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Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin



Detachment Officers

Detachment Information

Squadron Information

We have been working hard to get valuable information to the squadrons to pass on to their members. A lot of exciting things taking place, lots of great Sons out there driving us to the finish line.

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Read the details below.

If you have questions about the Sons, feel free to contact me at mll@chorus.net.

Michael Lawler, Detachment adjutant

Consolidated Reports Are DUE

We have only received [consolidate squadron reports](#) from twelve squadrons:

- 18 Milwaukee
- 38 Appleton

- 48 Beloit
- 52 LaCrosse
- 59 Stoughton
- 108 Clear Lake
- 121 River Falls
- 171 Union Grove
- 214 Darlington
- 220 Soldiers Grove
- 294 Hartland
- 336 Onalaska
- 347 Lomira

Go to www.wisal.org, click on the link for [the Consolidated Report Form](#), after you complete the online form, click the SUBMIT button, then on the next page you will be able to download and print a PDF file of your report

The consolidated report reflects your accomplishments for the year. While not every squadron can do everything on the report, they can focus their efforts on one or two programs and do a great job on them.

The consolidated report can give your squadron ideas on which program(s) to work on. An easy item on the report is the Blood Drive section, while you may not sponsor a blood drive, I am confident that at least one

member in each squadron has donated blood over the year; ask your members.

Of our ninety-nine squadrons, to date we have received thirteen consolidated reports. The data submitted on our consolidated reports is presented to congress to maintain our charter; they are going to ask why we have so many inactive squadrons. So if you have done anything, like helping a Veteran, promoting Americanism, donated to the Child Welfare Foundation, report it.

Inactive squadrons still need to submit their consolidated report as a requirement of maintaining their charter. Just fill out the top and bottom of the report and return it by convention.

In addition we use the data to judge our annual awards that will be presented at the Detachment Convention in July. The awards are based on your membership, so a small squadron can compete and win against a large squadron. You cannot win the awards if you do not submit your report, you also can not be seated at Convention until this form is completed.

Detachment Convention July 20-21-22, 2012

We want to see you in Middleton Wisconsin July 20-21-22, the location of your state convention. Details of the agenda, training, registration and hotel information are on our web site at www.wisal.org. Book early!

- [Official Call](#)
- [Agenda, Quick](#)
- [Agenda, Full](#)
- [Registration Form and Marriott Hotel Information](#)
- [Alternate Hotel Information](#)
- [Candidate Resume Form](#)
- [Appointment Recommendation Form](#)
- [Legion Schedule](#)
- [Ride2Recovery](#)

We will have our election of officers, training workshops, a SAL table in the vendor area, awards, plaques, citations, and guest speakers. There are lots of activities, places to go, people to see; come for the meetings, stay for the camaraderie. Your squadron should now be electing their delegates to the convention. This is your opportunity to be involved in the Detachment process. The official call and delegate certification will be mailed in June.

Squadrons In Peril

The following squadrons are reporting ZERO membership for 2012:

- 44 Wabeno
- 62 Columbus
- 95 Delavan
- 129 Black River Falls

We need your help to keep members of these squadrons from losing their continual membership years and have their charter revoked.

If you have paid and your squadron is listed here, contact your squadron commander or Adjutant, to make sure your dues have been transmitted and received at Headquarters.

King Pilgrimage June 17 2012

http://wisal.org/documents/King_Day/King_Day_2012.pdf

Sunday June 17, 2012 is the King Pilgrimage, this is an awesome salute to the residents of the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King, WI. We would like to have a large showing of Sons of The American Legion members at this special event, bring your squadron colors and march in the parade.

If you cannot make it, you and your squadron can still sponsor a Veteran's meal for only \$8.00 each, read the flier for details. This counts on your consolidated report under VA & R.

2013 Membership Card Distribution and Training June 23 & 24 2012

Pick up your Sons of The American Legion membership cards and learn how to reach 100 percent. Attend the training during the days and times listed for ideas on how to grow your Squadron and help your Post. Contact your Legion County Commander for more information on which location your squadron cards will be available for your pickup.

