



SOUNDOFF

November-December 2021

George P. Vanderveer
Post 129 American Legion
(Established 1919)
2025 Church Road
Toms River, NJ 08753

George P. Vanderveer Post 129 American Legion

COMMANDERS MESSAGE

Brothers and Sisters,

We will be having our New Year Dance this year, 8:00 to 1:00, No Dinner, there will be a Pasta station, Hors d' Oeuvres, Cake and Coffee and breakfast sandwiches as you leave. The Black Ties will be the Band. The cost will be \$55.00 per person, (Cash Bar) and Reservations only will be taken. Carole Rutzler will be accepting reservations, she will be in the Post on Friday nights, or by phone 732-978-0716. All reservations must be paid in advance.

Our Ritual Team has once again done a fantastic job in the last two months serving our Veterans in their family's time of Sorrow. Every Ritual, we hear from the families that it was a comfort for them and a beautiful ceremony. Anyone who would like to join the Ritual Team please contact Dave Corbin at 732-489 -5841.

Speaking of our Veterans, there will be a Parade downtown Toms River on Veterans Day this year. I would like to see as many of our members there for the parade as possible. This is our time to show our community who we are and what we do.

Vice Commander Gerd Trommer is having another Blood Drive on Tuesday November 2nd in the Hall. If you can please donate a pint, the life you save could be your own.

We will be holding a County Membership drive in our Hall on November 13th and 14th. We can use some volunteers to staff the phones and call our members to renew their membership and buddy check on our older members.

Finally, I would like to talk about a situation which is detrimental to our Post. Someone called the Board of Health with complaints about our kitchen con-

It's Never Too Early to Plan



Tuesday, November 30, 2021



tractor Ryan's Catering. I do not know if this person has a personal vendetta against Ryan's but if the kitchen had to close our Post would have lost money and possibly been involved in a lawsuit because of the wedding that would have been cancelled. If anyone has any problem with anything at our Post, PLEASE CALL ME!

In closing I would like to say God Bless America, God Bless the American Legion, and God Bless our Post.

For God and Country

Pete Chafatelli
Commander
732-433-5046
PeteChaf1@gmail.com



TOY DRIVE



Starting Friday, November 26, 2021, Thanksgiving weekend, we will be starting a toy drive for the families of active military personal at MDL (Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst). Drop off unwrapped toys for any age by the food collection area (no clothes please).



George P. Vanderveer
American Legion Post 129
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Toms River, New Jersey 08753
THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



Michael Schaffer - State Chaplain - Department of New Jersey - P.P.C.

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WEBSITE: <https://alpost129.org/>

MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

I hope that this issue of our SOUNDOFF finds our Legion Family in good spirits and health. The leaves are changing and before we know it the Holidays are right around the corner. As you know our 2022 Membership year started on July 1st and our Goal for this year is 1640. As of October 15th we are at 915 and 55.79% of our Goal we need to be at 65% by November 11th Veterans Day. Thank you to all the Early Birds that have sent in their Dues so far.

As the holidays get closer our membership slows down, I am asking all our Legionnaires to please send in their Dues. We need all the help that we can get to continue to make our Goals and to help support all the great programs that the American Legion does for its Veterans, their Family Members, and the Community where we live.

Without members there would be no Legion programs, we would have no voice on Capital Hill, without members there would be no accomplishments in assistance and support for our Veterans across the Community, State and Nation. But The American Legion has recorded consistent accom-

plishments for Veterans and their Families since 1919. We cannot do this alone; your Dues make this possible.

I am asking our Legion Family to continue to reach out to our fellow legionnaires to see if they are okay and if they need any help or just to give them words of encouragement during these trying times. It's called Buddy Check and it's what we do. Veterans taking care of Veterans and their Families. Stay Safe, be Well and as a Legion Family we can accomplish great things. Remember, Membership is the Lifeblood of The American Legion.

