

To view newsletters online, go to <http://www.wisal.org/newsletter.php>

Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin



[Detachment Officers](#)

[Detachment Information](#)

[Squadron Information](#)

Did your Squadron Adjutant receive the Consolidated Report and Adjutants Update in the mail? If your Squadron Adjutants dues were not paid, the mailings were sent to the Post contact address. Also, make sure your [Squadron Information Sheet](#) is up to date.

Climbing to 5th in the Nation we have been having a great year, we still maintain our control of the Central Region for another day, but keep in mind the other seven Detachments want to be in our shoes. We are in the lead but still need 20 percent to reach our goal, contact your members who have lapsed, sign up new members and get your membership transmittals in promptly.

[The March 9 2009 membership report is posted at this link.](#) Membership reports are found on our web site www.wisal.org, under [Membership Reports](#), as PDF files.

Make sure you are passing these newsletters to your Squadron Officers and members.

Keep up the great work!

Michael Lawler, Detachment Adjutant

Happy 90th Birthday to The American Legion

American Legion Birthday March 15 - 17, 1919

The American Legion was born at a caucus of the American Expeditionary Force in Paris, France. This caucus was the result of a proposal by Lt. Col. Theodore Roosevelt Jr. to a group of representatives of A.E. F. divisions and service units. Roosevelt's vision resulted in the founding Paris caucus of March 15 – 17, 1919, and subsequent organizational caucus held May 8 – 10, 1919, in St. Louis, MO. His unwavering service during these vital times won him the affectionate title, "Father of The American Legion."

As the weary, homesick delegates assembled for that first Paris caucus, they brought with them the raw materials with which to build an association of veterans whose primary devotion was to God and Country. In the minds of those veterans of the A.E.F. were a number of lofty ideals, uppermost among them:

1. Creation of a fraternity based upon the firm comradeship born of wartime service and dedicated to fair and equitable treatment for all veterans, particularly the disabled, and the widows and orphans whose loved ones paid the ultimate price for freedom.
2. Maintaining national security for America, including a universal military training program for the prevention of future world conflicts; and
3. Promotion of patriotism and the combating of materialistic and totalitarian ideologies that recognize neither the honor nor the dignity of the individual.

[Read Full Article](#)

Veterans Day in the Capitol March 31st

Date: March 31, 2009 **Time:** 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Location:** WDVA Headquarters/Capitol Building, Madison

Contact: Rachel Reichhoff **Phone:** (608) 745-1090 **Email:** rachel@wilegion.org

Veterans Day in the Capitol

By Ken Brown, Department Legislative Committee Chairman

As you all should be aware, there have been discussions at the Department Executive Committee and elsewhere regarding the effectiveness of our annual Salute to the Legislature. Because of those discussions and our like-minded veterans in the DAV and the VFW, we have come up with a mutually agreed upon alternative.

On March 31st, we will all meet at Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) Headquarters, 30 West Mifflin Street, Madison, WI.

Start time is 10:00am. The morning meeting is to brief all of those who attend on the Legislative Priorities for this biennium budget cycle. This will provide everyone with enough information to be able to speak to their elected representatives in a clear and concise manner.

At approximately 11:30am, we will break for lunch. WDVA is trying to work with a local restaurant to provide a reasonably priced buffet luncheon (expense to be borne by the individual).

At 1:00pm, we will all gather in the Capitol rotunda for a short rally.

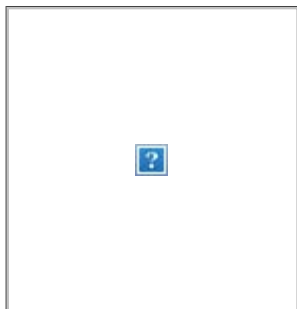
At approximately 1:30pm we will disperse to our individual Senator/Representative's office for a one-on-one chat regarding the Legislative priorities of the more than 400,000 Wisconsin veterans.

[Read Full Article](#)

Help Hospitalized Children with a Josh Dog

Has your Squadron purchased the Josh Dogs to donate to children in your local hospital? We will have a limited quantity at the Spring DEC Saturday April 25th in Portage or you can order them from <http://www.joshandfriends.com/>

[The Detachment of Wisconsin's Josh Dog Donations](#) (this is just the start, get your photos in soon)



[Map of the US cities where the Josh Dog Donations have been made.](#)

Chairman
[Butch Ray](#) (IL)

[Chairman Ray's Report](#)
2/16/2009

[Where has Commander Tommie Cisna's Josh Dog gone?](#)

[Dallas, Texas Children's Hospital Pictures](#)

[Dell Children's Hospital - Austin Texas Pictures](#)

[Springfield, Illinois Children's Hospital Pictures](#)

[Josh Dog Sightings in Vermont](#)

[Dallas, Texas Children's Hospital Pictures ~ 2nd Visit](#)

Child Welfare Foundation

Is your Squadron looking to get involved in a program? The Sons can always use your help with the CWF, Child Welfare Foundation. Our goal is just one dollar per member, and we are not even half way there, 41 cents per members is our total so far. 4th in the Central Region, let's get your donations in soon, the deadline is May 31st, you can pick up a donation canister at the Spring DEC in Portage April 25th. Make your donation payable to Child Welfare Foundation and mail it to the Detachment Finance Officer Dennis Stockfisch N56W18346 Evergreen Ln, Menomonee Falls WI 53051

This year, with your help we will have donated 4 Million Dollars.



[2008 CWF Poster](#)

[2009 Child Welfare Foundation Grants](#)

Visit the newly
redesigned CWF site at



[Child Welfare
Foundation](#)

Child Welfare Foundation
Donations
as of 2/27/09

[By Region Report](#)
[Total Donations Report](#)

[Children's Miracle Network](#)

[Children's Action Team
Application](#)

Get your Squadron on the Map

Send a Post Card to the National Commander.

