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Support Is The Key To Success

First of all in my closing message to you, I would like to thank my family, especially my Husband Bob, for all the sacrifices they have made. Their support has been beyond expectations. I couldn't have done this job without them.

I have always been the symbolic leader of any position or office I have held. I could not have completed my job or assignment without the support and hard work of our "American Legion Family".

What we have done in the last year:

- I've watched every Post, District and Area work as a team to do everything they could to make our goal. Even though we didn't make the goal that National set for us; I care more for what we have done as a team.
- We asked you to make 100% in turning in your



Consolidated Post Reports (CPR). As of this writing, we have 91 reports turned in. Way to go!

- We asked you to reach out and support our active duty soldiers and their families. I see it more and more at my visits all over the state.
- I see and hear about the fund raising and donations to Veteran hospitals.

- The whole Legion Family has joined together to have welcome home/send off gatherings for the Guard and Reserve groups coming home or being deployed.
- Assisting with the needs of Veterans and active duty members and their families whenever it is needed.
- Seeking out the returning veterans and asking them to become part of our team.
- We are working our Legion programs. We now have more posts supporting teams in Legion Baseball. You are reaching out to the schools to bring a needed message to American children on what our flag and constitution means to us and them.

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Operation Comfort Warriors wins \$250K From Pepsi Cola

WASHINGTON (March 22, 2010) – The people voted and the troops won. PepsiCo has officially announced that The American Legion's Operation Comfort Warriors will be awarded a \$250,000 grant from the soft drink giant after finishing first in voting during February's Refresh Everything Project.

Internet voters were able to choose which of

729 competing charities would receive grants of \$5,000, \$25,000, \$50,000 or \$250,000. The top three finishers in the \$250,000 category are receiving the grants.

"There are so many people to thank, I don't know where to begin," said American Legion National Commander Clarence E. Hill. "First, I want to thank Pepsi and its charitable Global Giving Foundation. Then I want to thank The American Legion members, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion members and Legion Riders who supported us by spreading the word and voting. In fact, I want to thank everybody who voted for Operation Comfort Warriors. This was truly a national grassroots effort. Most of all, I want to thank our troops, who go into harm's way for us every day. It is their sacrifice that makes it possible for us to enjoy the freedoms we all share."

Since December 2008, the American Legion family has raised funds for Operation Comfort Warriors, a program dedicated to meeting the needs of wounded military personnel, providing them with comfort items not usually supplied

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Brand New Web Site

In case you have not noticed we are sporting some new digs on the World Wide Web.

We want to know what you think of the new look and functionality of our new site. We have taken many factors into consideration and hope that this will serve our members and community.

Please feel free to send us any suggestions or comments about the site and content. As always, we will be adding new features to our site and want to take into consideration what would be useful to you.

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by the government. OCW ensures that patients at U.S. military hospitals and warrior transition units are given items like sweat suits, DVDs, puzzles, electronic devices, books, calling cards and more. The American Legion

pays all administrative costs for the program, meaning 100 percent of the donations, including the grant money, will go directly to purchasing items for the troops.

The American Legion, a wartime veterans organization, was founded

in 1919 on the four pillars of a strong national security, veterans affairs, Americanism, and youth programs. Legionnaires work for the betterment of their communities through more than 14,000 posts across the nation. For more on Operation Comfort Warriors, visit www.legion.org/ocw .

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You are working to change your goals at the Post level to make it friendlier to our younger Veterans and their families. This is what the American Legion is all about.

At the Awards Dinners that I attended, it was wonderful to see how excited

and proud the members were to be recognized for their volunteer work. Every Post should be doing this. If you recognize them with a Thank You whether it is a document, plaque, or a pat on the back, they will continue volunteering.

My theme of "BACK TO BASICS" is what you did. Thank you for everything

you've accomplished this year.

Our future as an American Legion Family is in safe hands. Thanks for caring.