Remember BPOTS: BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

For God and Country
Rich Godfrey
Department of New Jersey
Membership Chairman
PDVC

**"AN APPLE A DAY
KEEPS THE DOCTOR AWAY"**



Food Insecurity what does that mean?

According to Webster the term "Food Insecurity" means: "The state of being without reliable access to a sufficient quantity of affordable, nutritious food." The key word in this definition is nutritious.

We are all aware of the value of good but what are some of the factors that contribute to the lack of nutrition or food insecurity? The root of all food insecurity is poverty. Poverty decreases the ability of families to access quality, nutritious food which is fundamental to our human existence. The lack of nutrition weakens our immune system which leaves us vulnerable to disease.

Since the beginning of the COVID 19 pandemic, Post 129 has been fighting food insecurity. During the lockdown food distribution took place in the parking lot with the help of the Post leadership and Fulfill.



Our hope was twofold; supplying our membership with good nutritious foods which is essential to fending off the deadly COVID and keeping our members out of the food stores where they could be exposed. Today, nutritious meals are given out every Monday in the lobby of the Post from noon until 5pm.

These meals are offered with equal portions of protein, vegetable, and starch. Not only are they good for you but they help to reduce your food budget allowing many to purchase their needed medication without having to choose.

The same food insecurity is



happening to our warfighter's families at the joint base. You should be proud that our Post has taken up this mission and is supplying thousands of pounds of nutritious food to the families of the warfighters. Under the leadership of our service officer, Michael Schaffer, these 125 families will have the food that they need for everyday living and for the holidays.

FINANCES

Post 129 has been blessed with some outstanding volunteers who care about the financial wellbeing of the post. Thanks to those who run the Bar, Pull Tabs, Bingo and the Hall, the finances of the Post are in good shape. Plans are in the works for some much-needed repairs and upgrades. The mortgage on the building is now being aggressively reduced with extra payments, made possible by the efforts of the above-mentioned profit centers.

Respectfully submitted:
Ralph Wolff, Finance Officer

WELCOME...

...whether you are a new member or a long-time member who have not been to the Post recently. Come on in for a casual visit, or to volunteer, or to help in your veterans Post. The atmosphere is great, and it is here for you. You are always...

...WELCOME



Every Monday, Beginning August 2, 2021,
George P. Vanderveer, Post 129, THE AMERICAN LEGION will again be distributing

FREE

food between 12 p.m. and 4 p.m.

HOT MEALS

FROZEN PREPARED MEALS

SOUP

2025 Church Road, Toms River, NJ 08753

American Legion Post 129
Saturday, October 30, 2021
7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

In the Canteen

Special Halloween
Drink & Food Menu

Entertainment by
Wild Rose

Best Costume
First
Second
Third
Prize
Amazon Gift Cards

Halloween party

SERVICE OFFICER/ CHAPLAIN REPORT

The most exciting project for the month was the clean-up of the Cathedral of the Air in Lakehurst. We had Legionnaires, Sons, and Riders from 3 counties and 5 posts, including the County Commander and the County Chaplain from Monmouth County. Additional details in the **Cathedral After Action Report** included under a separate heading in the SOUNDOFF.

I have made 15 trips with food to MDL, supporting the food pantry and seeing the families light up when we load their cars with food is amazing. I asked one family if anyone had a birthday coming up and a boy in the back said "it was my birthday last week but we did not have enough money for a birthday cake..." we had a cake delivered that morning. I put it in the car, we all cried and prayed together. it does not get any better than that... The donations at 129 have been amazing but the holidays are coming and there will be additional needs. Please support the **FOOD FOR WARRIORS PROGRAM**. We have had both food and financial support from many Posts and civilians but the need grows every day. Two of the four Pillars, veterans/active duty + children and youth, this is our responsibility! A **list of needs** is also posted under a separate heading in the SOUNDOFF. THANK YOU ALL!

