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Form 990-EZ

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code

(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

- Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
- The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No 1545-1150

2009**Open to Public Inspection****A** For 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUNE 01**, 2009, and ending **MAY 31**, 2010**B** Check if applicable

- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Terminated
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization

American Legion Post 916

Number & street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address)

40 Main Street

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

Antwerp NY 13608

D Employer identification number

16-6094056

E Telephone number

(315) 659-8809

F Group Exemption Number

►

• **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

G Accounting Method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual
Other (specify) ►

I Website: ► N/A

H Check ☒ if organization is not required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) -- ☒ 501(c)(3) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

K Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ► \$ 63,974**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (See the instructions for Part I)

REVENUE	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received		1	21,001
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts		2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments		3	1,650
	4	Investment income		4	15
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a		
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b		
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c		
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here ☐			
	a	Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a		
	b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b		
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c			
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	41,308		
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	15,241		
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	26,067		
8	Other revenue (describe:)	8			
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	48,733		
EXPENSES	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10		
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11		
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	10,609	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	200	
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	6,335	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	507	
	16	Other expenses (describe: See attachment #2)	16	17,746	
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	35,397	
NET ASSETS	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	13,336	
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	67,588	
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20		
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	80,924	

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions for Part II)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	2,045	22 15,057
23 Land and buildings	27,640	23 27,640
24 Other assets (describe: See attachment #3)	40,466	24 40,640
25 Total assets	70,151	25 83,337
26 Total liabilities (describe: See attachment #4)	2,563	26 2,413
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	67,588	27 80,924

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Part III	Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions for Part III)
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What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? War-Time Veterans Organization

Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, & other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses

(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)

28 See attachment #5

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

28a	35,397
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29

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

29a

30

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

30a

31 Other program services (attach schedule)

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

31a

32 **Total program service expenses** (add lines 28a through 31a)

32	35,397
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Part IV	List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated. (See the instr. for Part IV)
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(a) Name and address

(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position

(c) Compensation
(If not paid,
enter -0-.)

(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation

(e) Expense account and other allowances

See attachment #6

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V)

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35 If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		X
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		X
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911, section 4912, section 4955		
b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed		NONE
42a The organization's books are in care of		See attachment #7
Located at		ZIP + 4
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country		
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S?		X
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country		
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 -- Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year		
44 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
45 Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	☐	☒
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	☐	☒
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	☐	☒
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	☐	☒
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	☐	☒

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None"

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000. ▶

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer: Charles E. Miller Date: 10/12/10

Type or print name and title: Charles E. Miller Finance OFF.

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Preparer's signature: [Signature] Date: Check if self-employed: ☐ Preparer's identifying no. (See instr.):

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: H and R Block
261 State St
Watertown, NY 13601

EIN: Phone no: 315-782-0821

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ▶ Yes ☒ No ☐

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Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	10972	7840	5685	8926	22651	56074
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	71617	85453	53859	44994	41308	297231
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	82589	93293	59544	53920	63959	353305
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						353305

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	82589	93293	59544	53920	63959	353305
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	43	38	36	21	15	153
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	43	38	36	21	15	153
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)	82632	93331	59580	53941	63974	353458
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	99.96 %
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3 % support tests -- 2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☒

b 33 1/3 % support tests -- 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ☐

SCHEDULE OF GROSS PROFIT OR (LOSS) FROM SALE OF INVENTORY

Attachment 1: page 1 - 990-EZ Page 1, Part I, line 7

Keep for Your Records

Keep For
Your Records

For calendar year 2009 or tax period beginning 06-01-2009 , and ending 05-31-2010.

Name of Organization

American Legion Post 916

Employer Identification Number

16-6094056

Type of Inventory sold	Gross Sales	Cost of Goods	Gross Profit or (Loss)
Alcholic Beverages, Bell Jar Operations, dinners etc	41,308	15,241	26,067
Total	41,308	15,241	26,067

Attachment 3: page 1 - 990-EZ Page 1, Part I, Line 24

For calendar year 2009 or tax period beginning 06-01-2009, and ending 05-31-2010.

Employer Identification Number
16-6094056

Totals

Attachment 4: page 1 - 990-EZ Page 1, Part II, Line 26

For calendar year 2009 or tax period beginning 06-01-2009, and ending 05-31-2010.

