



Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin

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Adjutants Update November 2009

Squadron Contact Form: To save on postage and printing cost, we have reduced our mailing to one per squadron. Each squadron should fill out a new Squadron Contact Form, if you are no longer the primary contact person, please forward this information to the correct person.

S.A.L Mid-Winter January 29-30 2010: The Sons of The American Legion 2010 Mid-Winter Conference will be held at the Wilderness Resort in the Wisconsin Dells January 29-30, in conjunction with the Legion Mid-Winter. We have an invitation in to National Commander Mark Arneson; Mark lived in Brackett, WI during his youth and now hails from Georgia and is looking forward to coming home for a visit.

Our Committees and Commissions will meet on Friday afternoon, Saturday morning will be workshops and educational training and the DEC will meet Saturday afternoon. There will be time to enjoy the Legion Mid-Winter Conference preview showing of the Discover Wisconsin program on The Wisconsin American Legion that evening.

Bring your family and enjoy the indoor water park and many activities offered in the Wisconsin Dells. The next issue of the Badger Legionnaire will feature registration forms, schedules, and information on reserving your hotel room in the Wisconsin American Legion room block.

Sons of The American Legion members and guest will be required to pay the registration fees and display their ID badge to attend the training and special events. Registration information will be mailed in December to the Squadron Contact person of record and will be in the Badger Legionnaire.

Americanism Coloring Contest: The Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin's Americanism Committee is sponsoring a coloring contest. The entry form will be published in the Sons of The American Legion newsletter, the SALute, and mailed one per SAL household, or print it from our web site, www.wisal.org.

There will be five age groups, with prizes for each age group, • 0-3 • 4-7 • 8-12 • 13-17 • 18 and older. Deadline is April 1st, 2010 Contest will be judged at the Spring DEC meeting in Portage Prizes will be presented at the Detachment Convention in Wausau July 17 2010 This should be a fun activity for your Squadron, make this a project in your communities; use it to educate our members and the public about the Pledge of Allegiance.

2009 Accomplishments: Please look at the 2009 accomplishment list, as you can see the Sons of The American Legion provide a great service to our nation, our community and our veterans, and I for one thank you. The data on the accomplishment sheet is collect from the consolidated report forms and only 20 percent of squadrons submit the report. Imagine what the numbers would be if we all reported. Your new consolidated report form will be mailed in March, in the mean while please keep a running list of the hours of service and monetary donations that your squadrons does, this will make filling out the report easier.

Training and Education: In response to our surveys and your requests, the Convention and Activities Committee in cooperation with the Officers Development Team has educational training sessions scheduled at the mid-winter conference. We will be offering: **Five Star and Ten Ideals Program, Flag Education, Camp American Legion and Voluntary Services at the Veterans Administration facilities.**

Bring your officers and members; send a few to each session to take notes and report to your squadron. The Legion will also have workshops running concurrently that you may attend.

District Report: For those Districts and Squadrons who obtained 100% by Veterans Day November 11 the Detachment will make a donation in your squadrons name to the Commanders **Homeless Veterans Project**, and issue a citation personally signed by Commander Powers.

1. Eleventh District 130.30%, 2. Twelfth District 113.56%, 3. Third District 78.61%, 4. Fifth District 77.05%, 5. Fourth District 72.76%, 6. First District 48.49%, 7. Sixth District 46.88%, 8. Tenth District 39.87%, 9. Seventh District 36.98%, 10. Second District 29.88%, 11. Ninth District 22.60%, 12. Eighth District 22.12%

How does your district compare to your [Legion](#) and [Auxiliary](#) counterparts, make membership a Legion Family event.