For God and Country,

Carol Hamburger Department Commander



2010 National Convention

Milwaukee, Wisconsin August 27 - September 2, 2010



The Arizona Delegation has been assigned to the Clarion Hotel, 5311 South Howell Avenue, 53204, (414) 481-2400 Rooms are limited and reservations will be on a first come, first served basis. Please indicate arrival & departure dates

NATIONAL CONVENTION RESERVATION FORM

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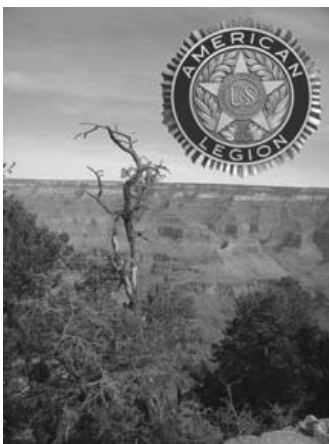
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ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS BY JULY 16, 2010

- Occupancy Tax in the amount 14.6% per room/night is already included in the room rate. \$2.00 per room night is returned to the National Convention Corporation by the hotel.

CANCELLATION MUST BE RECEIVED AT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS BY JULY 23, 2010



For the Latest Legion Info www.azlegion.org



The American Legion

Department of Arizona

Annual Convention - June 17-20, 2010

Glendale, Arizona



General Information:

****NOTICE****

ALL Attendees must be REGISTERED to attend EVENTS

All meetings are held at the Renaissance Glendale Hotel, 9475 W. Coyote Blvd. Hospitality Suites (check at registration desk)

Registration hours: **Registration Desk**
 Thursday, June 17th Noon until 5:30 PM
 Friday, June 18th 7AM until 5:30 PM
 Saturday, June 19th 7AM until 3:00 PM
 Sunday, June 20th 7AM until 9:00 AM

Special Events:

Golf Tournament, Thursday, Registration 7:00AM, Falcon Dunes Golf Course, Luke AFB
 Membership Breakfast, 100% Post, District & Area Vice Commanders, Friday, 7:00AM, Post 29
 PALS Dinner, Friday, 5:30PM, Post 29
 GNUTS Luncheon, Saturday, 11:30AM, Post 29
 PDC Luncheon, Sunday, 1:00PM, Post 29

****SERVICE OFFICERS SEMINAR – Friday...1:00PM to 5:00PM...**

Thursday, June 17, 2010

| TIME | EVENT | SPEAKER CHAIRMAN | LOCATION |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| 2:30pm | Finance Committee Meeting | Rollin Kohrs, Chairman | Asteria Boardroom |
| 4:00pm | Rules Committee | Joe Aguilar, NEC | Aurora A |
| 6:00pm | Joint Opening Session | | Solana E |
| | Call to Order | Carol Hamburger, Department Commander | |
| | Advancement of Colors | Carl Armbruster, Sgt-At-Arms | |
| | Invocation | Post 61 Color Guard | |
| | Pledge of Allegiance | Carol Stensby, Chaplain | |
| | Preamble to Constitution | All | |
| | Opening Remarks | All | |
| | Call to Convention | Carol Hamburger, Commander | |
| | Report of Rules Committee | John Aldecoa, Adjutant | |
| | Welcome, Host Post 29 | Joe Aguilar, NEC | |
| | Greetings: | Ruben Gonzalez, Commander | |
| | Mayor, City of Glendale | Elaine Scruggs | |
| | Chief of Police, Glendale | Steven Conrad | |
| | Luke AFB Commander | BG Kurt Neubover | |
| | Sons of The American Legion | Xavier Rodriguez, Detachment Commander | |
| | The American Legion Auxiliary | Debbie Collins, Department President | |
| | Jr Auxiliary | Vickey Zwall, NEC | |
| | Disabled American Veterans | Alyson Florian, President | |
| | Veterans of Foreign Wars | John Adkins, Department Commander | |
| | Korean War Veterans | Mike Ferguson, Department Commander | |
| | MOPH | Jesse Gersten, Department Commander | |
| | 40 et 8 | Al Rodriguez, Department Commander | |
| | 20 et 4 | John Aldecoa, Grand Chef de Gare | |
| | 8 & 40 | Dee Hoisington, Director VIP | |
| | Arizona Dept of Veterans Services | Joann Wylie, Departmental Chapeau | |
| | VA Regional Office | Joey Strickland, Director | |
| | Distinguished Legislator Award | Sandy Flynn, Director | |
| | | Jerry Weiers (Paul Griffin) | |

