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## Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin



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Hope to see you at the Oratorical Contest in Ripon.

The Membership Report for [February 10 2010](#), is posted on our web site [www.wisal.org](http://www.wisal.org), under [Membership Reports](#).

[Michael Lawler](#), Detachment Adjutant

Reminders

We need your [Midwinter Evaluation Forms](#) promptly returned

Scholarship Applications Due April 1st, [http://www.wisal.org/detachment/committees/children\\_youth/scholarship/scholarship.php](http://www.wisal.org/detachment/committees/children_youth/scholarship/scholarship.php)

Coloring Contest Entrees Due April 1st, <http://www.wisal.org/detachment/committees/americanism/americanismcolorcontest.php>

Sons of The American Legion Accomplishments, <http://www.wisal.org/documents/2009%20Accomplishments.pdf>

### Youth Oratorical Contest Saturday February 20 2010

Come watch your future leaders, the youth of today, as they compete for scholarships with their oration on the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. They are very talented young men and women and you owe it to yourself and them to experience this annual event.

If you can not make this a whole day event, come for the State Finals at 1PM.

Take a moment to view the Department and National Legion web sites, <http://legion.org/oratorical>, [http://wilegion.org/programs/americanism/Oratorical\\_Scholarship/](http://wilegion.org/programs/americanism/Oratorical_Scholarship/) also, view the 2008 National winner on youtube.com, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1aj2ryCiJew>

Date: February 20, 2010, Time: 9:30 Am

Location: Ripon College, at the C.J. Rodman Center for the Arts

How to get to Ripon, <http://www.ripon.edu/about/location.html>

Campus map, <http://www.ripon.edu/about/tour/CampusMap.pdf>

Contact: Jill Janke, 608-745-1090 Email: [jill@wilegion.org](mailto:jill@wilegion.org)

Regional Competition Begins: 9:30 AM

State Final Contest: 1:00 PM

### Legion State Bowling

Sons of The American Legion Squadron 117 Shawano, along with Post 117, are hosting this year's bowling State Legion Bowling Tournament

Sons if you are 18 and older you can enter the State Legion Bowling tournament, get your teams together and sign up now. Squadron 117 says there are still slots open; you can bowl with a four-man team, bowl doubles and singles or all events.

Date: March 6, - April 26, 2010

Location: Lake Shore Lanes, Shawano

Phone: (608) 792-8135

Email: [michael.f.wagoner@us.army.mil](mailto:michael.f.wagoner@us.army.mil)

Contact: Michael Wagoner

Host: Shawano Post 117

[Click here for an entry blank.](#)

### Legion To Celebrate 91st Birthday

What will your Squadron be doing for your Post on the Legion Birthday, March 15-16-17?

Help your post honor this milestone, buy a cake, throw a party, present awards, thank them for the priceless heritage we share, thank them for sponsoring

your Squadron.

In addition, if your Squadron is 100 percent by the Legion Birthday, National American Legion Commander Clarence Hill will sign a certificate, worthy of framing, for your Squadron.

Commander Powers will present these citations at the Spring DEC April 24, in Portage, please have a representative on hand to receive yours.

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### Vote to help Wounded Soldiers

The American Legion is competing for \$250,000 in grants from Pepsi and needs your votes.

<http://www.refresheverything.com/operationcomfortwarriors>

#### Goals

- Provide items for the troops not normally covered by the government.

#### Overview

Operation Comfort Warriors is a campaign by The American Legion to provide comfort items such as DVDs, calling cards, portable electronics, clothes, puzzles and other gifts to U.S. military troops recovering in hospitals and warrior transition units. More than 35,000 men and women in the U.S. military have been injured as a result of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Operation Comfort Warriors is not political in any way. Its intent is to support the military troops, regardless of whether one supports the wars or not. The comfort items will not make our wounded warriors "whole again" but it does show that we care and appreciate their sacrifice. So far, The American Legion has successfully delivered more than \$200,000 in comfort items to recovering troops at facilities across the United States. All administrative and marketing costs are paid for by The American Legion's national budget, so every cent of donated money goes directly to helping the troops

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### S.A.L. Organized Districts and Counties

Are your Sons of The American Legion Counties and Districts Organized?

Currently we only show LaCrosse County and the Third District as organized, holding meetings and elections. For the Detachment to recognize a formed district or county, we need a copy of your constitution, by-laws and officers roster.

