MID-WINTER 5TH DISTRICT REPORT SUMMARY

- Many Posts within the 5th district are active and pursuing the American Motto, "Veterans Strengthening America."
- Several examples of Community, State and Nation strengthening activities are:
 - o Post 14 Vancouver, making the effort to ensure their aging membership and the Veterans of their community by offering meal opportunities. In addition, they have a meeting room of considerable size for which they rent, except for veteran funerals and related activities of which the Post donates the room for the requested duration of the event.
 - o Post 25 Kelso continues to Honor Veterans by providing the Patriot Guard Mission. Post 25 continues to offer a food Donation event once a month in which they donate hundreds of pounds of food to the local community.
 - o Post 122 Washougal continues to hold many community events, rent their hall, hold bingo nights, have community breakfast events, as well as supporting the local Fire Department and other local groups in their events.
 - o Post 111 Deep River continues to support their local Veterans, and community as only they understand by many generations of locals helping each other in whatever comes. They have built wheelchair ramps, repaired homes, boat launches, roofs, windows, and a myriad of other repairs. They hold a yearly event "Crab and Oyster feed' which is so popular that they have had to restrict the number of guests as per the fire marshal. The event is not only the feed component, but they have many fundraising opportunities for the community, the event culminates in a dance, complete with local band.

This district has 14 Post not all are as active as others, but I am proud to relate to this body that the state of 5th District TAL is very much in active support for the Four Pillars of The American Legion. All Posts have their own spirit and I believe they all are activities and deeds that support their Veterans, Communities and Nation through that spirit. We are always mindful that the Post spirits, activities, and deeds don't all look the same, and in my view that is exactly what gives this district strength.

Respectfully submitted,

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