Starting THANKSGIVING WEEK-END we will be starting a toy drive for the families on MDL, drop off unwrapped toys for any age by the food collection area (no clothes please)

Recently I participated in a National Chaplains Call with the new National Chaplain and 40 Department Chaplains to discuss upcoming challenges with Buddy Checks

and suicide issues.

I was the guest speaker and chaplain for a POW/MIA Ceremony on MDL. There were active-duty warriors in teams of twenty who ran laps around a track for 24 hours carrying a POW/MIA Flag and it never stopped moving or touched the ground...amazing to see. I attended the POW/MIA Watchfire in Seaside.

I attended 3 **MISSION OF HONOR CEREMONIES**, and a number of Post 129 Rituals, that's the best thing we do!

I attended the State DEC meet-

ing in Trenton, and the Governors Review of the New Jersey National Guard in Sea Girt.

COMING UP IN DECEMBER WILL BE THE RETURN OF THE GOLD STAR FAMILIES CHRISTMAS PARTY


IT IS MY HONOR AND BLESSING TO BE YOUR CHAPLAIN AND SERVICE OFFICER.

Michael Schaffer—Service Officer
State Chaplain
Department of New Jersey

MILITARY SUPPORT ALLIANCE OF NEW JERSEY

FOOD DRIVE FOR THE TROOPS

Help us support the Red Cross Food Cupboard
Assisting military families at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst



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ITEMS NEEDED

<p><u>Canned Protein</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuna Chicken <p><u>Dry Pasta</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spaghetti Elbows Penne Rotini Egg Noodles Mac & Cheese Dinner Noodle Based Sides <p><u>Sauces</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spaghetti/Pasta Sauce (24-28 oz) Tomato Sauce <p><u>Canned Pasta</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chef Boyardee SpaghettiOs <p><u>Ramen Noodles</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Packets (6 pk) Instant Cups (3 pk) 	<p><u>Breakfast Food</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cereal Instant Oatmeal (10 pk) Breakfast Bars (6 pk) Toaster Pastries Cocoa Mix Packets <p><u>Canned Soup</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campbells Progresso Chunky Healthy Choice <p><u>Canned Beans</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pork & Beans (16-22oz) Chili and Beans Black Beans Garbanzo Beans/Chickpeas Kidney Beans <p><u>Canned Vegetables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corn Green Beans Peas 	<p><u>Rice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> White or Brown, 1 lb. Bagged Minute Rice (28 oz) Flavored Sides (Rice or Potato) <p><u>Dried Beans</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black Beans Kidney Beans <p><u>Spreads, Condiments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peanut Butter Ketchup/Catsup (20-32 oz) <p><u>Baking Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brownie Mix <p><u>Cookies & Crackers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family Sized Package Individual Snack Size <p><u>Granola/Energy/Trail Bars</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (6 pk)
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Questions? Email michael.a.schaffer1949@gmail.com

CATHEDRAL OF THE AIR AFTER ACTION REPORT

September 25, 2021, cathedral clean-up day, the weather was spectacular, the turnout was amazing, we could not have had a better day. We had people from the following organizations:

AMERICAN LEGION POST 129 LEGIONNAIRES/SONS AND RIDERS
AMERICAN LEGION POST 529
MONMOUTH COUNTY COMMANDER, MARY JO BURKHARD POST 266
MONMOUTH COUNTY CHAPLAIN, BOB TERRELL POST 23
AMERICAN LEGION POST 54
MILITARY SUPPORT ALLIANCE
TIN CAN SAILORS
EARLE NAVAL WEAPONS STATION
USO
TOMS RIVER NORTH HIGH SCHOOL ROTC
U.S.N. SEABEES LAKEHURST

We trimmed trees, trimmed bushes, weed wacked the entrance paver area, cleaned out flower beds, general cleanup around the entire property, we dusted, vacuumed and polished the interior (walls, floors, pews offices, bathrooms) Because of the turnout, and we brought all of the necessary tools, weed whackers, blowers, chain saws, garbage bags, gloves rakes, shovels and cleaning supplies the work went quickly and we were in and out, in two and a half hours. There is no way I can express my thanks to those who participated all I can say is "JOB WELL DONE" "BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT WE DO"

According to Carl Joblanski this is the best the place has looked in years

Michael Schaffer Department Chaplain



Tin Can Sailors meet at Post 129 on the 3RD Wednesday at 12 noon.



