Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin

Detachment Officers

Detachment Information

Squadron Information

We have been in contact with the goose egg squadrons and have had positive results, we are down to four of them and those four are working to get their membership in, thanks guys!

Our Membership Team has a plan to win the Triple Nickel Award of \$555.00. Remember we want to Charter 5 new Squadrons, Retain at least 85% of our members, and attain 105% total membership

Here are our standings: Wisconsin -- 2 charters -- 70.33% Renewal -- 81.95% goal

I know we can do it! But we all need to work at it.

Here we have the Detachments who are on track to achieve the Triple Nickel incentive recognition program award of \$555.00 from National Emblem Sales.

Nebraska--4 charters--66.43% Renewal -- 75.6% goal

Ohio-- 7 charters-- -- 66.27% Renewal -- 79.5% goal

Kansas-- 4 charters-- 67.6% Renewal -- 80.053% goal

Georgia-- 3 charters -- 66.80 Renewal -- 80.83% goal

California -- 3 charters -- 64.22 % Renewals -- 76.312 % goal

Pennsylvania-- 3 charters -- 63.62% Renewals -- 76.728% goal

In March, we will celebrate The American Legion Birthday and Saint Patrick's Day. In keeping with the St Paddy's theme, we have nicknamed our 2010 National Convention Pin, "Convention O' Wisconsin" watch this newsletter for more details on advanced sales of the National Convention Pin.

The Membership Report for <u>February 15 2010</u>, is posted on our web site <u>www.wisal.org</u>, under <u>Membership Reports</u>.

Michael Lawler, Detachment Adjutant

Reminders

Consolidated Report Forms will be in the mail to your Squadron's Primary Contact Person in March, make sure you are keeping track of your hours and donations so you can report them to your Squadron.

We need your Midwinter Evaluation Forms promptly returned

Scholarship Applications Due April 1st,

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

Adjutants Update

The Adjutants Update was mailed to the Primary Contact person we have listed for your Squadron; you may view them online at www.wisal.org or at the links below.

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Pass the Hat for Homeless Veterans

The Commander Project, Pass the Hat for Homeless Veterans – is coming along nicely, we have a total of \$519.00, so far. Your donations will help homeless Veterans across the state and the top per capita donor will receive the coveted Commander Project Crystal Award. Deadline is May 31, 2010.

Donations have been reported by Squadrons; #313 Black Earth - \$16.00, #437 Mazomanie - \$50.00, #48 Beloit - \$25.00, #108 Clear Lake - \$40.00, #209 Orfordville - \$100.00, Vet's Day 100% Sq's (19) @ \$10.00 each = \$190.00, Mike Pook, \$20.00, Kelly Powers, \$50.00, Det. Fall DEC Fines \$28.00,

Reports are that some of the Squadrons are already planning a brat fry this spring to raise money for the Commander's Project. What is your squadron working on?

Thank you all for you donations and your dedication to our Veterans.

Make donation payable to Sons of The American Legion, with Commanders Project in the memo line, 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.

Child Welfare Foundation

- Total - \$911.00

Each year the Sons of The American Legion are the largest contributors to The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. Just by raising \$1.00 or \$2.00 per member per year, we have already donated \$4,000,000.00. Currently Wisconsin is in 29th place for CWF Donations, let's get back on track.

New this year, in addition to the national awards and recognition from the Child Welfare Foundation the Detachment Children and Youth Committee will be presenting awards to the top three per capita donors at the Detachment Convention this July in Wausau

The race is on, get your donations in soon and join the list of Squadrons who are in the running for these new awards:

- #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,
- #48 Beloit \$75.00,
- #189 Watertown \$250.00,

This year Squadron #437 raised \$250.00 by selling CWF Challenge Coins, Squadron 189 has already matched that amount, and this will be an interesting competition to see who garners the new Detachment Awards. Donation Deadline is May 31 2010.

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Regional and National Membership Report

As you can see, we have been one-step behind Minnesota for too long, they have gotten too comfortable with first place, and now Michigan wants in on the action too.

We cannot allow this to continue, where is your Wisconsin Pride? We need 200 members to get ahead of them and 500 to be 100 percent.

We can do it, if everyone pulls together, help your squadron get the renewals in, sign up new members, and reinstate members who have lapsed.

The good news is we climbed to 6th in the Nation for overall membership and 3rd in the Nation for RETENTION! Thank you Cheddar Heads!

(Central Region) Dennis L. Theobald (IA)			
Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent
MINNESOTA	10,632	9,079	85.393
WISCONSIN	3,158	2,640	83.597
MICHIGAN	20,408	16,538	81.037
OHIO	30,428	24,202	79.539
ILLINOIS	14,957	11,774	78.719
INDIANA	36,074	28,258	78.333
MISSOURI	3,135	2,329	74.290
IOWA	2,760	1,864	67.536
Totals	121,552	96,684	79.541

District Report

Our next membership goal is 100 percent by March 1st, 2010.

- 1. Eleventh District 187.88%
- 2. Twelfth District 120.34%
- 3. Fourth District 103.50%
- 4. Third District 96.62%
- 5. Fifth District 95.08%

- 6. First District 92.81%
- 7. Second District 81.73%
- 8. Tenth District 75.95%
- 9. Seventh District 72.89%
- 10. Eighth District 70.80%
- 11. Ninth District 67.31%
- 12. Sixth District 61.46%

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.

<u>Legion</u> and <u>Auxiliary</u> District Reports are available on their web sites.

Contact your Vice Commanders and District Chairmen if you need help or have any questions.

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