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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



LAURA CALTEUX
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President

Are the Sparks flying? Which programs are you working on? As your unit works on a program that promotes the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary, are you inviting family, friends and others in your community to join you? Don't forget to invite your American Legion Family to your events. Who better to attend, than those who know how important

our work is and why we matter. Our department chairmen have put many ideas together for you to use in their Plans of Action that are on the Department website. Each month I will highlight a program, starting with the Legislative program. Our Legislative program is designed to provide our members with information and assistance so that they can support The American Legion with elected officials at all levels of government. All of our programs are dependent upon proper legislation. Subscribing to the Dispatch, which is published monthly by The American Legion,

is one way to keep you informed on the legislation that is important to our veterans. Visiting The American Legion website (www.legion.org) is another way that you can find out the issues that are important to our veterans. You can get a complete directory to the Wisconsin Legislative and Congressional Districts by writing to: Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance, 401 North Lawn Avenue, Madison, WI 53704. You can get the names of the members of Congress at www.senate.gov and www.house.gov.

Please forward copies of your letters and the answers that you

receive from legislators to Department Chairman Teresa Isensee. Those answers help The American Legion National Headquarters determine congressional opinion on veterans' issues. Remember that The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary are non-partisan, without regard to political affiliation. We advocate for our veterans and what is important to them.

At our National Convention held in Baltimore, Maryland, Sharon Conatser was installed as our newest National President. Her theme is 'Keeping the Promise' and she wants us to remember why we

joined the American Legion Auxiliary, to honor the service of a veteran in our life and all of America's veterans, the military and their families. So, please remember to keep your promise to our veterans, work our programs to support our veterans and include your communities in everything that you do. Be visible in your communities, work on our programs and work with other organizations. Make sure that you publicize what your unit is doing, so that everyone will know Who We Are, What We Do and Why We Matter.

God Bless America and Be the Spark for Our Veterans!

2015-2016 National President Sharon Conatser

Sharon Conatser, of Champaign, Ill., was elected National President of the American Legion Auxiliary during the organization's 95th National Convention in Baltimore, Maryland, August 28 - September 3, 2015.

Conatser joined the American Legion Auxiliary through her father Clay Lofton, a WWII and Korea veteran. She is also eligible through her husband, Marty, a Vietnam veteran, and her son,

Rick, a veteran from the Gulf War-era. Conatser is a member of Urbana Unit 71.

Conatser has held numerous leadership positions in the organization at the unit, district and department levels. At the national level, she has chaired many committees and has served special appointments since 2001. During the 2007-2008 administrative year, she also served as First Lady of The American Legion.

Conatser is retired from Univer-

sity of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign after 25 years where she served as an administrative assistant. She is an active member of her community and Faith United Church. Conatser's three sons, daughters-in-law and five grandchildren are all members of The American Legion Family.



2015-16 Central Division National Vice President, Lynda Lancaster

Lynda was born on September 11 in Arlington, Virginia to Miriam and Fred Meyer and was the eldest of four children. Her eligibility is through her late husband, William F. Lancaster, Jr., a Navy veteran.

Lynda is a member of Jackson-Perks Unit 71 in Charles Town and has served as Sergeant-at-Arms, Historian, Secretary and Membership Chairman for eight years and President for four years and held numerous chairs in the Unit.

Lynda has served as District Chaplain, District Vice President, District President as well as on numerous conference committees. She is serv-

ing as Secretary and a eighteenth year district representative on the Board of Directors of Rhododendron Girls State and served as a Senior Counselor for eighteen years. In the Department of West Virginia, she has been chairman for the Americanism, Distinguished Guests, Girls State, Junior Activities, Leadership, National Security, Policy and Procedures Committees, Public Relations and served on the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, and has worked on several Department Convention Committees. She served as Department Second Vice President, First Vice President, and Department President.

On the national level, Lynda has served as Alternate NEC; NEC; Vice Chairman of Constitution & Bylaws and Junior Activities; member on the Children & Youth, Community Service, Education, Girls State, Junior Activities, Leadership, Legislative, Membership and National Security committees.

Lynda is a member of the Leesburg United Methodist Church and numerous community organizations. She enjoys music and sports.