Ocean County Memorial Chapter of the DAV meet at Post 129 the 2nd Wednesday of the month



CATHEDRAL OF THE AIR CLEAN-UP

9/25/21

CANTEEN NEWS

Eric Inauen

We have come a long way since hitting rock bottom last year. All bars are operating at full capacity. We continue to disinfect the bars on a regular basis. The Canteen has hit a record high as far as the number of Members and their Guests coming to the Post and having a great time. The bartenders and the Bar Committee would like to thank you for that.

We will continue to have live entertainment every Friday and

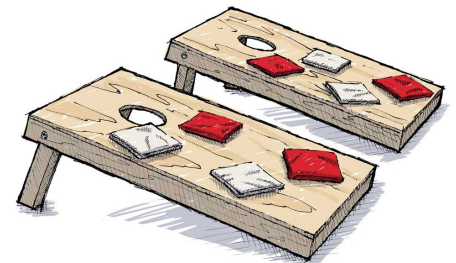
Saturday Night from 7 to 10PM. Most of the time we will have the entertainment in the Hall. However, if we have an event in the Hall, the entertainment will be in the Canteen.

The Post will try to keep its Nationally Famous Bunker Bar open for as long as we can. We have heat and the roll downs to keep the heat in and the chill out of your bones. Danielle, Carol Ann, Gina and Rocky will be serving you your beverages. There is a rumor that some Bunker goes have not yet been "Rockified" by Rocky. What are you waiting for?

After two years of being handcuffed by Covid, the Post will be



staring up its **SHUFFLE BOARD LEAGUE**. Games are played on Tuesday Nights and start at 6PM. Anyone interested should contact Mike Feimer at 732-684-9790 or Past Commander Ed Rutzler in the Bar. You can also leave your name with one of our World Class Bartenders in the Canteen and Mike will get back to you.



CORN HOLE: Dale Hugo, who does a great job with our Corn league, will be looking for players who are interested in playing on Wednesday nights. If you are, call Dale at 732-978-0716. We guarantee you will have a lot of fun.

Speaking of Bartenders, the Bar Committee can not say enough about Robin, Lori, Danielle, Shea, Gina, Carol Ann and Rocky. They have remained the loyalist of loyal during this difficult time. They have sacrificed and worked very hard to keep the bars at Post 129 operating at a high level. We all owe them a world of thanks. A nice size tip would go even further.

The Canteen opens at 11AM daily and will continue to offer drink specials every 2 weeks at super discounted prices. Also, NFL Football Sunday specials are still in effect. There is a discounted NFL food menu and Coors Lite, Miller Lite, Bud, Bud Lite, Yuengling and Pabst pint drafts

Holiday Craft & Vendor Fair



40+ VENDORS

SAT. NOVEMBER 27, 2021

10 AM TO 3 PM

HOSTED BY:

**THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 129
2025 CHURCH ROAD, TOMS RIVER, NJ**

*First 200 Shoppers with a purchase receives a free tote
courtesy of Kearney Bank*

are only \$1.75.

Ryan's Catering offers lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday. On Mondays, lunch is available until 2PM. Ryan's also offers its 2 for \$25 Saturday Night Specials which include 2 appetizers, 2 entrees and shared dessert. You can mix and match your appetizers and entrees.

This year the **POW TREE LIGHTING** will be held in the Hall on Saturday, December 4th, at 7PM.

