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Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin



Detachment Officers

Detachment Information

Squadron Information

Way to rally the membership team we are back on top in the Central Region, but the margin of lead has closed; all of the Detachments are just a few points apart. We moved all the way back to fifth in the Nation.

Membership reports are found on our web site www.wisal.org, under [Membership Reports](#), as PDF files. [The March 25th Report is located at this link.](#)

Lets also work on our Commander Project, Camp American Legion, the Josh Dog campaign, and Child Welfare Foundation donations.

Thanks for all that you and your Squadrons do.

Michael Lawler, Detachment Adjutant

Quote for the Day

“Do you pray for the Senators, Dr Hale? Someone asked the chaplain. No I look at the Senators and pray for the country.” ~ Edward Evert Hale ~

Have you submitted your RSVP for the Spring Meetings April 25th?

We need a head count to provide lunch, please RSVP by April 15, 2009. *You may RSVP by email to adjutant@wisal.org, by mail PO Box 388, Portage WI 53901-0388, by phone 608-745-1090 ask for Jill, during business hours*

The Sons of The American Legion Detachment Commander Kirk D Hove cordially invites you to attend the Spring Detachment Executive Committee Meeting.

Saturday April 25th 2009 9 AM - 4 PM

The Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin Headquarters
2930 American Legion Dr, Portage WI 53901

- *Special Guest National Vice Commander for the Central Region Dennis Blue.*
- *The Officers Development Team will be presenting their first seminar on Leadership Requirements, the What To, How To, When To, and Where To of being a Detachment Officer.*
- ***A light lunch will be provided and Membership Awards will be presented during lunch.***

RSVP by April 15, 2009 and bring your Squadron Officers.

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Greetings from your Detachment Commander

I hope this newsletter brings everyone in good health and great spirits as spring is on the way. As we enter the spring let's remember the many American Legion Spring Conferences in your districts. Let us get out and promote the Sons of the American Legion and the American Legion Family and the many programs we have to offer.

Let's keep on getting our 2009 membership into Department Headquarters so we can have another great year to reach 100% in membership. Thank you to everyone for your hard work on membership and the Commanders Projects and let's continue to have a great year,

Thanks

Kirk Hove, Detachment Commander

Commander Kirk's Project:

Donate to Camp American Legion, The Sons of The American Legion are here to serve our Veterans and Commander Kirk's project will highlight one of Wisconsin Legions premier veteran's rehabilitation location. Commander Hove has set the goal of \$2.00 per member to be donated to Camp American Legion. If everyone works together, we can raise \$6,000.00 and more. With this amount, we could complete a major project that will be identified as a Sons project. Donations should be made payable to Sons of The American Legion with Camp Project on the memo line and mailed to our Finance Officer Dennis Stockfisch N56W18346 Evergreen Ln, Menomonee

Do you have the Right Stuff

We encourage your Squadron to send its qualified candidates to run for Detachment Offices, at our Convention in Milwaukee this July. We will be holding elections for (1) Detachment Commander, (4) Vice Commanders, (1) Finance Officer, (1) Chaplain, and (2) Sgt-at-Arms to serve for one year. We will have appointed positions available for Adjutant, Judge Advocate, Historian, Committee and Commission Chairmen and members. We also elect Delegates to the National Convention at this time. If you or your fellow members would like to work at the Detachment level, come to the Spring Detachment Meeting April 25

th in Portage.

Candidate Announcements in the Badger Legionnaire

Are you campaigning for a Detachment office? We will run the candidate announcements for Sons of The American Legion Detachment Officers in the May 18th issue of the Badger Legionnaire.

Your announcement needs to be submitted prior to April 30th and is limited to 200 words. Please submit your announcement and a digital photo to Jessika Erickson at jessika@wilegion.org.

