



For August/September Meeting 2026

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American Legion Auxiliary Mission Statement:

In the spirit of Service, Not Self the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

The Monthly Unit Mailing is posted on the Wisconsin Department website under the Unit Mailing link.

www.amlegionauxwi.org



Wings of Honor: Helping Our Heroes Take Flight
Amy Luft, Department President

Greetings ALA Members,

Welcome to the ALA Airlines where Service, Not Self, is our passion! Our wheels are up and we have a year-long flight to our final destination in Middleton, July 2027.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Department President. I am deeply grateful for the trust placed in me and look forward to working alongside our incredible members across the state as we continue our mission of serving our veterans, their families, and our communities.



My special project for this year is **Honor Flight**, with the theme “**Wings of Honor: Helping Our Heroes Take Flight.**” The phrase “take flight” represents so much more than the incredible experience of an Honor Flight journey—it reflects who we are as an organization. Through the dedication of our members and the work of our programs, the American Legion Auxiliary provides the support, recognition, and gratitude that allows our veterans to soar.

My goal for our department is to help raise funds for Wisconsin’s Honor Flight hubs with an emphasis in reaching out to veterans who have not yet had the opportunity to experience this life-changing journey, and to assist them with the process of signing up to take their flight.

In 2021, the American Legion Auxiliary National headquarters entered a formal partnership with Honor Flight Network to support their mission of celebrating America’s veterans by inviting them to share a special day of honor at our nation’s memorials that were built in their honor.

With the use of poppy funds, we can support this initiative by raising money for our local Wisconsin hubs. Please forward your donations to department using the Poppy Fund Suggested Donation Form (do not send any funds directly to the Honor Flight hubs). Or send your check to department made payable to ALA Department of WI and note Honor Flight in the memo section.

The poppy program, as with all of our programs, would not be possible without our members. A growing membership allows us to expand our programs, increase our impact and preserve the legacy of those who came before us. To help with your recruiting and renewing efforts, there are exciting new department membership awards which are available to the entire American Legion Family. Plus, larger cash prizes!

I would love to visit with you at one of your upcoming meetings and/or events. Please complete the Department President Request to Visit form to ensure that your date is on my calendar.

As we move forward, I also want to encourage every member to embrace our organization’s vision statement, especially our commitment to being **the premier service organization in every community**. Our vision is the foundation that will guide our future and ensure that the American Legion Auxiliary continues to thrive as a meaningful and impactful service organization for generations to come. Together, through our mission, our programs, and our dedication to our veterans, we will continue to spread our wings and help our heroes take flight.



PAID UP FOR LIFE

Raffle

ONE TICKET. A LIFETIME OF MEMBERSHIP.

You could be the lucky winner of a
PAID UP FOR LIFE (PUFL) MEMBERSHIP
★★★★ in the American Legion Auxiliary! ★★★★★



RAFFLE TIMELINE:

Raffle runs through July 2027.
Drawing at 2027 Department Convention.



WHO CAN PARTICIPATE:

Open to the entire American Legion Family – American Legion Auxiliary, The American Legion, Sons of the American Legion, and Legion Riders. Purchase a ticket for yourself or a special American Legion Auxiliary member.



HOW TO GET YOUR TICKET:

Each district president has been provided a bundle of tickets to sell to units within their district. To purchase a ticket, contact your District President or Department President, Amy Luft, directly! (amyjlufft@gmail.com)

THE BENEFITS OF A PUFL MEMBERSHIP:

- ✓ Forever in "good standing" status to receive benefits
- ✓ Never pay annual dues again
- ✓ Locked in – never increases in price
- ✓ No worrying about dues reminders
- ✓ Continued support of our mission
- ✓ Peace of mind for you & your family

★★★★ SUPPORT OUR MISSION. WIN A LIFETIME. ★★★★★

GREETINGS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Wisconsin
Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Bonnie Dorniak
www.amlegionauxwi.org ~ deptsec@amlegionauxwi.org ~ 608-745-0124

2026-2027 PRESIDENT'S THEME & SPECIAL PROJECT

President Amy Luft's theme is "Wings of Honor: Helping Our Heroes Take Flight." She has selected Honor Flight as her special project. Donations may be made using the Poppy Fund Suggested Donation Sheet included in this mailing.



MEMBERSHIP CARDS/ROSTERS/GOALS

2027 membership cards, rosters and unit goals were mailed to units in July. If you did not receive your membership packet, please contact Andrea Stoltz at Headquarters immediately.

NEW! SUGGESTED DONATION SHEETS!

Donation Sheets have been updated for 2026-2027 and are included in this mailing. The new donation sheets are effective immediately so please discard any old forms.

M. LOUISE WILSON EDUCATIONAL LOAN

The M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund is available to qualified ALA members seeking financial assistance to obtain a higher education. For more information or an application, please contact Education Chairman Sue Keyzers at suekeyzers.ala@gmail.com or 920-246-9044.

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION UPDATE!

The NEC approved a change to Standing Rule XI-Units, as follows:

Section 6. Membership eligibility through the service of a living veteran may be established by presentation of a current The American Legion membership card. Membership eligibility through the service of a deceased veteran may be established by certification of the deceased veteran's proof of military service by the post adjutant or other post officer or by the unit secretary or other unit officer. Joining online requires an affidavit of eligibility; the Unit may request a copy of the veteran's proof of military service.

What does this change mean? **The unit secretary or other unit officer may verify the eligibility of a potential member and sign the application.** By expanding the options for who may review and sign membership applications, we are removing barriers and allowing the processing of membership to be more efficient. It is not a requirement that the unit review eligibility. If a unit wishes to continue to work with their Legion post, they may do so.

PAST PRESIDENTS' PARLEY (PPP): Have you served as a President at the unit, county, district, or department level? If so, you are eligible to join the Past Presidents' Parley! Membership in the PPP is \$7.00 annually and funds THREE SCHOLARSHIPS each year in the nursing and health career fields. Past Presidents at all levels are also encouraged to help develop and mentor new leaders. A PPP Dues & Donations form is included in this unit mailing. Questions? Contact PPP Chairman Linda Coppock at lindacoppock@sbcglobal.net or 920-851-5811.