The **ARMY-NAVY GAME** will be held on Saturday, December 11th, in the canteen and the Hall. The Game starts at 3PM. This is a SAL fund raiser. There will be 50-50's and numerous prizes will be raffled off. This is always a great time. So, come on out and support the SAL and root for your favorite team.

NEW YEAR EVE: We will be holding our New Year's Eve Party this year. We have THE BLACK TIES providing the entertainment. The festivities start at 8PM and end at 1AM. Tickets are \$55 and there will be a CASH Bar. This is not a Dinner. There will be a pasta station and tons of hors d'oeuvres. Coffee and dessert will be served at the end of the night, along with a pork roll egg & cheese sandwich to take home. This is a semi-formal event. Sorry guys, no shorts, jeans, or flip flops. For tickets and reservations call Chairperson Carol Rutzler at 732- 978-0716. Tickets will NOT be sold at the door on New Year's Eve.

Bunker News: I am sorry to report there is no bunker news this month.

(Editors Note: Eric told me the squirrels ate his home work)

Remember, when you support Post 129, you support the best Post in the USA.

SAL MESSAGE

Dear Brothers,

Sad to see the summer months come to an end and now we head into fall and winter. Looking forward to putting this year behind us and heading into 2022!

We are keeping busy here in the SAL. We had our first annual football tailgate party in September. It was pretty well attended for the first one and was also profitable. We will make some tweaks and make it even better for next year.

November is a relatively slow month for us other than helping out wherever we can at the post.

December 4th, we will be doing our **POW/MIA Tree Lighting Ceremony**. This is a solemn ceremony and we plan on doing the full agenda with no restrictions again this year. This ceremony starts at 7 p.m. in the hall. Flyers and more to come on this event.



On Saturday, **December 11th**, is our annual **Army/Navy Game** party in the canteen. This is always a blast and the game starts at 3 p.m.. We will do 50/50 and a gift auction. Flyers and more to come on this event.

Looking ahead into 2022, on Saturday, February 12th, we will be having our annual Valentine's Comedy Show. If you haven't been to this event, it's a must attend and is normally sold out. Great night of fun and great com-

ics from Ginger Ninja Productions. This event starts at 7pm, we will start selling tickets New Year Eve, if not sooner. Flyers and more to come on this event.

Membership. We are reaching our goals each month, but I would like to see us ramp it up more. Please, if you haven't done so already, renew your membership. Your 2021 card will not be valid after December 31st so please renew early. You can renew at the Post, mail in your dues or conveniently pay online at www.salpost129.com.

Membership keeps us alive and we would not be able to do all the great things we do without your support. Adult dues are \$25 and under 18 are \$20. If you have any questions regarding membership, please reach out to me directly or our membership chairman, and 1st Vice Commander, Mel Aballo.

Finally, as we enter the holiday season, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, a VERY Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

For God & Country,

Rocky Lucia
Commander
SAL Squadron 129



Volunteers always welcome to help with BINGO every Thursday.

B I N G O					
7	25	44	57	62	
15	22	40	50	70	
11	30	FREE SPACE	46	74	
2	28	37	55	68	
10	27	39	59	75	

November 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 General Meeting 7 p.m.	2	3	4 	5	6
7 Daylight Savings Time Ends	8 Auxiliary Meeting 7 p.m.	9	10 SAL Meeting 7 p.m.	11 Veterans Day 	12 	13
14	15 Board Trustee Meeting 7 p.m.	16	17	18 	19	20
21 Grenada Campaign Ended 1983	22 Riders Meeting 7 p.m.	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Day 	26	27 Holiday Craft & Vendor Fair 10 am—3 pm
28 First Sunday of Advent Hanukkah Begins	29	30	November 10 U.S. Marine Corps Established 1775 			

