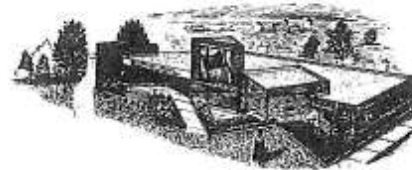


THE STATE ADJUTANTS LETTER



KANSAS DEPARTMENT



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AUGUST 2023

We are seeking Legion Posts willing to host the Incoming National Commander Daniel J. "Dan" Seehafer from Wisconsin. He will be visiting the Department of Kansas on the east side of the state from Monday afternoon, September 18 to Thursday, September 21, 2023. There will be Breakfast, Mid-Morning Coffee Stops, Lunch and Dinner. If your Post is interested in hosting any of these events, please contact the Department at 785-232-9315.

MEMBERSHIP & POST ACTIVITIES: The Department Commander, Department Adjutant, Department Membership Chairman, and District Vice Commanders, will attend the National Membership Workshop in Indianapolis, Indiana, 27 to 30 July, 2023.

COFFEE CUPS AND EARLY BIRD AWARDS: September 15 is the deadline to be used in determining the winner of Coffee Cups and Early Bird Awards. Coffee Cups are awarded to the Post or Unit with the greatest percentage of Membership compared to the same time last year. Early Birds are awarded to Posts reaching or exceeding 75% by the September 15th deadline. Only those Memberships received at Department Headquarters by September 15 will count toward those Awards.

NATIONAL CONVENTION IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, AUGUST 24 – 31, 2023: The Kansas Delegation will be housed at the Holiday Inn City Center Downtown Hotel located at 230 N. College Street, Charlotte, NC 28202. There will be NO Parade this year. The Kansas Caucus will be held on Sunday afternoon at 2:00pm and the Kansas Party will be on Monday evening which will be a dinner at American Legion Post 262 located at 1940 Donald Ross Road, Charlotte, NC. The Opening Session starts on Tuesday morning, The National Commander's Dinner on Tuesday evening and the Convention Adjourns on Thursday afternoon with the Election of the New National Commander for 2023-2024.

EISENHOWER DAY AND DEPARTMENT VICE COMMANDER'S HOMECOMING: The Annual Eisenhower Pilgrimage and Department Vice Commander Angela Evans' Homecoming will be a combined event again this year on Saturday, October 14, 2023, in Abilene. Following the Presidential Wreath Laying Ceremony at 10:30am, all American Legion Posts, Auxiliary Units, SAL Squadrons and other affiliated groups are invited to participate in the Legion Family sponsored pilgrimage. Full details will be sent to all Posts next month.

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ONLINE RENEWAL CREDITS: Department is notified of online renewals and the credit memos are sent to the Post Adjutant twice a month. These members are added to the Post total at that time and the Posts may use the credit after they receive that credit memo. Please remember to mail or otherwise issue the member's card to the member. **DO NOT** transmit the National and Department Record card to Department Headquarters. Receiving them will cause duplications and create misunderstandings, delay, etc.

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REVITALIZATIONS have already kicked off and is in High Gear. If you are interested in working to sign up Members for Your Post, calling them on a Phone Bank, going door to door to seek out those Members that have NOT paid their current year DUES, Please check with your Post Commander, District Commander or District Vice Commander to assist. The more MEMBERS working MEMBERSHIP the better!

POST OFFICERS REPORT: If you have NOT sent in your Post Officers Report, PLEASE do so NOW! We are missing a bunch. This is Department and National's way of contacting your Post if any information is needed throughout the Membership Year, and also to get credit listed in the National Library Archives for the Office that your Officers hold for the year. If you have a yellow mark on your envelope, we have not received a Post Officers Sheet from your Post.

STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held at Great Life Golf and Fitness Center at Western Hills Country Club in Topeka, September 23, 2023. A flyer is enclosed. For further information contact State Golf Chairman Lonny Cook, 785-286-2134, e-mail kickaron01@sbcglobal.net .

DEPARTMENT STILL HAS A SUPPLY OF THE BOOKMARK RULERS: These would make a great Back-to-School handout. They are packaged in bundles of 250. Send your request to Department Headquarters to be ready for the start of school. They are available for the cost of the postage.

DEPARTMENT ASSISTANCE: If any Member has a question or needs assistance, PLEASE do NOT hesitate to call or e-mail and WE will do our utmost to help you or get you steered in the right direction.

Thank you for being a Member of The Greatest Veteran Organization in the World (in my personal opinion).