

Did You Know?

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That our state convention has come and gone and I must say it was not only exciting but very informative! For those who have been to one before, most resolutions reported by the committee chairperson are rubber stamped after they are read to the assembly. This year, however, two were set aside for further debate and discussion. One was on posts within the 1st District being reassigned and the other one was on legal marijuana. It was great to see democracy in action. Many members approached the open mike and stated their opinion.

Regarding resolutions, the most were submitted for consideration by posts in the 1st Division. I hope our other Divisions will buckle down and encourage their posts to send in their own. You will be surprised what could happen. In the last ten years our Department, via the resolution process, was able to get 4 different laws put into place. Regarding this year's ideas the following were passed and will now go on to our national convention.

VA should have a variety of CPAP machines available for vets with sleep apnea. Tinnitus should be rated at two levels, right now the only level is 10%.

Former POW's, Purple Heart and Medal of Honor veterans should get the highest VA hospital category.

Burial benefits should only be paid to who actually paid for the vet's funeral and burial.

Some childcare expenses for single parent vets needing to go to appointments.

It's never too early to start thinking about resolutions for next year.

There was a seminar at convention about the new computer update to MyLegion. Posts can now process dues payment online saving a lot of work for the adjutant. My adjutant (Post 18) has signed up for it and says it is very user friendly. As of this newsletter we have already processed 30 dues for 2020 online. Not only can

you process renewals but you can also sign up new members AND transfer a 2910 member to you if they are paying their 2020 dues. Check it out.

Finally, the free \$1,000 accidental death insurance that comes with our membership is **NOT** automatic. The member must register with the American Legion insurance provider. You may call 1-800-235-6943 to confirm enrollment. The recording gives you options, press 6 # to speak to a representative. I thought I was enrolled but wasn't. Now I am. Also, if you should have an accident and die and were on Legion business the amount is \$5,000.

Looking forward to an exciting new year and working with our new service officers. Be sure to call our e-mail our office with any benefit questions or wishing to check out the latest rumor out there.

LET YOUR YES BE YES AND YOUR NO BE NO.
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