CREATE A SPARK MEMBERSHIP IS BOOMING



MEMBERSHIP

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Please continue to work on those unpaid 2015 members. Tell them how important their membership is. If we work in the spirit of goodwill, membership should be easier to obtain. Use the 2014-2015 statistics sheet to inform them of the great achievements of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Wisconsin. For instance, 246,417 hours were volunteered in service to veterans, with \$291,364 spent, and 17,546 veterans assist-

ed. Talk about the Poppy program where 401,675 poppies were purchased and \$267,411 was raised to support our veterans, the military and their families. Remind members of the ALA motto: Service Not Self for God and Country.

The National President's theme for the 2016 membership year is 'Keeping the Promise.' The promise for September is, "I promise to pay my dues early."

Membership and Technology: Spread the word that members are now eligible to renew their 2016 dues online! Visit [\[www.ALAfor-Veterans.org\]\(http://www.ALAfor-Veterans.org\) for more information. Members must have a login for the members-only portal.](http://www.ALAfor-</p>
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At 2015 Fall Informational Forum, program chairmen provided information on how to get members when you are working the programs. It is important to share who we are and what we do and this will hopefully spark interested women to join the American Legion Auxiliary. Be the Spark for our Veterans!

Membership Team: Bonnie Jakubczyk, Amy Luft, Penny Joren, Meghan Helms, Andrea Stoltz

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

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Just as September signals a new beginning for students entering the school term, so does it signal the new chairmen beginning their leadership of our American Legion Auxiliary programs. Now that the 2015 Department and National Conventions and Fall Forum have concluded, our work for the upcoming year has been identified. Front and center is Strategic Goal #2: Create a culture of goodwill.

Goodwill is a kind, helpful and positive attitude toward others. Stating it best was 2015-2016 ALA National President Sharon Conatser in her installation remarks, "Goal 1 of a million members will take care of itself if we work as a team, have a positive attitude and be nice to each other!"

Watch for my Department Chaplain action plan which will include focus on creating a culture of goodwill. I am ready to accept any of your original prayers as well as your favorite prayers and reflections to add to the book I have already begun.

"One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed." Proverbs 11: 24 - 25

Heavenly Father, as we raise our voices in song for our veterans, bless all our officers and members.

Give us the strength to be understanding, compassionate, and knowledgeable while we give of ourselves and show kindness toward others.

It is only with Your help and guidance that we will be able to accomplish our aims, goals, and purposes. Please help us to remember the true meaning and to practice the American Legion Auxiliary motto "Service, Not Self."

We ask this in Your name as we work 'Keeping the Promise' made to our veterans. Amen.

With the beginning of the school year come athletics and events that commence with the singing of our National Anthem. The American Legion Auxiliary proudly held its 95th National Convention in the birthplace of the National Anthem during its 200th anniversary and challenges us to proudly sing The Star-Spangled Banner demonstrating our patriotism.

The Star-Spangled Banner

*Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?*

*Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the
perilous fight,*

*O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gal-
lantly streaming.*

*And the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting
in air,*

*Gave proof through the night that our flag was
still there.*

*Oh, say, does that star-spangled banner yet
wave*

*O'er the land of the free and the home of the
brave?*

Words by Francis Scott Key (1780)

Music by John Stafford Smith

Last month I said my husband "is doing better"; as it turns out, that was true only for a matter of a few weeks. Pray with me as I face the biggest challenge of my life.

GREETINGS FROM HEADQUARTERS

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With national convention behind us, it is time to welcome in the new American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) administrative year. Newly elected National President Sharon Conatser's theme for 2015-2016 is Keeping Our Promises. "Abraham Lincoln promised our soldiers that they would always be taken care of," said National President Sharon Conatser in her installation speech. "We, as an organization, are keeping that promise by remaining a vital organization. Keeping the promise to our values, to our American Legion Family, to each other and most importantly to ourselves will be priorities."

We, too, need to be mindful about 'keeping our promises' to our veterans, the military and their families that we are proud to support. As President Laura Calteux's theme reminds us, we can do this by 'energizing our programs and being a spark for our veterans.' If your unit is doing something unique

to support the Auxiliary's mission, please contact me. I would like to highlight some of these activities and success stories in future Wisconsin articles. Your ideas may be of interest to others who would like to duplicate your work in their own community. Articles should be no more than 350 words and include a picture if possible. Send submissions to deptsec@amlegionauxwi.org within 60 days of the event, including a contact person's name, daytime phone and email address in case I need to clarify information.

