truly are a Legion Family, as members of SQ. 63 and SQ. 10 had family members who were part of the horrible tragedy in Berlin. We attended the services for those folks, and the show of support from their families, community, and other Legion Family Members was fantastic. There were a lot of people who came and shared their love and concern and it was obvious that the family appreciated it.

Thank you to all who attended or sent messages of comfort and support.

Please check the website for any new events that the Squadrons are having. There is always a lot going on and I would encourage folks to attend an event at a different Post when possible. There is a lot to be gained from the fellowship, you will meet some great people, and may come away with some new ideas for fund-raising or just another way to have something fun for your members. If you have an event coming up, please get it to us so that we can let others know.

Anyone who has 2015 members still not paid, please get them in! We want to be as close to 100% as possible before our delegation goes to National Convention next week.

I would encourage anyone who can attend to put the weekend of Oct. 24 on their schedule. Fall Conference will be at Post 14 in Vergennes. There will be good training that day as well as a chance to meet with other Squadron members from around the State. Hope to see you there.

Thank you for all you do,

Steve England

SR. Vice Commander

Detachment of VT S.A.L.

# ADJUTANTS CORNER

The LIT (insurance company that works with the Legion has offered free accidental insurance to Sons of the American Legion in amounts of \$1000.00 and \$5000.00. (Death must be accidental). Log onto [WWW.THELIT.COM](http://WWW.THELIT.COM) and select benefits from the menu and then select Legion Care from the drop down menu. You will need your 9 digit ID number, address, date of birth, squadron, and Detachment, and your name. Your LIT number is your 9 digit ID. There is no charge for this benefit and it will last as long as your dues are paid.

The Directory will be published in the next few weeks and copies will be given to all the squadrons and to the DEC.

I plan on having a training class at Fall Conference, October 24th at Vergennes Post 14. We will be discussing membership procedures, [MySal.org](http://MySal.org) and any other Adjutant issues that you might have.

Remember, the Headquarters office will be closed from 8/27/2015 through 9/3/2015. Your Detachment Officers will be at the National Convention in Baltimore, but our phones will be on if you need anything.

**Below are listed the reports for the year that I have received and filed. Also shown Are the Squadrons who have been evaluated in the right hand column. The other Columns are marked and show no reports on file or some for 2015-2016. You can email me the reports and I will report them and file them.**

2015-2016

Squadron	Installed	Officers	Midwinter	Year End	Directory	Eval.
			Donations	Report		
Green Mt #1	X	X	X	X	X	
Montpelier #3			X	X	X	
Brattleboro #5		X	X	X	X	
Hardwick #7			X	X	X	
Barre #10			X	X	X	
Richford #12	X	X	X		X	
Bennington #13	X	X	X	X	X	
Vergennes #14	X	X	X	X	X	
Bristol #19	X	X	X	X	X	
Newport #21				X		
Orleans #23			X	X	X	
Windsor #25		X	X		X	
Hartford #26			X		X	
Middlebury #27	X	X	X	X	X	
North Troy #28		X	X	X	X	
Walter L. Case #29	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lyndon #30	X	X	X	X	X	
Rutland #31			X	X		X
Ballard Hobart #36			X			
Pierce Lawton #37		X	X	X	X	
J. Claire Carmody #39	X	X		X	X	X
Enosburg #42			X	X		
Northland #47	X	X	X	X	X	
Fair Haven #49		X	X	X	X	X
Crippen Fellows #50	X	X	X	X	X	
Brandon #55	X			X		
St. Johnsbury #58		X				
Harry N. Cutting #59	X	X	X	X	X	
Creller Landon #60						
Sorrell Maynard #63						
Donald McMahon #64						
Chester #67					X	
Arlington #69	X	X		X	X	
West Rutland #87			X	X	X	
Pownal 90			X	X		
Colchester #91	X	X	X	X	X	X