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The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin And the Milwaukee Brewers prepare for the 47th Annual All-Star Game

Portage, WI – On Sunday, August 5, 2018 the Milwaukee Brewers will be hosting The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin 47th All-Star game at Miller Park, which showcases the finest Legion players from around the state of Wisconsin. The All-Star game is free to the public and will start approximately 1 hour after the conclusion of the Brewers vs. Colorado Rockies game.

“American Legion Baseball is the most successful and the most visible youth program of The American Legion. We can be proud of the fact that over 75% of college players and over 50% of major league players have played American Legion Baseball. As they are enjoying this great sport of baseball, they are learning and exhibiting the virtues of character, ethics, and good sportsmanship. 2018 is also the 47th Annual All-Star Game in Miller Park on August 5th. Wisconsin is the only American Legion program that plays its all-star game on a major league field, and we thank the Milwaukee Brewers for allowing us this opportunity,” Roger Mathison, The American Legion, Department of WI, State Baseball Commissioner

In keeping with The American Legion and the Milwaukee Brewers tradition, newly elected Department Commander, Frank Kostka will kick things off by throwing the first pitch!

The Wisconsin American Legion Baseball Association was established at the annual Department of Wisconsin Convention in Oshkosh on July 17, 1953. On an average, 55% of Major League Baseball Players played American Legion Baseball as teenagers: i.e. Paul Molitor, Robin Yount, Reggie Jackson, Rollie Fingers, Johnny Bench, Brooks Robinson, and Yogi Berra!

For more information about The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin baseball program, please visit www.wilegion.org/baseball

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The American Legion celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2019 as the largest and most influential veterans service organization in the U.S. The Wisconsin American Legion is the state’s largest veterans’ service organization with over 53,000 members and 504 posts in communities across Wisconsin serving troops, veterans and youth since 1919. For more information on the Legion’s programs and membership, please visit www.wilegion.org.

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The mission of The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin is to provide service to veterans, their families and their communities.