What are the benefits of forming a district or county?

Formed districts and counties will have:

#### Representation

- A voice, a vote and a seat on the Detachment Executive Committee,
- An added Delegate At Large for voting at the Detachment Convention.
- A voice for all of the Squadrons within the county or district

Ideally, an organized county or district will provide Training and Leadership for their members

- A comprehensive training plan to help you run your squadrons.
- Training for Committee and Commission Chairmen.
- Educational workshops for Flag Etiquette, Parliamentary Procedures, creating a plan of action, and all S.A.L. programs.
- With the training and education programs, you will create skilled leaders for your squadrons.
- These leaders will excel and advance to the Detachment and National levels, to provide better representation for all of the Sons of The American Legion.

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### Donations Updated

#### **Pass the Hat for Homeless Veterans - Total \$519.00**

Squadrons #313 Black Earth - \$16.00, #437 Mazomanie - \$50.00, #48 Beloit - \$25.00, # 108 Clear Lake - \$40.00, #209 Orfordville - \$100.00, Veterans Day 100% Squadrons (19) @ \$10.00 each = \$190.00, Mike Pook, \$20.00, Kelly Powers, \$50.00, Fall DEC Fines \$28.00.

#### **Camp American Legion –**

**Total \$75.00**

Squadrons #18 Milwaukee - \$75.00

#### **Child Welfare Foundation –**

**Total - \$586.00**

Squadrons #158 Maiden Rock - \$26.00, # 108 Clear Lake - \$60.00, # 437 Mazomanie- \$250.00, #437 Mazomanie - \$50.00, #209 Orfordville - \$100.00, #214 Darlington - \$100.00.

#### **National Emergency Fund –**

**Total \$150.00**

Squadrons #437 Mazomanie - \$50.00, #209 Orfordville - \$100.00.

Mail donations to the Detachment Finance Officer. Dennis Stockfisch N56W18346 Evergreen Ln, Menomonee Falls WI 53051, this helps us record the squadrons who donate and helps you get credit for the donation.

### A Few Less Goose Eggs

The follow Squadrons are Delinquent and need to contact us to maintain your charter. Per the wishes of the Midwinter DEC a certified letter will be going to these squadrons this week.

1 Germantown	17	0	0%
385 Verona	9	0	0%
326 Boyd	11	0	0%
129 Black River Falls	40	0	0%
63 Clintonville	4	0	0%
444 F. D. Roosevelt	12	0	0%

### Districts

National American Legion Commander Clarence Hill, was at our Midwinter Conference and was encourage by your efforts, if your Squadron is 100 percent by the Legion Birthday, Commander Hill will sign a certificate, worthy of framing, for your Squadron.

Our next membership goal is 100 percent by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

1. Eleventh District 187.88%
2. Twelfth District 120.34%
3. Third District 96.44%
4. Fifth District 95.08%
5. Fourth District 92.61%
6. First District 92.47%
7. Second District 78.27%
8. Tenth District 75.95%
9. Seventh District 71.81%
10. Eighth District 70.80%
11. Ninth District 66.83%
12. Sixth District 61.46%

[Legion](#) and [Auxiliary](#) District Reports are available on their web sites.

Contact your [Vice Commanders and District Chairmen](#) if you need help or have any questions.

### National and Regional Report

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are slipping on some serious pasture patties, we have dropped to 14<sup>th</sup> in the Nation, but maintained 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Central Region. It is time to rally the membership team and finish high for the American Legion Birthday

<b>(Central Region) Dennis L. Theobald (IA)</b>			
<b>Detachment</b>	<b>Goal</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Percent</b>
MINNESOTA	10,632	8,734	82.148
OHIO	30,428	24,220	79.598
WISCONSIN	3,158	2,504	79.291
ILLINOIS	14,957	11,776	78.732
INDIANA	36,074	27,631	76.595
MICHIGAN	20,408	15,434	75.627
MISSOURI	3,135	2,329	74.290
IOWA	2,760	1,864	67.536
<b>Totals</b>	<b>121,552</b>	<b>94,492</b>	<b>77.738</b>

