AFFILIATED BANK ACCOUNTS

All Posts with a Squadron and/or Chapter must have two designated Post signers on all affiliated accounts. Contact Adjutant Martin for more information.

LIT ENROLLMENT

Encourage your members to activate their no cost $1,000 accidental death and dismemberment policy by signing up at www.thelit.com. This is a free benefit and is open to the entire Legion family.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE AWARD

The National Veterans Employment and Education Commission Annually presents several awards at The American Legions National Convention to honor employers that hire veterans, disabled veterans, and older workers. Contact Adjutant Martin for more information.

NATIONAL COMMANDER BOWEN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

During the 2026 - 2027 membership year, National Commander Jay Bowen will award his National Commanders "BPOTS (Be Part Of The Solution)" pin to any Legion member who recruits two new American Legion members. The certification form for this program is located at legion.org and can be submitted at any time.

HOLIDAY BLOOD DONOR DRIVE

December is The American Legion's observance of a special effort to promote blood donor participation. Please encourage your members to donate when the bloodmobile is scheduled in your area. Ask donors to let you know the amount they donated for use in the CPR.

Enclosures:

- USA 250 Grant Form
- National Commander's Incentive Pin
- Post Officers Form

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The American Legion
Department of Nebraska
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NEWSLETTER

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Department Adjutant
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"Family Aiming High"

2027 Membership Goal: 19,840 October 19th Total: 12,594 – 63.48%

District 2– 71.35%	District 15 – 68.42%	District 6 – 64.99%	District 10 – 64.90%
District 13– 64.77%	District 12– 64.28%	District 11 – 63.79%	District 1– 63.74%
District 7 – 62.48%	District 8 – 61.52%	District 9 – 60.46%	District 4 – 60.43%
District 5– 58.99%	District 3 – 56.64%		



DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISER

The Department Executive Committee has authorized a fundraiser for a lottery drawing on Sunday, January 17, 2027, at our Mid-Year Conference in Grand Island. The prizes will be: 1st prize $2,500; 2nd prize, $1,000; 3rd prize $500; 4th-8th prize $200 each. Nebraska Legionnaires will receive tickets in the mail after November 1. Tickets will be 1 ticket for $5 or 6 tickets for $25.

EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR



Nominations for the Eagle Scout of the Year scholarship program are available upon request from this office. All nomination packets are to be submitted directly to Department Headquarters by March 1. The winner of the National Competition will receive a $10,000 scholarship and the three runners-up are each awarded $2,500 scholarships. The top three finalist in Nebraska receive a cash award of $500, $300, and $200. Contact Adjutant Martin for more information.

VETERANS DAY

Veterans Day will be observed on November 11, 2026, and we hope your post and community have made plans for the observance. This is a great opportunity to meet with and provide an informative program for your local school. Department Headquarters will be closed on Wednesday, November 11.

MID-YEAR CONFERENCE

This year's Mid-Year Conference will remain focused on educational training. This event is being held January 15 – 17, 2027, at the Grand Island Ramada Midtown. The Department Executive Committee and Department Committees will meet on Friday, January 15. For reservations, please call the Grand Island Ramada Mid Town at 308-384-1330. Room rates are $94.00 nightly plus tax. Conference fee is $10.00.

The condensed agenda schedule will be in the December issue of The Nebraska Legionnaire.

MEMBERSHIP TARGETS

Upcoming Veterans Day target date, November 12 (65%), is our next membership goal. Look at your rosters and call those members who have not renewed. The Pearl Harbor Day target date, December 9 (75%), is not far behind.

Any member who was not renewed by October 14 will receive a dues notice in November.

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

This is a reminder of the various awards that our department membership committee has authorized this year. Please consult your 2027 Post Adjutant Guide.

STATE ORATORICAL CONTEST

District Oratorical Contests are currently being held. The Area Contest will be held as follows: Area A, December 6th at South Sioux City Post 307; Area B, December 6th at the Boone County Courthouse in Albion; Area C, December 6th at the Civic Center in Seward; and Area D, December 19th at Rushville Post 161. Contact your Area Vice Commander for details. The four Area winners will compete in the State Contest at Mid-Year Conference.

TOURNAMENT HOSTS SOUGHT

The Department Athletic Committee will be holding its meeting for selection of tournament sites for the Area and State Baseball Tournaments during the Mid-Year Conference. The official bid form is located on our website at www.nelegionbaseball.net or by calling Adjutant Martin. Be sure to read all the requirements before submitting the application. The form must be received no later than January 8.

Bids for the host site of the State Golf Tournament will be reviewed and selected at the Mid-Year meeting. Interested Posts should contact Programs Director Eric Martin for more information.

