



Department Membership Bulletin



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"COURAGE CARRIES ON"

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DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP GOAL AT 92.07%

The Department was short of meeting the 100% membership goal with 92.07%. Seventh District came in first at 95.17% and Eighth District came in second at 94.91%. West Region is at 94.50%, Central Region 92.09% and East Region at 89.97%.

District Standings

- 7th - 95.17%
- 8th - 94.91%
- 9th - 94.12%
- 6th - 94.04%
- 4th - 93.51%
- 3rd - 91.68%
- 5th - 91.53%
- 10th - 90.59%
- 1st - 90.31%
- 2nd - 89.26%

NEW MEMBER RECRUITMENT AWARDS

RECRUITER OF THE YEAR - Certify the membership worker in your post that signed up 5 new members. Regional winners will be given a special cap pin recognizing their recruiting efforts. The Department recruiter of the Year winner will receive mileage, hotel night and two tickets to Dept Banquet and a plaque from National.

GOLD/SILVER BRIGADE - If you should have a member who signs up 50 or more new members before May 10, they can be certified in the National Gold Brigade. If they sign up 25-49 new members they qualify for the National Silver Brigade. Certification deadline is May 10. If they sign up 15-24 they qualify for the National Bronze Brigade.

RETENTION AWARD - is awarded to the post in each post size category who recruits 5 or more new members in 2022 and renews them in 2023. The highest percentage of posts who retained these will win a \$100 cash award.

Go-Getters Certified - This is a reminder to the Post Adjutant's to be sure to get your go-getter certifications into Department by the deadline of April 15. If you need a form you can go to www.ndlegion.org and go to Dept. Forms and click on go-getter form.

Boys State Reminder

Boys State session is June 11-16, 2023 at ND State College of Science in Wahpeton. Junior Boys can register at www.ndboysstate.org. If you have any questions, please call the Headquarters office.

2023 MEMBERSHIP GOAL FORM

The Membership Goal Questionnaire Form is on our website for all Post Adjutants and Post Membership Chairmen to complete and mail back to Department Headquarters by May 30th to ensure input on your post's 2024 Membership Goal. We want you all to have a participation on establishing these goal figures.

Upcoming Events

May

- 1 - Consolidated Post Reports
- 23 - Delegate Strength Target Date

June

- 11-16 - ND Boys State
- 23-25 - Dept Convention in Bismarck

REMINDER: Please make your hotel reservations by May 22nd. Reservations made after May 22nd will not receive the American Legion group rate of \$119 per night. Please call the Bismarck Hotel at 701-660-8063 to make your room reservation.

Advanced Department Convention Banquet Ticket Order Form

Please reserve the following tickets for (*Legionnaire's Name*) _____

Under Post # _____ in District # _____ Located in _____

Advanced Banquet Ticket Price if RECEIVED By June 5th: \$35.00

Advanced Banquet Ticket Price AFTER June 5th: \$40.00

ALL advanced ticket orders must be received by the Department Headquarters by June 15th.

Banquet Tickets _____ (quantity) X \$ _____ (price) = _____ Total

TOTAL PAYMENT SUBMITTED: \$ _____

Note: Advanced ticket orders must be received at the Department office by the correlating due date to receive the \$35 (June 5th) or \$40 after June 5th. After June 15th, tickets must be purchased at the registration desk. A limited number of tickets are available and sold on a first come first served basis.

Make Checks Payable to American Legion Department of ND

Send Payment Before June 15th to American Legion Dept of ND, 405 Main Ave W, Suite 4A, West Fargo, ND 58078

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AWARDS AVAILABLE FOR MEMBER RECRUITMENT

Regional Recruiter of the Year (by Post Size Categories) - 4 new member recruiters in each region who signed up the highest number of new members with a minimum of 5 will receive a special designed cap pin.

Department Recruiter of the Year - One individual selected from the Regional winners who signed up the most new members will receive travel allowance to the Dept Convention in Bismarck to include round-trip mileage, one night hotel accommodations and honored. They will also receive a plaque from National and their name will be entered in the National competition for a chance to win a trip to the National Convention.

Gold Division Membership - Department award given to any recruiter who signs up 25 new members. They will receive a Gold Division Baseball Cap and Membership Shirt and Fleece Jacket.

Gold Platoon Membership - Department award given to any recruiter who signs up 15 new members. They will receive a Gold Platoon Baseball Cap and Membership Shirt.

Gold Squadron Membership - Department award given to any recruiter who signs up 5 new members. They will receive a Gold Squadron Baseball Cap.

NEW 2023 MEMBER RECRUITER CERTIFICATION

All new members must be enrolled by May 15th and their membership mailed to Department Headquarters by May 23rd to qualify. A NEW MEMBER is defined as any member signed into The American Legion for 2023 that was not a member of The American Legion for the 2022 membership year. Therefore, reinstated members, who last paid dues in 2021 or earlier, are considered NEW MEMBERS. ****You MUST include a list of names of new members recruited for each recruiter being certified for an award!!!!**

Recruiter's Name	Complete Address and Phone Number	**No. of New 2023 Members Min. 5 to qualify - attach list

Name of Post Officer & Post # _____ Title _____

Address: _____

DEPARTMENT PREPARES TO ESTABLISH 2024 MEMBERSHIP PLAN

Again this year, we are forwarding the below questionnaire and asking that the Post Adjutant, and Membership Chairman get together with others from their post to complete and return this form. The information provided will be used, with other factors, in setting post membership goals.

Keeping in mind that the goal for the Department will be set by National Headquarters for the 2024 membership year at approximately 11,000, we ask that you consider a membership goal that is attainable and yet challenging. If every post requests goals that are below that of the previous year, we will have a difficult time reaching our National Goal.

We use the following factors when establishing membership goals:

- Losses to the post due to deaths and transfers-out;
- Gains to the post through the Direct Membership Solicitation Program and transfers-in;
- Veteran population in county area compared to membership enrollment;
- National's Goal set for the Department.

In order for us to use the requested information in setting your 2024 Membership Goal, we MUST have your completed questionnaire returned to our office by May 30th. Last year less than half of the posts returned the form. If we do not get the form in time, we will set goals the best we can.

----- -Detach here and mail ------

2024 MEMBERSHIP GOAL QUESTIONNAIRE

(Please Complete and Mail or email to programs@ndlegion.org by May 30th)

POST NUMBER _____ LOCATED AT _____

NUMBER OF MEMBERS DURING THE PERIOD 1 JUNE 2022 - 30 MAY 2023 WHO DIED:
BEFORE 2023 DUES WERE PAID _____ AFTER 2023 DUES WERE PAID _____

NUMBER OF 2023 PAID MEMBERS TRANSFERRED OUT DURING SAME PERIOD _____

TOTAL 2024 MEMBERSHIP YOU FEEL YOUR POST IS CAPABLE OF ATTAINING _____

REMARKS AND/OR COMMENTS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT'S 2024 MEMBERSHIP PLAN:

SIGNED _____

TITLE _____

NOTE: Please be sure that only one copy of this form is sent in before the May 30th deadline.

