



Department of Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary

6th District Newsletter

September 2023



We just returned from Charlotte, NC after attending the ALA's biggest event, the 102nd National Convention. The convention was "Mission Driven" as President Vickie Koutz waved the green flag to start the convention. Reports and awards emphasized those that went above and beyond in working the mission of the ALA.

There was an amendment adopted to the National Standing Rules, increasing the number of delegates representing each Department at National Convention and another amendment adopted to clarify in part, the minimum number of members to charter a new unit or recharter a unit shall be ten (10) senior members. This amendment further clarifies that a unit charter cannot be cancelled solely because of unit membership dropping below 10 senior members.

Lisa Williamson from the Department of Alaska was installed as the American Legion Auxiliary 2023-2024 National President. For the ALA's 2023-2024 administrative year, the national focus is on preventing veteran/military suicide. The No. 1 action is to destigmatize getting help. President Lisa said, The American Legion's "Be the One" initiative is not just the Legion's, but the entire American Legion Family's with all three leaders — Legion, Sons of The American Legion, and the ALA — focusing on this important issue.

If you would like to see more highlights from the National Convention, go to:

<https://www.legion-aux.org/meetings/national-convention>

If more information on the "Be The One" initiative and how you can help go to:

<https://www.legion.org/betheone>

6th District Fall Conference

Our District Fall Conference is scheduled for Saturday, October 28th at Oshkosh Legion Post 70. Registration form is attached. I would very much like to see a representative from each of our 24 units. This conference is open to all members, not just unit officers. Remember each unit is to bring a raffle basket with a value of \$25.00.

2023-2024 Unit Officer Forms & Membership

The 2023-2024 Unit Officer Forms are available on the Department website. Even if there is no change in leadership, a form must be completed and sent to Department. Units must have the 2023-2024 Unit Officer Form submitted to Department with Officers' dues paid to be eligible for all unit membership awards.

As I write this, I have not received Officer Forms from the following Units:

Briggsville	Campbellsport	Fond du Lac
Menasha	North Fond du Lac	Oshkosh
Saint Cloud	Stockbridge	

The first Department membership incentive award will be Veteran's Day, November 11, 2023 and for two units that are 100%. They will receive an award of \$150.00 each, so let's keep working our membership and get those officer forms in as soon as possible!

DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN FALL JUNIOR CONFERENCE

Turning Rivers Youth Camp
N885 Youth Camp Rd.
Campbellsport 53010

OCTOBER 21-22, 2023 - 1pm Saturday til 2pm Sunday

Join us at Camp Hometown Heroes for our Fall Conference and learn about the camp, and what it does for military children, our American Legion Auxiliary, and what you can do for our veterans, and military. There will be hiking, crafts (lots!), outdoor cooking, and learning about wilderness survival. Bring your sleeping bag and pillow for a fun weekend with friends! a registration form was included in the August/September Unit mailing and the last district newsletter. If you have any questions, please call Laura Calteux at 414-379-2943.

Reminder - The 6th District Junior Fall Fun Day will be combined with the Department Juniors Fall Conference Camp-out October 21-22, 2023.

Dates To Remember

ALA In The Know

Sep 9, 2023 American Legion Post #360, 417 East Main Street, Waunakee, WI 53597
Sep 16, 2023 Tigerton Community Center, 221 Birch St, Tigerton, WI 54486
Sep 30, 2023 Fletcher Pechacek American Legion #121, 701 N Main St, River Falls, WI 54022

Other

Sep 11, 2023 Patriot Day
Sep 15, 2023 National POW/MIA Recognition Day
Sep 25, 2023 Fond du Lac County Council Meeting
Oct 8, 2023 6th District DEC Meeting, Oshkosh Post 70, 1:00 pm
Oct 28, 2023 6th District Fall Conference, Oshkosh, Post 70

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6TH DISTRICT FALL CONFERENCE

Date: Saturday, October 28, 2023
 Place: Oshkosh Post #70
 1332 Spruce St, Oshkosh, WI 54901
 Cost: \$15.00 per person (includes registration fee, continental breakfast and lunch)
 Deadline: October 14, 2023
 Registration: 8:30 am – 9:00 am
 Call to Order: 9:00 am
 Contact person for conference details: 6th District President Diane Steinert
 (920-573-1846 djdmsteinert@gmail.com)

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided
RESERVATIONS FOR 6TH DISTRICT FALL CONFERENCE/FUN DAY
Saturday, October 28, 2023
Cost \$15.00 per person / Deadline: October 14, 2023

Make check payable to: ALA Unit 70
Mail to: Nancy Helms, 2540 Clover St, Oshkosh, WI 54901

Unit # _____ Unit Location: _____
 Contact Name: _____
 Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Registration and meals: # _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____ Total due

Name (Print clearly)	Name (Print clearly)

Use additional page if needed for more members attending.

Remember to bring a raffle basket with a value of \$25.00 from each Unit.