The following actions were approved at the 2026 Department Convention:

- 1) A dues increase was approved, effective with the 2028 membership year. In 2028, senior dues will increase by \$6.00 and junior dues will increase by \$0.25 for the department's portion of dues.
- 2) A resolution for the Membership Committee was approved. This resolution will add an additional member to the committee and allow Membership Committee members to be members of the Department Executive Board. The Department 1st Vice President will continue to serve as Membership Chairman.
- 3) All proposed changes to the Constitution, Bylaws, and Standing Rules were approved as presented. These can be viewed on the department website under More > After Department Convention.
- 4) A resolution to dissolve the Resolutions Committee effective immediately and refer future proposed changes to the Constitution & Bylaws or Standing Rules Committee for review was approved.



DEPARTMENT DEADLINES

(current as of August 2026)

1. Members' Dues payments – submit weekly, as received
2. Member Change Forms – submit in a timely manner
 - a. Member Change Forms must be submitted by end of March to be reflected on the next year's membership rosters and cards
 - b. Deceased Member Change Forms must be submitted by May 1 to be included in convention memorial book
3. Voided unit check – Submit to Department Bookkeeper whenever account changes to maintain direct deposits
4. ALABGS Sponsorship Reservations – January 31st
5. Unit Dues Amounts – mid-March
6. Americanism Essays – March 15th
7. Scholarship Applications – March 15th
8. ALABGS Delegate Registrations – April 1st
9. Unit Year-End Reports – April 15th
10. ALABGS Refund Requests – April 15th (full refund)
11. ALABGS Refund Request – April 30th (partial refund)
12. District Officer Forms – annually (after Spring Conference elections, usually April/May)
13. Unit Officer Forms – annually (after unit elections, usually April - June)
14. County Officer Forms – annually (after elections)
15. Unit Dues Remit To Person – mid-May
16. Nominees for Alternates to National Convention – June 1st (from District Presidents only)
17. List of Units with Unpaid District Dues – mid-June (from District Presidents only)
18. Poppy Profit Reports – After poppy distributions (usually June)
19. Department Convention Registration – April-July; late fee applies week prior to convention
20. Department Convention Delegate names – early July
21. ALAITK Registration – usually early August
22. New Member Applications – forms submitted after 9/1 will apply to next membership year
23. Bonding Fee – September 1st, every three years (next due in 2028)
24. 990N Forms – Annually, based on unit's fiscal year (varies by unit, most are 9/30 or 12/31)
25. ALAMIS Renewal Forms – early December to prevent disruption of ALAMIS access
26. Poppy Orders – December 15th



Join Us in Welcoming the

NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY ★ PRESIDENT ★

Stronger
Together
Serving
Always



*Coral M. Grout
to Wisconsin!*

The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Wisconsin is honored to welcome our National President, Coral M. Grout, during her visit to Wisconsin. **October 8-11**



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Stars & Stripes Honor Flight Welcome Home Saturday, October 10th

Join us at Milwaukee Airport as we welcome home our veterans from their honor flight, accompanied by National President Coral M. Grout who will be returning home alongside them on the flight.

HONOR
FLIGHT

★ ALL AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY ARE WELCOME ★

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet our National President, connect with fellow members from across the state, and participate in this memorable event celebrating service, camaraderie, and our mission.

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Additional event details and times
will be shared soon.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Education/M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund
Sue Keyzers, Department Chair
suekeyzers.ala@gmail.com • 920-246-9044

The aim of American Legion Auxiliary Education program is to promote quality education for all children and adults. We need to support our schools with classroom activities and become involved in literacy programs for all ages and for all students, but we also need to be aware of and support non-traditional students. The program seeks to make sure that all students have access to the materials they need to accomplish their goals. Scholarships are available through both the Department of Wisconsin and the National American Legion Auxiliary. All information is available on Department and National websites.

The M. Louise Wilson Loan Fund provides interest-free loans of \$800.00 per year for ALA members and can be renewed for up to five years, for a total loan limit of \$4,000.00. All loans would have to be signed by a responsible party, usually a parent or guardian. Repayment would begin starting within six months after the grantor graduates or ceases to be a student. The minimum payment would be \$50.00 per month, and the grantor would have to maintain membership in the American Legion Auxiliary at least until the loan is paid in full. Units are encouraged to donate to the M. Louise Wilson Loan fund, helping ALA members with their educational needs.

Information on National and Department scholarships can be found at www.amlegionauxwi.org/scholarships. Please encourage juniors and other students in your area to apply for these scholarships early on in the school year.

Now is the time to make plans for a full year of promoting educational programs for our veterans, their families and our local communities. Visit local schools this fall to make sure that they are aware of the scholarships available; or offer to help with their programs. Get involved! Please contact me if you have any questions or just need to chat.

Children are our most valuable resource. - Herbert Hoover

The purpose of the Children & Youth program is to protect, care for and support children and youth, particularly those of veterans and military families.

Wisconsin's American Legion Family truly believes in that purpose. The planning, follow-through, and results have touched the lives of our youngsters and continues...

The Youth Hero & Good Deed Awards are presented year 'round, so keep your eyes and ears open for outstanding youth. The Youth Hero Award demonstrates a physical act of valor, with recipients receiving a medal and certificate. The Good Deed Award takes a leadership role in community service, noting a specific deed, and recipients receive a certificate. Only an ALA member can submit a nomination for these awards. Fill out the form and email directly to National. A copy should be shared with the Department Chairman.



Operation A.L.F., a fantastic Sons of the American Legion program, offers comfort to a child hospitalized with a serious medical issue and children of deploying parents. Any and all monetary donations are welcome. The suggested donation is \$12 per puppy, or \$300 for a case of 25. ***Please note: A.L.F. is gifted only for the above-mentioned terms and cannot be sold for profit or used as a fundraiser. He cannot be included in a raffle basket.***



Since 1955, the Child Well-Being Foundation has awarded millions of dollars in grants to support our nation's children and youth, also check out the Banner program. Simply donate \$1 per Unit member to receive a banner.

These forms can be accessed under the resource section of the C&Y program page on the Wisconsin website - www.amlegionauxwi.org, as are Good Deed cards and a Youth Hero media release template.

The American Legion Flag & Emblem catalog (www.emblem.legion.org) offers a variety of items for students, such as coloring books, stickers, bookmarks, rulers, etc.). The coloring books can also be printed from the Department and National website for free.

Start planning and watch for more information.

The sky's the limit, so Let's Fly!



