



# Good of the Legion

Items to share with your post members at your next post meeting or to display on the bulletin board.

***“The American Legion strengthens America by improving the lives of our veterans, the military and their families.”***

## **Will there be a Fall Conference?**

Governor Whitmer has issued over 160 executive orders in the last four months. One of the latest executive orders has reduced indoor gatherings to 10 people at one time. The department leadership will be deciding the week of August 17. They will be speaking with the hotel, the convention corporation, and the current state of executive orders to decide.

Stay tuned to the Department Facebook page, and the department website for the

## **Don't forget to fill out your Census**

2020 is the year the United States conducts a census. Your participation is critical for the future support of Veterans and their families. Being counted determines how much Michigan will receive in federal programs based on the population. If people are not counted, funding could be reduced, and we do not want programs cut for our Veterans.

Please be counted, visit [www.census2020.gov](http://www.census2020.gov) to complete your census questionnaire today.

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## **100 Miles for Hope**

100 Miles for Hope is a virtual 100-mile walk/run/ride challenge starting Aug. 3 and going through Veterans Day in 2020. It's a way to invigorate donations for the Veterans & Children Foundation, as well as encourage American Legion Family members to be active in this time of social distancing.

The foundation serves two primary functions. It provides critical grants for military and veteran parents in unexpected financial crises, and support for service officers in their tireless efforts to obtain care, benefits and opportunities for disabled veterans and families. The American Legion's 3,000 ac-

credited service officers provide free assistance for any veteran in need.

Participants in 100 Miles for Hope would have from the official kickoff to run, walk, bike or ride their motorcycle for 100 miles. That time frame is 100 days so it would mean being active for just a mile day, roughly 20 to 30 minutes for walkers — which coincidentally is the activity level many health experts recommend.

Some may choose to walk a mile a day. Others may do longer stretches of walks, runs and/or bike rides on a less frequent basis. Legion Riders could easily knock off 100 miles on a single trip.

To register, go to the Emblem Sales site. For a \$30 registration fee, participants will receive a men's, women's or children's tech shirt, and a sign they can display once the 100 miles is completed. After figuring the cost for the shirt, other materials and shipping, the remaining proceeds will go directly into the Veterans and Children's Foundation.

Participants are encouraged to wear their shirts when they are walking, running or riding their 100 miles. Additionally, they are encouraged to share their experiences on social media using the hashtag [#100MilesForHope](#).

After completing their 100 miles, participants can download and print a Certificate of Accomplishment. They are also encouraged to share their journey on a special category on Legiontown.org where they can publish their stories and photos.

# **www.legion.org/100miles**



### Did you know?

The American Legion is one of the largest distributors of Made in the USA American Flags.

When you purchase your American Flag from Emblem Sales, you not only get a quality Made in the USA flag, but you help support the programs and mission of The American Legion.

### Do you know about Post Rewards?

Posts can become a distributor of these flags to their communities and earn credit at Emblem Sales.

To learn more visit:

**Emblem.legion.org or call 888-453-4466**

## **Drop spare change in a piggy bank to support CWF**

A new donation year for the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation is underway – June 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021. And piggy banks are available to help with donation efforts.

The CWF white piggy banks can be placed around the local post for members of The American Legion, Sons of The American Legion, Auxiliary and Legion Riders in which to drop their spare change. The pigs also can be set out during Legion Family meetings and at fundraisers for the collection of spare change.

Once the pig(s) are filled, post leadership will count the change and submit a check for the collected amount to the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, American Legion Donation Processing, PO Box 1954, Indianapolis, IN 46206. The cumulative donations from each post, squadron and unit at the end of the program year is recognized with the Children First Gift Club award.

Donation totals to receive the award are:

- \$1,000 – gold plaque
- \$750 – silver plaque
- \$500 – bronze plaque

The CWF piggy banks (64 in a case) will be shipped to those who send a request to [Americism@legion.org](mailto:Americism@legion.org). Donations for the cost of shipping are accepted and will go directly to the foundation.

The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation provides grants to nonprofits for projects that contribute to the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual welfare of children. Grants are only given to entities that help U.S. children in a large geographic area; they are not awarded for day-to-day or special operating expenses. Learn more at [www.cwf-inc.org](http://www.cwf-inc.org).

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**EVIL COVID - 19 EMPIRE**  
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Camporee Details

- ★ **Camporee Date: Oct. 16—18**
- ★ Cost: \$15.00 Per Person
- ★ Online Registration Begins August 1st
- ★ Rustic Campsites
- ★ Troops Responsible for All Unit Meals
- ★ A complete Camporee Guide will be forwarded upon registration.

Contact Info:  
mileionscouting@usa.com



Camporee Location

Wilwin at Cygnet Cove  
3383 East Hawley Rd.  
Custer, MI 49405  
www.wilwinlodge.com

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Online Registration: August 1st thru October 1, 2020. Go to: [www.michiganlegion.org/camporee](http://www.michiganlegion.org/camporee)

**All Scout Troops Are Encouraged To Attend!**