Saturday, June 23rd 2012 from 10:30AM to 13:30PM

Spooner Post No. 12
122 Northwestern Drive
Spooner, WI 54801

Clintonville Post No. 63
20 Memorial Circle
Clintonville, WI 54929

Elm Brook Post No. 449
3245 N 124th street
Brookfield, WI 53005

Sunday, June 24th 2012 from 10:30AM to 13:30PM

Eau Claire Post No. 53
634 Water Street
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Camp American Legion
8529 County Rd D
Lake Tomahawk, WI 54539

Chaseburg Post No. 202
304 Gilbertson Street
Chaseburg, WI 54621

Tuesday, June 26th 2012 At 7:00 PM

Barneveld Post No. 433
101 Wood Street
Barneveld, WI 53507
7:00 PM

*TRAINING ONLY

District Standings

Great job, seven districts are over 100 percent. Remember just because a district is over 100 percent does not mean your work is done, we need every squadron to be at 100 percent and over. What do you plan to do to make this a reality?

1. Seventh District 113.09%
2. First District 108.99%
3. Eighth District 103.53%
4. Fifth District 101.79%
5. Third District 101.32%
6. Fourth District 100.96%
7. Tenth District 100.00%
8. Twelfth District 97.27%
9. Second District 95.61%

10. Ninth District 91.04%
 11. Sixth District 90.80%
 12. Eleventh District 85.51%
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Triple Nickel Award

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The Detachment of Iowa earned their bragging rights in 2011 and is poised to win the Triple Nickel again this year. Attached you will find the Triple Nickel pin they designed. I think we can do even better with our Triple Nickel pin design, once we win.

Do we want to win the Triple Nickel Award and \$555.00? Can we be the second Detachment to ever win the Triple Nickel Award?

Well, if you want something bad enough, and you put your heart and soul into it, it will happen. But, I have found that you really need to want it, not just go through the motions, not just expect the other guy to make sure it gets done. You need to make it happen.

How can we win the Triple Nickel you ask? We need your help if we are going to succeed. We need 5 new Squadrons, 85 percent retention and 105 percent overall membership.

85% Retention: We are at 88 percent retention, second only to Hawaii and they have 100 percent retention. Keep getting those renewals in, we should easily be able to reach 95 percent by the deadline.

5 New Squadrons: We have 3 new squadrons on the books so far, so we only need two more and those are in the works. We need to seal the deal and get those Charter Applications and memberships in. PRONTO!

105% Overall Membership: This goal has proved problematic in the past, last year we finished with 104.79 percent. Our final goal is 3475 members so we are only 237 members short. That is only 19 members per district, or 3.3 members per county, or 2.5 members per squadron.

What can you do? Ask yourself and your fellow members the following questions:

- Is my squadron over 105 percent?
- Did I sign up at least 2 new members this year?
- Did I call or visit members to get them to renew?
- Did I ask my Post and Unit members if they have any new sons, grandsons, great grandsons.

If you answered yes to all of these, I thank you. If not, it is not too late, let's get out there and WIN!

Five Star Program of Service

On Friday July 20, 2102, world Renowned Speaker John Mejia from California will be at our State Convention, to teach you about the Five Star Program. Each point of the star represents areas Sons should learn, excel in and promote. Those points represent Patriotism, Citizenship, Discipline, Leadership and Legionism. Mr Mejia will administer the Five Star exam and certification at no cost. This is the study program for S.A.L. members. The five points are:

1. PATRIOTISM - Love of flag; love of country.
 - A star for Patriotism to the member who shows a knowledge of the history of the flag, the proper ways of displaying it, and the proper respect due it.
2. CITIZENSHIP - Individual obligation of citizenship.
 - A star for Citizenship to the member who by his usefulness in activities outside the program of the SAL displays a working knowledge of the qualities of a good citizen.
3. DISCIPLINE - Respect for and obedience to rules.
 - A star for Discipline to the member who in all his activities shows respect for rules and obedience to them.
4. LEADERSHIP - Participation in group activities.
 - A star for Leadership to the member who develops the qualities of leadership in athletics, drill formations, and church activities.