Mary Petrie, Department C&Y Chairman
808 E. Cady Street, Watertown WI 53094
mmrtpetrie@charter.net



DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN FALL JUNIOR CONFERENCE

Wisconsin Veterans Home at King
N2665 County Rd QQ
King, WI 54946



Saturday, October 24, 2026, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Your Junior Activities Fall Conference will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2026, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King, Moses Hall. In the spirit of *Wings of Honor: Helping Our Heroes Take Flight*, we will have several exciting activities that will be fun for all passengers! This will include a business meeting, a Patch project, an activity with residents of the King Veterans Home, and a project in support of Honor Flight.

Registration, including lunch, is \$10, and Junior T-shirts can be ordered for \$10 each.

If you have any questions, please call or text Christine Johnsen at 715-203-2015, or email at cmj102@aol.com.

2026 JUNIOR AUXILIARY FALL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Reservation must be received by October 3, 2026

Form submitted by (please print clearly):

Name: _____ District#: _____ Unit#: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

NAME / UNIT #	Grade	First time attendee? (Yes/No)	Junior member	Senior member	Registration & Lunch \$10	Youth Size S, M, L, XL \$10	Adult Size S, M, L, 2XL, 3XL \$10	Total per person
Totals					\$	\$	\$	\$

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please send reservation form with check payable to American Legion Auxiliary to:
Christine Johnsen 159991 Granite Rd., Wausau, WI 54403

American Legion Auxiliary Badger Girls State

81ST SESSION RECAP

The 2026 ALA Badger Girls State (ALABGS) session was a phenomenal success! 481 citizens from across Wisconsin gathered at UW Oshkosh to learn about running for office, serving veterans, and civic duty. It was a great week, we hope all delegates learned a lot, laughed a lot, and made lots of friends.

We were once again blessed with many special guests this session. These guests took time out of their lives to meet with our citizens and help them understand their roles in society.

We had county sheriffs, county executives, assembly people, and lobbyists. Once again, our most talked about event was the flag disposal ceremony presented by the Oshkosh American Legion Post. Afterwards, the Legionnaires answered MANY questions from our delegates.

Department Commander Nathan Bond along with Auxiliary President Sue Hembrook presented Blue Star Banners to delegates who had family serving.

We were honored to have in attendance at Inauguration, Dr. Jill Underly, Wisconsin Superintendent of Public Instruction; Sarah Godlewski, Secretary of State; Josh Kaul, State Treasurer; Chief Justice Jill Karofsky and Governor Evers swear in their ALABGS counterparts.

This week would not be possible without the following people. First, the dedicated group of counselors who give up their vacation, retirement, and other obligations to come to UW-O, live in a dorm, and work 18 hour days for a week straight. Without them, this program could not happen.

Equally important is the support from our Auxiliary units, American Legion posts, Sons of the American Legion squadrons and American Legion Riders; whether it was sending delegates, donating funds for supplies, raising coins for penny wars, or even offering other services, this is truly a family effort.

On behalf of the ALABGS Committee, I thank all of you and hope for an even better 2027!



(l-r) Treasurer Haley Schneider (#85), Lt. Governor Triya Kalidindi (#2930), Supreme Court Justice Erin Cassady (#385), Governor Claire Li (#2930), Secretary of State Madeline Lee (#33), Attorney General Rylee Jokipii (#240), Superintendent of Public Instruction Soha Gandhi (#385)



ALA Dept President Sue Hembrook and TAL Dept Commander with Delegate Blue Star recipients



Members of American Legion Post answer questions from delegates



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
BADGER GIRLS STATE
BENEFACTORS
Deadline: April 1, 2027**

Thank you so much for becoming an ALA Badger Girls State Benefactor! Our program is successful because of our amazing sponsors and benefactors.

Please select the item(s) you wish to support with your benefactor donation. Many donations are required to meet all of these needs. If more money is received than is necessary to purchase the selected item, ALABGS reserves the right to designate your donation to another item where financial support is needed. Donations are needed no later than April 1, 2027 to purchase the items in time for our Girls State session.

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| ☐ ALABGS Ink Pens (\$10) | ☐ Medical Supplies (\$25) |
| ☐ Delegate Campaign Materials (\$20) | ☐ Counselor Costs (\$50) |
| ☐ Badge Holders (\$20) | ☐ Delegate Shirts (\$100) |
| ☐ Lanyards (\$25) | ☐ Staff Shirts (\$100) |
| ☐ City Supplies (\$25) | ☐ General Support (\$_____) |
| ☐ County Supplies (\$25) | TOTAL DONATION: \$_____ (#4601) |

Mail the benefactor form by 4/1/2027 with check payable to "ALABGS" to:

ALA Badger Girls State
PO Box 140
Portage, WI 53901-0140

Contact Name: _____ Unit #: _____ District #: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

ALABGS Benefactors will be recognized on the ALABGS website.



Helping Our Heroes Take Flight

MEMBERSHIP

This is the year we go flying to fly into President Amy's special project: Honor Flights – WI hubs.

2027 goals are based on the total PAID 2025 membership as of 12/31/2025 x 1%. Each District President/Membership Chairman (or crew members) are excited to get our ALA WI. Off the ground and flying high! They are here to help you reach 100% before 12/31/2026. With your help we can do it!

REMINDERS:

1. Membership packets and unit goals for 2027 were distributed in July. If you have not received your membership packet, please contact Andrea Stoltz at Department Headquarters.
2. There is no deadline for renewing 2026 dues-please continue to send them in along with their 2027 dues. Now is the time to send in 2027 dues. This will help our organization to save postage.
3. All officers must have their 2027 dues paid prior to September 15th, have a current 2026-2027 Unit Officer form on file at Department and at least 75% of the units membership paid to be entered into the first membership award drawing worth \$100.
4. Go through the Membership Awards page to get more information.

The plane and crew are ready to take off; Are you on board?

26-27 MEMBERSHIP TEAM:

Betty Stone, Department Chair	608-738-9542	bstone.wiala@gmail.com
Mary Townsend, Committee member	715-931-9236	getmet77@hotmail.com
Nicole Welsh, Committee member	608-225-9325	nicolewelsh1026@gmail.com
Andrea Stoltz, Dept. Coordinator	608-745-0124	alawi@amlegionauxwi.org

2027 CARRY ON

Recruit 1 New Member Award Entry Form

Wings of Honor – Helping our Heroes Take Flight

Sign up a **NEW 2027 OR REJOIN AN EXPIRED Auxiliary** senior or junior with the last paid year of 2023 or prior and receive this leather luggage tag.



Only one entry/tag per recruiter.

