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Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin

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We are having a great time with the programs this year; squadrons are holding spaghetti dinners, rib fests, dances, brat frys and more to support their programs like CWF, NEF, and Jr Shooters Sports. What is your squadron doing? Are you participating in your Veterans Day program?

There are training sessions available to help your squadron operate at its peak. Sign up for the American Legion Extension Institute, [Funeral Honor Guard](#) Training, or other educational programs.

Great work, Wisconsin is 3rd in the nation for membership, and 1st in the central region, thanks to all of the squadrons that are over the 50 percent goal.

Read the membership report online at www.wisal.org, under membership reports, http://www.wisal.org/detachment/committees/internal_affairs/membership/Membership12-12_10-10-11.pdf Remember you can still collect 2011 dues to December 31, 2011. If a squadron has not received their 2012 cards please contact me at 608-795-4345 or mll@chorus.net.

[Michael Lawler](#), Detachment Adjutant

District Standings

Where does your district fall on the list?

1. Fourth District 72.84%
2. Third District 65.51%
3. Twelfth District 61.82%
4. Fifth District 55.36%
5. Eleventh District 49.28%
6. Seventh District 36.91%
7. First District 36.28%
8. Second District 27.07%
9. Tenth District 25.77%
10. Eighth District 24.71%
11. Sixth District 18.39%
12. Ninth District 13.21%

Fall DEC Official Call

http://wisal.org/documents/Officialcallagenda/Official_Call_for_2011_Fall_DEC_Mtgs.pdf

Commander Severson has called for a meeting of the Detachment Executive Committee, to be held Saturday October 29, 2011, 8:45 AM, at the Sons of The American Legion Detachment Headquarters 2930 American Legion Dr Portage, WI 53901

We encourage all squadron officers to attend these meetings and take information back to thier squadrons.

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The American Legion Extension Institute

We recommend you attend The American Legion Extension Institute (ALEI) taught by Mike Rohan. This training program covers the Legion Family and will help you to be a better SON.

Saturday October 22 10:00 – 2:00 Tomah American Legion Contact 7th District Commander Randy Lenser (rlenser@mwt.net)

Sunday October 23 9:30 – 1:30 Cross Plains Contact Dane County Commander Mary Lloyd (lloyd2364@sbcglobal.net)

Saturday November 12 9:00 – 1:00 Tomahawk Contact Past Dept. Vice Commander Joe Story (joestory@charter.net)

S.A.L. Radio

Two members of a New York Sons squadron discover that a little media outreach can land some big on-air interviews. Watch the news clip on Legion TV, [S.A.L. Radio](#). Public Relations is everyone's job, always put your best foot forward.

Midwinter Conference January 20-21, 2012

Mark your calendars for January 20-21, 2012 for the Sons of The American Legion Midwinter Conference. Midwinter will be at HoChunk in Wisconsin Dells. We are working to have the Junior Shooter Sports Chairman speak and provide information on how your squadron can get involved in the Jr Shooter Sports.

We will be holding our Basket Raffle for the Commander's Project, bring your basket plan or items to the fall so we can coordinate this fundraiser for maximum results. Not sure what to put in your basket? Think of a theme, showcase your region with a basket full of locally made items, put together items from your favorite sports team, Movie Night, Good Morning Coffee and Packer Pack were a favorite last year. Contact Adjutant Lawler mll@chorus.net for more details.

Commissions will meet Friday afternoon and our DEC meetings and workshops will be on Saturday. Bring your squadron members to attend the Legion programs and DEC too.

Child Welfare Foundation Donations

Donations are coming in for the Child Welfare Foundation, but we have a ways to go to reach our \$3600.00 goal

This year to help your squadron raise funds for the Child Welfare Foundation we gave each squadron attending the convention a CWF Campaign Tote, in the CWF tote was travel mugs, coffee cups, donation canisters, piggy banks, brochures, order form, and donation envelopes. As a special incentive every 5th tote had a CWF polo shirt.

Your squadron should utilize these items to increase their annual donation to the Child Welfare Foundation. These CWF totes contain items valued at \$55.00 and many squadrons have found they can use the items to reward the members who raise the most for CWF, thereby exceeding the initial value. What is your plan to reach the commanders goal and exceed \$1.10 per member?

