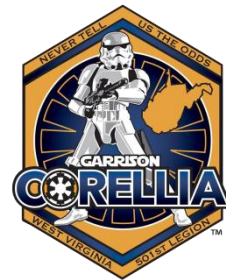


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ORGANIZATION BACKGROUNDER

Welcome to Garrison Coreellia, the West Virginia "chapter" of the 501st Legion.

The 501st Legion is a worldwide, professional costuming organization dedicated to the Dark Side characters of the Star Wars Universe. Over 13,000 members passionately recreate accurate costumes of the many iconic characters portrayed in movies, books, video games, comics, and TV shows.

Garrison Coreellia was created out of Garrison Carida, which was originally made up of Pennsylvania, Delaware, and West Virginia. Carida members from West Virginia created a small unit called Squad Coreellia in December 2012. There were 10 founding members that met at a restaurant to discuss the creation of the Squad and decided the state was ready to strike out on its own. In November 2015, there were enough members to form a Garrison. As of 2018, the state group has more than 50 members stretching from the panhandles to the southern coalfields.

Garrison Coreellia is proud to participate in a wide array of charity and non-profit events throughout our state and within our local communities. Freely volunteering our time to help others while celebrating Star Wars, our members are always looking for opportunities to contribute, inspire and spread joy to the communities and state of West Virginia. Our Mission is to keep the story of Star Wars alive for current and future generations by building and wearing of quality costumes, and to facilitate the use of these costumes for Star Wars-related events.

As members, we are committed to the community and offer support at charity events, fundraisers and social functions by appearing in movie-accurate costumes. We do not charge fees to make an appearance, but we do encourage donations to charities. You can find the organizations that we work with more frequently under our charity page and complete the form on our request appearance page to have our members at your event.

To recognize the dedication and contributions of the 501st Legion, Lucasfilm has graced us by incorporating the name "501st Legion" into their official cannon as Darth Vader's personal Legion of Stormtroopers, aptly named Vader's Fist. Some of these materials include Timothy Zahn's novels *Survivor's Quest* and *Fool's Bargain*, the *Episode III Visual Dictionary*, LucasArts' *Star Wars Battlefront II* video game, numerous toys, the *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* series, The Mandalorian TV series, and more.

See an example here: https://starwars.fandom.com/wiki/501st_Legion

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OUR MISSION

From Article I of our [Legion Charter](#):

*"...The Legion is an all-volunteer organization formed for the express purpose of bringing together costume enthusiasts under a collective identity within which to operate. The Legion seeks to **promote** interest in Star Wars through the building and wearing of quality costumes, and to **facilitate** the use of these costumes for Star Wars-related events as well as **contributions** to the local community through costumed charity and volunteer work..."*

To Promote Interest in *Star Wars*

While a growing number of people are experiencing a reawakening of their *Star Wars* fandom, new generations are seeking ways to celebrate their passion for George Lucas's modern mythology. The 501st Legion brings these fans together, reinforcing the enduring longevity of the *Star Wars* saga.

To Facilitate the Use of Costumes

Some fans are content to collect action figures...other fans want to *be* action figures. Nothing professes your passion quite like building your own detailed costume replica of a classic *Star Wars* villain, and there's nothing quite like the feeling that comes from bringing the characters of *Star Wars* into the real world and sharing the magic with others.

To Contribute

While our organization was founded to simply provide a collective identity for costuming fans with similar interests, the 501st is proud to put its resources to good use through fundraising, charity work, and volunteering. Read more about our charity work [here](#).

In addition to our [Legion Charter](#), you can also review our [Operating Protocols](#), [Charter Evolution](#), and [Council Resolutions](#).

STAFF BIOS

CO: Commanding Officer

Michel Boyer - [image link](#)

Serves as the chief policy-maker and administrator for the local unit of the 501st Legion.

XO: Executive Officer

Nick Mummert

Assists CO with duties as needed.

COG: Captain of the Guard

Keller Lindsay & Kirby Harless

Resolves internal disputes, moderates the Legion message forums, and oversees polls and elections.

GML: Garrison Membership Liaison

James Welsh & Matt Darling

Facilitates regional membership requests and maintains local unit member profiles.

GEC: Garrison Event Coordinators

Danny Gallaher & Josh Fite

Serves as the primary contact for all event booking requests.

GWM: Garrison Webmaster

Allen Canfield

Manages Garrison web services.

GWL: Garrison Web Liaison

Timothy Jones

Primarily responsible for obtaining and formatting local unit member photos.

GPRO: Garrison Public Relations Officer

Lisa Jones

Serves as the Garrison or Outpost advocate for public relations.

GCO: Garrison Charity Representative

Eugene Marino

Serves as the primary state-wide contact with charitable organizations and institutions.

DIGITAL HI-RES IMAGES



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