TAL and SAL members that recruit a **NEW 2027 OR REJOINING EXPIRED AUXILIARY** member with the last paid year of 2023 or prior are also eligible.

TRANSFERRING MEMBERS DO NOT COUNT.

Entry forms must be received at Department *PRIOR* to May 28, 2027.

Unit/Post/Squadron # _____ District # _____

Recruiter's Name: _____

Recruiter's **MAILING** Address: _____

City / State / Zip _____

NAME OF NEW 2027 or EXPIRED Senior or Junior Auxiliary member

NAME of qualifying member:

Submit this completed form to: ALA Dept. of WI
PO Box 140, Portage, WI 53901
Fax: 608-745-1947 / Email: alawi@amlegionauxwi.org

This form may be duplicated and is available @ www.amlegionauxwi.org under the Programs / Membership



AMERICAN
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2026-2027 American Legion Auxiliary

Wings of Honor – Helping our Heroes Take Flight

Award entry forms are available on the Department website www.amlegionauxwi.org
Questions? Contact Department HQ @ 608-745-0124 / alawi@amlegionauxwi.org

\$ Membership Awards \$

NEW AWARDS AND HIGHER CASH PRIZES

Individual Awards

CARRY ON AWARD Recruit 1 Award: Members who recruit a NEW or REJOIN an EXPIRED member for 2027 will receive a luggage tag. Only one entry per recruiter. Entry forms must be received at Department *PRIOR* to May 28, 2027.

FREQUENT FLYER Recruiting Award: The top three recruiters will receive a cash prize of:
1st place - \$100, 2nd place - \$75, 3rd place - \$25

The Frequent Flyer Award entry form must be received at Department *PRIOR* to May 28, 2027.

2027: RECRUIT/REJOIN 10 Award: National will award a special gift selected by the 2027 National Membership Chairman to Members who recruit and/or rejoin 10 junior or senior Auxiliary members for the 2027 membership year. Rejoins must not have paid membership dues since 2023 or earlier.

The 2027: RECRUIT/REJOIN 10 entry form must be submitted to Department Headquarters *PRIOR* to May 28, 2027. **Incomplete entries are not accepted; you MUST have 10 members listed.** *Note: Only one entry per recruiter.*

Unit “Prepare for Take-Off” Awards

Membership dues must be at Dept. HQ *PRIOR* to the goal date to be considered eligible

Units must have the 2026-2027 Unit Officer Form submitted to Department with ALL listed Officers' dues paid to be eligible.

%	# OF WINNERS	AMOUNT	DATE
75%	1 Unit	\$100.00	September 30, 2026
85%	1 Unit	\$150.00	October 31, 2026
95%	1 Unit	\$200.00	November 30, 2026
100%	1 Unit	\$250.00	December 31, 2026

FINAL DESTINATION AWARD – valued at \$430

1 winner picked at random will receive: 2 paid registrations, 1 paid room for a 2-night stay in the convention hotel, recognition on stage during convention, and 2 passes to the Commander's party on Saturday night for the 2027 Department Convention.

100%	1 entry for each Unit	December 31, 2026
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100% Award – Units reaching 100% by May 28, 2027, will receive a department issued citation.

RIBBONS ARE NOT BEING DISTRIBUTED THIS YEAR. *No special entry form required.*

National 100% Award - Units reaching 100% of their 2027 membership goal by January 31, 2027, will receive a special gift from the National President.

2027 FREQUENT FLYER

New Members Award Entry Form

Wings of Honor – Helping our Heroes Take Flight

List **ALL** recruited **NEW 2027 OR REJOIN AN EXPIRED** Auxiliary senior or junior with the last paid year of 2023 or prior. The top 3 recruiters will win a cash prize.

This is for INDIVIDUAL recruiters NOT UNITS

1 st Place	\$100
2 nd Place	\$75
3 rd Place	\$25

TAL and SAL members that recruit a **NEW 2027 OR REJOINING EXPIRED** AUXILIARY members with the last paid year of 2023 or prior are also eligible.

TRANSFERRING MEMBERS DO NOT COUNT.

Entry forms must be received at Department *PRIOR* to May 28, 2027.

Unit/Post/Squadron # _____ District # _____

Recruiter's Name: _____

Recruiter's **MAILING** Address: _____

City / State / Zip _____

NAMES OF NEW 2027 or EXPIRED Senior or Junior Auxiliary members

1. _____
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14. _____
15. _____

Submit this completed form to: ALA Dept. of WI

PO Box 140, Portage, WI 53901

Fax: 608-745-1947 / Email: alawi@amlegionauxwi.org

American Legion Auxiliary Department of Wisconsin 2026 - 2027 Membership Team



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Department Membership Chairman, Betty Stone ~ Dist. 12 Unit #316 ~ bstone.wiala@gmail.com ~ (608) 738-9542

Department Membership Committee, Mary Townsend ~ Dist. 10 Unit #98 ~ getmet77@hotmail.com ~ (715) 931-9236

Department Membership Committee, Nicole Welsh ~ Dist. 3 Unit #335 ~ nicolewelsh1026@gmail.com ~ (608) 225-9325

Andrea Stoltz, Membership Coordinator / Dept. Headquarters ~ alawi@amlegionauxwi.org ~ (608) 745-0124

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8th District – Kay Grosskopf 5909 Grandview Rd Larsen, WI 54947	Fremont Unit #391 alawidist8@gmail.com (715) 881-1843	8th District – Fran Bender 1839 Kimberly Rd. Kronenwetter, WI 54455	Wausau Unit #10 csmrb@charter.net (715) 573-7728
9th District – LuAnn James 208 Foote St. Seymour, WI 54165	Seymour Unit #106 luannjames.ala@gmail.com (920) 228-0678	9th District – Lisa Wolfinger 407 Whitney St Kaukauna, WI 54130-2247	Kaukauna Unit #41 lisawolfinger86@gmail.com (920) 766-7911
10th District – Teresa Steinke 307 S Spring St Augusta, WI 54722	Osseo Unit #324 teresa.steinke_cmx@yahoo.com (715) 828-7462	10th District – Rhiana LeMere 4900 Olson Dr Trlr 29 Eau Claire, WI 54703	Augusta Unit #291 squishyr1@gmail.com (715) 514-9979
11th District – Barb Bell 67900 Poor Farm Rd. High Bridge, WI 54846	Odanah Unit #25 48babz@gmail.com (715) 274-6354	11th District – Willow Bell 67900 Poor Farm Rd. High Bridge, WI 54846	Odanah Unit #25 willowmae0976@gmail.com 715-292-3835
12th District – Barb McDaniel PO Box 151 Hawthorne, WI 54842	Gordon Unit #499 skcbemcdan@msn.com (360) 551-6059	12th District – Katie Hanks 42965 Frels Rd Cable, WI 54821-4515	Cable Unit #487 cablealamembership@yahoo.com (602) 799-1551



2027: RECRUIT/REJOIN 10

Members who recruit and/or rejoin 10 junior or senior Auxiliary members for the 2027 membership year will receive a special gift selected by the 2027 National Membership Committee Chairman.