National Headquarters mailed 2015 Membership Renewal Notices. Don't be surprised if you received a renewal notice even though you recently paid your dues. National pulled the mailing list in early August before most memberships were processed. If you have questions, please contact your unit membership chairman to verify she forwarded your dues to Department for processing.

Members who wish to pay their 2016 dues online may now do so with a debit or credit card. Simply go to www.ALAforVeterans.org, click on the "Members Only" tab, and create a log-in ID if you don't already have one. The

pay dues option will be in the upper right portion of the screen. If you need assistance with creating a log-in ID, please contact the national organization's helpline at alahq@alaforveterans.org. Dues can only be accepted for the 2016 membership year. Payments for previous years's dues or for other family members must still be processed through the unit.

The 2016 Daily Sweepstakes mailing went out in August. Contact Department Headquarters if you want additional entry forms while supplies last - they make great gifts! Only original entry forms will be accepted for the drawing. You could win more than once because winning entries are returned to the barrel after each drawing. Daily prizes are \$15, Sunday prizes are \$25, and there is a chance to win \$500 each month! The last day to enter is December 31, 2015. THANK YOU to everyone who has already responded. Please remember: although a donation is not required to enter the sweepstakes, the money raised is used to support Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary programs so your donations are greatly appreciated. Official sweepstakes rules are posted on the department website.

HISTORY

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"History is who we are and why we are the way we are," said American author David C. McCullough. If we don't preserve our history, how will those who follow know who we are and why we are the way we are? Our history connects our generations but only if we record it so it can be passed on to those who follow in our footsteps.

A unit's history isn't some dusty tome stuck away in a file cabinet in the corner. It is a dy-

namic record of the events in the life of a unit and the ladies who are members. Assist your historian by providing her information about events held that she wasn't able to attend.

Historians attend and record as many events as possible. A pocket notebook is a handy tool for taking notes and recording details as they happen. Your history will be useful if it is written accurately and in a timely fashion. Make it as clear to your readers as possible. Remember to write in the third person, using "she, he, it, and their," not "I, you, and we."

Please provide me information about visits

by Department President Laura to your unit for the department history. I would also appreciate hearing about your unit activities including those for your veterans and youth since department convention.

Please check out the department website for the "Historian Plan of Action" for more information about proper format for your unit history as well as contest information. There have been some changes in formatting and I will identify those in a future unit mailing. Let's make history and have 100% reporting of unit histories!

EDUCATION

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September is finally here and you know what that means...Back to School. We teach our children and grandchildren every day the fundamentals of right from wrong, how to tie their shoes or say the ABC's. The responsibility of educating our youth belongs to each of us.

Give 10 to Education. I encourage all units to contribute supplies to classrooms in their communities, with priority being given to schools on military bases or military Family Support Groups. Everyone thinks of 'Back to School' time in the fall, while supplies are needed throughout the

entire year.

November 16-20 is National Education Week. This would be a perfect time to thank our educators for all the hard work that they do for our children. Visit <http://www.nea.org/grants/19823.htm> for a list of daily ideas to help you (make it fun).

We need to raise our spirits and seek out recipients for our Department and National Scholarships. NOTE ALL APPLICATION RULES AND DEADLINES! There is a fantastic Education Support Tools section on the national website. 'Your Role with National Scholarships' gives step by step instructions on the application process, deadline dates, and judging guidelines for the essays.

Schools are great places to help with your other mission related projects. Review 'How to Partner with Schools to Incorporate Mission,' on the national website for suggestions about outreach service, how to gain contacts, improve public relations and possibly increase membership.

One last idea. Since many of our Units and Districts have a Legion family member with a Veteran of today's wars, organizing a Veteran in the Classroom activity should be a simple program to accomplish. Check out the Department's Education Plan of Action, which includes a 'How to Organize a Veteran in the Classroom Activity' guide.

Education is just not for the young, but for everyone!

