ARE YOUR UNITS/DEPARTMENTS CELEBRATING AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY DAY?

Are you aware that in 2022 the American Legion passed a resolution to declare that the last Saturday in April is "American Legion Family Day"?

Here is the last part of that resolution:

RESOLVED, By National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 12-13, 2022, That a special day known as "American Legion Family Day" be established and observed annually on the last Saturday of April, when all American Legion posts throughout the nation would open their doors to their members and the members of their local communities with the intent of celebrating all great deeds and works of the American Legion Family with the intent to educate, recruit, recognize and to give back to those members that continually support the gift of giving; and, be it finally RESOLVED, That the American Legion Family shall place special emphasis and awareness on the "Be The One" program on American Legion Family Day.

What is your Post Family doing to show support of the American Legion Family Day?

That is a perfect day to recruit, renew, and rejoin!

Don't forget to share your pictures and stories with your Division Chairman and myself: Central Division: Sue Verville – <u>SVerville11@hotmail.com</u> Eastern Division: Corrinna Colson – <u>Ccolson.AlaVt@gmail.com</u> Northwestern Division: Rose Kraft – <u>SdmemberRose@gmail.com</u> Southern Division: Jane Hardacre – <u>JanieHardacre@yahoo.com</u> Western Division: DeDe Theal – <u>DeDeTheal.Aux109wa@gmail.com</u> Karen Toll – <u>KKToll@yahoo.com</u>

In our Division Race:

The Western Division is still holding on to First Place with 95.18% In Second is Southern Division with 93.44%

The Eastern Division mushers are still on their tails with 92.74%

The Central Division has 88.18%.

The Northwestern Division Mushers are fighting hard to catch up and currently have 81.26%.

In the Department Race: The Mushers in Florida are still holding their lead with 108.81%. Alaska and Arizona are neck and neck. There must be a bet going on here for President Lisa! Alaska in in 2nd with 104.25% Arizona is right on their tails in third with 103.83%! 4th Place is New Mexico 103.38% 5th Place is Michigan with 101.18% - Keep Mushing! 6th Place is Maryland with 98.68% 7th Place is Delaware with 98.55% 8th Place is New Hampshire with 98.27% 9th Place is Pennsylvania with 95.42% 10th Place is California with 94.19%

Currently we have 11 Departments with more membership than they had last year:

Florida with 1,654 more than last year. Michigan with 596 more. Arizona with 417 more than last year. Maryland with 108 New Hampshire 105 Alaska with 76 Colorado with 75 Ohio with 49 New Jersey with 13 Hawaii with 11 Washington with 10!

Congratulations to all and keep up the great work!

Please encourage your Units to share their stories and photos for American Legion Family day with you, and please pass them on.

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY – LIKE BRANCHES ON A TREE, WE ALL GROW IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS, YET OUR ROOTS REMAIN AS ONE!

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