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## SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DETACHMENT OF NEW YORK

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Commander Charles M. Depo  
Adjutant Robert J. Avery

September 3, 2014

### OFFICIAL CALL TO THE FALL 2014 DEC MEETING

Pursuant to Article 2, Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of New York, a meeting of the Detachment Executive Committee is hereby called by Detachment Commander Charles M. Depo. All DEC members as authorized in the Expense Authorizations are expected to attend. Refer to the DEC Manual for a full explanation of attendance, report and conduct policies. The agenda is as follows:

Sunday October 26, 2014	9:00 AM	<u>DEC Meeting – Call to Order</u> John Handte Memorial A.L. Post #89 118 South Jensen Road Vestal, NY 13850 607-797-2290
	9:10 AM	<u>DEC Meeting – In Recess</u>
	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM	<u>Commission / Committee Meetings</u>
	10:20 AM	<u>DEC Meeting-Reconvenes</u>
	11:45 PM	<u>Luncheon</u>
	12:20 PM	<u>DEC Meeting – Reconvenes</u>

Lodging: A block of rooms for **Saturday** night has been held until October 10, 2014 at the Comfort Suites, 3401 Vestal Parkway East, Vestal, NY 13850 at a cost of \$99.95 per night plus tax. Reference your reservation as being part of the Sons of The American Legion group. You must bring your own tax exempt form. The hotel phone number is (607) 766-0600.

- Meeting attire is “business casual”.
- District Commanders will send their reports directly to the Adjutant no later than October 15, 2014 who will consolidate and make copies for distribution at the Meeting. Kindly email your reports in Microsoft Word format.
- Chairmen of the Commissions and Committees should communicate with their members between now and the meeting so that goals, objectives, and action plans may be discussed and brought near to completion prior to the meeting. You should have your written reports prepared prior to arrival, with any new or detailed items included as hand written addendums to your report based on the Saturday meeting. Chairmen shall appoint one of their members as secretary.

- We thank PDC and PNVC Thomas G. Smallcomb, Jr. for assistance in organizing our meeting location and lodging. Any questions you may have concerning lodging or the Saturday night Dinner should be directed to Tom: (607) 765-7316 [sonsl@stny.rr.com](mailto:sonsl@stny.rr.com)

- Members attending the DEC Meeting are welcome to attend the **National Commander of The American Legion Michael D. Helm's 6<sup>th</sup> District Visitation** being held at North East A.L. Post #1645 on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. You will be with fellow members of the American Legion Family in the 6<sup>th</sup> District.

North East A.L. Post #1645  
177 Robinson Street  
Binghamton, NY 13904

3:00 PM Social Hour  
4:00 PM Dinner  
Cost: \$15.00 per ticket

*If you are attending the Dinner please contact PDC Thomas G. Smallcomb, Jr. and your ticket(s) will be held at the door. Tom's contact information is noted above.*

### COMMANDER'S PROJECT

Commander Charles M. Depo's project this year is The American Legion National Emergency Fund (NEF). Your generous support for this project is appreciated. Additionally, members are reminded to also continue their support of our various Children & Youth projects including The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation (CWF). ***All Squadrons are urged to provide their full support for these programs!*** Squadrons may wish to present their check personally to the Commander during his visit to their County. You may also mail your checks directly to Detachment HQ made payable to "Sons of The American Legion - Detachment of New York". Please note "Commander's Project" on the memo line.

### DETACHMENT DIRECTORY

The 2014-2015 Detachment Directory is being finalized and will soon be posted on the website and emailed. All revisions to contact information in this Directory must be reported to SONS Coordinator Anne Wilsey at HQ AND to the Detachment Adjutant. If you have a change of address, it must also be corrected by use of a Member Data Form.

### CONVENTION WRAP-UPS

Our July Detachment Convention was held in Albany several weeks ago, where elected to serve were:

Department Commander Frank J. Peters (Richmond County)	project: NEF
Department President Diane Gerber (Richmond County)	project: Soldier's Wish
Detachment Commander Charles M. Depo (Clinton County)	project: NEF

The National Convention was just completed a couple weeks ago in Charlotte, NC. The following are our National leaders:

National Commander Michael D. Helm (NE)  
National President Janet Jefford (CT)  
National S.A.L. Commander Michael Moss (CO)

We are extremely proud to announce that PDC Greg "Doc" Gibbs from Hamburg, NY was elected National Vice Commander EAST. The Unofficial Gathering for the Eastern Region and Doc's Homecoming are slated for April 17-18, 2015. A Leadership Workshop will be offered as part of the Gathering. Details will follow when known.