M. LOUISE WILSON EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

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Ninety years ago, M. Louise Wilson had a vision. She wanted to assist women who required financial support in order to further their education. Because the American Legion Auxiliary made this vision a reality, many young women have been able to attend universities and technical colleges.

1. Q. What makes this loan so unique?

A. It is so simple to apply for the loan. Applicants must contact the program chairman to indicate their interest in a loan. They can find the application form on the department website as well as a copy of all of the rules and requirements.

2. Q. What are the requirements?

A. The applicant must: 1) be a current member of the American Legion Auxiliary, 2) submit a copy of the DD214 document for the veteran that made her eligible to belong, 3) send a transcript of her high school grades, and 4) submit three letters of recommendation. Upon approval by the department chairman, the applicant must have a responsible adult co-sign the promissory note.

3. Q. What is the amount of the loan?

A. If approved, the applicant may borrow up to \$800 per year for five years. One year from the date of the first loan, the applicant can get an additional \$800 by sending a copy of college grades and maintaining membership in the American Legion Auxiliary. If approved, she may continue to borrow until the amount reaches \$4,000 or she graduates from college.

4. Q. How much is the interest on this loan?

A. There is no interest on this loan unless the student fails to pay it back. Six months after graduation, payments of \$35 per month will be due. Defaulting could result in an assessment for lawyer's fees.

This loan fund has been named as one of President Laura Calteux's special projects. She, too, has a vision. She wants to see this loan fund continue to help our young Auxiliary members pay for their education and realize their dreams. Can we count on you to help out? Your unit president has a copy of the donation sheets and it is on the Department website. Spread the word about the loans and the need for additional funding. With your help, we will "Energize our programs, Be the spark for our Veterans!"

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY • DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN 2014-2015 NATIONAL AWARDS

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY FOUNDATION

For contributing the largest donation per total Department membership in support of our veterans, Military and their families

Department of Wisconsin
Teresa Isensee, 2014-2015 Dept. President

CHILD WELFARE FOUNDATION

The American Legion's Excellence Award Heritage Circle Gift Club for being in the top ten departments in per capita giving for 2014-2015

Department of Wisconsin
Teresa Isensee, 2014-2015 Dept. President

VETERAN AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

Veterans Creative Arts Festival Gold Award for Department contribution between \$5,000-\$14,999

Department of Wisconsin
Teresa Isensee, 2014-2015 Dept. President

AMERICANISM

National Americanism Essay Contest Class I, Winner in Central Division

Madeline Fipps
Sponsored by Pembine Unit 461, 9th District

'Pass It On' Membership Mission Award, Winner in Central Division

For best demonstration of how working the mission of the Americanism Committee engaged, retained and attracted members

Cecil Tormey Unit 118, 7th District

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Senior Volunteer of the Year in Central Division For outstanding community service in at least one activity emphasized in the Plan of Action during the 2014-2015 administration year

Herrietta Meyer
Lockman-Jensen Unit 499
12th District

HISTORIAN

Certificate of Participation for Best Senior History Book in the Central Division

Char Kiesling, Department Historian

LEADERSHIP

Award of Appreciation for Department Leadership Chairman in Central Division who best exemplifies what her department did to promote a Culture of Goodwill

Diane Weggen, Department Chairman

LEGISLATIVE

Outstanding Department Award in Central Division For most outstanding overall Department Legislative program

Joyce Endres, Department Chairman

MEMBERSHIP

Award of Appreciation for Outstanding Recruiting of Female Veterans (63 new members, 3rd in Nation)

Department of Wisconsin
Joan Chwala, Chairman

60% Renew/Rejoin Achievement Award For reaching 60% Department Renew/Rejoin Target by Veterans Day (11/11/14)

Department of Wisconsin
Joan Chwala, Chairman

Silver Brigade For recruiting 25 or more new Auxiliary members

Sandra Werner
Elmwood Unit 207, 12th District

PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY

Department Unit Member of the Year

Mary L. Judy
Wolf River Unit 391 in Fremont,
8th District

POPPY

Poppy Poster Contest, Class I

Autumn Taylor
Shiocton Unit 512, 9th District

Poppy Poster Contest, Class VII

Caitlyn Anderson
Mullaney-McTrusty Unit 428,
Amberg 9th District

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Goal 4-Strengthen Departments and Units Award for developing effective training tools and resources for units in the Central Division

Joyce Endres, Department Chairman

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Veterans Memorial Unit 63, Clintonville For first-time entry for a National Award

Nancy Fields, Unit President

Badger Girls State Senators Attend Girls Nation



The Badger Girls State Senators from Wisconsin, Breelyn Karno of New Richmond (left) and Esther Lusenge of Medford (right), are pictured with 2014-2015 National Central Division Girls Nation Chairman Diana Sirovina at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland following the Commencement Banquet. Breelyn was also selected as one of four girls to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery.