5. LEGIONISM - Knowledge of The American Legion

- o A star for Legionism to the member who thoroughly understands the ritualistic work and the program of activities for the SAL..

You are never too old or too young to learn and grow with our organization. See the [Squadron Handbook](#) for details.

CAT Childrens Action Team Certification

Are you a CAT? A member of the Children's Action Team?

At the State Convention Saturday, July 21, 2012. You will be able to get your Children Actions Team Certification or renew your commitment to the Child Welfare Foundation. A philanthropic program of The American Legion, its mission is to provide other nonprofits organizations with the means to educate the public about the special needs of children across this nation. 100 % of all monies raised for the CWF go to help children. Become a CAT for kids. We ask for a \$25.00 donation to the [Child Welfare Foundation](#) to participate.

Child Welfare Foundation

The CWF Kits that were handed out at the Convention in Appleton have been a huge success, with most squadrons donated well over the value of the kits, easily putting them over our \$1.10 per member challenge.

As you can see we are trailing three other states in the central region and we need your help to push us over the top. We rank 31st in the nation.

Detachment	2011 Donation	2010 Membership	CWF Goal	2012 Donations	% of Goal	Per Capita Amount
ILLINOIS	\$ 9,716.50	14,872	\$ 14,872.00	\$ 23,530.00	158.2%	\$ 1.58
OHIO	\$ 50,460.94	30,606	\$ 30,606.00	\$ 34,000.00	111.1%	\$ 1.11
IOWA	\$ 3,110.00	3,002	\$ 3,002.00	\$ 2,847.00	94.8%	\$ 0.95
WISCONSIN	\$ 3,902.20	3,309	\$ 3,309.00	\$ 3,000.22	90.7%	\$ 0.91
MISSOURI	\$ 4,056.24	3,345	\$ 3,345.00	\$ 2,901.02	86.7%	\$ 0.87
INDIANA	\$ 35,183.54	37,426	\$ 37,426.00	\$ 26,181.07	70.0%	\$ 0.70
MICHIGAN	\$ 13,023.97	20,746	\$ 20,746.00	\$ 13,768.59	66.4%	\$ 0.66
MINNESOTA	\$ 9,526.00	10,905	\$ 10,905.00	\$ 7,072.00	64.9%	\$ 0.65
Totals	\$128,979.39	124,211	\$124,211.00	\$113,299.90	91.2%	\$ 0.91

Did your squadron get their donation submitted? We are just \$700.00 short of our total goal, it is not too late for you to submit your personal or squadron donation online, <http://www.cwf-inc.org/donate/online> or use this form, <http://www.legion.org/documents/legion/word/printabledonorform.doc> and submit by mail to

American Legion Child Welfare Foundation

PO Box 1055

Indianapolis, IN 46206

Clearly indicate you are with the Sons of The American Legion and your State and SQUADRON number.

National and Regional Membership Status

If your squadron is 100 percent or better, we would like to give you a pat on the back, the Detachment of Wisconsin has broken the 100 percent mark. Thank you. But do not stop yet; we still need about 200 members to reach our triple nickel goal of 105 percent.

We are tenth in the nation and second in the central region, lets rally the members and take over the lead.

(Central Region) John A. Sansoucie (MO)

Detachment	Goal	Actual	Percent
IOWA	3,002	3,215	107.095
WISCONSIN	3,309	3,342	100.997
INDIANA	37,426	36,323	97.053
OHIO	30,606	29,572	96.622
ILLINOIS	14,872	14,164	95.239
MINNESOTA	10,905	10,330	94.727
MISSOURI	3,345	3,122	93.333
MICHIGAN	20,746	19,297	93.016
Totals	124,211	119,365	96.099

Squadron Membership 188 Percent to 105 Percent

Can you say OUTSTANDING, 38 Squadrons are over the 105 percent goal, GREAT WORK.

