



Department Membership Bulletin



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"MAKING MEMORIES"

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DEPARTMENT HITS MEMBERSHIP GOAL AT 65.36%

The Third Target Date goal was 55% and congratulations to all 10 Districts for exceeding this percentage. The 2nd District came out on top with 69.59% and the 4th came in second with 69.46%.

The Central Region came in on top with 67.71% of goal followed by the Eastern Region with 66.26% Third is the Western Region with 63.05%. The Department is at 65.36% of our 2018 goal.

There were 177 posts out of 213, that either met or exceeded the 55% Third Target Date goal.

District Standings

Second	69.59%
Fourth	69.46%
Sixth	67.76%
Third	67.48%
Tenth	67.39%
Fifth	66.77%
Eighth	65.29%
First	62.27%
Ninth	59.36%
Seventh	57.08%

NATIONAL EMERGENCY FUND

The American Legion's National Emergency Fund provides direct financial assistance to Legion Family members and posts impacted by natural disasters like the recent hurricanes. A full 100 percent of donations to the National Emergency Fund are turned into grants for individuals, families and posts impacted by natural disasters.

To help with this fund, the ND American Legion is asking that all Posts in North Dakota donate a \$1.00 per member and send to the Department Headquarters by December 31, 2017. Please make checks payable to: ND American Legion (NEF), PO Box 5057, West Fargo, ND 58078. All Donations will be forwarded to the National Headquarters. Donations are tax-deductible, and are not used to cover administrative or promotional costs.

**Next Target Date
November 13th
(65%)**

2017-2018 Schedule of District Oratorical Contest

Listed below is the schedule of the 2017-2018 District Oratorical Contests for your information. Posts that will have a contestant to compete in the District Contest are urged to alert the student and the school of the scheduled contest in your District and to see to it that arrangements are made for any transportation that may be necessary for that student.

<u>DISTRICT CONTESTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CITY</u>
1st	Dec 2 (Sat)	1:00 pm	West Fargo VFW 3088 Sheyenne St.	West Fargo
3rd	Dec 2 (Sat)	9:00 am	Leeds High School 530 1st St. SE	Leeds
9th	Dec 2 (Sat)	1:00 pm	Intermediate School Media Room, 100 3rd St. NE	Watford City
2nd	Dec 6 (Wed)	1:00 pm	Legion Hall 102 5th St. E.	Park River
10th	Dec 9 (Sat)	1:00 pm	Community Center 112 Main St.	Hankinson
5th	Dec 9 (Sat)	1:00 pm	AMVETS 2402 Railroad Ave.	Bismarck
8th	Dec 16 (Sat)	10:00 am	Dickinson State Univ. Beck Auditorium, 291 Campus Drive	Dickinson
4th	TBD			
7th	TBD			

<u>DIVISION CONTESTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CITY</u>
East	Jan 6 (Sat)	1:00 pm	High School 605 6 th St. W. Door 7 (N. Side)	Park River
(Winners of Districts 1-2-3-4-10 will compete in the East Division Contest)				
West	Jan. 6 (Sat)	1:00 pm CST	Intermediate School Media Center, 100 3rd St. NE	Watford City
(Winners of Districts 5-6-7-8-9 will compete in the West Division Contest)				

<u>STATE FINALS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CITY</u>
	Jan. 27 (Sat)	1:00 pm	Baymont Inn 2611 Old Red Trail NW	Mandan

Winners and Runners-up in East and West Division Contest appear at the Winter Conference for the 2018 State Championship.

AWARDS

District Contest - All District Oratorical Contest Champions will receive a District Oratorical Contest Champion Medal. In addition, through the Chuck Schroeder Memorial Oratorical Fund, the top three finishers of each District Contests will also receive cash awards as follows:

District Champion \$300 Cash Award
2nd Place \$200 Cash Award
3rd Place \$100 Cash Award

Division Contest

West Division Champion \$300 Cash Award and Desk Pen Set
West Division Runner-up \$200 Cash Award and Desk Pen Set

East Division Champion \$300 Cash Award and Desk Pen Set
East Division Runner-up \$200 Cash Award and Desk Pen Set

State Finals Contest

State Champion \$ 250 Cash Award from ND American Legion Foundation,
\$ 175 Cash Award from Sam Tolchinsky Endowment Fund

2nd Place \$ 200 Cash Award from the North Dakota American Legion Foundation
\$ 125 Cash Award from the Sam Tolchinsky Endowment Fund

3rd Place \$ 150 Cash Award from the North Dakota American Legion Foundation
\$ 50 Cash Award from the family of the late John K. Kennelly

4th Place \$ 100 Cash Award from North Dakota American Legion Foundation

Plaque awards are also presented to the four finalists in the State Contest. In addition, our State Champion will receive the C. W. Leifur Traveling Trophy for display at the winner's school.

