

**American Legion Post 1799  
Haymarket VA**

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**Home Depot Presents Post 1799 with a \$1,000 Gift**

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Home Depot in Haymarket Virginia has presented American Legion Post 1799 with a gift of \$1,000 to support Post activities. The gift was presented by Store Manager Jason Baker and Assistant Store Manager Stacia Harmon. Post Commander Ward Nickisch received the gift on behalf of the Post. The gift was awarded as part of Home Depot's "Operation Surprise" program which "aims to provide life-changing moments of surprise and support for veterans and communities in need." The Post will use these funds to further its mission to serve military veterans as well as the larger Haymarket-Gainesville community. The Haymarket Home Depot, which opened in August of this year, aims to support the local community through both Operation Surprise as well as via the Team Depot program, the Home Depot's associate volunteer organization which nationally has helped The Home Depot Foundation improve more than 50,000 veteran homes and facilities, as well as assist communities impacted by natural disasters.



L-R: Lee Chambers, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Rob Brock, JAG Bob Wyman, Commander Ward Nickisch, Public Affairs Officer Irwin Lazar, Store Manager Jason Baker, Adjutant Dennis Corrigan, Assistant Store Manager Stacia Harmon, John Magnusson

Please see <https://corporate.homedepot.com/newsroom/operation-surprise-ready-to-roll> for more details on Operation Surprise and <https://corporate.homedepot.com/foundation/teamdepot> for more information about Team Depot.

### **About the American Legion**

Chartered by Congress in 1919, the American Legion is an organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow servicemembers and veterans. Membership is open to all currently active, as well as all honorably discharged former members of the US military.

### **About American Legion Post 1799**

American Legion Post 1799, named after the year of the chartering of the Town of Haymarket, was established in in 2005 to serve the veterans of our community and provide volunteer service to other area groups. The Post currently has more than 100 members and conducts monthly general membership meetings as well as member and guest breakfasts each Thursday at 9:30 AM at IHOP in Gainesville, VA.

Over the past several years Post 1799 has provided a number of services to the Haymarket-Gainesville community including:

- Awards for excellence in scholastic and military achievement to Battlefield High School Air Force Junior ROTC cadets
- Scholarships for boys and girls from Battlefield High School to attend Boys State and Girls State annual week-long civics and leadership programs at Radford and Longwood Universities
- Assisting veterans with Veterans Administration claims processing
- Providing donations to the Haymarket Gainesville Community Library
- Providing active volunteers, flags, computers, donations, and voluntary service to the Willing Warriors Warrior Retreat at Bull Run in Haymarket
- Supporting the Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of the Rosary's bi-annual American Red Cross blood drive
- Participating in the annual Haymarket Day and Manassas Veterans Day parades
- Supporting various community initiatives to assist veterans including "Sweats for Vets"

We invite those meeting eligibility requirements to join our Post by visiting us on the web at <http://alpost1799.org>, on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/alpost1799/> or by contacting us at [post1799@gmail.com](mailto:post1799@gmail.com)

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