NOVEMBER ENTERTAINMENT

FRIDAY NOV 5TH DJ LOUIE

SATURDAY NOV 6TH
 BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
 WATERFRONT DUO WITH LEON TRENT

FRIDAY NOV 12TH THE SURE CATS

SATURDAY NOV 13TH LENNY DAVIS BAND

FRIDAY NOV 19TH THE POWERTONES

SATURDAY NOV 20TH OC JUKEBOX GOLD

THURSDAY

NOVEMBER

25TH



FRIDAY NOV 26TH JOEY D
 BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

SATURDAY NOV 27TH THE MANGOS

December 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 	3	4 POW/MIA Christmas Tree Lighting 7 p.m.
5 Somalia Campaign Began 1992	6 General Meeting 7 p.m.	7 National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 	8 SAL Meeting 7 p.m.	9 	10	11 Army—Navy Game 3 p.m.
12	13 Auxiliary Meeting 7 p.m.	14	15 Iraq War Ended 2011	16 	17	18
19 Children's Christmas Party 12—3 p.m.	20 Board Trustee Meeting 7 p.m.	21 WINTER Begins	22	23 	24	25 Christmas Day 
26 Kwanzaa	27 Riders Meeting 7 p.m.	28	29	30 	31 Official End Of WWII 1946	

DECEMBER ENTERTAINMENT

FRIDAY DEC 3RD THE SURE CATS

SATURDAY DEC 4TH WATERFRONT

FRIDAY DEC 10TH THE POWERTONES

SATURDAY DEC 11TH * TBD *

FRIDAY DEC 17TH

DEE's GUYS

SATURDAY DEC 18TH

THE MANGOS

DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH.



NO BANDS



MERRY CHRISTMAS

AUXILIARY MESSAGE

Our Auxiliary has been busy during the past few months. Our School Supply Donations, including the generosity of our Legionnaires, yielded us a total of 101 filled Back Packs for the local schools. As a Post Family we succeed in doing much for our community.

Our Gift Auction was a huge success. I want to thank the following: our Legionnaire, SAL and Riders, who volunteered their time to help us in preparing and/or cleaning up for this Event; Kevin, Clayton, Gavin, Conor, Robert and George - family members (in addition to being Post Family Members) who were a tremendous help; Post Family Members, who contributed gifts and/or attended & supported our Event; other Ocean County Members, who attended our Event; Auxiliary Members, who volunteered their time prior to the Event (securing the gifts, advertising, making gift baskets, storing the gifts, getting the license) as well as those who volunteered their time the day of the Event; Bernice Cloos, our Ways & Means Chairman & Gift Auction Chairman, who led the charge to our success. We had to deal with some obstacles and concerns. But we kept our eye on the ball and remained positive. We rocked it! Again, thanks to all who contributed to our success.

On October 29th, we are scheduled to have our Psychic Fair Event. Hopefully, it will be a success. Our plan is to have our next Psychic Fair Event on February 4, 2022.

November is usually the month that we host our annual Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner. Unfortunately, due to existing Covid-19 concerns, the nursing homes are

still not permitting their Residents to attend such an Event. November 27th is our annual Saturday Craft & Vendor Fair (see the attached flyer). There is always an interesting array of Vendors. It is a great way to purchase some gifts for the Holidays.

Our annual Children's Christmas Party is set for Sunday, December 19, 2021 (see attached flyer). A sign-up sheet is in the Canteen.

Please remember to get your 2021-22 Membership Dues to Carol Rutzler (carejr@verizon.net)

and make your checks payable to ALA Unit 129).

We are still distributing Poppies. So please contact our 1st VP & Poppy Chairman, Pam Bowen (bowenpamela23@yahoo.com).

The Holidays will soon be upon us. On behalf of our E Board, I want to wish everyone a Blessed and Happy Holiday Season along with a Happy, Healthy, and safe New Year.