If you have any questions, you may contact Adjutant Lawler or Jessika Erickson Editor - Badger Legionnaire 608-745-1090

The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation

The Sons have been a champion of The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, and this year we would like to break the 4 Million Dollar donation mark. Your Squadron goal is just one dollar per member, and as a Detachment we are almost half way there, 45 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

Read below. another great story on how one person (a SAL "Past National Commander") can and still is making a difference. We all know Dave is getting old (he he) but what can you say, he is still "SWINGING 4(million) THE CHILDREN" and showing what can be done with the CWF challenge coins and Christmas ornaments. Call Barb Hey at CWF headquarters and get yours today 317-630-1202

1 coin = \$10 donation this adds up quick when trying to hit goal of \$1.15 per member.

May 31 is the deadline

Jeff Frain
National Child Welfare Chairman
Email: altnecaz@cox.net
Ph. 480-620-3216

Hello Dennis,

I just turned in another \$390.00 for cwf, I started selling the Christmas ornaments and then onto the coins. As of this morning, I have a total of \$1070.00 and still have 39 coins left. So by the way I figure I should have \$1,500.00 by the end of May with a small donation from my district.

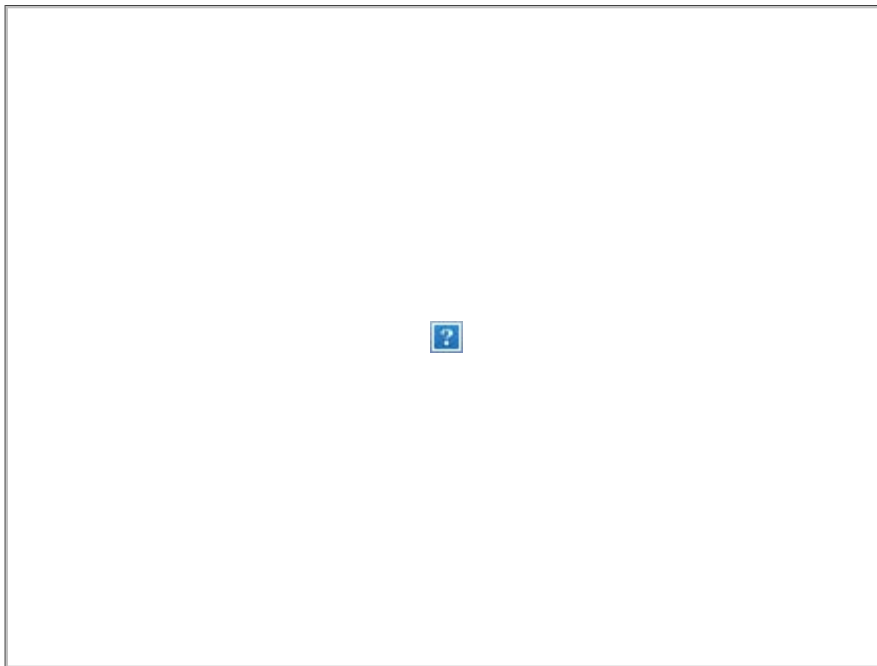
Just think if we could get these people [to work together], how much money we'd raise.

Take care

Dave Stephens, SAL PNC

Plan Ahead and You Will Succeed

Sons of The American Legion Squadron 38 and American Legion Post 38 Appleton are getting organized for their 9th year of collecting for Toys for Toys.



Captured in this photo is the 2008 committee and the Marine recruiters from Appleton, with some of the 242 toys and \$1,400 that was donated to the " TOYS FOR TOTS " program at the Post 38 annual Army/Navy game fund raiser.

Remember it is never too early to start your plan for success.

Swing and Score, the District Results

We are down to the wire, and the differences between districts are measured in the tenths of a percents. Every member you renew or new member you recruit moves your district closer to the top. Lets finish up the 2009 race as the new 2010 membership cards will be coming in June.

1. **Fifth District 105.36%**
2. **Eleventh District 103.92%**
3. **Tenth District 103.73%**
4. **Sixth District 101.14%**
5. **Ninth District 98.98%**
6. **Seventh District 95.39%**
7. **Third District 93.00%**
8. **First District 92.08%**
9. **Fourth District 89.26%**
10. **Second District 86.50%**
11. **Twelfth District 85.29%**
12. **Eighth District 76.81%**

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

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