

# 1st District

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Happy March,

Please make sure you are working on reports. Feel free to send me a copy or reach out for help. They can all be submitted online. If you want mailed to you, there is a fee. I'm here to help if needed. Please make sure to send me a copy of your in pact report. You can email a copy as well.

### IMPORTANT NOTE FROM OUR DISTRICT CHAPLAIN

Please make sure to send your deceased member list from April 1st 2025- March 31st 2026 to our District Chaplain Joann Dewart at [joanndewart@gmail.com](mailto:joanndewart@gmail.com) NO LATER than April 1st. This is important so they can be properly honored at her Memorial Service at the Spring Conference. Please make sure to include your **unit** and **county** when giving her your member list.

### LEGION FAMILY FIRST DISTRICT FUNDRAISER

If you would like to participate in the bowling fundraiser please set aside March 21st 12pm in your calendar. It will be held at Riverside Bowling Lanes in Waterford once again. We are also asking that a total of 3 baskets per county be donated for a basket raffle that day. A unit or couple units can sponsor 1 basket together or a county can as well. It is up to you. **Please Call Mary Kohler at 262-949-8950 to confirm any last minute baskets for this Saturday Bowling event.**

### Elections and Spring Conference 2026

**INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR A 1ST DISTRICTS POSITIONS.. WE HAVE 5 OPEN POSITION TO FILL AT SPRING CONFERENCE IN 2026. THE POSITIONS ARE: PRESIDENT, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT , HISTORIAN AND CHAPLIN. IF INTERESTED PLEASE LET ME KNOW. MY EMAIL IS [joanndewart@gmail.com](mailto:joanndewart@gmail.com). THANK YOU, JO DEWART CHAIRMAN NOMINATING TEAM.** As of now, no one has stepped up. Please bring nominations to the floor at the Conference.

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## **SPRING CONFERENCE NEWS from the Poppy Chair:**

There have been so many positive comments regarding last year's poppy centerpieces; we are asking units to feel free to make new centerpieces OR bring the one from last year. There are so many talented members and the pieces were so beautiful, let's show them off and share them again at this Spring Conference. EVERYTHING POPPY! No contest, just sharing and enjoying all the poppy talent in the District!

April: Focus on our Military Children and April 15 th Purple Up Day

May: Focus on National Poppy Day and our many distribution sites across the district.

We would like to see Units invite and BRING their “Little Miss Poppy, Miss Poppy, Poppy Ambassadors and Poppy Queens” to the Spring conference. Remember, Poppy Princesses and Poppy Queens must be members of the Auxiliary, and the Ambassador must be a SAL member under the age of 18. These members are so important to the success of the poppy program as well as helping recruit new junior and senior members. Does your community hold parades? Does your Post Family hold special events inviting the community? Our poppy princesses, ambassadors and queens are wonderful representatives for the American Legion Family. Be sure they are assisting with poppy distributions whenever possible, dressed to the nines! (I know- old term) you know what I mean.

If your Unit has any Poppy Posters, please bring them to share. Remember, the contest is open to all students. Perhaps your Unit could offer an incentive to the students to participate. A small monetary gift for the winner to be used for school supplies or events. Be sure to contact the schools, Scouts and any youth organizations in your area.

We will also have an area set aside for our junior members at the conference to work on a special craft. Be sure to include the Junior member's information on the registration form.

Finally, everyone come to the conference in your favorite poppy attire. This could be a poppy princess/queen in their dress, sash, crown or maybe a favorite poppy shirt, t-shirt, scarf, sweater. We want to see poppies, poppies, and more poppies. Any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Sam Catura at my email: [anitacatura9@gmail.com](mailto:anitacatura9@gmail.com)

**THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
FIRST DISTRICT SPRING CONFERENCE  
SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026**