National All State Champions will compete at the National Oratorical Contest under a new 3-round format. This year's National Contest will be held in Indianapolis, IN, on the IUPUI (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis) Campus. All contestants and chaperones will arrive at the IUPUI Conference Center Hotel on Friday, April 13, 2018, where they will be housed. The first and second rounds of competition will be held on Saturday, April 14 beginning with nine separate contests with 6 contestants each. The winners of these 9 contests will then advance to the second round. All contestants participating in the first round will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. Each first round winner who advances to and participates in the second round, but does not advance to the final round, will receive an additional \$1,500 scholarship. Those contestants eliminated in the first and second rounds will remain and become members of the audience. The three (3) second round winners will participate in the Finals on Sunday, April 15 and have an opportunity to earn scholarships of: 1st Place - \$18,000; 2nd Place - \$16,000; 3rd Place - \$14,000. A banquet honoring all contestants will be held Sunday afternoon at the IUPUI Conference Center. All contestants and chaperones will then depart Indianapolis late Sunday afternoon April 15.

Jerry Samuelson, Chairman, Department Oratorical Contest Committee
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Membership Tabulation As Of: October 10, 2017

Oct-10 55 % Target Date

Vice Commander Kenneth Wiederholt : kennyk@live.com : Eastern Region 2018 Goal is 5,557 : Oct-10 Target is 3,056

2018 Region Membership is 3,682 66.26 % of Goal 88 Posts *** 2017 Region Membership 5,547**

District 1					
Cmdr Michele Olson : michele.olson3@gmail.com					
Vice Cmdr Christopher Hanson : christopher@danoandchris.com					
Post No.	2018 Goal	Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp	% Goal	2017 Mbshp
111 / Binford	10	6	7	70.00 %	10
010 / Buffalo	55	30	31	56.36 %	55
172 / Buxton	17	9	16	94.12 %	17
015 / Casselton	61	34	38	62.30 %	61
143 / Cooperstown	67	37	40	59.70 %	67
149 Dazey	25	14	11	44.00 %	25
223 / Erie	35	19	25	71.43 %	35
002 Fargo	682	375	371	54.40 %	662
187 / Fingal	12	7	7	58.33 %	12
013 / Finley	62	34	47	75.81 %	71
210 Galesburg	34	19	15	44.12 %	34
132 / * Gardner	19	10	20	105.26 %	21
113 / Hannaford	33	18	28	84.85 %	33
297 / Harwood	205	113	146	71.22 %	205
070 / Hatton	60	33	49	81.67 %	61
004 / Hillsboro	94	52	76	80.85 %	94
018 / Hope	69	38	47	68.12 %	71
293 / Horace	22	12	16	72.73 %	22
044 / Hunter	19	10	13	68.42 %	18
117 / Kindred	25	14	14	56.00 %	27
074 / Leonard	19	10	17	89.47 %	19
008 / Mayville	68	37	41	60.29 %	67
400 NDSU	4	2	1	25.00 %	4
083 / Nome	15	8	13	86.67 %	15
154 / Page	17	9	12	70.59 %	17
093 / Portland	88	48	60	68.18 %	82
202 / Sanborn	49	27	40	81.63 %	49
169 / Sharon	16	9	15	93.75 %	16
307 + Sibley	18	10	2	11.11 %	18
060 / Valley City	164	90	106	64.63 %	164
308 West Fargo	80	44	11	13.75 %	80
<u>Dist 1 Totals</u>	2,144	1,178	1,335		2,132
	31 Posts		62.27 % of Goal		

