



**FIFTH DISTRICT NEWS
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY/DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN**

September/October 2024

District Officers:

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**Vice President-
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Treasurer-Elaine Forster

Chaplain-Louise Brown

**Membership Chairman-
Joyce Wingers**

**Sgt at Arms-
Calena McKnight**



Dates To Remember:

11/5/2024 Election Day

11/11/2024 Veterans Day

Beautiful weather still, but Fall is on its way

Fifth District Membership Chairman:

I would like to introduce our new District Membership Chairman, Joyce Wingers. Most of you already know her. She will be working alongside myself in helping any of your units with getting 2025 renewal dues paid and with any questions about increasing membership. Please feel free to reach out if needed.

Membership renewals for 2025:

Recently I sent an email informing Unit Presidents (except #448, sorry) that we (Joyce and I) sent out a letter advising your members that National would be sending out 2025 Renewal Notices soon. We explained that we were encouraged to get renewals in asap. Reminder, to please process renewals on a weekly basis, do not hold. Or to encourage your members to call National as that is the fastest way to get renewed. That saves your Unit money also.

VERY IMPORTANT, all Unit Officers should have paid their dues by 9/1/2024. Those of you who have not done so as yet, please get them paid now and check on your other officers also.

Unit Newsletters:

I hope that all Units are sending a Newsletter (monthly, semi-monthly, whatever is good for you) to let your members know what is going on. That you are still an active Unit. Information can be shared from the Bi Monthly Unit Mailings. And if your holding meetings, that info should be communicated.

Unit Meetings:

If your units are not meeting as yet (does not have to be monthly, again, whatever is good for you) Please start planning these. We have to keep the future of the American Legion Auxiliary going, not get stagnant. By doing this you will keep your members and hopefully increase membership.

If possible, Joyce and I would like to attend one of your Unit meetings. Please let us know.

2024 – 2025 Unit Officers Form:

My last newsletter, I asked that you fill out your 2024 – 2025 Unit Officers Form. Just list the current information. If officers change after that, **THEN** submit another one. This information is very important in sharing to all who might need to contact you.

Attached is a copy of this blank form. PLEASE fill out and submit this by September 20th.

My thanks to you for doing this asap.

American Legion Auxiliary Department of Wisconsin Milwaukee Conference of Units Picnic:

This was held on Sunday September 8th and was a great success. There were not many of our District members there. If repeated next year please consider coming. It was a family event.



Reminder:

Many of the forms on the Department website have been updated. Example, Poppy Donations, General Fund Donations, Renewal Dues forms, etc. If you're not sure of the correct form, you can check the website.

If there is anything that I (Linda) can do to help your Unit in any manner, please contact me.

Linda Bartell