



Department of Wisconsin  
American Legion Auxiliary  
**8th District Newsletter**  
**December 2025**  
**Honor Our Country, Support Our Veterans**



Dear Lord, As we prepare to celebrate your birth, please keep us focused on the real peace you give. Keep our families safe as we travel. Hold our service men and women in your care and bring them home safely when their duty is complete. Bless our country. Bless our service to God and Country now and in the coming year. In your name we pray. Amen

I'm sure many units are doing something special for our troops and veterans. If you are, send pictures with a description and I'll include them in the next newsletter.

Unit presidents: please make sure you read through the bi-monthly unit mailings. There is always useful information that you should pass on to your membership. And encourage your members to read it.

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In this issue, Diane Duscheck, Department Finance Chair, wrote very simple to follow instructions for unit officers, not just treasurers. It's important to follow these easy steps to keep your unit in good financial standing.

**Membership Chairs:** Please do not hold onto memberships. Get them sent in ASAP. There was a case where membership was delayed. When the member needed help and applied for AEF funds, she was not eligible because her dues were not paid. Unpaid dues eliminates any benefits of belonging to the ALA.

Make sure all your officers dues are up to date. If they are not current with dues, they are not eligible to hold an office.

Speaking of membership - Congratulations to *Mosinee* and *Vesper*. They are the two units at or over 100%. It's time to get all renewals paid and sent in to avoid receiving a notice from National. Don't be afraid to talk to people you meet about the ALA and the Legion Family. Let them know how we honor our country and serve our veterans. Just ask them if a member of their family has served or is serving. If yes, there's your open door to invite them to join. Remember, the goal is for each unit to maintain and add one new member.

**MIDWINTER:** Mid Winter is fast approaching. This year there are presentations specifically for the ALA on Saturday. One of the sessions will pertain to upcoming changes in reporting. In 2026 all reporting will be done online. Make sure you are ready for the change. Hurry and register now as registration increases to \$35 on January 1.

Looking forward, start making plans now to celebrate National American Legion Day the last Saturday in April. Department is encouraging everyone to participate in this event. This is a great opportunity to make your presence known in the community – Public Relations! And possible new members!! Let's make the day special.

I would like to wish every member of District 8 a Very Merry Christmas. Please take time to stop and reflect and pray at this very hectic time of year.



Unit 391 Fremont packs Veteran Day Goody Bags every year to distribute at King Veterans Home. They make about 100 bags with donations from members and businesses.

