



## AMERICAN MILITARY VETERANS OF THE MOOSE FAMILY FRATERNITY

### ~ ATTENTION VETERANS OF THE MOOSE ~

It is time that we assemble for our Mid-Year R&R again. I look forward to seeing you again and to share how our CNMA Moose Veterans Battalion is growing.

I am especially pleased to report that after our three years of trying to get us organized in CNMA; that Moose International has finally come to appreciate the value of organizing and recognizing their veterans. VETERANS are becoming one of the separate event and activity groups of our Family Fraternity. This is just the beginning of a grand opportunity to cooperate and help each other, our community, our organization, the Moose Fraternity, Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

This is busy time, more full of opportunity for the future. We want to share the successes of several active lodges and pass along ideas and experiences regarding what has worked for many in the past.

We have groups with veterans who volunteer to go to schools to share their personal experiences of "American History" by speaking about experiences of Pearl Harbor, World War II, D-Day, the Pacific Islands campaigns, Bataan Death March, and many more current campaigns. The point is that we still have veterans who were there and we should not squander opportunities to share their experiences and their knowledge. Veterans know how to cooperate for a common purpose—a greater cause; and so we can lead by example to help our lodge brothers and sisters to get things done.

We want to help YOU make things happen in YOUR community; and we want to invite you to participate in some of the wonderful events and programs throughout our association. We want to know about your programs and help you advertise and generate support.

Similarly, there are issues that affect veterans, their families, and even our lodges, proposed in the State Legislature every year. Our newly elected State Legislators are busily addressing numerous issues affecting our lives, and HERE we can keep each other informed. Our veterans leaders regularly participate in the process and will keep up informed. Individuals and groups can select the issues they want to address. We, as individuals, Moose members and veterans can decide to participate in the process when required; and we will keep you informed. Please know that our California Nevada Moose Association will be sponsoring a Moose Veterans section on the CNMA website; so please do go to: "www.CA-NVMOOSE.ORG" and know that we will have a separate site where we can connect, communicate and brainstorm the universe of opportunities we can help make happen. Let's begin by sharing what we ARE DOING as well as those things that we would LIKE TO DO. Please come by the VETERANS BOOTH at Reno Convention and get Veterans Benefits Resource Book for your lodge!



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