Galloway Legion Post 430 Donates \$25,000 to Establish Fund for Veterans in Social Work Graduate Program at Stockton University

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The Legion post said it intends for the endowment's earnings to provide an annual award for student veterans in the MSW program, including students who qualify for benefits under the Disabled American Veteran, National Guard or Reserve programs. The agreement stipulates preferences for residents of Galloway, followed by residents of Atlantic County and finally, residents of New Jersey. The initial award will be distributed in the 2016-2017 academic year.

Stockton has a long history of welcoming and supporting student veterans. It formalized that support by forming the current program in 2008 and now serves over 600 veterans and active-duty service members.

Stockton is ranked at #6 among the best colleges and universities nationwide for veterans by the Military Times' "Best for Vets: Colleges 2016," the most comprehensive school-by-school assessment of veteran and military student

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"As our membership declines because of aging veterans, we invite all younger veterans to come join us and help keep the mission of The American Legion alive," Konrady said. "Please come see us, as we need your help supporting each other."

Post 430 meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Germania Volunteer Fire Co., 312 S. Cologne Ave., in Galloway.

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