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MEMBERSHIP MARCH BULLETIN

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

Membership milestone dates are approaching but we still have time to reach these goals. Units and Districts have until April 1, 2018 to earn a Department Citation for attaining their goal. Please take a look at your unit membership and see if you have done everything you can do to gain new members, rejoin members or renew current members. Why not invite women Legionnaires and women veterans to your unit? Remind them that ALA National and Department of California wave their first year's dues.

Has your unit or district been working to gain members if so the unit in California that has the greatest numerical gain over goal as of close of books will earn the Ethel Flynn Award. The District with the largest numerical increase from the previous year's close of books to the Book of Reports for the current year will earn the Estella Hannell Memorial Award. Your unit (president) can earn a special lapel pin if the unit attains its membership goal plus two members on or before Department close of books (the Josie Melgard Award.)

One unit in Department of California can earn \$100 to be used to promote the program of education. Unit must have received a Department Membership Citation, unit must have filed an activity report with their District President. The activity report must show participation in the following programs, Americanism, Children & Youth, Education, Legislation, Poppy and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation. The unit shall attach a written supplemental report which shows; activities in each program, hours spent, and dollars spent. This is the Edward Elks Memorial Award. I know units are working these programs please follow through with the paperwork and earn this award for your unit.

Don't forget National's two awards Recruit-Rejoin 5 and Silver Brigade due dates are May 1, 2018. You must send the forms to our Department Office first for certification and Department Office must then send to National by May 1, 2018. Make sure to give yourself enough time for these steps.

Don't forget my \$75.00 drawing for the District that has no units with zero members by March 17, 2018. As of February 28, 2018, there is only 1 District in Department of California that currently has 1 unit with zero membership. The winning District will be drawn during the Pre-Convention Meeting in June. I am looking forward to our Pre-Convention Meeting. Please take the time to read our Department Code and be ready with any changes. It is noteworthy that to qualify as a unit the unit must have at least 10 paid members. Also, our unit officers should renew their membership in a timely manner.

As of February 28, 2018, Department of California has 17,650 members down 1,344 from the same time last year. Our percentage of our goal is 92.92% which places us 7th in Western Division (10 States). I know we can get out there and find those members that haven't renewed or find those special women that would fit with our great organization.

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMEN PLEASE TRANSMIT YOUR MEMBERSHIP WEEKLY!!!

MAKE MEMBERSHIP MEANINGFUL FOR OUR MEMBERS