Membership Challenge

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING TO FOLLOW

Friday June 18, 2010

| | | | |
|------------|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 7:00am | Membership Breakfast | 100% Post, District, Area Vice Cmdrs | Post 29 |
| 8:30-11:30 | Legion Riders | John Moffitt | Solana A |
| 8:30am | Chaplains' Seminar | Carol Stensby | Aurora D |
| | Constitution & By-Laws Resolutions | Neal Sundeen | Aurora B |
| | VA&R Commission | Jim Burke | Cira Ballroom A |
| | Rehabilitation | Mike Espinosa | |
| | Employment | Tony Valenzuela | |
| | Cemetery | Mel Zacko | |
| | Club Committee | Bud Hansing | Solana C |
| | Membership Committee | Andy Jaime | Cira Ballroom C |
| | Children & Youth Commission | | Cira Ballroom B |
| | Children & Youth | Roland Matteson | |
| | Education | Keith Bartz | |
| | ALLECA | Frank Whitten | |
| | Jr Shooting Sports | Mike Jurczak | |
| | National Security Commission | | Solana D |
| | National Security | Shaun Shields | |
| | POW/MIA | Phil Johnson | |
| | Law & Order | Scott Miller | |

Friday continued

| TIME | EVENT | SPEAKER CHAIRMAN | LOCATION |
|-----------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 10:00am | Convention & Conference Committee | Louis Pellon | Solana C |
| | Americanism Commission | | Cira Ballroom C |
| | Americanism | Charles Vawter | |
| | Baseball | Rollin Kohrs / Tom Kusek | |
| | Boy Scouts | Ariel Rodriguez | |
| | Boys State | Charles Vawter | |
| | Citizens Flag Alliance | Maria Currie | |
| | Oratorical Chairman Meeting | Roger Munchbach | Aurora C |
| | Historians Seminar | Brian Gehling | Aurora D |
| | Legislative Committee | Paul Griffin | Cira Ballroom B |
| | Legislative Council | Neal Sundeen | Cira Ballroom B |
| | Bingo Committee | Frank Whitten | Aurora A |
| | Trophies & Awards | Bob Nixon | Asteria Boardroom |
| | Public Relations Commission | | Aurora B |
| | Public Relations | Don DeMarte | |
| | Press Association | Ron Murphy | |
| 11:30 | Lunch | | |
| 1:00-5:00 | Service Officers Seminar | Art Brest, Department Service Officer | Solana B |
| 1:30 pm | Convention Reconvenes | Carol Hamburger, Commander | Solana E |
| | Credentials Report | Marge Ahrens | |
| | ESGR, 162nd Fighter Wing | William G. Valenzuela, AZ Chair | |
| | Minutemen Committee | Emeritus | |
| | Constitution & By-Laws Report | Neal Sundeen | |
| | Resolutions Report | Jim Burke | |
| | Legislative Report | Paul Griffin | |
| | Children & Youth Report | Roland Matteson | |
| | National Security Report | Shaun Shields | |
| | POW/MIA Report | Phil Johnson | |
| | Law and Order | Scott Miller | |
| | Legion Riders | John Moffitt | |
| | Legionnaire Insurance Trust | John Aldecoa | |
| 5:30pm | PALS Dinner | Post 29 | |

Saturday, June 19, 2010

| TIME | EVENT | SPEAKER CHAIRMAN | LOCATION |
|-----------|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 8:30am | SAL Convention | Xavier Rodriguez, Commander | Solana A |
| 8:00am | Convention Reconvenes | Carol Hamburger, Commander | Solana E |
| | National Vice Commander | Morris Bentley, Idaho | |
| | Credentials Report | Marge Ahrens | |
| | Arizona Senator | John McCain | |
| | Membership Report & Awards | Andy Jaime | |
| | Trophies & Awards Report | Bob Nixon | |
| | Convention & Conference Report | Louis Pellon | |
| | Club Committee Report | Bud Hansing | |
| | Americanism Report | Charles Vawter | |
| | VA&R Committee Report | Mike Espinosa | |
| 10:30am | Area A Caucus | Ken Dowse, Vice Commander | Cira Ballroom A |
| | Area B Caucus | George Cushing, Vice Commander | Cira Ballroom B |
| | Area C Caucus | Joe Duggan, Vice Commander | Cira Ballroom C |
| 11:30am | Lunch | GNUTS Luncheon | Post 29 |
| 1:00-4:00 | Commander & Adjutant Training | Carol Hamburger / John Aldecoa | Solana B |
| 4:30pm | 40 et 8 | John Aldecoa, Grand Chef | Aurora A |
| 4:30pm | 20 et 4 | Dee Hoisington, Director VIP | Aurora B |

