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Greetings Mighty 2nd District!

I would like to thank everyone who had the opportunity to attend the District Fall Conference. It was a great turn out! It was nice to see so many new faces. For those who requested to have a copy of the Power Points and/or a video copy of Vice Commander Johnson's "Why" presentation, your requests have not gone on deaf ears. It has been a busy couple of months and once things settle down, we will work on those.

One of the presentations was regarding Constitution and Bylaws. Do you know where your Constitution and Bylaws are? Do you know the purpose of having a Constitution and Bylaws? They are meant to help you run your business (post). What would happen if you weren't there to remember the traditions of your post? Your Constitution and Bylaws should have these traditions called out so your post can carry on, no matter who is running it, until they are changed. A regular review of them is recommended.

Membership

I would like to give a shout out to the Hubertus Post 522 for currently being the District's only 100% Post. The following Posts need 10 or less for 100%. You can do it!

Post 193 - Triangle B(1)	Post 555 – Sheboygan(2)	Post 261 – Greenbush(6)	Post 387 – Franklin(9)
Post 245 – Hingham(1)	Post 305 – Johnson Creek(3)	Post 410 - Fredonia(6)	Post 215 – Pardeeville(10)
Post 513 – Rome(1)	Post 286 – Oostburg(4)	Post 145 – Random Lake(8)	
Post 484 – Glenbeulah(2)	Post 401 – Cambria(5)	Post 190 – Reeseville(8)	

If you have not gone onto mylegion.org to get a list of 2930 (holding post) members in your area or have not requested one from myself or Chris at headquarters, please do so and make contact with those members! Very few contacted decline transfer into a local post.

The 2nd District is currently 4th amongst all Districts. We lead the Department (State) with new members by 30 over the next closest District. We are 2nd amongst Districts in 2930 transfers and are about 30 members behind the first place District.

The first round of Buddy Checks is almost completed with success amongst the Posts that participated. The calls made revealed some of our members are in need of assistance or just someone to talk to. If you were notified of a member in need, please make sure to reach out to them to let them know you are thinking of them. Vice Commander Johnson will be sending out information for the 2nd round of buddy checks for April. Remember, Buddy Checks are an important means of retaining our members. Heck, do buddy checks all year round and send your members a birthday card or just a "we are thinking of you" card. Little things go a long way.

Wisconsin is currently 4th in membership amongst all other Departments.

Upcoming events

The 2nd District Oratorical Competition is coming up quickly! Saturday, **January 18th** at 10am at Ho Chunk will be here before we know it. County Commanders, don't forget to get the name of your contestant to Ron Kuta as soon as your competition is completed.

Midwinter will be from January 17 – 19 also at Ho Chunk. A flyer is in the Post mailings which just came out. There is great training available if you just want to come up Saturday. For those who may want to come up Friday and stay overnight, 2nd District's very own Greg Eirich will be hosting a hospitality room for his run for Department Commander. Those staying the weekend or maybe just Saturday night, a banquet will be held followed by music from The Memories.

If you haven't attended a Midwinter Conference before, I recommend you give it a try. We continue to try to give you as much training to help you run your business (Post) as possible.

Four Chaplains Day is Saturday, **February 1st** at Beaver Dam Post 146. Flyers will be sent out soon. Mark this on your calendar and join us in honoring these four brave chaplains and the sacrifice they made for their shipmates.

See the attached document for all the upcoming 2nd District events and important dates.

I have also attached the 2nd District Directory. If there are changes, please let me know so I can make the update and send out specifics.

You will also find a report attached from the Legionnaire Insurance Trust regarding Financial Preparedness for Veterans. It makes for interesting reading.

Just a reminder to please forward your meeting minutes or newsletter to me. I would like to know of upcoming events so I can plan to attend as my calendar allows.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

I would like to wish everyone the happiest of holidays.

Thank you,

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