For God and Country,
Lisa Mayer
President Unit 129



Children's Christmas Party American Legion Post 129

December 19th 2021

12PM-3PM

Children ages 0-10

Sign-up sheet inside the Canteen

Deadline for sign-up is

DECEMBER 4TH 2021

For further information contact Pam Bowen
Children & Youth Chairman
(732) 914-1877

Members of the American Legion Post 129

Greetings! Post 129 would like to express its sincere thanks to all our members who donated to our "Save the Post" campaign last year. You really Saved the Post.

Covid has taken its toll on all of us. If it has not affected us directly, we all know someone whose life has either been devastated or changed by this horrific disease. When we think of this, we can see how Covid has affected the Children & Youth of our Local Communities. Children were not able to attend school, play sports or participate in their favorite activities with classmates and friends. Many fell behind in learning and could not interact socially with their friends. This not only caused massive depression, but in some cases suicide. We need your help in putting a stop to this.

With your help, Post 129 will be fight back in any way we can to support our Children & Youth by trying to restore their pride and self-esteem. We are Patriots and that is what we do.

Your donations to our Children & Youth Fund will aid us in funding our youth organizations which include Boys State, Girls State, our Champion Legion Baseball Team, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Big Brothers & Big Sisters, the Elementary School Coloring Contest, the Gold Star Family's Christmas Party, the High School Oratorical Contest, the People's Food Pantry, Children's Harbor House and the Toms River High School R.O.T.C. Program. We also support our National American Legion Charity, "The Children's Organ Transplant Assn. (COTA)." Your Post has supported the Auxiliary with their "Children's Backpack & School Supply Program," since they could not hold fundraisers during Covid.

As you can see, your Post has its work cut out for it. This year, Post 129's goal is to raise \$30,000. To our donors, who graciously gave to our "Save the Post" Campaign last year, Post 129 is asking you to take up the mantel and continue to support us in our endeavor to improve the lives of our Children & Youth. None of your donation goes to salaries, marketing expense or expense accounts. **ALL OF YOUR DONATION GOES TOWARD THE CHILDREN & YOUTH IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES.**

Also, when you donate to Children and Youth campaign, your name will be listed as such in our SOUNDOFF and on our Legion Website to acknowledge your support of the children.

No donation is too small. For your convenience you can donate by check (payable to American Legion Post 129 Children & Youth), or with the use of your credit card or PayPal. If you donate by credit card, please print your credit number, the expiration date, your 3-digit code and the type of card. If everyone contributes, the Legion Family can significantly impact the Children and Youth Pillar for our Post and our community. Remember, Post 129 is a 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Organization, and your donation is 100% tax deductible.

Please DO NOT send cash through the mail.

POST 129 thanks you in advance for your continuing support of the American Legion and for your belief in building a better future for our children.

Pete Chafatelli
Post 129 Commander

Eric Inauen
Chairman, Children & Youth Fund

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Amount _____

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Authorized Signature _____

I would like to make a gift in the amount of \$ _____

All donations are tax deductible.



**UNIT 129 NATIONAL SECURITY PROJECT
FOR MILITARY SPOUSES**

UNIT 129 IS TAKING UP A COLLECTION OF NEW OR GENTLY USED PURSES AND WALLETS TO DISTRIBUTE TO THE MILITARY SPOUSES WHO ARE RESIDING AT FORT DIX. WE ARE IN NEED OF 85 PURSES AND 15 MEN'S WALLETS.

ALL DONATIONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE NOVEMBER UNIT MEETING OR BE BROUGHT TO AMERICAN LEGION POST 129, 2025 CHURCH ROAD, TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY, ON NOVEMBER 20, 2021, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M AND 12:00 P.M.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAKE A DONATION CONTACT:



PATRICIA CORBIN
732-349-9241



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WHO SUPPORT



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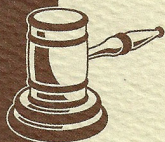
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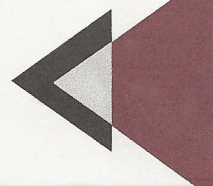
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