Rejoins must not have paid membership dues since 2023 or earlier.

Entry forms must be received at Department *PRIOR* to May 28, 2027.

***Incomplete forms will not be processed. 10 New/Rejoined members MUST be listed.
One entry per recruiter.***

ENTRY/CERTIFICATION FORM

Please type or print legibly and fill out the form completely.

Recruiter's Name: _____ Member ID#: _____

Recruiter's Department: _____ Unit #: _____ Email: _____

Recruiter's Address: _____

Names of New/Rejoined Members

Member ID#

Names of New/Rejoined Members

Member ID#

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| 1. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

Certified by Department Membership:

Date: _____

Department Membership
Printed Name: Andrea Stoltz

Dept: WI

Dept Membership Signature (required): _____

*I certify that all 10 members are new or rejoined into the 2027 year. *I've provided or verified member ID numbers and that the form is filled out legibly and completely.

Units:

Submit this completed form to:

ALA Dept. of WI
PO Box 140
Portage, WI 53901
Fax: 608-745-1947
Email: alawi@amlegionauxwi.org

**Must be received at Department no
later than May 28, 2027**

One award per recruiter.



LEADERSHIP

Bob Shappell, Department Chair
bobshap@aol.com • 414-899-4067

True leadership is not about titles or authority – it's about service. This is especially true for volunteer, membership-based organizations such as ours.

Traditional top-down management often fails in such settings. Instead, *Servant Leadership* prioritizes the growth, well-being, and empowerment of others, and can create a culture where volunteers thrive.

Servant leadership is people-centered. Rather than asking, "How can my members serve my goals?" the servant leader asks, "How can I serve my members' needs so they can achieve our shared mission?" In addition to volunteer groups, it is also an effective and powerful style among younger generation members.

Two of the most important aspects of servant leadership are *listening and empathy*. Our members bring us diverse skills, experiences, and perspectives. A servant leader takes the time to get to know members, build personal relationships, learn their strengths, provide opportunities for individuals to use them, and encourage personal growth in the ALA. Know why they joined and what their expectations are. This makes the Unit stronger and gives members a sense of pride in their contributions.

Another key element is *community building*. When our members feel connected to one another and to our missions, they celebrate successes, address challenges as a team, and ensure that every voice is heard. This sense of belonging can be the difference between a member who stays for years and one who leaves after a few weeks.

Servant leadership succeeds with *humility and service*. We don't volunteer our time, money, and efforts for personal glory. We do it for others – veterans, their families, our communities and, yes, our own members. True selfless service comes not out of obligation, but out of shared commitment and trust.

Servant leadership attracts, retains, and inspires members to **become** volunteers by creating an atmosphere of purpose, positive relationships, and goodwill. As a result, we strengthen our reputations as "a good group to join."

Throughout the year, I hope to visit with many of you and discuss specific ways to use servant leadership principles. I look forward to visiting units, counties, or districts who would like to host a leadership workshop specially designed to meet your needs. Contact me either by email or phone.



Department of Wisconsin

Public Relations

COMMUNICATION! COMMUNICATION!

Public Relations is about how we communicate with the public and how we communicate with each other.

This year I will be holding THREE (3) ZOOM Chats to look at the different ways we can communicate with each of these groups.

If you have any questions, you may want answered on a Zoom chat, email or call me a week before the chat.



Department Chairman:

Kristy Wakeman

Kareuter19@gmail.com

920-210-2356

The Three (3) Zoom Chat dates are:

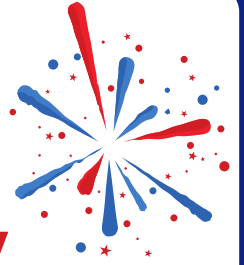
September 23, 2026

January 27, 2027

April 28, 2027

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.





American Legion Auxiliary Dept. of WI - National Security ZOOM Sessions for 2026-27

Thursday, October 22, 2026

6:30 – 8:00 PM

POW/MIA Awareness Initiative Implementation
Deployments & Welcome Home: What You Should Know

Thursday, December 3, 2026

6:30 – 8:00 PM

Blue & Gold Star Banner Programs
Navigating JROTC/ROTC Programs

Thursday, February 4, 2027

6:30 – 8:00 PM

Service Member of the Year – How-To's
National Security Annual Reports (with Example)

**Open to all Legion Family members -
Learn, Engage, and Strengthen Our Mission.**

Natalia Genovesi King

ALA Dept. of WI - National Security Chair

Email - KingGenovesi@gmail.com

Mobile 414.839.0454

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY – DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN
PO Box 140, Portage WI 53901 • 608-745-0124 • www.amlegionauxwi.org

Unit city location _____ Unit # _____

Date _____

PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS – Make your check payable to ALA-WI

This form is to be used only if you don't have the **General Fund** or **Poppy Fund** donation sheet. We will only accept donations for the programs listed on those forms. Department will implement a \$25.00 administrative fee for checks returned by the bank.

Check # _____ Check amount \$ _____

Program/Purpose _____

Contact Person/Title _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Daytime phone # w/area code _____ Email _____

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2026-2027 POPPY FUND SUGGESTED DONATIONS

American Legion Auxiliary ~ Department of Wisconsin
PO Box 140, Portage WI 53901 • 608-745-0124 • bookkeeping@amlegionauxwi.org

Unit CITY location: _____ Unit # _____

Name (If individual donation): _____

Date: _____

Please note that some programs have been removed so funding can be used to support programs with the greatest need.

If you still want to donate to former programs, please contact that organization directly.

