



Central Region

Round-Up

The Membership Newsletter of
Sons of The American Legion
Central Region

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National Target Date
May 13, 2020
90%

RECRUIT!
RETAIN!
REINSTATE!

CENTRAL REGION CHALLENGE DATE
June 30, 2020
110%

Supporting our communities like only The American Legion can



That's the way it has been for a century of service to communities, states, and nation. While The American Legion has responded to disasters and other setbacks over our organization's lifespan, we have never experienced such a unique challenge that we face now with the coronavirus outbreak.



If this was a normal year, this morning I would have presented my report to the National Executive Committee as part of The American Legion's Spring Meetings. Those were wisely cancelled due to the pandemic. Instead I wanted to share with you this message of how we are leading the way during this tumultuous time.

As I stay sheltered in place in North Carolina, I am so inspired by how our American Legion Family is continuing to serve its communities — from a safe distance. From coast to coast, American Legion members are providing food to health-care workers, securing personal protection equipment for first responders, and solving problems for the betterment of veterans, servicemembers and youth in their communities.

Dear American Legion Family Members and Friends,

When a crisis develops, American Legion Family members are there to help their community overcome it. When disaster strikes, American Legion Family members are there to comfort the afflicted. When a veteran needs assistance, Legionnaires are there to prop up their brother or sister.

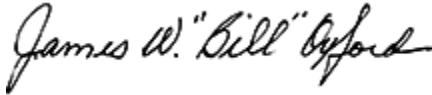
If you have not already, please reference the [new Buddy Check kit](#), which has been enhanced to better serve senior members of our veteran community, who are at the highest risk of COVID-19. Posts

can carry on the Legion's mission by putting together a Buddy Check on the older veterans in the community. At the same time, don't forget families of deployed troops, veterans' widows, youths, and others in your community who may need assistance, or just a friendly call.

There are many other ways that Legionnaires can contribute while adhering to social distancing guidelines. Among them:

- Remember to submit your Consolidated Post Report to help us gauge the impact our organization is having worldwide. You can easily [log into MyLegion.org](#) and submit the CPR for your post electronically. [Or download the form](#) at the national website. They are due to departments by June 1 and national by July 1.
- Work with your local American Red Cross chapter on [sponsoring a blood drive](#) to help fill the urgent need at this time.
- Take a few minutes to fill out our [COVID-19 impact survey](#). The American Legion is using this survey in response to the pandemic. Your identity will remain anonymous unless you choose to be contacted for assistance.

Stay safe, my friends and comrades.




James W. "Bill" Oxford, National Commander

To: All Sons of The American Legion Leadership
From: Anthony W. Wright, National Adjutant
Subject: Resolution NEC2020-S11
Cancellation of 2020 National Convention
Date: May 8, 2020

Although all the votes are not yet cast, I would like you to know that a majority of the NEC has approved this resolution; therefore, the 2020 national convention will be cancelled.

When we receive the rest of the votes, we will provide you with a final tally.



Gents,



Congratulations to all for achieving 90% before the target date. I knew that you would not be satisfied until we reached goal and you proved me right. Our next goal of 100% will be even harder to get but I know you will not rest until that mission is accomplished. Thank you again for your dedication and all that you do.

Richard Doc Pfeiffer, NVC Central

"Serving Those Who Served...Full Steam Ahead"

Gentlemen,

Next week is the NEW National Target Date, where we should be at 90% or higher. Some of the Detachments have already met that target and are well on their way to reaching Quota+.

If you are in a Squadron, District, or Detachment that has not reached the goal, what do you need help with. The National Membership Committee is here if you need us. All of our contact information is available on the last page. Even if it's not our region, the Committee is all on the same page, ready to help, and ready to grow our membership to 400,000.

**Central Region
SAL
Membership**

119,575
Third Place
90.111%
as of May 7, 2020

**Central Region
SAL
Renewals**

108,546
First Place
82.65%
as of the May 4, 2020



Don't be afraid to ask us because we want to help. We want to make sure our Squadrons and Detachments are successful. Please don't be shy. **Who's next?**

110%

Please continue to work hard toward the Central Region Challenge Date of 110% on June 30. **Who will be**

first?

As always, please do not hesitate to contact Doc Pfeiffer or me if you need help with anything.

As a reminder, for the next few weeks I will have limited time to dedicate to *Round-Up* due to work requirements. I will publish the newsletter as time permits.

Thanks for your support of this publication!

Proud Possessor of a Priceless Heritage,



#SALSTRONG

Jeff Vrabel, Sr.
Sons of The American Legion
National Membership Committee
Central Region Chairman
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**"Serving Those Who Served...
Full Steam Ahead"**

MEDIA ALLIANCE

NATIONAL TARGET DATE

May 13, 2020

90%

REVISED

**2019 – 2020
Central Region
Membership Challenge
from Jeff Vrabel, Sr.**

DECEMBER 31	60% ✓
FEBRUARY 1	85% ✓
MARCH 1	90% ✓
APRIL 1	95% ✓
MAY 1	100% ✓
JUNE 30	110%

Who's next?

