



Thoughts from your MEMBERSHIP Chairman

I wish each Department of Arkansas Legionnaire and their families a HAPPY Thanksgiving and an early MERRY CHRISTMAS.

"Membership is the backbone of all volunteer organizations."

Membership is definitely, the lifeline of our organization, if we are going to continue to be the voice that insures the needs of our veterans is heard in the state and national capitols, we must increase our membership numbers. Commander Kinsey has asked each current member to recruit one new member during his term of office. If just a quarter of our current membership would recruit just one new member, our Department would grow by nearly 3000 members allowing us to surpass the goals set by our leaders. Will you be one of those 1 in 4?

Post Adjutants, have you reached out to the DMS members in your area?

There are ***three ways to pay your 2019 dues***. *By* check, mailed to your Post Adjutant or Finance Officer; *By* giving your Post Adjutant or Finance Officer cash or check; *By* going to www.legion.org and paying with a credit card."

2019 is our 100th year, let's ask all eligible veterans to become part of the largest War-time Veterans Service Organization. March 15, 2019 is the American Legions' 100th Birthday, it began and continues to develop and support: ***Veteran Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism and Children and Youth***

The Department has stood up ***three*** new Posts, three Posts have had new life injected into their membership. There are more potential new Post in the works.

WHO IS GOING TO FILL OUR SHOES? Who is going to lead your Post next year or the year after?

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