Hosted by: Hartland Auxiliary Unit 294 - 231 Goodwin Avenue, Hartland, WI 53029

Day of contact: Sam Catura (414) 418-0289

**REGISTRATION: 9:00 am to 9:45 am**

**Continental Breakfast**

**Meeting: 10:00 am**

**LUNCH: Approximately noon (catered by Mission BBQ)**

**THEME: Everything Poppy (centerpieces welcome and wear poppy attire)**

**PLEASE COMPLETE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW AND FORWARD TO:**

**Dawn Buika, 757 Windsor Circle, Hartland, WI 53029**

**Questions, contact Dawn at (262) 369-5880 - \*\*\*this is a landline so no texting available\*\*\***

**ALONG WITH APPROPRIATE DOLLAR AMOUNT. REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 3, 2026**

**\*\*\*\*\*MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ALA UNIT 294\*\*\*\*\***

**Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_**

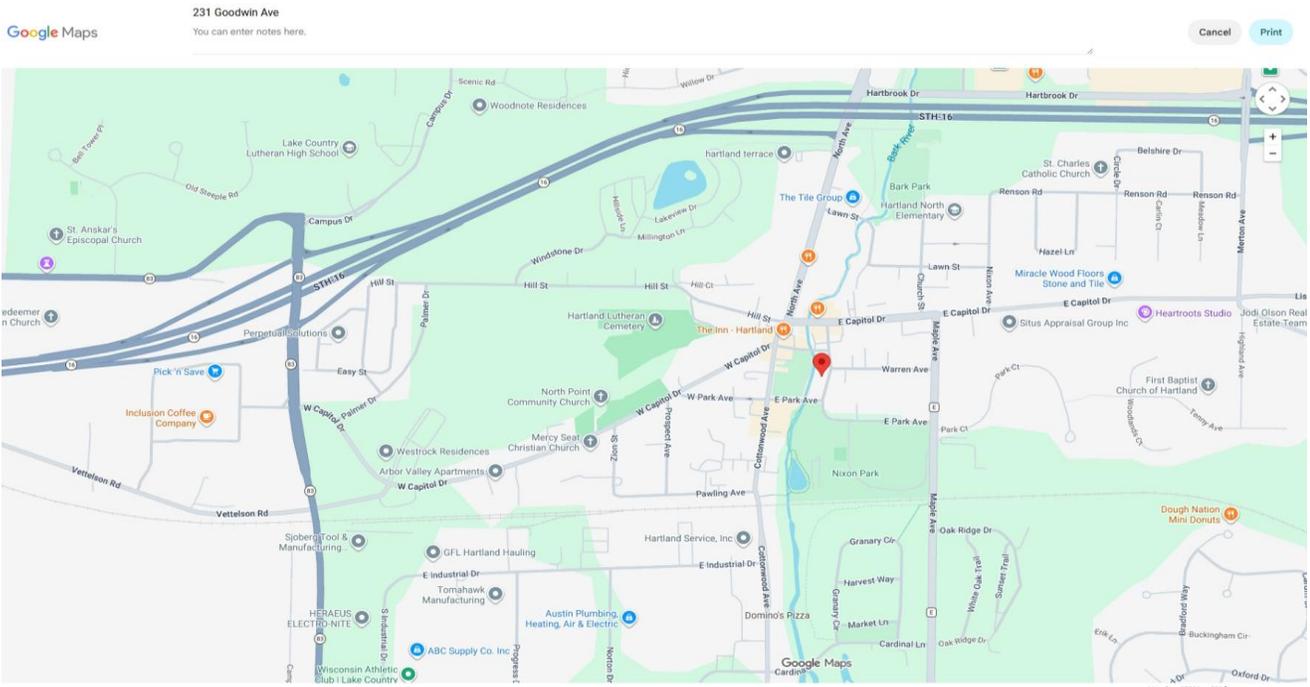
**\*\*\*\*\*Reminder: Each Unit is allowed 4 Delegates and 4 Alternates / Delegate at Lg=  
Past District Presidents, Current County Presidents and Current District Officers\*\*\*\*\***

Member name	Delegate at Large	Delegate	Alternate	Guest	Jr Member

**Total # Sr Members registered: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total # Jr Members (participate however non-voting privileges) registered: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ 5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total Dollar Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_**



231 GOODWIN AVENUE HARTLAND WI 53029 HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE AT REAR ENTRANCE

FROM THE EAST

WEST BOUND ON I94 - TO HWY 16 WEST BOUND TO MERTON AVE -LEFT ON MERTON AVE TO E CAPITOL DR  
RIGHT ON E CAPITOL DR TO DOWNTOWN HARTLAND - SHARP LEFT TO GOODWIN AVE

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FROM THE WEST

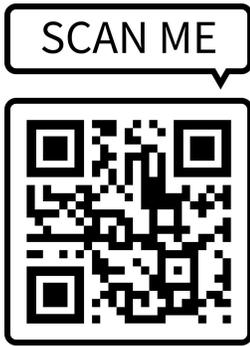
EAST BOUND ON 194 TO HWY 83 EXIT -LEFT ON HWY 83 -RIGHT ON HWY 16 – TAKE RAMP TO NORTH AVE – RIGHT ON NORTH AVE –  
LEFT ON EAST CAPITOL DR – SHARP RIGHT TO GOODWIN AVE

FROM THE NORTH

SOUTHBOUND ON HWY 83 – EAST EXIT ON HWY 16 - TAKE RAMP TO NORTH AVE – RIGHT ON NORTH AVE – LEFT ON EAST CAPITOL  
DR – SHARP RIGHT TO GOODWIN AVE

FROM THE SOUTH

NORTHBOUND ON HWY 83 – EAST EXIT ON HWY 16 - TAKE RAMP TO NORTH AVE – RIGHT ON NORTH AVE – LEFT ON EAST CAPITOL  
DR – SHARP RIGHT TO GOODWIN AVE



THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY OF FIRST  
DISTRICT WILL JOINTLY HOST

# **9-PIN TAP BOWLING FUNDRAISER**

TO SUPPORT BADGER YOUTH CAMP

Supports and teaches children about parents military service

**21 MARCH 2026 • 12PM-3PM**

**REGISTRATION OPEN 10:30 AM**

HELD AT RIVER CITY LANES 730 CORNERSTONE  
CROSSING WATERFORD, WI 53185

**\$30 PER BOWLER. (12) 6 PERSON TEAMS. DO NOT NEED A  
FULL TEAM TO PARTICIPATE . CASH RAFFLES . WALK INS OK.**

**CONTACT TOM V TO PRE-REGISTER SELF OR TEAM @  
262-620-5646 OR DIST1VICECMDR1@1DWILEGION.ORG**