

Permission to transfer

Hello,

As Membership Chairman, I wanted to reach out to you regarding potential transfers into your Post. As you may know, anyone who transfers into a Post must be verified and have the transfer paperwork signed by the Post Adjutant or Post Commander. The transfer form need not be signed by the transferring member and can be approved by the member via telephone call, email or text message.

National recruits new members to The American Legion by mass media mailings and places those members who join into a Holding Post (better known as the 2930 Post). Many of these members think they have already been transferred into a local Post or are wondering when the local Post will be contacting them. In fact, a phone call, letter or text message must be sent to these members asking if they would like to transfer into a local Post. For the 2017-2018 membership year, over 1700 members were in this holding post that had paid for 2018. At the end of the year, there were **over 1500 that had not been transferred**. These are just numbers for Wisconsin.

We will continue holding membership rallies targeting specific areas to get some of these members transferred into Posts within those area. The other thing we will continue is making random calls. We are fortunate that between rallies, we have members who are willing and able to make calls to the members of the holding post to help facilitate the transfer process.

We are asking you to choose one of the following for the current membership year of _____:

____ Yes! We welcome new members to our Post and accept any transfers coming to us. These transfers will be processed by Chris at Headquarters and the Member Data Form sent to our Post after processing. We understand that we will still be responsible to verify the transferred member's DD-214.

____ Yes, however we want the Member Data Forms before it goes to headquarters so we can verify the transferred member's DD-214 before signing and processing the transfer.

____ We prefer to get a list of people and do our own calling.

Post # _____ District _____ Post Commander or Post Adjutant signature _____

Thank you for helping grow the Wisconsin American Legion. If you have any questions, you may reach me through the information below.

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