Sunday June 21, 2010

| TIME | EVENT | SPEAKER CHAIRMAN | LOCATION |
|--------|---|---------------------------------|--------------|
| 8:30am | Joint Memorial Service | Carol Stensby, Chaplain | Media Center |
| 9:30am | Convention Reconvenes | Karen Smith, Auxiliary Chaplain | |
| | Credentials Report | Carol Hamburger, Commander | Solana E |
| | SAL Report | Marge Ahrens | |
| | Final Convention Report | SAL Liaison | |
| | Election of Department Officers: | Louis Pellon | |
| | | Commander | |
| | | 3 Vice Commanders | |
| | | NEC & Alternate NEC | |
| | Farewell Speech | Carol Hamburger | |
| | Installation of Officers | Louis Pellon | |
| | Acceptance Speech | Newly Elected Commander | |
| | Announcements | John Aldecoa, Adjutant | |
| | Benediction | Carol Stensby, Chaplain | |
| | Retirement of Colors | Carl Armbruster, Sgt-At-Arms | |
| | Executive Committee Meeting | Newly Elected Commander | |
| 1:00pm | PDC Luncheon | Carol Hamburger, Host | Post 29 |

****Have a SAFE Trip Home****

A.L.L.E.C.A. Encampment In Prescott

The ALLECA encampment this year will be back at Emmanuel Pines outside of Prescott. Opening day for the cadets is Saturday, June

26th with graduation at Noon on July 2nd. As of the writing of this article, we have gotten over 40 applications in. Last year, we had a record number of graduates for the 28 years of the program; we are hoping to increase the number this year.

and observe the training these cadets go through. It is a pleasure to see how they progress.

As its Director for the last few years, I have been proud of what the program has accomplished in bringing to the youth the knowledge of what it means to be a law enforcement officer and what the field of law enforcement actually encompasses. I am now turning my position as Director over to a younger Legionnaire who I am sure will remain with the program for many years to come. I have recommended to the upcoming Department Commander, DPS Sgt. Dan Palmer, Post 61 as my replacement. Dan has been with the ALLECA program since its days at the DPS training facility in Tucson. He has been Academy Commandant for some years and during that time has made ALLECA a program to be proud of.

Finally, I want to thank all the Department Officers, the Districts, the Posts and the Legionnaires who have supported the ALLECA program over the years. I am sure all will provide the same support to Dan.

Frank Whitten, Director, ALLECA

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A few months back, I found material pertaining to ALLECA at Department that I didn't know was still around. It dealt with the founding of the program in 1981. Apparently that year, a resolution was passed at the Department Convention calling for the developing of some type of Law Enforcement program for teens in conjunction with the Arizona Department of Public Safety. Very early on, the program was recognized by such noted individuals as Senator Barry Goldwater, Senator Dennis Deconcini, Bob Stump and Eldon Rudd. Over the years, the program has evolved into one that has gained recognition by our National headquarters as evidenced by the articles in the "Dispatch" and the Legion magazine. This is truly a Children and Youth program as well as one that can easily fit into National Security. All Legionnaires are welcome to drop in during the week of the camp



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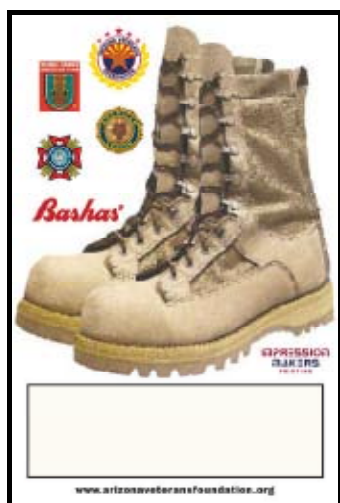
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Heber-Overgaard Post Builds Memorial

This Veterans Memorial was "unveiled" by Department Commander Carol Hamburger May 15th at John D Wibby American Legion Post #86 in Heber-Overgaard honoring all Veterans. Many volunteer hours and hard work went into this. Stop by & visit when you are in the area.



