

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
Department of South Carolina
The American Legion Palmetto Boys State
508 Holly Creek Drive
Anderson, SC 29621**

MEMORANDUM

TO: POST COMMANDERS AND ADJUTANTS

SUBJECT: BOYS STATES INFORMATION AND GOALS

**FROM: REV. SINCLAIR LEWIS, SECRETARY/TREASURER
THE AMERICAN LEGION PALMETTO BOYS STATE**

The American Legion Palmetto Boys State 2010 will be held at the UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA located in Columbia, S.C., during the period 13 - 19 June, 2010.

THE SPONSOR'S FEE remains at \$200.00 per delegate. Even at \$200.00 per delegate, Palmetto Boys State remains one of the least expensive in the nation and is considered to be one of the top three or four programs in the nation. In the past four years we have had one President and two Vice Presidents of Boys Nation, along with one Samsung Scholarship winner of \$20,000.00. No other program in the country can match this record.

Each citizen will pay a registration fee of TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00) and a room deposit fee of FORTY DOLLARS (\$40.00). The registration fee covers the cost of TWO Boys State T-shirts and ONE athletic T-shirt and political campaign materials. The \$40.00 room deposit will be returned to the citizen when he turns in his room key on departure.

PLEASE NOTE: When I receive your pledge, I will forward you the application cards. When you return the cards and the fees, I will send all information concerning what the citizen needs to bring, when to arrive, etc., and that the CITIZEN MUST BRING WITH HIM SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$65.00) TO COVER REGISTRATION AND ROOM DEPOSIT. Remind the citizen that he will be returned the room deposit when he checks out.

Enclosed are goals assigned to Posts. These are guidelines. If this is a realistic goal for your Post, please indicate on the pledge form. Also indicate on the pledge form the number of citizens you expect to sponsor or arrange to have sponsored and then return it to me as soon as possible, and prior to 31 March 2010. I do not wish the names of citizens at this time, only the total number I may expect from your Post. SHOULD YOU DESIRE TO SEND MORE THAN YOUR QUOTA, or should you have any questions, please call me at (864) 375-1474 (home). **Goals have been assigned for each Post, but Posts failing to forward 2010 membership cards to Department Headquarters will not be allowed to sponsor delegates.**

Please remember that goals for Palmetto Boys State are assigned only to ACTIVE posts of The American Legion. It is the responsibility of the Posts to obtain other sponsors for this most worthwhile program. Most often these sponsors are civic, fraternal, church, school, business, other organizations in the community and individual sponsors.

PLEASE NOTE MY ADDRESS AT THE TOP OF THE PAGE AND ON THE PLEDGE FORM. MY TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE LISTED ABOVE. I may also be reached at FAX (864) 226-3134 or e-mail – drsink@charter.net

**PALMETTO BOYS STATE PLEDGE FORM
DUE DATE: MARCH 31, 2010**

RETURN TO: Sinclair E. Lewis, American Legion
Palmetto Boys State
508 Holly Creek Drive
Anderson, SC 29621

Post No. _____ located in _____ pledges to
sponsor _____ young men to attend Palmetto Boys State, 13 June - 19 June 2010, to be held
at the University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC.

SIGNED _____ OFFICE _____

TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zip