**Detachment Membership Standings
as of May 7, 2020**

DET	GOAL	ACTUAL	%
IA Q1 *	4,375	4,475	102.286%
WI Q2 *	3,744	3,810	101.763%
OH *	31,133	28,560	91.735%
MI *	24,083	21,924	91.035%
IL	14,546	13,228	90.939%
MN	11,748	10,478	89.190%
IN	39,364	34,391	87.367%
MO	3,705	2,709	73.117%
TOTALS*	132,698	119,575	91.111%

Q = QUOTA – CONGRATULATIONS!!!

* = Met May 13 National Target of 90%

^ = Met June 30 Central Region Challenge of 110%

**National Membership Standings
as of April 30, 2020**

REGION	GOAL	ACTUAL	%
Southern *	42,763	39,808	93.092%
Western *	26,395	24,003	90.938%
Central*	132,698	119,575	90.111%
Eastern	146,273	130,134	88.967%
Midwest	30,366	29,995	88.899%
TOTALS	378,495	340,515	89.966%

* = Met May 13 National Target of 90%

-6,244 ahead of last year

**Detachment Renewal Rates
as of May 4, 2020**

DET	2019	RENEWED	%
IA	4,452	3,955	88.34%
OH	30,456	26,299	86.35%
WI	3,945	3,363	85.25%
MN	11,565	9,665	83.57%
MI	24,126	19,895	82.46%
IL	14,431	11,883	82.34%
IN	38,876	30,996	79.73%
MO	3,485	2,490	71.45%
TOTALS	131,336	108,546	82.65%

**National Renewal Rates
as of May 4, 2020**

REGION	2019	RENEWED	%
Central	131,317	108,546	82.65%
Eastern	144,840	119,105	82.22%
Midwest	29,920	23,682	79.14%
Southern	42,858	33,535	78.21%
Western	26,524	20,022	75.47%
TOTALS	375,540	304,890	82.22%

Membership Committee Call

6:00 PM MST

Call in # (515) 604-9644 Access Code: 889133

Online Meeting

<http://join.freeconferencecall.com/jrnavarr>

The National Membership Committee holds its monthly Conference Calls on the third Tuesday of each month. It is important that we get the message out to as many Membership Chairmen as possible. Please share this with your District and Squadron leadership and ask them to join us.

Detachment Features

Wisconsin	January 26 edition	🙏 Thanks
Illinois	February 2 edition	🙏 Thanks
Michigan	February 23 edition	🙏 Thanks

Thank You for your submissions!

National Commander Clint Bolt's 2019-2020 Goals

Please remember as you travel and promote the Sons of The American Legion and National Commander Clint Bolt's goals for Membership and all Legion Charities.

- 🎯 **RECRUIT, RETAIN, AND REINSTATE** to reach **400,000** members
- 🎯 Renewal rate above 95%
- 🎯 Obtain 105% in membership by National Convention in Louisville, KY
- 🎯 Recognize our achievements
- 🎯 Child Welfare Foundation \$500,000
- 🎯 National Emergency Fund \$100,000
- 🎯 Soldiers Wish \$100,000
- 🎯 Legacy Scholarship \$100,000
- 🎯 Veterans & Children's Fund \$100,000
- 🎯 Operation Comfort Warriors \$100,000

To: SAL National Officers &
 SAL Commission/Committee Chairmen
Re: Passing of National SAL Liaison's – Brother

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of National SAL Liaison, Ken George's brother in California. There are no funeral services planned at this time.

If you would like to send condolence cards to Ken please send to the below address or feel free to email Ken directly at kgeorge@legion.org.

The American Legion National Headquarters
Attn: National SAL Liaison, Ken George
P.O. Box 1055
Indianapolis, IN 46206-1055

Our thoughts and prayers are with Ken and his family during this very difficult time.

Brian Compton
Internal Affairs/SAL & Membership
Charters Clerk

The American Legion National Headquarters
P.O. Box 1055
Indianapolis, IN 46206-1055
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"Veterans Strengthening America"

Bcc: Department Adjutants
 Department Headquarters
 National Executive Committee
 SAL Detachment Adjutants
 SAL National Officers
 SAL National Executive Committee
 National Internal Affairs
 & Membership Staff

All,

The TAL National Membership Record is located online at: <https://www.legion.org/publications/241753/national-membership-record>

The SAL National Membership Record is located online at: <https://www.legion.org/sons/membershipranking>