Employer Identification Number
16-6094056

Description of Liability	Beginning of Year	End of Year
Accounts Payable	2,423	2,413
Accrued Taxes	140	
Totals	2,563	2,413

Attachment 2: page 1 - 990-EZ Page 1, Part I, Line 16

Inspection

For calendar year 2009 or tax period beginning 06-01-2009, and ending 05-31-2010.

American Legion Post 916

16-6094056

Total	17,746
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PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENT

Attachment 5: page 1 - 990-EZ Page 3, Part III

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2009 or tax period beginning	06-01-2009, and ending	05-31-2010.
Name of Organization American Legion Post 916			Employer Identification Number 16-6094056
Part III - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments			
Grants and allocations	Amount includes foreign grants	Program service expenses	35,397
Exempt Purpose Achievements			

The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic, war-time veterans organization, devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is a not-for-profit community-service organizaion which now numbers nearly 3 million members, men and women, in nearly 15,000 American Legion Posts worldwide. Post 916 was established in 1920, and now has approximately 178 members.

CURRENT OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES

Attachment 6: page 1 - 990-EZ Page 2, Part IV

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2009 or tax period beginning 06-01-2009, and ending 05-31-2010.
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Name of Organization American Legion Post 916	Employer Identification Number 16-6094056.
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(A) Name and Address	(B) Title and Average Hrs. per Week	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter 0)	(D) Cont to Employee Ben. Plans & Def Comp	(E) Expense Account & Other Allowances
Robert Hancock 18 Depot Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Commander 9.34	0	0	0
Robert Doxtater PO Box 144 Antwerp, NY 13608	First Vice 9.07	0	0	0
Michael Copperwheat 4 Lexington Avenue Antwerp, NY 13608	Second Vice 0.25	0	0	0
Kenneth Taylor PO Box 283 Antwerp, NY 13608	Third Vice 0.19	0	0	0
Rita Gerrish 102 Mechanic Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Adjutant/ Bookkeeper 26.65	0	0	0
Charles Miller 14 Hoyt Antwerp, NY 13608	Finance Officer 17.03	0	0	0
Dave Gerrish 102 Mechanic St Antwerp, NY 13608	Chaplain 4.34	0	0	0
Laura Hancock 18 Depot Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Historian 2.07	0	0	0
Laura Hancock 18 Depot Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Sgt at Arms 0.00	0	0	0
Dave Gerrish 102 Mechanic Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Service Officer/Count Command 3.09	0	0	0
Jim Dickson 6 Hoyt Street Rochester, NY 14608	Trustee 0.50	0	0	0
Dave Gerrish 102 Mechanic Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Trustee 4.54	0	0	0
Dave Gerrish 102 Mechanic Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Boys State 0.67	0	0	0
Dave Gerrish 102 Mechanic Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Sons Advisor 3.27	0	0	0
Dave Gerrish 102 Mechanic Street Antwerp, NY 13608	Oratorical 0.76	0	0	0

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Attachment 7 - 990-EZ Page 3, Part V, Line 42a

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2009 or tax period beginning 06-01, and ending 05-31-2010.
Name of Organization American Legion Post 916	Employer Identification Number 16-6094056
Part V - Line 42a	

Individual Name Rita Gerrish
or
Business Name:

Street Address 40 Main street

U S Address

Zip code 13608 City Antwerp State NY

or

Foreign Address

City

Province or State

Country

Postal code

Phone Number (315) 659-8809

Fax Number

2009 ADDITIONAL DETAIL STATEMENTS

American Legion Post 916
16-6094056

FORM 990-EZ PG 1 LINE 14 DETAIL STATEMENT

FORM 4562

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Depreciation and Amortization

(Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No. 1545-0172

2009

Attachment
Sequence No. 67Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return

American Legion Post 916

Business or activity to which this form relates

FOR FORM 990-EZ LINE 14

Identifying number

16-6094056

Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I

1	Maximum amount See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	\$250,000
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	\$800,000
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions	5	250,000
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (busn. use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2008 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	250,000
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2010 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 ▶	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)**Section A**

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2009	17	274
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here ☐		

Section B -- Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depr. (business/investment use only -- see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs.		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	

Section C -- Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life				S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs	S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L

Part IV Summary (See instructions)

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21 Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations -- see instructions	22	274
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

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