2015-16 NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Pearl Behrend: Member Advisory Committee

Jan Pulvermacher-Ryan: Implementation Team Member for the Centennial Million Member Plan and Finance Committee Member

Diane Duscheck: Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Chairman

Joan Chwala: Central Division VA&R Chairman

Joyce Endres: Alternate NEC, Leadership Committee Member

Sue Hembrook: Legislative Committee Member

Teresa Isensee: National Executive Committeewoman

Diana Sirovina: Central Division Membership Chairman

Please Help!

HOMELESS WOMEN VETERANS GRANT FUND

Wisconsin's women veterans who are homeless or at-risk of being homeless need your help now! June and July 2015 were record-breaking months for applications received through the Homeless Women Veterans Grant Fund.

During those two months, twenty (20!) applications were received, compared to seven applications during the same time last year. Twelve of the applications were approved, totaling more than \$12,000 in payments; four applications were rejected; and four appli-

cations are in process or are on hold pending additional information. The current Homeless Women Veterans Grant Fund balance is less than \$3,000.00. Without additional donations soon, we may not be able to fully support our female veterans seeking assistance. Please contribute to this premier Wisconsin Auxiliary program by marking #4456 on the Poppy Fund Suggested Donation Sheet and sending a check today. The donation sheet can be downloaded from the department website.



MISSION: In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

WORKING THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY MISSION!

Serving Our Veterans At Camp American Legion



Gayle Newton of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 550 in Brackett volunteered at Camp American Legion in August. According to Camp Director Kevin Moshea, "She helped us work through a very busy time of two full camps in one week.

Monday to Friday our Post 9/11 'Care-giver Respite Retreat', then our Friday to Sunday 'Camp Serenity Families-of-the-Fallen' serving those who have lost a service member. The shirt Gayle is wearing says 'Honor The Fallen - Never Forget.' Gayle gave her all - helping us clean the entire camp twice, once on Friday then all over again on Sunday! Gayle also kept busy with daily general cleaning, helping disabled vets through the food line, serving them with their needs, and cleaning the dining hall after. She did any and everything and never stopped giving. Gayle, thank you for volunteering and serving Camp's 'Help to Heal' mission and our veterans!"

Poppy Princess Welcomes Veterans Home

Teaghan Markevitch, Poppy Princess of American Legion Auxiliary Prescott Bayens Unit 83 had the privilege of welcoming 183 WWII and Korean War veterans home on September 12th when the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight returned from Washington D.C.

Teaghan graciously handed each veteran a poppy as they entered the gate area. This was a very exciting yet humbling experience seeing the joy, surprise and, at times, tears in the eyes of the veterans as they entered a room filled with music and a corridor of uniformed members of each branch of service saluting them as they passed through. So very heart warming. As printed on their shirts 'Each day is a bonus'.



Do you work the Auxiliary mission? Please send a picture with a short note explaining how you serve our veterans, the military and their families. Depending on the number of submissions and space available, we will try to highlight you in an upcoming issue of the Wisconsin. Information should be sent to deptsec@amlegionauxwi.org within 30 days of the mission-focused activity.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I have been reflecting on the 2015 Fall Forum and all I learned Friday and Saturday about the American Legion Auxiliary programs. Even though I have attended this event for the last 15 years, I still find myself leaving with a new sense of encouragement and love for this organization. I always feel I have been blessed with new ideas to take back to my Unit.

It made me feel good to see so many ALA members in attendance. I was especially happy to see so many first time attendees. I hope they felt welcome, learned a lot and also had fun.