Commander Cisna knows that it is you the blue cap member who gets the work done and is constantly saying what great things you do, but I know that you are thinking the National Commander does not even know where my town is, so in order to change this I am asking each and everyone of you to send a postcard from your Squadrons, Districts, Zones and Detachments to the National Commander so he can see that you are out there. I want this to be a fun activity so please take a moment from your busy schedules, to do this for me, any postcard would be fine but a photo post cards of your squadron, your activities, or even your members at a golf outing would be even better. Make sure to indicate your Squadron on the postcard as they all will go into the history book for this year. Please mail them to National Commander Tommie Cisna 813 Lincoln Ave, Mattoon, IL 61938-5438

National Historian Michael Lawler,

Time is Running Out

S.A.L. Scholarship Applications **MUST** be received at Detachment Headquarters, no later than **April 1st** The Sons of The American Legion has a \$1,000.00 Scholarship that you may apply for. Some of the rules are listed below:

- Must be a current member, in good standing of the Detachment of Wisconsin, with no less than 3 consecutive years of membership.

- The applicant must have an intention to pursue a course in a (4) year degree-granting institution or (2) year program at a technical college and submit a copy of his letter of acceptance.
 - The applicant **MUST** be in his **LAST** year of **HIGH SCHOOL** when applying or within one year after graduation from high school.
 - The following factors will be used in selecting the recipient. a) Scholastic Record, c) Essay,
- Get your application online at www.wisal.org, or by calling Headquarters at 608-745-1090

Score for Your District

105 Percent is our final goal, is your District going to make the grade? Be the person who makes the difference, be involved.

- 1. Fifth District 105.36%**
- 2. Eleventh District 103.92%**
- 3. Tenth District 102.99%**
- 4. Sixth District 101.14%**
- 5. Ninth District 95.94%**
- 6. Third District 91.53%**
- 7. Seventh District 90.96%**
- 8. First District 89.06%**
- 9. Fourth District 85.93%**
- 10. Twelfth District 85.29%**
- 11. Second District 79.00%**
- 12. Eighth District 71.74%**

Represent your Squadron at the Legion Spring Conferences. The dates and locations are posted on the Legion web site calendar, <http://wilegion.org/calendar/>

Below the Grade, Time to Tee Off and Score

117 Shawano	35	34	97%
120 Tanner-Paull	25	24	96%
305 Johnson Creek	20	19	95%
522 Hubertus	20	19	95%
44 Wabeno	35	33	94%
100 Sparta	30	28	93%
115 Elroy	15	14	93%
70 Oshkosh	24	22	92%
336 Onalaska	72	66	92%
437 Mazomanie	57	52	91%
108 Clear Lake	39	35	90%
209 Orfordville	88	78	89%
38 Appleton	43	38	88%
271 Poynette	46	40	87%
10 Wausau	15	13	87%
203 Federal	28	24	86%
73 Neilsville	20	17	85%
385 Verona	10	8	80%
243 Plymouth	20	16	80%
143 St. Croix Falls	29	23	79%
171 Union Grove	13	10	77%
11 Green Bay	49	36	73%
339 Almond	45	33	73%
52 La Crosse	174	127	73%
158 Maiden Rock	37	27	73%
333 Sun Prairie	28	20	71%

183 Genoa City	23	16	70%
284 Holmen	19	13	68%
366 Princeton	25	17	68%
27 South Milwaukee	18	12	67%
54 Marshfield	25	16	64%
481 Madison	100	63	63%
501 Madison	16	10	63%
91 Oconomowoc	31	19	61%
288 Cedarburg	75	44	59%
405 Dousman	43	25	58%
347 Lomira	31	18	58%
449 Brookfield	100	55	55%
416 Greendale	37	20	54%
62 Columbus	15	7	47%
51 West Salem	71	33	46%
537 Harold Todd	41	17	41%
63 Clintonville	18	3	17%
1 Germantown	22	0	0%
387 Franklin	16	0	0%
457 Thiensville	0	0	#DIV/0!

On The Green, at Goal and above

534 McFarland	69	72	104%
196 Delafield	58	60	103%
547 Lublin	38	39	103%
180 Bay View	43	44	102%
245 Cross Plains	103	104	101%
84 Monroe	12	12	100%
151 Madison	19	19	100%
220 Soldiers Grove	33	33	100%
433 Barneveld	32	32	100%
538 Carlton	44	44	100%
155 Westby	20	20	100%
444 F. D. Roosevelt	12	12	100%
15 Juneau	9	11	100%
67 Lake Mills	48	48	100%

At Final Goal and Beyond

129 Black River Falls	21	40	190%
417 French Island	15	28	187%
116 Coon Valley	13	24	185%
21 Kenosha	21	37	176%
150 Wausaukee	15	25	167%
434 Oak Creek	11	17	155%
53 Eau Claire	24	32	133%
355 Grafton	31	40	129%
75 Fond du Lac	39	50	128%
172 North Freedom	18	23	128%

313 Black Earth	12	15	125%
273 Grand Marsh	14	17	121%
157 Horicon	26	31	119%
48 Beloit	21	25	119%
302 Oconto Falls	11	13	118%
375 Mukwonago	56	64	114%
18 Milwaukee	55	62	113%
326 Boyd	10	11	110%
214 Darlington	52	57	110%
121 River Falls	42	46	110%
189 Watertown	21	23	110%
294 Hartland	76	83	109%
93 Tomahawk	13	14	108%
118 Thorp	40	43	108%
406 General King	18	19	106%
23 Cudworth	38	40	105%
168 Glenwood City	21	22	105%

Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin