In 2017, Department of Montana conducted our initial Department of Montana Legion College at the Department Convention in Billings. We are excited to have this opportunity again for Legionnaires of all levels to grow in their abilities and knowledge of our great organization. Our primary focus remains the same as we look to provide core knowledge of The American Legion beyond the American Legion Extension Institute (ALEI) now known as the new Basic Training. Our curriculum for this year will focus on Post and District assessments, leadership via team building, program generation, resolution writing, parliamentary procedures and meeting execution. In addition to developing ourselves to be better Legionnaires, this will be an excellent venue to network and collaborate on successes various Posts or Districts are having.

Registration is a simple email sent to: <u>GASharbono@gmail.com</u> with your contact information, Post number, current position, desired future positions, number of years with The American Legion and completion of the **new** <u>American Legion Basic Training</u>. <u>This is a requirement for all attendees</u>.

Check-in will begin at 9:30am on Thursday, 25th of June, with class starting at 10am. Training will recess by 8pm. with breaks for lunch and dinner. This course is open to any Legion family member with the desire to understand The American Legion based on four pillars and other key aspects of our great organization. This training is ideal for any Post level Officers and those aspiring to serve above the Post level. Only prerequisite is the completion of the **new Basic Training Course** (this only takes about 3 hours).

This training is no cost to the participants beyond the cost to bring you to Billings, one night prior to the Department Convention. The Department has not authorized any compensation for this training. Students will receive Certificate of Completion and be part of the Montana Legion College Alumni. Finally, this training will assist Department Leaders in the selection of future committee assignments or other positions within the Legion.

Our Department College is not a substitute to <u>The National American Legion College</u>, merely a bridge that is open to all Legion members. Along with my fellow Legion College Graduates, I strongly encourage anyone to apply for attendance to the National American Legion College conducted annually the last week of October in Indianapolis with all expenses paid. These applications are due to <u>Department prior to Convention</u>. For more information about the application process. Contact our Adjutant -Gary White.

Montana has made a name for itself as a Department driven to share and develop our Legionnaires.

Any questions, please feel free to email me or call me at 406-210-2607

Glen Sharbono,

District 4 Commander & Dean of Department College

MONTANA LEGION COLLEGE SCHEDULE

SALUTE THE FLAG

PRAYER

PREAMBLE

DRAWING OF OFFICERS: ADJUTANT, VICE COMMANDER, FINANCE OFFICER, SERVICE OFFICER, CHAPLAIN, HISTORIAN, SGT-AT-ARMS

1000-1020: RESOLUTOIN WRITING

1020-1100: DISTRICT ORGANIZATION AND DISTRICT COMMANDER

1100-1120: DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

1120-1200: PUBLIC RELATIONS / CPR

1200-1300: LUNCH

1300-1320: MANUAL OF CEREMONIES / PROTOCAL AT DEPT

CONVENTION

1320-1340: MEMBERSHIP

1340-1400: REACTIVATING STRUGGLING POSTS

1400-1420: LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

1420-1440: AMERICANISM (CHILDREN & YOUTH)

1440-1500: BREAK

1500-1600: LEADERSHIP

1600-1610: BREAK

1610-1700: PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

1700-1800: DINNER

1800-1830: PREAMBLE BY PNC John Breiden

1830-1900: HOW TO CONDUCT A DISTRICT MEETING

1900-1930: AAR (AFTER ACTION REVIEW)

1930-2000: GRADUATION