District 2					
Cmdr Perry Nesdahl : lspwn@hotmail.com					
Vice Cmdr Clarence Carroll : abnavnlc@yahoo.com					
Post No.	2018 Goal	Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp	% Goal	2017 Mbshp
237 / * Adams	28	15	28	100.00 %	29
016 / Aneta	26	14	19	73.08 %	26
011 / Cavalier	97	53	66	68.04 %	97
107 / Crystal	45	25	34	75.56 %	48
159 Drayton	34	19	7	20.59 %	34
156 / Edinburg	52	29	44	84.62 %	52
274 / Fordville	25	14	17	68.00 %	25
251 / Forest River	40	22	27	67.50 %	35
041 / Grafton	108	59	69	63.89 %	108
006 / Grand Forks	397	218	300	75.57 %	387
240 Hoople	25	14	13	52.00 %	25
021 / Lakota	50	28	31	62.00 %	50
157 / Lankin	85	47	60	70.59 %	87
097 / Larimore	156	86	97	62.18 %	156
299 / Manvel	134	74	92	68.66 %	132
135 / McVile	62	34	36	58.06 %	62
238 / Michigan	41	23	38	92.68 %	41
201 / Minto	61	34	37	60.66 %	61

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227 Mountain	43	24	14	32.56 %	43
242 / Neche	31	17	26	83.87 %	31
092 / Northwood	89	49	67	75.28 %	89
147 / Park River	136	75	101	74.26 %	139
182 Pekin	15	8	1	6.67 %	15
077 / Pembina	65	36	55	84.62 %	65
247 / Petersburg	36	20	31	86.11 %	36
208 / Pisek	38	21	34	89.47 %	41
256 / Reynolds	6	3	4	66.67 %	6
168 / St. Thomas	34	19	23	67.65 %	34
181 / Thompson	51	28	32	62.75 %	51
162 / Tolna	39	21	27	69.23 %	40
401 UND	2	1	0	0.00 %	2
062 / Walhalla	80	44	53	66.25 %	80
<u>Dist 2 Totals</u>	2,131	1,174	1,483		2,127
	32 Posts		69.59 % of Goal		

District 10					
Cmdr Todd Rikke : toddrikke@gmail.com					
Vice Cmdr :					
Post No.	2018 Goal	Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp	% Goal	2017 Mbshp
128 / Abercrombie	23	13	15	65.22 %	23
294 / * Cavuga	11	6	11	100.00 %	11
038 / Coqswell	23	13	15	65.22 %	22
146 / Edgeley	50	28	33	66.00 %	50
137 / Ellendale	73	40	41	56.16 %	73
106 / Fairmount	41	23	28	68.29 %	41
277 / Forbes	27	15	15	55.56 %	27
082 / Forman	14	8	9	64.29 %	14
282 / Galchutt	15	8	14	93.33 %	15
191 / Gwinner	73	40	59	80.82 %	74
088 / Hankinson	88	48	72	81.82 %	88
108 / Havana	25	14	17	68.00 %	28
057 Kulm	13	7	6	46.15 %	13
019 / LaMoure	60	33	37	61.67 %	60
084 / Lidgerwood	78	43	54	69.23 %	77
007 / Lisbon	63	35	39	61.90 %	63
148 / Milnor	40	22	29	72.50 %	38
283 Mooreton	17	9	3	17.65 %	17
036 / Oakes	150	83	117	78.00 %	156
215 / Rutland	24	13	13	54.17 %	24
221 / Sheldon	27	15	26	96.30 %	27
178 Verona	13	7	6	46.15 %	13
020 / Wahpeton	243	134	138	56.79 %	244
166 / Walcott	31	17	23	74.19 %	31
153 / Wyndmere	60	33	44	73.33 %	59
<u>Dist 10 Totals</u>	1,282	707	864		1,288
	25 Posts		67.39 % of Goal		

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/ = Achieved Target Date Goal**

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Oct-10 55 % Target Date

Vice Commander Marvin Anseth : marvandmary@gmail.com : Central Region 2018 Goal is 3,552 : Oct-10 Target is 1,954