2027 WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

The Washington Conference is scheduled for February 27 – March 3 and is open to any Legion family member wishing to attend. Housing can be made with the Washington Hilton located at 1919 Connecticut Ave NW by calling 202-483-3000. Contact Adjutant Martin for more information.

AMERICAN LEGION LABEL PROGRAM

Nebraska Legionnaires should have received a set of American Legion return address labels with a request for donation to Department. This helps with the costs of our many programs and projects we sponsor. Any donation will be appreciated.

POST OFFICERS REPORT

Enclosed is a list of Posts who **HAVE NOT** submitted a new officer report for the 2026-27 year. If you are listed on the back page of the officers report, that means you **HAVE NOT** submitted a report for this year. Please send in the report form as soon as you can. Contact Amanda at Headquarters with any questions.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSMITTALS

Department asks all Posts to send in their membership as soon as possible. There are many Posts that have not sent in any membership as of this newsletter. Please transmit memberships at least twice a month.

Celebrate America

with the

USA250 CHALLENGE!

What: The American Legion's USA 250 Challenge is a yearlong celebration of the nation's 250th birthday. It offers participants three challenge categories — community service, physical activities and mental health awareness — to pursue goals such as 250 hours, miles, Buddy Checks or other measurables.

When: Through July 4, 2026.

Who: American Legion Family members and anyone else. Participants may pursue their goals individually or as part of a team.

Why: In addition to celebrating America, proceeds from the $30 registration fee and all donations go to the Legion's Veterans & Children Foundation, which supports disabled veterans and military families in need.

How: Scan the QR code to learn more and register. Or visit **legion.org/usa250/challenge**



The Department of Nebraska has received a grant to be used to help our American Legion Family in celebrating the countries Semiquincentennial. To be eligible to receive money from this grant to help with costs of your community celebration, please complete the grant application and send it back to the Department Headquarters to be processed. When these funds run out, they are gone so get your grant application submitted now!

USA 250 GRANT APPLICATION

The American Legion Department of Nebraska

Post/Unit/Squadron/Chapter: _____

Description of event: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

Grant Request Amount: _____

Name of Requestor: _____

Post Position: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Applications can be sent to emartin@nebraskalegion.net; by fax at 402-464-6330 or mailed to:

Nebraska American Legion

150 NW 40th Street, Unit A

Lincoln, NE 68528

Department Headquarters Use Only

Grant Request Amount Approved: _____

Date: _____

THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA
150 NW 40th Street Unit A
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2026-27 POST OFFICER REPORT FORM

Return this form immediately following election of post officers for 2026-27 in your post. ***Please notify Department Headquarters even if Post Officers are reelected for another year.** *

Please return this form to the above address or email to: awashburn@nebraskalegion.net not later than June 15, 2026.

COMMANDER _____
(Name) (Mailing Address-Zip)

Commander's Home Phone (____) _____ ***Cell Phone*** (____) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ _____
(Membership ID No.)

ADJUTANT _____
(Name) (Mailing Address-Zip)

Adjutant's Home Phone (____) _____ ***Cell Phone*** (____) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ _____
(Membership ID No.)

1ST VICE COMMANDER _____
(Name) (Mailing Address-Zip) (email/phone)

FINANCE OFFICER _____
(Name) (Mailing Address-Zip) (email/phone)

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN _____
(Name) (Mailing Address-Zip) (email/phone)

*Post membership dues for 2026-27 are $*_____
On what nights of each month does your Post meet? _____
On what date were the above officers elected? _____
Was the date of election as provided by Post Bylaws? _____
Was notice given to all members as provided by Post Bylaws? _____
Has your Post a set of Post Constitution and Bylaws to govern its work? _____

SIGNATURE_____ **POST NUMBER**_____

DISTRICT NUMBER_____ **PHYSICAL ADDRESS OF POST**_____

Post	Post No	Dist	Date
Adams	221	11	8/8/2024
Ainsworth	79	1	6/17/2025
Alexandria	194	11	2/15/2024
Allen	131	3	8/1/2025
Arcadia	251	6	6/17/2025
Arthur	207	5	1/14/2026
Atkinson	86	2	6/16/2025
Auburn	23	13	8/12/2024
Aurora	42	6	9/9/2025
Bancroft	191	3	6/28/2023
Battle Creek	75	2	12/16/2025
Bayard	200	4	7/1/2025
Beatrice	27	11	11/20/2025
Belden	149	3	6/16/2025
Belgrade	99	6	12/5/2022
Bellevue	339	8	2/13/2026
Bennet	280	12	11/18/2022
Brewster	323	6	9/27/2018
Bridgeport	29	4	4/8/2014
Cambridge	199	9	8/7/2017
Carroll	165	3	6/17/2025
Cedar Bluffs	158	7	1/23/2026
Coleridge	114	3	7/14/2021
Cordova	359	12	1/7/2022
Cortland	253	11	6/16/2025
Craig	127	3	11/19/2020
Crawford	138	1	7/1/2025
Creighton	74	2	6/17/2025
Creston	306	7	7/2/2023
Culbertson	133	9	9/9/2025
Dakota City	376	3	12/15/2022
Dalton	301	4	7/2/2023
Davenport	335	11	6/17/2025
David City	125	7	12/16/2025
DeWitt	212	11	6/16/2025
Diller	282	11	10/12/2022
Doniphan	300	6	6/17/2025
Eddyville	225	5	2/24/2022
Edgar	248	10	6/17/2025
Edison	343	9	6/14/2024
Elk Creek	370	13	6/27/2024
Exeter	218	11	7/8/2022
Fort Calhoun	348	8	11/20/2025
Garland	369	12	6/2/2022
Gibbon	310	6	9/16/2021
Gordon	34	1	10/10/2025