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Membership Director

Congratulations to Posts Reaching 100% Mark

Hello Legionnaires! I recently sent out letters to all of the Posts that reached the 100% goal and above. What an excellent job! We all know how hard it is to achieve that goal each year and we at Department appreciate your determination.

For those that have not reached their 100% goal, I say keep trying. Post #44 in Scottsdale (my

Post) hosted an Open House on May 22nd for eligible veterans and their families. Tours of our Posts were given, free hot dogs, sodas and fliers explaining some of our programs. All we asked of the veterans was to bring their proof of service and we signed them up that day. We will not give up trying.

I wish all of you success in your continued efforts to reach your goals. If I can help, please call me on my cell at (602) 570-9481. It is always on. Thank you all for your hospitality on my visits and I still have a few more District meetings to attend. Hope to see you all at Department Convention!

Still serving for God & Country

Andres "Andy" Jaime, Jr.
Membership Chairman

Carol's "Welcome Home" Party



Nathan, a terrific alto saxophonist from Raymond Kellis H.S., serenading Commander Carol with "Harlem Nocturne" which is Carol and Bob's favorite song. (This was a special gift from her office staff)



Post 29 Commander Ruben, Commander Carol & Adjutant, Rollin Kohrs with a gift from Post 29



Our Area Vice Commanders, Larry, Curly and Moe (he's looking rough) presenting a gift to Commander Carol



We had a terrific crowd to "Welcome Home" Department Commander Carol



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Chaplain's Corner

Cleanliness Is Next To Godliness!?!

Remember when you were a youngster and were told to wash up for dinner? Like the obedient child you were, you dashed right off to wash your hands. When finished, you proudly presented palms to Mom for inspection at which time she promptly turned those palms over and announced that you'd forgotten to wash the backs of your hands and made a comment on those filthy nails. Her next comment, without fail, was "Remember; cleanliness is next to Godliness".

One wonders, is God really preoccupied with clean hands or maybe is He more concerned with our cultivating a clean heart and mind? It seems we would all



become more God-like if we were able to cleanse ourselves of hatred, bias, envy, sloth and such; the very things that make us not like God at all.

It takes work on our part. We need to be aware of what we're thinking and why. Unkind thoughts and phrases seem to come so easily while the opposite is often hard to conjure up. Let's all concentrate on being a little kinder each day, one day at a time and before we know it, God's light will shine brighter around us all and His all-encompassing love will warm our hearts.

To quote George Burns from

his movie "OH GOD" – "THINK ABOUT IT!"

Carol Stensby, Department Chaplain

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Membership Report

May 22, 2010

| Area | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| A Ken Dowse | 9,120 | 9,266 | 101.60 |
| B George Cushing | 19,514 | 18,754 | 96.11 |
| C Joe Duggan | 8,672 | 8,236 | 91.88 |
| HQ Carol Hamburger | 7,694 | 4,966 | 64.54 |
| Grand Totals: | 45,000 | 41,349 | 91.89 |

High Area - A - 101.60%
 High District - 2 - 104.57%
 High Post - 131 - 755.77%

District 1 - Commander: Dale Hiller

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 19 H.H. Donkersley | Yuma | 1,047 | 1,072 | 102.39 |
| 46 Chic Chisom | Bouse | 136 | 136 | 100.00 |
| 47 Somerton | Somerton | 15 | 15 | 100.00 |
| 56 Floyd G. Jefferson | Yuma | 174 | 180 | 103.45 |
| 67 Frank Mick | Roll | 36 | 37 | 102.78 |
| 70 Fremman Sharp | Parker | 37 | 47 | 127.03 |
| District Totals | | 1,445 | 1,487 | 102.91 |