- \$ _____ (4852) **Dept President's Special Project – Honor Flight** (funds will be distributed equally among the five Wisconsin hubs).
- \$ _____ (4444) **Veterans & Family Assistance Fund** – to provide emergency assistance to veterans, active duty military, and members of their immediate family living in their households.
- \$ _____ (4456) **Homeless Female Veterans Grant Fund** – to assist Wisconsin women veterans who are homeless or at risk of being homeless.
- \$ _____ (4465) **Scholarships** – for students in need of financial assistance who are related to a veteran
- \$ _____ (4402) **Christmas Gift Shop** – to purchase Christmas gifts for VAMC patients' families.
- \$ _____ (4420) **VA&R Program Support** – for general support of VA&R Programs.
- \$ _____ (4484) **C&Y Program Support** – for general support of C&Y Programs.
- \$ _____ (4829) **Camp American Legion** – for support of special projects
- \$ _____ (4814) **Veterans Creative Arts Festival**
- \$ _____ (4433) **Surgical Assistance Pillows for Veterans** (heart, lung, liver)
- \$ _____ (4401) **Veterans Day & Christmas Cheer** – for Veterans in VA hospitals and WI Veterans Homes
- \$ _____ (4404) **Zablocki Memorial VAMC** (Milwaukee)
- \$ _____ (4405) **Middleton Memorial VAMC** (Madison)
- \$ _____ (4406) **VA Great Lakes Health Care System** (Tomah)
- \$ _____ (4416) **WI Veterans Home-Chippewa Falls**
- \$ _____ (4407) **WI Veterans Home-King**
- \$ _____ (4415) **WI Veterans Home-Union Grove**
- \$ _____ (4412) **Dayton Care Center** (Kenosha)
- \$ _____ (4410) **Minneapolis VA Health Care System** (Minneapolis, MN)
- \$ _____ (4411) **Oscar G Johnson USVAMC** (Iron Mountain, MI)

\$ _____ **TOTAL ENCLOSED** (Checks cannot be accepted 90 days beyond date of check)

Make check payable to: ALA-WI (only one check is necessary).

Do not send donations directly to the VA Hospitals or Veterans Homes.

A \$25.00 fee will be charged for any check returned by the bank.

2026-2027 GENERAL FUND SUGGESTED DONATIONS

American Legion Auxiliary – Department of Wisconsin
PO Box 140, Portage WI 53901 • 608-745-0124 • bookkeeping@amlegionauxwi.org

Unit CITY location _____ Unit # _____

Name (If individual donation) _____

Date _____

Please note that some programs have been removed so funding can be used to support programs with the greatest need.

If you still want to donate to former programs, please contact that organization directly.

\$ _____ (4801) **National Auxiliary Emergency Fund** – This fund was established with money originally donated by Helen Colby Small of Wisconsin. The fund provides temporary assistance to eligible Auxiliary members during times of financial crisis, weather related emergencies and educational training.

\$ _____ (4837) **General Fund Donation** – To reduce the deficit in the department's general fund and enable headquarters to continue programs that support the Auxiliary's mission.

\$ _____ (4420) **VA&R Program Support** – Additional donations for general support of VA&R Programs.

\$ _____ (4484) **C&Y Program Support** – Additional donation for general support of C&Y Programs.

\$ _____ (4843) **ALA Foundation Veteran Projects Fund** – national grants fund projects that meet a one-time, new need benefiting multiple veterans, military, and their families

\$ _____ (4843) **National ALA Foundation Endowment Fund** – The ALA Foundation assists in carrying out the educational, charitable, and other exempt purposes of the Auxiliary by raising funds for and providing support to Auxiliary programs. Donations to the ALA Foundation are used to support our mission, secure our legacy and heritage of *Service Not Self*, and ultimately enhances the quality of life for future generations of veterans, military, and their families. If this is a memorial gift, please provide the family's contact information so an acknowledgement can be sent to them:

In Memory of: _____

Send Acknowledgement to: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

\$ _____ **TOTAL ENCLOSED (Checks cannot be accepted 90 days beyond date of check)**

Make check payable to: ALA-WI (only one check is necessary)

DO NOT send your donations directly to these programs.

A \$25.00 fee will be charged for any check returned by the bank.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Emailed _____

Sent _____



PRICE INCREASE !!!

Small Poppy Order Form – Due December 15, 2026

ALL ORDERS received after December 15, 2026, will be charged a processing fee whether it's your 1st order or an additional order, so plan ahead.
Sorry, no out of state orders will be accepted.

Unit City Location _____ Unit/Post # _____

Date _____

Poppy Prices and Shipping/Handling on reverse side

Quantity	Cost
Small _____	\$ _____
S&H (see reverse side)	\$ _____
AFTER DEC 15th	
25-1000 small add \$25.00	\$ _____
1001 + add \$50.00	\$ _____
TOTAL remittance	\$ _____

Please check your order immediately upon arrival to verify you received the correct amount.

Adjustments will only be made within 2 weeks of delivery.

Please ensure you paid your 20% poppy profit from the previous order. This order will be delayed until your profit report is received.

Make check payable to: ALA WI (Checks cannot be accepted 90 days beyond date of check)

Department will implement a \$25 administrative fee for checks returned by the bank.

In purchasing this item, you acknowledge that 100% of the proceeds of Poppy distributions will go toward the welfare of veterans, active military personnel, and their families where financial or medical need is evident.

Poppies will **not** be shipped during the month of December.

Poppy orders are shipped based on when we receive your order. The earlier you get your order in; the sooner you'll receive them **when poppies are available.**

Send to _____
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone# _____

Print your email address clearly _____

OVER



PLEASE NOTE – Receipts are done on a weekly basis. To be sure we received your order, check your bank statement to make sure the check has been cashed. If it wasn't cashed, we did not receive your order.

REMINDER

ALL ORDERS received after December 15, 2026 will be charged a processing fee whether it's your 1st order or an additional order, so plan ahead.

25-1000 poppies = \$25.00 processing fee

1001 + poppies = \$50.00 processing fee

Small Poppies – PRICE INCREASE!



Small poppies are sold in bundles of 25

100	\$30.00	800	\$240.00
200	\$60.00	900	\$270.00
300	\$90.00	1000	\$300.00
400	\$120.00	1500	\$450.00
500	\$150.00	2000	\$600.00
600	\$180.00	2500	\$750.00
700	\$210.00	3000	\$900.00

Shipping/Handling

1 ~ 500	\$12.00
501 ~ 1000	\$13.00
1001 ~ 2500	\$15.00
2501 ~ 5000	\$20.00
5001 ~ 9999	\$32.00

10,000 + ~ Call Department for Price



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact
Sue Hembrook, Poppy Shop Supervisor
262-945-9791 (c)

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PO Box 140 – Portage WI 53901 / 608-745-0124
bookkeeping@amlegionauxwi.org



Poppy Order Form

OFFICE USE ONLY

Emailed _____

Sent _____

Deadline – December 15, 2026 – Late orders will not be accepted.

