

Commander Nick's September Newsletter

Good Day Sons! Thank you for your help and support with all the programs of The American Legion. We must work the programs and as we do, good things will happen for you and your Squadrons. Take time to communicate to your members and share what programs are available for them to participate in, find out what they enjoy doing and get them involved, and finally, thank them for their commitment and hard work. As we enter the fall season, take time to reflect on September 11, Patriot Day. This is a very important date for us to remember and never to forget. As I remember this dark day in our history, I also remember the days following. Everywhere you went you saw the American Flag being flown. Every car on the road had a Flag in their window. Patriotism was widespread! We need a little of that Fire in our spirit today! Other days in September to remember, Labor Day 9/2, The American Legion Day is remembered on 9/16, Constitution Day and Citizenship Day 9/17, POW/MIA Recognition Day is on the 20th, Gold Star Mother's Day 9/29 and finally Rosh Hashanah on 9/30. The American Legion Disaster Preparedness month is September. There is a lot happening this month! Please share these dates with you members. It would be great to choose a couple of these and have an event. Remember "You can make a difference" in all these areas and anything you decide to do for Veterans and their families! Thank you, thank you, Thank you! On July 30th President Trump signed into law the LEGION Act and the National Charter was immediately changed from having seven eligibility eras to two eligibility eras. The American Legion's founding fathers believed, "a veteran is a veteran", thank you Congress and President Trump! The Sons eligibility will follow these new guidelines also creating many new opportunities for membership. Keep focusing on membership. Our first target goal of 10% is September 11, how did your squadron do? Several of you hit the goal, great job! Continue to work on renewals, The Detachment is still chipping away, don't give up yet! As we approach National Convention, we are only 2,508 members short nationally from hitting the 100% goal! Are you contributing to help us reach this national goal before convention? "You can make a difference". The Detachment of Colorado is currently at 78.2 % renewals. Can we move this number up? I believe we can. I trust that each of you have a great September, God Bless and please let me know what I can do for you.

Sincerely,

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