District 2 - Commander: Gary Nelson

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 7 Morgan McDermott | Tucson | 475 | 464 | 97.68 |
| 23 Ridge-Igo | Nogales | 86 | 82 | 95.35 |
| 36 John P. Burns | Tucson | 1,330 | 1,376 | 103.46 |
| 59 Cocio-Estrada | Tucson | 327 | 316 | 96.64 |
| 66 Green Valley | Sahuarita | 1,549 | 1,422 | 91.80 |
| 68 Sahuaro | Tucson | 352 | 329 | 93.47 |
| 73 Casas Adobes | Tucson | 188 | 179 | 95.21 |
| 74 Calabasas | Rio Rico | 15 | 2 | 13.33 |
| 102 Tucson Mountains | Tucson | 143 | 118 | 82.52 |
| 109 McCulloch-Wagner | Vail | 643 | 664 | 103.27 |
| 111 Patagonia | Patagonia | 15 | 15 | 100.00 |
| 113 Burton E. Buck | Sonoita | 34 | 30 | 88.24 |
| 125 Yoem | Tucson | 33 | 26 | 78.79 |
| 131 Madera | Green Valley | 52 | 393 | 755.77 |
| 132 Oro Valley | Oro Valley | 35 | 102 | 291.43 |
| District Totals | | 5,277 | 5,518 | 104.57 |

District 3 - Commander: Norma DeGonzague

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 11 Fred A. Hilburn | Douglas | 304 | 326 | 107.24 |
| 16 L. A. Engle Jr. | Bisbee | 98 | 83 | 84.69 |
| 20 Tenely - Lopez | Willcox | 35 | 46 | 131.43 |
| 24 Roy Fourr | Tombstone | 647 | 613 | 94.74 |
| 45 Vicente Manzo | Benson | 81 | 81 | 100.00 |
| 52 Bill Carmichael | Sierra Vista | 914 | 900 | 98.47 |
| District Totals | | 2,079 | 2,049 | 98.56 |

District 4 - Commander: Charlie Robbins

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| 8 Fred A. Humphreys | Casa Grande | 220 | 228 | 103.64 |
| 9 McClellan-Parsons | Florence | 204 | 191 | 93.63 |
| 17 William P. Kern | Superior | 34 | 26 | 76.47 |
| 18 P.A.L. | Kearny | 46 | 34 | 73.91 |
| 48 Francis M. Bunch | San Manuel | 76 | 51 | 67.11 |
| 51 Haskel Osife Antone | Blackwater | 29 | 28 | 96.55 |
| 54 William David Hood | Coolidge | 129 | 131 | 101.55 |
| 97 San Tan | San Tan Foothills | 16 | 34 | 212.50 |
| 129 Duane Ellsworth | Queen Creek | 96 | 78 | 81.25 |
| 133 Maricopa | Maricopa | 22 | 28 | 127.27 |
| District Totals | | 872 | 829 | 95.07 |

District 5 - Commander: George Sticklin

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|---------|------------|------------|--------------|
| 4 Henry Berry | Globe | 211 | 206 | 97.63 |
| 28 Lloyd C. Hill | Clifton | 122 | 105 | 86.07 |
| 32 Swift-Murphy | Safford | 435 | 447 | 102.76 |
| 49 McCulloch-McNair | Duncan | 29 | 27 | 93.10 |
| 95 Lopez-Hernandez | Solomon | 95 | 85 | 89.47 |
| District Totals | | 892 | 870 | 97.53 |

District 6 - Commander: Tom Alstatt

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 15 Frank Perkins | Winslow | 92 | 86 | 93.48 |
| 30 John H. Slaughter | Springerville | 182 | 160 | 87.91 |
| 31 Greer-Dewitt | Saint Johns | 33 | 29 | 87.88 |
| 37 Navajo | Holbrook | 79 | 61 | 77.22 |
| 60 Whiteriver | Whiteriver | 46 | 50 | 108.70 |
| 69 Tonto Rim | Payson | 493 | 494 | 100.20 |
| 76 WilliamHouse | Show Low | 237 | 223 | 94.09 |
| 80 Hopi | Kykotsmovi | 15 | 36 | 240.00 |
| 82 Warren L. Dempsey | Ganado | 15 | 3 | 20.00 |
| 86 John D. Wibby | Overgaard | 438 | 438 | 100.00 |
| 126 Snowflake - Taylor | Snowflake | 32 | 30 | 93.75 |
| 130 Joseph McCarthy | Saint Johns | 21 | 12 | 57.14 |
| District Totals | | 1,683 | 1,622 | 96.38 |

