



AMERICAN LEGION OF MONTANA
Adjutant's Newsletter
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2009 MEMBERSHIP: Currently membership is at 11,844 (46 more than last year at this time) or 92.04% of our Department Goal of 12,867. We made our 90% target, but are fast approaching our 95% target on April 8th so please get in any membership you may have on hand. This target is also the last cut off for the last renewal notice of the 2009 membership year and for preprinting the 2010 membership cards. We have 7 more goal Posts; Great Falls Post #3, Big Timber #19, Forsyth Post #39, Thompson Falls #52, Eureka #74, Corvallis #91, and Frenchtown #124; for a total of 34 goal Posts (4 less than last year) – Congratulations to those Posts that made goal..

GOVERNMENT SURVEY AND CONSTITUTION ESSAY: The local winners of the Government Survey and Constitutional Essays are due to the Education Chairman Ed Sperry on 15 April so he can select the Department finalists.

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS REMINDER; The Post Data Report is due **April 15, 2009** to Department and the CPR is due May 15, 2009. If you have no information to report on the CPR then just complete the heading and return.

RECRUITER CERTIFICATION FORM: Enclosed is the Certification form for Top New Recruiter; this form is used to determine the top three new member recruiters in the Department and the top new member recruiter in each District. All awards will be presented at the Department Convention in Butte. The form is due to Department no later than 8 May.

GOLD / SILVER BRIGADE: Any member recruiting 50 new members or more is eligible for the Gold Brigade Award, 25 to 49 new members will qualify recruiters for the Silver Brigade Award. Contact Department Headquarters for the appropriate form, nominations are due no later than 20 May.

CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK: It is that time of the year for Posts to start sending in donations for the CMN. If you have any donations please mail to Department Headquarters, indicate on your check it is for the CMN, remember all donations stay within Montana. If any member or Post would like to participate in the telethon on June 2nd, contact Department Headquarters for more information.

CERTIFICATION OF AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS: This form is used to report all Post Officers and to complete the Department phone and address roster. **This form is due no later than 1 May 2009 (your elections must be completed by then).** Please ensure all information requested is provided. (Forms mailed last month)

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GO GETTER FORM: All Go Getters will receive a pin and be provided with a breakfast at the Department Convention in Bozeman. This award is only awarded to those submitted on the Go Getter form due by 1 June 2008. (Form mailed March, and is available at www.mtlegion.org)

DEPARTMENT PISTOL RAFFLE: Once you have a complete book sold please transmit the stubs and the \$50.00 to Department; this will allow us to track and report to the Ways & Means and the Finance Committees the progress of the raffle. If additional tickets are required please submit your request to Department Headquarters. Any Posts that has tickets remaining that they aren't going to sell or don't desire to sell please return by April 15, currently there are only 230 tickets remaining for Department to issue.

MEMORIAL DAY: Memorial Day is fast approaching; order your flags for cemetery decoration now for delivery before Memorial Day! Remember to send articles and pictures on your Posts participation.

DEPARTMENT OFFICER REPORTS: All Department Officers and Committee Chairman are required to submit a written report of their activities for publication in the reports booklet for Department Convention. All reports must be at Department Headquarters prior to May 15, 2009.

ATTENTION: Adjutants, please share this Bulletin with your Commander, and read this Bulletin at your monthly meeting; and then post it where it can be read by all members.