### Membership Leaders

18 Squadron are Over the Final 105 Percent Goal, will we win the Triple Nickel Award?

Trans 10-29 2-1-	2009		
10	Total	<b>2010</b>	%

547 Lublin	19	44	232%
183 Genoa City	16	35	219%
24 Lake Geneva	33	65	197%
537 Harold Todd	17	27	159%
284 Holmen	19	30	158%
189 Watertown	30	41	137%
10 Wausau	13	17	131%
93 Tomahawk	14	18	129%
143 St. Croix Falls	23	29	126%
115 Elroy	14	17	121%
108 Clear Lake	36	42	117%
220 Soldiers Grove	33	37	112%
203 Federal	27	30	111%
433 Barneveld	32	35	109%
100 Sparta	32	35	109%
48 Beloit	25	27	108%
313 Black Earth	15	16	107%
95 Delavan	16	17	106%

### 100-104 Percent Membership

Our Final Goal is 105 percent and these Squadrons are well on their way. Keep your eye on the prize.

Squadron	2009	2010	Percentage
333 Sun Prairie	25	26	104%
245 Cross Plains	104	108	104%
18 Milwaukee	66	68	103%
294 Hartland	84	86	102%
180 Bay View	45	46	102%
288 Cedarburg	53	54	102%
214 Darlington	57	58	102%
375 Mukwonago	64	65	102%
481 Madison	81	82	101%
71 Pewaukee	New	10	100%
171 Union Grove	13	13	100%
196 Delafield	60	60	100%
305 Johnson Creek	19	19	100%
355 Grafton	42	42	100%
387 Franklin	18	18	100%
84 Monroe	12	12	100%
168 Glenwood City	22	22	100%
273 Grand Marsh	17	17	100%
434 Oak Creek	19	19	100%
406 General King	20	20	100%

### Just A Few More To Go.

You are so close, get to 100 percent by the Legion Birthday and get your reward.

Squadron	2009	2010	Percentage
172 North Freedom	24	23	96%
121 River Falls	54	51	94%
23 Cudworth	41	38	93%
120 Tanner-Paull	25	23	92%
15 Juneau	11	10	91%
534 McFarland	73	66	90%
522 Hubertus	19	17	89%
151 Madison	19	17	89%
538 Carlton	44	39	89%
366 Princeton	22	19	86%
52 La Crosse	145	120	83%
150 Wausaukee	25	20	80%
437 Mazomanie	57	45	79%
155 Westby	22	17	77%
53 Eau Claire	34	26	76%
501 Madison	16	12	75%
405 Dousman	43	32	74%
118 Thorp	43	32	74%
73 Neilsville	19	14	74%
67 Lake Mills	49	36	73%

38 Appleton	54	38	70%
209 Orfordville	93	65	70%
27 South Milwaukee	13	9	69%
91 Oconomowoc	28	19	68%
21 Kenosha	37	25	68%
339 Almond	33	22	67%
117 Shawano			

### Can Our Membership Team Help

Below 60 Percent, Let our officers Help you, contact a vice commander soon.

Squadron	2009	2010	Percentage
70 Oshkosh	24	14	58%
158 Maiden Rock	37	21	57%
336 Onalaska	69	39	57%
51 West Salem	57	32	56%
11 Green Bay	37	20	54%
75 Fond du Lac	50	26	52%
271 Poynette	50	25	50%
416 Greendale	33	16	48%
417 French Island	32	15	47%
302 Oconto Falls	13	6	46%
44 Wabeno	35	16	46%
157 Horicon	31	14	45%
449 Brookfield	86	34	40%
116 Coon Valley	24	9	38%

### S.A.L. Midwinter Evaluation

We need your [Midwinter Evaluation Forms](#) promptly returned

## Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin 2010 Midwinter Conference Comment Sheet

This is ***Your EVENT*** and we value your opinion; please complete this comment sheet and drop in boxes at the entrance/exit doors as you leave Convention. We do review your comments and consider your recommendations. There is always room for improvement.

**Friday Afternoon: Committee and Commission Meetings:**

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**Friday Evening: Activities:**

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**Saturday Morning: Workshops:**

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**Saturday Afternoon: Detachment Executive Committee Meetings:**

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**Saturday Evening: Activities:**

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**Conference Rooms:**

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**Meal accommodations:**

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**Conference site and Hotel room accommodations:**

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**Additional comments:**

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Detachment Commander Kelly Powers and the Convention & Activities Committee would like to thank you for your active involvement in the Sons of The American Legion.

Mail to Sons of The American Legion, Midwinter Evaluation, PO Box 388, Portage, WI 53901-0388

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