



Department of Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary

6th District Newsletter

May 2024



2024 District Spring Conference

We held our 6th District Conference this past Saturday, May 4th, the unofficial holiday of Star Wars. That theme was present throughout the conference, from table decorations to door prizes to Yoda headbands. The conference was held in a historic airplane hangar at the Manitowoc Airport. No star fighters, but we shared the space with some interesting aircraft stored here by the local EAA Chapter. Thank you to Unit #165 for hosting the conference. Great job and "May the 4th Be With You"!!

We were pleased to have Department President Maggie Geiger attend and give greetings and an important message regarding Annual Impact Numbers reporting. Every hour makes a difference. 6th District Commander Dave Steinert reminded us of the importance of Buddy Checks/Poppy Calls and Recruiting the Next You.

The Finance committee presented the 2024-2025 budget which was reviewed and approved. We also reviewed and accepted changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules. Thank you to the Finance and C&B committees for all of your hard work!

Committee Chairs, County Presidents and Unit representatives gave reports. Units also brought tri-fold display boards showcasing the many activities completed this past year. We were all very busy and shared some great information.

It was wonderful to see everyone! We had a very fun and productive meeting. Hope to see more of you at the Department Convention. Minutes of the meeting and updated C&B and Standing Rules will go out as they become available.

Membership

The presentation of the Mrs. Elsa Trombla membership bells also took place during the conference. These bells are presented to the Units which reached 100% in membership. Other than reached 100% the Unit is also required to complete the Unit Officers Information sheet and return it to Department. This year's winning Units are: 1st Unit with 50 members or less is Unit 477 St. Nazianz and 1st Unit with 50 members or more is Unit 125 Chilton. Congratulations to these Units for all of their hard work.

I am pleased to announce, 6th District is currently in 2nd place. Great job everyone!!

Annual Reports

Thank you to the 18 Units that submitted their Unit Year-End Impact Reports. Volunteer hours, amounts of money raised and spent were impressive. Thank you too for the great work you do serving our veterans, military and their families and our communities!!

National Poppy Day[®], May 24, 2024

Each year, especially during the month of May, members of The American Legion Family distribute poppies with a request that the person receiving the flower make a donation to support the future of veterans, active-duty military personnel and their families with medical and financial needs. What are your plans for making poppy distribution and your Memorial Day programs successful? Please send me a report with photos following your events.

Events Around the District

MEMORIAL DAY DINNER MAY 27, 2024 11:00 AM -1:00 PM

American Legion Clubhouse, 1922 Wisconsin Ave, New Holstein

Menu: Pulled Pork & BBQ Beef on Bun (optional sauerkraut), German Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Dessert & Beverage

Complete Meal Price: \$12.00

Pulled Pork & BBQ Beef Sandwiches: \$6.00 Each

Carry-outs Available

Sponsored by: New Holstein American Legion Auxiliary Unit #124

2024 ALA DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

Thursday-Sunday, July 11-14, 2024

Hilton Paper Valley, 333 West College Avenue, Appleton, WI 54911

Convention information was included in the last bi-monthly unit mailing. It can also be found on the web site at <https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/department-convention>. Or you can register online at www.wilegion.org. Get your registration in as soon as possible. I hope to see many of you there.

Dates To Remember

- May 24, 2024 – National Poppy Day
- May 10-11, 2024 – Mission: Possible (see flyer)
- May 18, 2024 – American Legion Family Joint Testimonial, La Sure's, Oshkosh
- May 27, 2024 – Memorial Day
- June 16-21, 2024 – American Legion Auxiliary Badger Girls State, UW Oshkosh
- July 10-14, 2024 – Department Convention, Appleton
- August 23-29, 2024 - National Convention, New Orleans, LA

Thank you for all you do!!

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MISSION: POSSIBLE A Veteran & Family Symposium

Educate, Connect, & Relate through Local, State, & Federal Organizations

FREE admission!
Open to the public &
children welcome.

May 10-11

MISSION: POSSIBLE



SCAN FOR DETAILS



Welcoming Jessica Lynch

Former POW

Keynote Speaker



Tom Farley NY Times Best Selling Author

Guest Speaker



Live Music &
Testimony by

Green Bay native

J.P. Lane

Afghanistan Veteran (Army Combat Engineer)

Purple Heart
Recipient

Featured Musical Guest



VETERAN TRIBUTE, J.P. LANE, TOM
FARLEY, & SPICY TIE BAND
JONES PARK AMPITHEATER
FRIDAY, MAY 10TH, 2024 / 5PM TO 10PM

FAMILY & KIDS AREA, VET-OWNED
BUSINESSES, VA RESOURCES, MINI
SEMINARS, HIRING & CAREER EVENT,
LOCAL AGENCIES, ENTREPRENEUR
INSIGHTS, FOOD TRUCKS, & MORE!

FOX CITIES EXHIBITION CENTER
FRIDAY, MAY 10TH, 12PM TO 8PM
SATURDAY, MAY 11TH, 8AM TO 5PM

TOM FARLEY: SATURDAY @ 10AM
JESSICA LYNCH: SATURDAY @ 4PM
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