District 7 - Commander: Ann Seney

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|-------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 3 Mark A. Moore | Flagstaff | 596 | 574 | 96.31 |
| 13 Cordova | Williams | 108 | 146 | 135.19 |
| 14 Swaskegame | Kingman | 330 | 309 | 93.64 |
| 22 Golden Valley | Golden Valley | 249 | 232 | 93.17 |
| 33 Jerry & Daw | Tonalea | 15 | 16 | 106.67 |
| 42 John Ivans | Grand Canyon | 194 | 195 | 100.52 |
| 57 Robert Fulton | Ash Fork | 108 | 94 | 87.04 |
| 81 Robert A. Eckert | Havasu City | 1,306 | 1,300 | 99.54 |
| 87 Mohave Valley | Bullhead City | 539 | 505 | 93.69 |
| 88 Dolan Springs | Dolan Springs | 135 | 119 | 88.15 |
| 103 Meadview | Meadview | 54 | 42 | 77.78 |
| 112 Curtis Huskon | Leupp | 21 | 22 | 104.76 |
| 123 Forrest C. Longwell | Seligman | 36 | 34 | 94.44 |
| 127 Mohave Valley | Mohave Valley | 57 | 43 | 75.44 |
| 136 Yucca | Yucca | 16 | 20 | 125.00 |
| District Totals | | 3,764 | 3,651 | 97.00 |

District 8 - Commander: Jeri Strande

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 6 Ernest A. Love | Prescott | 806 | 775 | 96.15 |
| 25 Verde Valley | Cottonwood | 907 | 776 | 85.56 |
| 40 Bobby Bisjak | Chino Valley | 438 | 381 | 86.99 |
| 78 Humboldt | Humboldt | 249 | 228 | 91.57 |
| 79 Taylor-Keehner | Yarnell | 246 | 266 | 108.13 |
| 90 Black Canyon City | Black Cyn Cty | 47 | 41 | 87.23 |
| 93 David C. Johnson | Camp Verde | 337 | 300 | 89.02 |
| 104 Dennis S. Pike | Bagdad | 25 | 22 | 88.00 |
| 108 Gary Streeter | Prescott Vly | 103 | 92 | 89.32 |
| 122 Cordes Lakes Mem. | Cordes Lakes | 43 | 46 | 106.98 |
| 135 Cornville | Cornville | 24 | 36 | 150.00 |
| District Totals | | 3,225 | 2,963 | 91.88 |

District 11 - Commander Bob Gilmore

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 Luke-Greenway | Phoenix | 1068 | 986 | 92.32 |
| 5 Southern Meadows | Phoenix | 73 | 67 | 91.78 |
| 10 Organ Pipe Cactus | Ajo | 90 | 90 | 100.00 |
| 12 Kellis-Draper | Wickenburg | 371 | 339 | 91.37 |
| 29 Earl E. Mitchell | Glendale | 1,546 | 1,456 | 94.18 |
| 43 Hazel Morton | Phoenix | 17 | 17 | 100.00 |
| 50 Thomas Tang | Phoenix | 53 | 53 | 100.00 |
| 53 Hazelton-Butler | Buckeye | 94 | 105 | 111.70 |
| 61 Crandall-Palmer | Avondale | 624 | 635 | 101.76 |
| 62 John J. Morris | Peoria | 2,334 | 2,172 | 93.06 |
| 72 Dwight Eisenhower | Phoenix | 24 | 24 | 100.00 |
| 94 Sun City West | Sun City West | 359 | 349 | 97.21 |
| 96 Surprise | Surprise | 132 | 150 | 113.64 |
| 101 John H. Harries | Sun City | 175 | 142 | 81.14 |
| 105 Christopher J. Lapka | Phoenix | 635 | 595 | 93.70 |
| 128 Daisy Mountain | Anthem | 64 | 56 | 87.50 |
| 134 Laveen | Laveen | 18 | 41 | 227.78 |
| District Totals | | 7,677 | 7,277 | 94.79 |