Unit City Location _____ Unit # _____

Date _____

After large poppies have been made and are ready for shipping, we will contact you with the cost for postage. After we receive your postage payment, poppies will be shipped.

Quantity

Cost

Large _____ \$ _____

Make check payable to: ALA WI

Checks cannot be accepted 90 days beyond date of check

Dept will implement a \$25 administrative fee for
checks returned by the bank

Large poppies are \$1.65 each

10 - \$16.50	60 - \$ 99.00
20 - \$33.00	70 - \$115.50
30 - \$49.50	80 - \$132.00
40 - \$66.00	90 - \$148.50
50 - \$82.50	100 - \$165.00

In purchasing this item, you acknowledge that 100% of the proceeds of Poppy distributions will go toward the welfare of veterans, active military personnel, and their families where financial or medical need is evident.

Send to _____
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone# _____

Print your email address clearly _____

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact
Sue Hembrook, Poppy Shop Supervisor
262-945-9791 (c)

Please ensure you paid your 20% poppy profit from the previous year.
This order will be delayed until your profit report is received.

Unit CITY location _____ Unit # _____ Date _____



NURSING/HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIPS DONATION

Harriet Hubbard Registered Nurse Scholarships – Applicant must be in nursing school or have positive acceptance to an accredited hospital or university Registered Nurse program.

Health Career Scholarships – course of study need not be a 4-year program. Hospital, university, or technical school program is acceptable.

These scholarships are funded by the Past Presidents Parley through a legacy from Harriet Hubbard and unit donations. The number of scholarships awarded is determined by the amount of donations received.

Units do not need to have a Parley group to support these scholarships.

☐ Yes, our Unit would like to donate to the scholarship fund in the amount of \$ _____ ①

☐ Yes, the following members would like to pay their 2027 PPP Dues (\$7/person):

NOTE: PPP membership coincides with ALA membership.

PPP members whose dues are not paid by 2/1/2027 will be dropped.

PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY MEMBERSHIP

(please print legibly)

1. _____

6. _____

2. _____

7. _____

3. _____

8. _____

4. _____

9. _____

5. _____

10. _____

List additional names on separate sheet if necessary

Number of names listed _____ @ \$7.00 each = \$ _____ ②

Total amount ① + ② = \$ _____ ③

Make check payable to – **ALA-PPP**
and mail to ALA-Wisconsin,
PO Box 140, Portage WI 53901-0140.

Department will implement a \$25.00 administrative fee
for checks returned by the bank.
Checks cannot be accepted 90 days
beyond date of check.

Send PPP Membership cards to:

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone () _____ Email _____

PPP cards are sent out by the Chairman, Linda Coppock.
Any questions, please contact her at 920-851-5811.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN
 2026-2027 Department Officers & Committee Members
 (Pending Election and Retification)

OFFICERS

	<u>TERM</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NAME</u>
President	2026-2027	2	355	Amy Luft
Senior Vice President	2026-2027	7	118	Christina Petranovich
First Vice President	2026-2027	12	316	Betty Stone
Second Vice President	2026-2027	3	352	Christine Johnsen
Historian	2026-2027	2	288	Sandy Mack
Chaplain	2026-2027	4	415	Donna Jensen
Nat'l Exec Committeeperson (NEC)	2025-2027	2	288	Maggie Geiger
Alternate NEC	2026-2027	4	537	Sue Hembrook
Parliamentarian	2026-2027	10	326	Teresa Isensee
Executive Secretary-Treasurer	2026-2027	6	329	Bonnie Dorniak
Sergeant-at-Arms	2026-2027	4	434	Kathy Grom
	2026-2027	2	401	Jan Williams

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

1st District President	2026-2028	1	440	Sherri Curzi
2nd District President	2025-2027	2	208	Kathy Olson
3rd District President	2026-2028	3	437	Shelley Drager
4th District President	2025-2027	4	434	Pat Ehleiter
5th District President	2026-2028	5	1	Linda Bartell
6th District President	2025-2027	6	234	Diane Steinert
7th District President	2026-2028	7	320	Jesse Elmhurst
8th District President	2025-2027	8	391	Kay Grosskopf
9th District President	2026-2028	9	106	LuAnn James
10th District President	2025-2027	10	324	Teresa Steinke
11th District President	2026-2028	11	25	Barb Bell
12th District President	2025-2027	12	499	Barbara McDaniel

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CHAIRMEN & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

	<u>TERM</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NAME</u>
ALA in the Know				
Chairman	2025-2027	2	288	Sandy Mack
Vice Chairman	2026-2028	10	326	Teresa Isensee
Americanism				
Assistant	2026-2027	4	415	Donna Jensen
ALA Badger Girls State				
Chairman	2024-2027	3	352	Danyelle Thompson
Vice Chairman	2025-2028	3	352	Bethany Fredericks
Executive Director	2024-2027	3	482	Joanie Dickerson
Asst Executive Director	2024-2027	3	352	Jennifer Leahy
Committee Member	2026-2029	9	436	Amy Bohman
Committee Member	2025-2028	3	352	Lauren Miller
Committee Member	2025-2028	8	339	SuAnn Pagel-Rast
Committee Member	2026-2029	11	547	Theresa Schindler
Committee Member	2026-2029	3	42	Delores Woolf
Department President	Automatic	2	355	Amy Luft
Senior Vice President	Automatic	7	118	Christina Petranovich
Executive Secretary-Treasurer	Automatic	6	329	Bonnie Dorniak
Americanism Chair	Automatic	3	42	Delores Woolf
WALASBA (Bowling Committee)				
Chairman/Tournament Director	2024-2027	3	385	Jenni Syftestad
Vice Chairman	2026-2029	3	385	Shannon Churchill
Committee Member	2025-2028	9	512	Lisa Blom
Committee Member	2026-2029	9	512	Linda Coppock
Committee Member	2025-2028	1	375	Beverly Rhode-Hillman
Committee Member	2024-2027	2	355	Toni Moegenburg
Committee Member	2026-2029	2	355	Margie Schoonover
Committee Member	2024-2027			Vacant (<i>unfinished term</i>)
Committee Member	2025-2028			Vacant (<i>unfinished term</i>)
Department President	Automatic	2	355	Amy Luft
Senior Vice President	Automatic	7	118	Christina Petranovich
Executive Secretary-Treasurer	Automatic	6	329	Bonnie Dorniak
Children & Youth/Liaison-Child Welfare Fdn.	2026-2027	2	189	Mary Petrie
Community Service	2026-2027	9	106	Becky Mueller
Constitution & Bylaws	2026-2027	1	171	Diana Sirovina
Distinguished Guests	2026-2027	4	416	Laura Calteux
Education/M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan	2026-2027	9	106	Sue Keyzers