Post	Post No	Dist	Date
Gothenburg	64	5	6/17/2025
Grant	40	5	8/10/2021
Guide Rock	278	10	12/21/2023
Harvard	185	10	6/17/2025
Havelock	342	12	7/15/2025
Hayes Center	287	9	6/17/2025
Johnson	330	13	7/1/2025
Lexington	111	5	6/17/2025
Louisville	353	12	1/14/2026
Mason City	142	6	6/7/2021
McCool Junctic	341	11	6/14/2024
Minden	94	10	12/5/2025
Mullen	109	5	6/17/2025
Nelson	187	10	7/16/2024
Oakland	46	3	11/20/2025
Osceola	91	7	11/20/2025
Overton	277	5	6/17/2025
Oxford	219	9	11/20/2025
Page	315	2	1/28/2026
Palisade	318	9	10/23/2024
Palmer	120	6	6/17/2025
Palmyra	195	12	11/15/2024
Pierce	72	2	6/16/2025
Primrose	347	2	12/6/2024
Ravenna	332	6	6/16/2025
Riverton	328	10	11/2/2006
Schuyler	47	7	6/14/2024
Scribner	121	7	9/3/2024
Seward	33	12	2/13/2026
Shelton	297	6	1/28/2026
Silver Creek	263	6	6/17/2025
St Edward	226	2	6/15/2025
Stamford	233	10	6/15/2025
Sutherland	208	5	10/23/2023
Tecumseh	2	13	9/9/2025
Tekamah	15	3	6/14/2024
Tilden	170	2	11/20/2025
Tryon	189	5	6/17/2025
Utica	49	12	8/1/2025
Wakefield	81	3	9/9/2025
Wallace	213	5	6/14/2024
Walthill	89	3	7/15/2019
Wauneta	304	9	6/16/2025
Wausa	63	2	6/17/2025
Weston	308	7	6/17/2025
Winnebago	363	3	7/29/2024



NATIONAL COMMANDER JAY BOWEN'S 2027 MEMBERSHIP EXCELLENCE INCENTIVE PIN CERTIFICATION FORM



Please make sure that the address, phone number and email address provided is for the recruiter and not the post.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Membership ID Number: _____

Street Address or PO Box: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

☐ **MAIL TO RECRUITER** ☐ **MAIL TO POST**

TO QUALIFY YOU NEED TO RECRUIT (2) NEW MEMBERS INTO THE AMERICAN LEGION.

(A NEW MEMBER IS DEFINED AS ANY ELIGIBLE VETERAN JOINING FOR THE 2027 MEMBERSHIP YEAR WHO WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DURING THE 2026 MEMBERSHIP YEAR). TRANSFERS DO NOT COUNT AS NEW MEMBERS.)

NEW AUXILIARY MEMBERS AND SAL MEMBERS DO NOT COUNT TOWARDS THIS INCENTIVE. PLEASE FORWARD THE NAMES OF NEW SAL MEMBERS OR AUXILIARY MEMBERS TO YOUR SQUADRON OR UNIT FOR USE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE INCENTIVE PROGRAMS. CONTACT YOUR STATE HEADQUARTERS FOR MORE INFORMATION.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN PROCESSED BEFORE SUBMISSION. COINS WILL NOT BE MAILED UNTIL THEY ARE VERIFIED ON THE NATIONAL DATABASE.

THE DEADLINE FOR THIS INCENTIVE IS JUNE 30, 2027, OR UNTIL SUPPLIES ARE EXHAUSTED.

(2) NEW MEMBERS:
(Include full name, ID number, department, post)

1. _____

2. _____

Return completed forms to:
The American Legion
Internal Affairs & Membership Division
PO Box 1055
Indianapolis, IN 46206

Fax: 317-630-1413
Email: kadams@legion.org