District 12 - Commander: Judi Beishchel

| Post Name | City | Goal | 2010 | % of Goal |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2 William Bloys | Tempe | 491 | 444 | 90.43 |
| 26 Mesa | Mesa | 1,126 | 1,030 | 91.47 |
| 27 Apache | Apache Jct | 2,504 | 2,434 | 97.20 |
| 34 Frank W. Wright | Cave Creek | 307 | 304 | 99.02 |
| 35 Mathew B. Juan | Chandler | 726 | 651 | 89.67 |
| 39 Merrill-Mitchell | Gilbert | 583 | 564 | 96.74 |
| 41 Tony F. Soza | Phoenix | 838 | 791 | 94.39 |
| 44 Sipe-Peterson | Scottsdale | 1,163 | 1,136 | 97.68 |
| 55 James O. Shroeder | Sun Lakes | 218 | 221 | 101.38 |
| 58 Fountain Hills | Fountain Hills | 429 | 439 | 102.33 |
| 63 Lena Vaughn Whitney | Mesa | 36 | 37 | 102.78 |
| 64 Ahwatukee | Ahwatukee | 149 | 152 | 102.01 |
| 65 Richard H. Hamilton | Phoenix | 337 | 337 | 100.00 |
| 75 Sunnyslope | Phoenix | 382 | 332 | 86.91 |
| 83 East Mesa | Mesa | 108 | 109 | 100.93 |
| 84 Ira H. Hayes | Sacaton | 60 | 47 | 78.33 |
| 91 Wayne V. McMartin | Chandler | 187 | 159 | 85.03 |
| 107 Irving B. Selmer | Phoenix | 542 | 542 | 100.00 |
| 114 Bushmasters | Scottsdale | 54 | 61 | 112.96 |
| 115 North Scottsdale | Scottsdale | 54 | 56 | 103.70 |
| 117 Pat Tillman | Phoenix | 73 | 124 | 169.86 |
| 124 Guadalupe Veterans | Guadalupe | 25 | 20 | 80.00 |
| District Totals | | 10,392 | 9,990 | 96.13 |

New Arizona Bills Affecting Veterans

Signed bills take effect on 29 July 2010

ARIZONA SENATE

SCR 1056- Vietnam Veterans' Day

A concurrent resolution proclaiming each March 29th as Arizona Vietnam Veteran's Day. final read in Senate 28-0 and transmitted to the Secretary of State and Director of Arizona Department of Veterans' Services.

ARIZONA HOUSE

HB 2195 veterans' services; military installation fund (NOW: charitable organizations; pull tab games)

Creates a special "pull tab" type of game under the Arizona Lottery for charitable veterans' service organizations and fraternal organizations. The Lottery Director estimates it will bring in \$12-million a year to such organizations. 23 April 2010; Signed by Governor.

HB 2198 military family relief fund

Expands assistance from the Military Family Relief Fund to the families of Arizona military members deployed since 11 September 2001 who face economic hardship. Currently, the law limits fund assistance to the families of deployed Arizona military members killed, wounded, injured or who suffer serious injury or illness while deployed. Would also allow the Department of Veterans' Services to hire an administrative person for the fund and the committee that oversees the fund. 7 May 2010; Signed by Governor.

HB 2350 Purple Heart recipients; tuition waiver

Will waive Arizona university and Community College tuition for recipients of the Purple Heart Medal whose disability from those wounds for which the medal was received is fifty percent or higher. 23 April 2010; Signed by Governor.

HB 2684 POW/MIA flag; display

Will require the POW/MIA flag to be displayed with the National flag at the state capitol, superior court buildings, city or town halls, and buildings serving as a county's main administrative buildings. 3 May 2010; Signed by Governor.

The above information is to let you know about some of the Arizona Senate and House Bills that pertain to all of our veterans.

Neal Sundeen, Legislative Committee



CALL TO CONVENTION



Call to the 92nd Annual Convention of The American Legion Department of Arizona

By authority of the Department Executive Committee, the 92nd Annual Convention of the American Legion Department of Arizona is hereby called to meet in Glendale, Arizona, June 17 - 20, 2010.

The Convention business sessions will be held in the Solana Ballroom of the Renaissance Glendale Hotel.

The Annual Department Convention is the legislative body of The American Legion, Department of Arizona.

The convention is called for the purpose of setting the programs of The American Legion for the ensuing year, amending the Department Constitution and Bylaws and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it.

At twelve o'clock noon of the final day or at the conclusion of all other business of the Department Convention, which ever occurs first on Sunday, June 20, 2010, officers for the ensuing year will be elected, these being the Department Commander, three Department Vice Commanders, National Executive Committeeman and Alternate National Executive Committeeman, in that sequence.

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