



Department of Wisconsin
American Legion Auxiliary



8th District Newsletter
October 2026

Wings of Honor: Helping Our Heroes Take Flight

Prayer: Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my **anxious** thoughts.

Psalm 139:23

Dear Lord, As questions race through our heads about the Iran War, upcoming elections, affordability, and countless other things, we look to you for peace and comfort. We know that you have all things under your control. Help us not be anxious but trust you will work for the good of us all. In your name we pray. Amen

Fall Conference: Attached is the registration form for Fall Conference. The date is different than originally planned. Please share this with all your membership. This is an informational session. We are planning a half day session and working on interesting presentations on Parliamentary Procedure, proper email and Zoom etiquette, plus an Honor Flight speaker and more. President Amy will attend. Registration is due October 12. See you then.

BIG CHANGES: At the National Convention the body voted to approve changes to membership eligibility. The verbiage is now gender neutral and reads as follows: Membership in the American Legion Auxiliary shall be limited to: (1) grandparents, parents, siblings, spouses, and direct or adopted descendants within two degrees of consanguinity of members of The American Legion. This is a huge opportunity to increase our membership.

Membership: President Amy has a raffle to win a PUFL (Paid Up For Life) membership. Tickets are \$20.00. You can keep the PUFL or gift it to any Auxiliary member. Remember, there will be a \$6 dues increase which goes into effect for the 2028 membership year. With my PUFL membership I have avoided two price increases so far. I will have tickets at Fall Conference and unit visits.

Make sure to check out the membership page <https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/membership> for Department Award information. Let's Fly! To 100% by December 31. I also have President Amy's pins available for \$3.00

BIG DEAL: There were several accomplishments by Wisconsin prior to and during National convention. They were –

- Wisconsin Junior program was recognized for the grant they received to purchase kayaks for Camp American Legion.
- Wisconsin ALA Harvey Funk Unit 494 won the National President's Award for Excellence.
- Past Department President Sue Hembrook received the Merit Medallion of Excellence Award.
- Department of Wisconsin Public Relations Program received the National ALA - Outstanding Public Relations Program Department Award for Central Division.

Let's keep up the good work and then REPORT IT.

Don't Forget: Bi-monthly Unit mailings are on the Department site. New edition just released. <https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/unit-mailings>

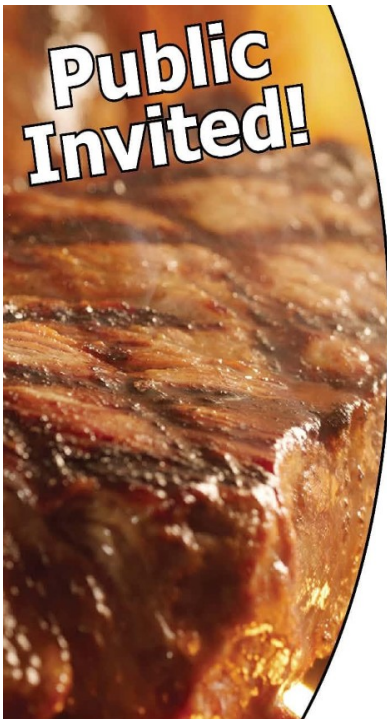
Great tools: On the Department website they added a General Info page <https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/hq-generalinfo> That page gives you a quick link to some useful tools such as Deadline charts, the Guide Book and Manual of Ceremonies. Please take a look at everything on the page (and the rest of the site) but I suggest printing out a copy of the Department Deadline chart. It's a great reference for what is due when. If we all pay attention to the dates, it will help keep business flowing smoothly. Presidents, share this with your Leadership team.

https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/_files/ugd/8bea47_d8460d83bc1744e4855fad2b686af4d1.pdf

Last Minute Opportunity: This is the last chance to attend an ALA In The Know conference in 2026! Another conference has been scheduled for Saturday, November 7, 2026 at Department Headquarters in Portage! Registrations are due by October 30th. The session will be canceled if we do not receive at least 25 registrations by October 30th! Contact Bonnie at Department if interested.

What's Up in the 8th?

See posters attached to this mailing.



Legion Steak Fry

**Wednesday, September 16th
5-7:30 PM**

**New York Strip \$22
Boneless Pork Chops
1 for \$12 or 2 for \$16
Hamburger/Cheeseburger \$9**

Plus Baked Potato & Salad Bar

Delicious Desserts Available!

This is last month's poster but below states the last date is October 21.



Support Your Local Veterans

AMERICAN LEGION POST 63

20 MEMORIAL CIRCLE, CLINTONVILLE

Join us for our last steak fry of the season on October 21!





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8th District Fall Conference Registration



Wings of Honor: Helping Our Heroes Take Flight

When: Saturday October 24, 9:00 AM

Where: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 930 Edgewood Rd, Wausau, WI 54403

Who: ALL members of 8th District and guests

What: Join us to learn about Parliamentary Procedure, Proper email and Zoom etiquette, and listen to a representative speak about the Never Forgotten Honor Flight plus more.

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Send registration and check to: Gladys Beese, 146188 Marmel Drive, Wausau, WI 54401 by October 12. Make checks payable to ALA Unit 10.

There will be a light breakfast snack on arrival and a meal later (TBD)

Return the lower half with check

Name	Unit #	Unit Location
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You are Invited to a

Chili Supper, Pie Social and Raffle



to support the
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 391
322 Waupaca St, Fremont

Saturday November 7

Starting at 3:00PM

Serving until gone

Bar is open