2018 Region Membership is 2,405 67.71 % of Goal 53 Posts *** 2017 Region Membership 3,532**

District 3						
Cmdr Steven Anderson : usmcanderson7797@gmail.com						
Vice Cmdr Troy Reemtsma : midnightmoon1969@hotmail.com						
Post No.		2018 Goal	Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp	% Goal	2017 Mbshp
262	Belcourt	68	37	28	41.18 %	68
129	/*\Bisbee	15	8	15	100.00 %	15
061	Brocket	9	5	3	33.33 %	9
079	Cando	68	37	53	77.94 %	68
024	Devils Lake	71	39	49	69.01 %	71
185	Dunseith	16	9	9	56.25 %	16
193	Edmore	15	8	7	46.67 %	15
266	Hampden	12	7	11	91.67 %	12
217	/*\Knox	10	6	10	100.00 %	10
098	Langdon	170	94	114	67.06 %	169
101	Leeds	27	15	21	77.78 %	27
123	Maddock	59	32	41	69.49 %	59
179	Milton	26	14	16	61.54 %	26
086	Minnewaukan	30	17	23	76.67 %	30
164	Osnabrock	7	4	1	14.29 %	7
194	Rolette	79	43	75	94.94 %	79
235	Rolla	90	50	60	66.67 %	90
023	Rugby	140	77	80	57.14 %	128
276	Sarles	42	23	32	76.19 %	42
125	St. John	9	5	0	0.00 %	9
268	York	21	12	16	76.19 %	21
<u>Dist 3 Totals</u>		984	542	664		971
		21 Posts		67.48 % of Goal		

District 4						
Cmdr Douglas Wittmier : ginakaye58@yahoo.com						
Vice Cmdr Ladon Smith :						
Post No.		2018 Goal	Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp	% Goal	2017 Mbshp
175	Bowdon	5	3	1	20.00 %	5
025	Carrington	77	42	50	64.94 %	84
033	Fessenden	47	26	30	63.83 %	47
250	Gackle	81	45	52	64.20 %	80
056	Goodrich	63	35	44	69.84 %	63
220	Hamberg	2	1	1	50.00 %	2
028	/*\Harvey	53	29	69	130.19 %	53
014	Jamestown	230	127	125	54.35 %	219
103	Kensal	55	30	42	76.36 %	59
124	McClusky	44	24	28	63.64 %	44
160	McHenry	18	10	15	83.33 %	18
245	Medina	28	15	24	85.71 %	30
030	New Rockford	98	54	69	70.41 %	101
265	Streeter	49	27	41	83.67 %	49
017	Sykeston	41	23	28	68.29 %	43
236	Wimbleton	58	32	44	75.86 %	58
205	Woodworth	30	17	17	56.67 %	30
<u>Dist 4 Totals</u>		979	540	680		985
		17 Posts		69.46 % of Goal		

District 5						
Cmdr Arnold Havelka : ajhavelka@yahoo.com						
Vice Cmdr Jared Klempel : jjklemp83@yahoo.com						
Post No.		2018 Goal	Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp	% Goal	2017 Mbshp
053	Ashley	36	20	18	50.00 %	36
001	/ Bismarck	668	367	407	60.93 %	648
231	/ Dawson	53	29	38	71.70 %	49
260	/* Fredonia	21	12	21	100.00 %	23
049	/ Garrison	125	69	85	68.00 %	129
126	/ Hazelton	27	15	23	85.19 %	27
218	/*\Lehr	1	1	1	100.00 %	1
054	/ Linton	115	63	85	73.91 %	119
072	/ Napoleon	123	68	89	72.36 %	123
212	/*\Tappen	10	6	12	120.00 %	10
133	/ Turtle Lake	108	59	75	69.44 %	108
012	/ Washburn	133	73	103	77.44 %	133
163	/ Wilton	57	31	35	61.40 %	58
065	/ Wing	53	29	36	67.92 %	53
087	/ Wishek	59	32	33	55.93 %	59
<u>Dist 5 Totals</u>		1,589	874	1,061		1,576
		15 Posts		66.77 % of Goal		

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Oct-10 55 % Target Date

Vice Commander Gordon Blake : gordonblake05@gmail.com : Western Region 2018 Goal is 4,617 : Oct-10 Target is 2,539

