Dugard continues to spread message of hope

By American Legion

The abduction of then-11-year-old Jaycee Dugard 24 years ago from a bus stop in Meyers still resonates in the minds of many. After 18 years of enduring physical and emotional abuse, Dugard was released from her captors and reunited with her family in 2009.

The process of reconnecting with her family and healing from her past led Dugard to create The JAYC (Just Ask Yourself to Care) Foundation to help other families heal and reconnect that endured abduction or other traumatic experiences, such as military deployment.

Dugard spoke to members of the American Legion's Americanism Commission Aug. 29 during the organization's 97th National Convention in Baltimore about the foundation and how Legionnaires can support its programs.

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