Thank You,

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APRIL 2019-2020 SQUADRON CHARTER END OF MONTH REPORT 5/04/2020

Detachment	No. of Squadrons as of 6/30/2019	No. of Posts	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Total Sqdns. Chartered	No. of Sqdns. Cancelled	CURRENT TOTAL
ALABAMA	69	177													0		69
ALASKA	23	35													0		23
ARIZONA	79	126			1										2		81
ARKANSAS	48	151													1		49
CALIFORNIA	249	442	1			2		1							4	1	251
COLORADO	72	169	1			1				2					3		76
CONNECTICUT	67	149													0	1	66
DELAWARE	14	27													0		14
DC	3	23													0		3
FLORIDA	185	290						1			2				3	1	187
FRANCE	15	34													0		15
GEORGIA	113	223													0		113
HAWAII	21	21				1									1		12
IDAHO	44	100													0		44
ILLINOIS	285	730	1	2	1				3	2					9		294
INDIANA	298	393													1		299
IOWA	140	580													8		148
KANSAS	141	278			1	3			1	3	1				0		141
KENTUCKY	81	128													0	1	80
LOUISIANA	104	200	1	1											2	2	104
MAINE	72	177								1					0		73
MARYLAND	117	134													0	1	116
MASSACHUSETTS	222	294								1					1		223
MEXICO	6	25													0		6
MICHIGAN	246	384													0		246
MINNESOTA	262	550													2		264
MISSISSIPPI	37	212								1	1	1			3		40
MISSOURI	119	343								1					1		120
MONTANA	52	124													0		52
NEBRASKA	165	355				3					1				4		169
NEVADA	15	36													0		15
NEW HAMPSHIRE	65	101													0		65
NEW JERSEY	218	290													0	1	217
NEW MEXICO	31	85									1				1		32
NEW YORK	584	841													0	1	583
NORTH CAROLINA	98	303									1				1	1	98
NORTH DAKOTA	36	211	1								1				2		38
OHIO	317	528							1	1					1		318
OKLAHOMA	99	177								2					2	2	99
OREGON	40	116									2				0		42
PENNSYLVANIA	465	705	1												1	5	461
PHILIPPINES	6	10													0		6
PUERTO RICO	8	67							1	1					2		10
RHODE ISLAND	13	51													0	1	12
SOUTH CAROLINA	24	165													0		24
SOUTH DAKOTA	35	243								2					2		37
TENNESSEE	60	176					1								1	9	52
TEXAS	248	458									1	2			3	1	250
UTAH	45	96													0		45
VERMONT	38	70													0		38
VIRGINIA	91	210				1									1		92
WASHINGTON	71	161													0		71
WEST VIRGINIA	49	103													0		49
WISCONSIN	137	500					1				2				3	1	139
WYOMING	26	59													0		26
TOTAL	6,188	12,636	2	5	4	9	5	2	12	16	12	1	0	0	68	29	6,197

Affiliated Foreign Squadrons	Breakdown of Squadrons Cancelled by NEC
Detch. of France - Belgium (BE02), China (CH01), Greece (GC01), Germany (GR01, GR03, GR05, GR06, GR07, GR14, GR20, GR30, GR42, GR79)	August 2019 - 24
Detch. of Mexico - Costa Rica (CR10)	October 2019 - 5
Detch. of Hawaii - Australia (AU03)	May 2020 - Cancelled
Detch. of New York - Canada (CN21)	Total: 29



2019 - 2020 Individual Recruitment Award

The National Membership Committee offers a recruitment pin award for those members recruiting five (5) new members into the Sons of The American Legion within a membership year. This pin is suitable to wear upon your cover or lapel. You must meet the requirements and directions listed below:

- Recruit five (5) **new** members to S.A.L. **Must be new members only**, no renewals.
- All information must be legible. **Un-readable forms will not be accepted.**
- The new members membership record must be available on the national database.
- This form must be sent prior to midnight July 31, 2020.
- American Legion Family members are also eligible for this award.
- Only one (1) award pin per member regardless of the total new members recruited

Recruiter Information

Name _____ Member ID# _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Full Squadron Name/Number _____ Detachment _____
 Email _____ Phone _____

Unless specified different, the pin will be sent to the above address

New Member Information

#1 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____
 #2 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____
 #3 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____
 #4 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____
 #5 Name _____ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # _____

VERIFYING SIGNATURES

SQUADRON / POST COMMANDER _____ DATE _____
 SQUADRON / POST ADJUTANT _____ DATE _____

RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO: (Regional Membership Chairman)

- East - Richard Huntley, Jr. (ME) dickie_huntley@hotmail.com 38 Whale Cove Rd., Machiasport, ME 04655
- South - Jason Roberts (GA) robertsjason215@gmail.com 215 Oak Hollow Ct., White, GA 30184
- Central - Jeffrey Vrabel, Sr. (OH) jeffvrabelsr@gmail.com 2222 Birch Bark Tri., Grove City, OH 43123
- Midwest - Juan Torres (TX) juantorres10@hotmail.com 10828 Sycamore Dr. S, La Porte, TX 77571
- West - Leslie "Jim" Stewart (NV) controller@bordertowncasinonv.com 664 Sheffield Ct., Sparks, NV 89431

PINS WILL BE MAILED UPON VERIFICATION AND APPROVAL

