

National Americanism Commission

American Legion Family Day

2025 Guidance

Purpose: to be observed annually on the last Saturday of April (April 26, 2025). It encourages posts to open their doors to members of their community for a day and celebrate our accomplishments.

Sons of The American Legion (SAL) members can coordinate with their Posts to showcase Americanism by:

- Have “Be The One” information available.
- Make sure there is a serviceable American Flag present
- Pamphlets for Americanism “Youth Programs” should be available (Boys Nation, Oratorical, Legion Baseball, Shooting Sports, etc.)
- Contact your Department regarding the availability of the “Star-Spangled Kids Kits” created by the Auxiliary.
- Host a blood drive (falls under Americanism in the SAL).
- Host a flag-etiquette program with a flag retirement ceremony.
- Place flags to honor veterans and record your event on the Flying Flags for Heroes website. Flags can be ordered from American Legion Emblem Sales.
- Have comic books and coloring books available. They can be ordered from American Legion Emblem Sales.
- Recognize individuals and businesses in your community at the event by utilizing the “SAL Flag Appreciation Certificate”

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**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
October 12-13, 2022
Indianapolis, Indiana**

**Resolution No. 7: American Legion Family Day
Origin: Internal Affairs Commission
Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission**

WHEREAS, The founding fathers of The American Legion established their principles through the creation of the Four Pillars of The American Legion, which are Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth programs; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion through resolve urges all members of The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary, the American Legion Riders, and the Sons of The American Legion, known collectively as the American Legion Family, to assist in carrying on efforts in their locales by developing plans in support of the Four Pillars by remaining informed and assisting veterans, families, schools, workplaces and communities in their time of need; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion Family continues to remain steadfast in their commitment to these principles in meeting the ever-expanding needs of their local communities throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is increasing their efforts to reduce the number of veteran suicides by promoting a program titled, "Be The One," and encouraging all members of the American Legion Family to participate by raising awareness and funds to donate to charities that assist in the prevention of veteran suicide; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion Family is an integral component supporting those in need within their local communities and does so in an unselfish manner without want of notice, personal gain or recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 12-13, 2022, That a special day known as "American Legion Family Day" be established and observed annually on the last Saturday of April, when all American Legion posts throughout the nation would open their doors to their members and the members of their local communities with the intent of celebrating all great deeds and works of the American Legion Family with the intent to educate, recruit, recognize and to give back to those members that continually support the gift of giving; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That the American Legion Family shall place special emphasis and awareness on the "Be The One" program on American Legion Family Day.



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Detachment / District / County / Squadron Participation Report

Deadline for submissions: June 15, 2025

Detachment: _____ District/County: _____

Squadron Name & Number: _____

Address: _____

Event Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Give details of how the Detachment / District / County / Squadron participated in the event:

Provide links to social media that have videos of your event (i.e., Facebook, YouTube, etc).

Please email your completed form along with pictures/videos to the SAL National Americanism Commission: natsalamer@gmail.com | Use the back of form if needed.