At church this morning, our pastor's sermon was titled "It's a team effort: service." He spoke about differences in people and how we should love and respect the differences we see in others. We should think of others in a selfless way, give a team effort to build, encourage and lift others up because service is a team effort. The Auxiliary's service to God and Country fits into this team effort.

I thought of all the presenters, the programs and the information we shared this weekend. We are all different, but were there for a common purpose. We were there to learn and grow, get to know each other better and share ideas. I hope units that did not have representation at Fall Forum will consider becoming a part of the regional conferences that will move around the state sharing these ideas and personalities with others in the future. A one day conference with less travel and no overnight stays should be incentive to participate. Just think how great units can become if we all work together!

The strategic plan encourages us to grow to a million members. Service is a team effort. Service to God and Country and for our veterans is a noble cause. People who work together will win.

Vince Lombardi once said, "The achievements of an organization are the result of the combined effort of each individual." We worked this weekend to encourage an individual commitment to a group effort. That is what makes a team work.

Congratulations to President Laura and her team for a job well done. Organizing this event took a lot of work and cooperation among team players. I appreciate everyone's efforts. Thank you to everyone that had a part in making Fall Forum a success.

Judy Kuta
District 2, Unit 355
(Letter dated 09/20/15)

AUGUST 2015 CALENDAR FUNDRAISER WINNERS

1	15.00	31453	Pearl Johnson	Ellsworth	17	15.00	48801	Zach Simms	Aurora CO
2	25.00	57258	Wayne Schmitz	Beaver Dam	18	15.00	32105	Bev Higgin	Grantsburg
3	15.00	45354	Karmen Kautz	Muskego	19	15.00	47599	Mary Muellenbach	Stockbridge
4	15.00	36988	Rita Stern	River Falls	20	15.00	69555	Delores Jacobson	LaCrosse
5	15.00	38633	Sue Lisiecki	Forest Lake, MN	21	15.00	46475	Lora Fischer	Oak Creek
6	15.00	59132	Lilas Miller	Mt. Horeb	22	500.00	64869	Louise Sprouse	Crivitz
7	15.00	44789	David Leet	Somers	23	25.00	54089	Gail Skaar	Jefferson
8	15.00	61476	Renee Sterwalt	Watertown	24	15.00	67571	Patricia Olsen	Bensenville IL
9	25.00	41905	Leo Spellman	Darlington	25	15.00	27743	Steven Braun	Manitowoc
10	15.00	57163	Janet Koltz	Beaver Dam	26	15.00	31592	Gary Cuper Sr	Clayton
11	15.00	49841	Antoinette Czebotar	Fort Atkinson	27	15.00	61589	Ruth Ann Dobbs	Saukville
12	15.00	70108	Iva Bahr	Eleva	28	15.00	26180	Margaret Ledbetter	Three Lakes
13	15.00	36100	Chris Schwier	West Salem	29	15.00	37715	Raymond Teclaw	Thorp
14	15.00	49605	Nancy Blank	Waupaca	30	25.00	29241	Mary Lou Cornell	City Point
15	15.00	51829	Lila Schultz	Waupaca	31	15.00	56063	New Glarus Unit 141	New Glarus
16	25.00	57763	Guy Senkowski	Poynette					

2015 CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP

The Christmas Gift Shop has moved into a new facility at the Zablocki VAMC in Milwaukee. Due to lack of storage space, item donations to the Christmas Gift Shop will no longer be accepted. Cash and gift cards will be used as gifts or for the Gift Shop Supervisor to purchase needed items to send as gifts. Please see the Department Standing Rules on page 94 of the 2015-2016 Department Red Book for more information.

Gift cards and financial donations should be sent to Department Headquarters, checks payable to ALA-Wisconsin and designated to the Christmas Gift Shop.

ALA Department Headquarters
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Volunteers box, label and ship orders for each veteran's family to arrive in time for Christmas. There is no cost to the veterans. This is a gift to those who gave so much of themselves so that we may be free today.



Entry forms for the 2016 ALA Daily Sweepstakes have been mailed out...

Return your entry forms by 12/31/15 for a chance to win!

Winner Every Day! 366 Winners!
\$11,830 in cash prizes!
One \$500 winner every month!

Contact Headquarters at 866-664-3863 for additional entry forms. Only original entry forms will be accepted. Proceeds benefit our veterans, the military and their families.