2018 Region Membership is 2,911 63.05 % of Goal 72 Posts ***** 2017 Region Membership 4,605

District 6					
Cmdr Heather Thompson : hdthom@srt.com					
Vice Cmdr :					
Post No.	2018 Goal	2018 Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp %	2017 Goal	2017 Mbshp
292 / * \ Benedict	8	4	8 100.00 %	8	8
171 / Berthold	27	15	19 70.37 %	27	27
042 / Bottineau	96	53	64 66.67 %	96	96
127 / Bowbells	25	14	19 76.00 %	27	27
270 / Butte	82	45	61 74.39 %	84	84
195 / Donnybrook	40	22	24 60.00 %	40	40
032 / Drake	42	23	31 73.81 %	46	46
280 / Glenburn	11	6	4 36.36 %	11	11
155 / Granville	35	19	23 65.71 %	35	35
064 / * \ Kenmare	28	15	28 100.00 %	28	28
279 / * \ Lansford	10	6	10 100.00 %	10	10
035 / Lignite	24	13	21 87.50 %	24	24
230 / Makoti	50	28	47 94.00 %	50	50
241 / Max	9	5	4 44.44 %	9	9
026 / Minot	521	287	313 60.08 %	511	511
304 / * \ Minot AFB	1	1	1 100.00 %	1	1
052 / Mohall	70	39	47 67.14 %	71	71
302 / Newburg	9	5	4 44.44 %	9	9
119 / Plaza	20	11	16 80.00 %	20	20
109 / Portal	14	8	10 71.43 %	14	14
099 / * \ Ryder	26	14	27 103.85 %	26	26
213 / Sherwood	60	33	40 66.67 %	60	60
034 / Towner	16	9	14 87.50 %	16	16
269 / Upham	26	14	25 96.15 %	28	28
039 / Velva	114	63	78 68.42 %	114	114
253 / White Shield	33	18	8 24.24 %	33	33
112 / Willow City	39	21	27 69.23 %	39	39
Dist 6 Totals	1,436	791	973 67.76 % of Goal	1,437	1,437
27 Posts					

District 8					
Cmdr Edward Dick : edzbootjack@reagan.com					
Vice Cmdr Patrick Mischel : pmischel@midco.net					
Post No.	2018 Goal	2018 Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp %	2017 Goal	2017 Mbshp
005 / Beach	95	52	65 68.42 %	101	101
144 / Belfield	186	102	84 45.16 %	178	178
048 / Bowman	61	34	34 55.74 %	60	60
003 / Dickinson	240	132	140 58.33 %	230	230
258 / Halliday	42	23	40 95.24 %	42	42
115 / Hettinger	65	36	35 53.85 %	69	69
046 / Killdeer	89	49	60 67.42 %	89	89
071 / Mott	115	63	88 76.52 %	116	116
066 / New England	75	41	68 90.67 %	77	77
051 / Reeder	34	19	25 73.53 %	34	34
273 / Regent	40	22	26 65.00 %	40	40
188 / Rhame	29	16	16 55.17 %	29	29
180 / Richardton	75	41	59 78.67 %	75	75
151 / Scranton	41	23	35 85.37 %	41	41
Dist 8 Totals	1,187	653	775 65.29 % of Goal	1,181	1,181
14 Posts					

District 9					
Cmdr Thomas Ryan : tpryan1953@yahoo.com					
Vice Cmdr Dan Brown : dakotan22@yahoo.com					
Post No.	2018 Goal	2018 Oct-10 Target	2018 Mbshp %	2017 Goal	2017 Mbshp
094 / Alexander	14	8	6 42.86 %	14	14
075 / Crosby	70	39	43 61.43 %	76	76
116 / Grenora	71	39	51 71.83 %	71	71
271 / Mandaree	37	20	0 0.00 %	37	37
290 / New Town	100	55	56 56.00 %	100	100
243 / Noonan	38	21	23 60.53 %	38	38
121 / Parshall	55	30	36 65.45 %	55	55
096 / Powers Lake	19	10	14 73.68 %	19	19
009 / Ray	35	19	25 71.43 %	34	34
134 / Stanley	104	57	63 60.58 %	104	104
139 / Tioga	65	36	12 18.46 %	65	65
029 / Watford City	132	73	83 62.88 %	132	132
110 / Wildrose	37	20	22 59.46 %	38	38
037 / Williston	313	172	213 68.05 %	303	303
Dist 9 Totals	1,090	599	647 59.36 % of Goal	1,086	1,086
14 Posts					

Department Totals	2017	2018
Department Membership Goal	15100	13,853
Post 500 Membership	146	58
Eastern Region Total:	5,547	3,682
Central Region Total:	3,532	2,405
Western Region Total:	4,605	2,911
Total Dept. Membership	13,830	9,056

213 Posts 2018 Percent of Goal is 65.36 %

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