Make your donation payable to Child Welfare Foundation and mail to
American Legion Child Welfare Foundation
PO Box 1055
Indianapolis, IN 46206

Be sure to indicate that you donation is from the Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin, Squadron# _____,

The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation recently announced its grant recipients, awarding \$666,670 to 21 non-profit organizations. The grants, which were approved during the CWF's annual board of directors meeting in Indianapolis on Oct. 10, will support projects that benefit the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual well-being of children.

The 2011 grant recipients include:

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100 Percent

Great Job, these squadrons will be in the drawing for a Wisconsin Dells Hotel Package. You only have a few more weeks to reach 100 percent and qualify for the November 11, drawing.

Squadron	2011	2012	Percentage
62 Columbus	10	30	300%
111 Somerset	19	26	137%
544 Twin Lakes	33	43	130%
180 Bay View	48	53	110%
313 Black Earth	16	17	106%
183 Genoa City	17	18	106%
172 North Freedom	25	26	104%
220 Soldiers Grove	38	39	103%
108 Clear Lake	42	43	102%
115 Elroy	13	13	100%

38 Over Goal

38 Squadrons are at or over the 50 percent October target, AWESOME. Most of you only need a few more members to reach the Veterans Day 100% Challenge and be in the drawing for a Wisconsin Dells Hotel Package.

Squadron	2011	2012	Percentage
18 Milwaukee	74	73	99%
245 Cross Plains	117	114	97%
214 Darlington	60	58	97%
143 St. Croix Falls	27	25	93%
84 Monroe	13	12	92%
336 Onalaska	34	31	91%
21 Kenosha	22	19	86%
23 Cudworth	38	31	82%
63 Clintonville	16	13	81%
284 Holmen	36	29	81%
449 Brookfield	82	66	80%
537 Harold Todd	58	45	78%
288 Cedarburg	57	44	77%
70 Oshkosh	21	16	76%
333 Sun Prairie	29	22	76%
375 Mukwonago	70	51	73%
547 Lublin	43	30	70%
151 Madison	22	15	68%
203 Federal	28	19	68%
437 Mazomanie	45	30	67%
15 Juneau	11	7	64%
434 Oak Creek	35	22	63%
157 Horicon	24	13	54%
416 Greendale	25	13	52%
100 Sparta	29	15	52%
59 Stoughton	44	22	50%
501 Madison			

On the Trail

On the Trail to success, watch for our [membership targets](#) and aim to hit them.

Squadron	2011	2012	Percentage
385 Verona	13	6	46%
117 Shawano	16	7	44%
48 Beloit	20	8	40%
534 McFarland	75	28	37%
52 La Crosse	154	55	36%
38 Appleton	65	22	34%
189 Watertown	52	16	31%
481 Madison	88	27	31%
27 South Milwaukee	10	3	30%
118 Thorp	38	10	26%
121 River Falls	63	16	25%
51 West Salem	40	10	25%
405 Dousman	48	10	21%
209 Orfordville	90	18	20%
93 Tomahawk	26	4	15%
11 Green Bay	60	6	10%
54 Marshfield	13	1	8%
171 Union Grove	17	1	6%
271 Poynette	35	1	3%

38 Goose Eggs

We are a third of the way into our administrative year and we still have 38 Goose Egg Squadrons. Please contact your [Detachment Vice Commander](#) to explain your membership strategy and how you plan to reach the [membership targets](#).

Squadron	2011	2012	Percentage
1 Germantown	21	0	0%

10 Wausau	12	0	0%
24 Lake Geneva	58	0	0%
44 Wabeno	12	0	0%
53 Eau Claire	16	0	0%
67 Lake Mills	45	0	0%
71 Pewaukee	16	0	0%
73 Neilsville	14	0	0%
75 Fond du Lac	44	0	0%
91 Oconomowoc	17	0	0%
95 Delavan	6	0	0%
116 Coon Valley	32	0	0%
120 Tanner-Paull	23	0	0%
129 Black River Falls	40	0	0%
138 Viroqua	10	0	0%
150 Wausaukee	22	0	0%
155 Westby	18	0	0%
158 Maiden Rock	31	0	0%
168 Glenwood City	24	0	0%
185 Grantsburg	41	0	0%
196 Delafield	61	0	0%
243 Plymouth	18	0	0%
273 Grand Marsh	14	0	0%
294 Hartland	88	0	0%
302 Oconto Falls	11	0	0%
305 Johnson Creek	19	0	0%

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