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### Sequestration a serious concern for veterans

Chuck Hagel says national readiness and lives of defense personnel, military and civilian, will be compromised by sequestration. [Read more](#)

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**THE BIG Q**

*What should be the U.S. response to North Korea's threat of a nuclear attack?*



### A moment in time

Why does the Legion's national commander address the South Carolina Legislature each year?

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### OCW donates to Fort Jackson

Sports equipment will help recovering warriors heal, get stronger and train for competitions. [Read and see video](#)

### This week's headlines

- Legion tackles claims backlog in Baltimore
- VA helping small biz owners avoid verification issues
- Website to focus on honor, remembrance
- Legion birthday March 15
- Fairness to Veterans Act bill to be reintroduced
- Koutz testifies at South Carolina Statehouse
- VA speeding up 'Veteran First' contract process
- Legion hosts New Jersey homeless event
- New Web portal improves VA info sharing

## BURN PIT

Bradley Manning pleads guilty to 10 lesser offenses, claims whistleblower status



If you've traveled to a Legion post outside the U.S., we'd like to hear your story.

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## Back to the Bulge

Legionnaire and WWII historian joins recovering troops on a snowy march through history.



## Legion launches new Claims Coach mobile app

*New app includes a recorded directory of accredited American Legion service officers nationwide.*

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### Legion supports new look at 'Drone Medal'

Production of the controversial new service award has been halted while its ranking is being reconsidered. [Your thoughts](#) | [Read more](#)

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How do you plan to celebrate The American Legion's birthday?



### A moment in time

Who are the namesakes of the three American Legion posts in Ireland?

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### 'SKILLS Act' raises Legion concern

Act would eliminate Legion-supported outreach and employment programs now overseen by the Department of Labor. [Read more](#)

### This week's headlines

- Coffman: VA Gulf War Illness treatment 'embarrassing'
- USS Monitor sailors buried at Arlington
- ALR, Legislative e-newsletters to debut
- Top brass detail sequestration's impact on vets
- Increase participation to Boys State
- Membership is everyone's business
- World Baseball Classic features Legion alumni
- American Legion Riders go regional
- Obama to award MOH to Korean War chaplain



Legion brochures help  
recruit members

### Military chivalry

Two enemies discover a 'higher call' in battle

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### LEGION TV

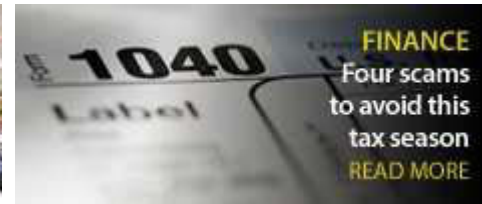
Commander Koutz joins Legion Family members donating athletic items



### FINANCE

Four scams to avoid this tax season

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### Vietnam War as reality TV prop?

CBS' "The Amazing Race" accused of dishonoring and insulting Vietnam veterans. [Read more](#) | [Koutz calls for apology](#)

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What should the United States do about the Guantanamo Bay detention facility?



### A moment in time

What item in The American Legion's virtual tour of its museum actually predates the Legion itself?

[See the answer](#)



### Legion submits backlog solutions

As the number of undecided claims continues to grow, The Legion calls for greater attention to accuracy and employing more vets as claims processors. [Read more](#)

### This week's headlines

- Unique experience at Fort Jackson museum
- VA rule change to benefit entrepreneurs
- Legion-backed Military Tuition Assistance measure passes
- Salt Lake City veterans home renamed for Legionnaire
- U.S., Britain: Special Relationship Deepens
- Iwo Jima survivor visits Pearl Harbor
- Legion: VA needs to relax vet business rules
- History over the airwaves
- Legion defends VA chief against columnist
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Legion launches new Claims Coach mobile app

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## Legion: Fix VA's process, not priorities

Legion opposes the prioritization of some disabled wartime veterans over others when seeking their VA benefits. [Read more](#) | [Your thoughts?](#)

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## THE BIG Q

*What can be done to reverse VA's backlog of undecided claims?*



## A moment in time

Out of the 55 American Legion departments, how many have a Post 1?

[See the answer](#)



## Koutz accepts CBS' apology

Network issues statement following backlash toward episode of 'The Amazing Race' found disrespectful to Vietnam War veterans. [Read more](#)

## This week's headlines

- See what the Legion is doing for you
- Legion post has big plans at Florida college
- Post historians prepare entries for contest
- MLB player has Legion Baseball jersey retired
- Post provides 'life-changing' help to family
- Legion: Truncating TRICARE a misguided idea
- Grass isn't always greener when you leave military
- Medal of Honor recipients laud citizen heroes
- Small city's major claim to fame
- The American Legion: Always fighting for relevancy
- Gold, Silver Brigade program enhanced
- Participate in Children & Youth Month

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