



JANUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

For God and Country



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, Jan. 18, 2021
MLK Day

Thursday, Feb. 4, 2021
Monthly Meeting @
Legion Hall

Monday, Feb. 15, 2021
Presidents' Day

Thursday, Mar. 4, 2021
Monthly Meeting @
Legion Hall

FOR ZOOM MEETING

An email will be sent the day prior to each meeting with a Zoom meeting link.

SAL Membership Dues

Please contact Adjutant Les Bonter to pay your \$20 dues for next year.

Our Troops

Please keep our troops both at home and abroad in your thoughts and prayers, especially those who are away from their families.

Legion M1 Garand Rifles – New Stocks Installed

The new stocks have all been installed on the M1 Garand rifles and they are ready for use. You may recall that the original gun stocks appeared to be inconsistent in color and fit poorly, but the new ones rectify both issues. The new stocks were purchased from Boyd's Gunstocks and thanks is due to the following individuals for taking the time to complete the installation process: Brian Bonter, Les Bonter, Austin Bonter, Merle Bonter, and Andy Snoeyink. Your work is much appreciated! Slings have also been purchased and as a thank you to the donors who covered the purchase of the gun stocks, the Sons plan to have each donor's name laser-etched (etching will be donated and completed by Greg Patterson) onto one of the leather gun slings for each rifle.

Honor Guard Uniform

It is an honor and an extraordinary opportunity to be asked by the Legionnaires to participate in the Honor Guard. Brian led a small group in determining what the SAL uniform will be:

- White shirt – *SAL patches on right sleeve with "Honor Guard" below and the left chest with "Squadron 297" below and the American flag on the left sleeve.*
- Royal blue tie – *SAL emblem*
- Blue Columbia jackets – *SAL emblem on the chest and a 6" emblem on the back with "Squadron 297" below*
- Navy blue dress pants – *Not provided by SAL*

The shirts (short sleeve), braids, tie-tacks and gloves were all purchased from the Legion's Flag and Emblem and are currently being shipped to us, and jackets were purchased on Amazon. Once the shirts arrive, then we can get the embroidery done on them, which will be done through the Trophy House. There will be a one-time charge of \$200 for a set-up fee, and from there on out it will cost \$34 to get a jacket embroidered and \$32 to get a shirt embroidered. A motion was made and passed in December for the Sons to pay \$175 towards each uniform (4 uniforms total) that would need to be purchased, though this could get amended later. Final details to be discussed at the February 4 meeting. For further questions or comments, please reach out to Brian.