Squadron	2011	2012	Percent
336 Onalaska	34	64	188%
117 Shawano	16	26	163%
544 Twin Lakes	33	51	155%
100 Sparta	29	40	138%
111 Somerset	19	26	137%
284 Holmen	36	48	133%
71 Pewaukee	16	21	131%
326 Boyd	10	13	130%
48 Beloit	20	25	125%
313 Black Earth	16	20	125%
21 Kenosha	22	27	123%
116 Coon Valley	32	39	122%
273 Grand	14	17	121%

Marsh			
196 Delafield	61	74	121%
355 Grafton	50	60	120%
53 Eau Claire	16	19	119%
91	17	20	118%
Oconomowoc			
51 West	40	47	118%
Salem			
449 Brookfield	82	95	116%
305 Johnson	19	22	116%
Creek			
534 McFarland	75	86	115%
180 Bay View	48	55	115%
288 Cedarburg	57	65	114%
63	16	18	113%
Clintonville			
18 Milwaukee	74	82	111%
118 Thorp	38	42	111%
138 Viroqua	10	11	110%
108 Clear	42	46	110%
Lake			
375	70	76	109%
Mukwonago			
115 Elroy	13	14	108%
333 Sun	29	31	107%
Prairie			
433 Barneveld	32	34	106%
171 Union	17	18	106%
Grove			
183 Genoa	17	18	106%
City			
220 Soldiers	38	40	105%
Grove			
23 Cudworth	38	40	105%
214 Darlington	60	63	105%
538 Carlton	42	44	105%

Squadrons 104 to 100 Percent

Twenty-one squadrons are between 100 and 104 percent, just a few more members to go to reach the final goal of 105 percent.

Squadron	2011	2012	Percent
120 Tanner-Paull	23	24	104%
157 Horicon	24	25	104%
172 North Freedom	25	26	104%
52 La Crosse	154	160	104%

537 Harold Todd	58	60	103%
437 Mazomanie	45	46	102%
405 Dousman	48	49	102%
552 Somers	New	10	100%
151 Madison	22	22	100%
245 Cross Plains	117	117	100%
203 Federal	28	28	100%
444 F. D. Roosevelt	12	12	100%
75 Fond du Lac	44	44	100%
121 River Falls	63	63	100%
417 French Island	15	15	100%
467 Ontario	New	30	100%
54 Marshfield	13	13	100%
1 Germantown	21	21	100%
15 Juneau	11	11	100%
67 Lake Mills	45	45	100%
243 Plymouth	18	18	100%
387 Franklin	19	19	100%

99 Percent to 35 Percent

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I know you have been working hard to get those last few members, we appreciate that. Keep up the work, they are out there.

Squadron	2011	2012	Percent
150 Wausauke	22	21	95%
547 Lublin	43	41	95%
406 General King	18	17	94%
501 Madison	14	13	93%
143 St. Croix Falls	27	25	93%
84 Monroe	13	12	92%
302 Oconto Falls	11	10	91%
209 Orfordville	90	81	90%
481 Madison	88	79	90%
38 Appleton	65	58	89%
185	41	36	88%

Grantsburg			
294 Hartland	88	77	88%
168 Glenwood			
City	24	21	88%
366 Princeton	22	19	86%
24 Lake			
Geneva	58	50	86%
73 Neilsville	14	12	86%
59 Stoughton	44	37	84%
10 Wausau	12	10	83%
11 Green			
Bay	60	49	82%
27 South			
Milwaukee	10	8	80%
522 Hubertus	19	15	79%
434 Oak			
Creek	35	27	77%
347 Lomira	30	23	77%
70 Oshkosh	21	16	76%
416 Greendale	25	19	76%
339 Almond	28	21	75%
155 Westby	18	13	72%
189			
Watertown	52	37	71%
385 Verona	13	9	69%
93			
Tomahawk	26	18	69%
271 Poynette	35	24	69%
158 Maiden			
Rock	31	11	35%

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