

OFFICER'S CORNER



As Adjutant, members occasionally ask, why the Legion requests next year's dues in July, six-months early. Especially for new members who may have just joined in April or May, it may appear to be too immediate to be asked for their next year's dues. While this is a valid concern, let me review the Legion's membership goals.

The only way for the Legion to continue its Veteran services, youth support programs and political influence is through membership retention and expansion.

In reality, the only way to meet the Legion's membership goal is to start early. With this said the Legion places monthly goals on each Post, District & Department creating a competition for each element to reach **100% plus a quota of new members.**

The request from your leadership is for all members to pay their dues as soon as possible. Paying early helps our Post rankings in the membership competition. Paying early will also save the Legion and our Post the expense of processing and mailing multiple renewal notices.

Please support Post 649 and the Legion by renewing your membership early. Your dues may be mailed directly to the Post or paid online by going to www.legion.org/renew. If you pay online, please print your receipt and mail the bottom portion to the Post at:

American Legion Post 649
P.O. Box 2062
Castro Valley, CA 94546

For more information, please contact me.

Yours in solidarity,
[Tony Lindsey, Adjutant](#)
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