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CHAIRMEN & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

	<u>TERM</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Finance				
Chairman	2026-2029	6	282	Diane Duscheck
Vice Chairman	2024-2027	3	482	Joanie Dickerson
Committee Member	2025-2028	8	63	Tricia Rose
Alternate NEC	Automatic	4	537	Sue Hembrook
Office Policy Chairman	Automatic	1	171	Diana Sirovina
Fundraising				
Chairman	2026-2027	2	521	Dawn Rudey
Assistant	2026-2027	4	434	Bonnie Jakubczyk
Junior Activities				
Chairman	2026-2027	3	352	Christine Johnsen
Vice Chairman	2026-2027	7	100	Julianne Hyma
Leadership				
Chairman	2026-2027	2	288	Bob Shappell
Committee Member	2026-2027	9	512	Linda Coppock
Committee Member	2026-2027	6	351	Wendy Metcalf
Legislative	Automatic	4	537	Sue Hembrook
Liaison to TAL Marketing & Communications				
Editor- <i>Wisconsin</i> Publication	2026-2027	6	329	Bonnie Dorniak
Membership				
Chairman	Automatic	12	316	Betty Stone
Committee Member	2026-2027	10	98	Mary Townsend
Committee Member	2026-2027	3	335	Nicole Welsh
Membership Team	Automatic			12 District Presidents
Membership Team	Automatic			12 District Membership Chairs
Music	2026-2027	4	415	Donna Jensen
National Security	2026-2027	2	288	Natalia Genovesi King
Office Policy				
Chairman	2026-2029	1	171	Diana Sirovina
Committee Member	2025-2028	10	326	Teresa Isensee
Committee Member	2024-2027	7	118	Virginia Kodl
Past Presidents Parley/Cavalcade of Memories	Automatic	9	512	Linda Coppock
Poppy	2026-2027	6	306	Patti Westpfahl
Public Relations				
Chairman	2026-2027	2	208	Kristy Wakeman
Standing Rules	2026-2027	3	482	Joanie Dickerson

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CHAIRMEN & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R)

	<u>TERM</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NAME</u>
VA&R Chairman	2026-2027	6	165	PJ Stephens
Director of Hospital Volunteers	2026-2027	4	537	Sue Hembrook
Christmas Gift Shop Supervisor	2026-2027	1	171	Diane Sirovina
Christmas Gift Shop Assistant	2026-2027	1	375	Beverly Rhode-Hillman
Homeless Women Veterans Grant Chairman	2026-2027	2	288	Maggie Geiger
Service to Veterans Chairman	2026-2027	10	324	Teresa Steinke

HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVES & DEPUTIES

Dayton Care Center - Kenosha

	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Representative	4	537	Sue Hembrook
Assistant	1	494	Crystal Shaw

Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital - Madison

Representative	7	172	Sheila Frye
Deputy	3	348	Noreen Schmidt

VA Great Lakes Health Care System - Tomah

Representative	7	201	Helene Stein
Deputy	7	115	Mary Fawcett
Deputy			Vacant
Deputy			Vacant

Zablocki VAMC - Milwaukee

Representative	4	434	Bonnie Jakubczyk
Deputy	4	537	Sue Hembrook
Deputy	4	192	Sandra Kaebisch
Deputy	4	434	Deb Porter

Wisconsin Veterans Home - Chippewa Falls

Representative	10	53	Nancy Randen
Deputy	10	324	Teresa Steinke

Wisconsin Veterans Home - King

Representative	8	161	Denise Belongia
Deputy	8	161	Alice Bentley
Deputy	8	161	Pat Daniels
Deputy	8	161	Dawn Lind

Wisconsin Veterans Home - Union Grove

Representative	1	71	Mary Ellen Crandall
Deputy	1	375	Beverly Rhode-Hillman

Oscar G Johnson USVAMC - Iron Mountain, MI

Associate Representative	9	66	Anna Wender
Associate Deputy	9	66	Barbara VanBoxtel

Minneapolis VA Health Care System - Minneapolis, MN

Associate Representative	10	121	Jeanne Williams
Associate Deputy	10	121	Karen Taylor



American Legion Auxiliary 2026 State Convention Citations

President's Award for Excellence – Sue Hembrook, Department President

5 – awarded to Neenah Unit 33, District 6; Neillsville Unit 73, District 7; Port Washington Unit 82, District 2; Cedarburg Unit 288, District 2; DeForest Unit 348, District 3

Americanism – Deanna Farley, Department Chairman

2 – Certificates of Recognition – awarded to Berlin Unit 340, District 6; Marathon Unit 469, District 8.

1 – Best Unit Prayer Book – awarded to Grafton Unit 355, District 2

Chaplain – Sandy Mack, Department Chaplain

1 – Certificate of Recognition – awarded to Grantsburg Unit 185, District 12

Children & Youth – Mary Petrie, Department Chairman

5 – Certificates of Recognition – awarded to Caledonia Unit 494, District 1; Port Washington Unit 82, District 2; DeForest Unit 348, District 3; New London Unit 263, District 8; River Falls Unit 121, District 10

Community Service – Linda Tryczak, Department Chairman

5 – Certificates of Recognition – awarded to Port Washington Unit 82, District 2; Grantsburg Unit 185, District 12; Banger Unit 40, District 7; Loyal Unit 175, District 7; Marathon Unit 469, District 8

Education/M. Louise Wilson Loan Fund – Delores Woolf, Department Chairman

5 – Certificates of Recognition – awarded to Linda Zamrow of Beaver Dam Unit 146, District 2; Susan Turowski of Grafton Unit 355, District 2; Lisa Bowen of Lone Rock Unit 383, District 3; Sarah Stiff of Stevens Point Unit 6, District 8; Jeannine Conradt of Shiocton Unit 512, District 9

Historian – Christine Johnsen, Department Chairman

1 - Outstanding Unit History – awarded to Unit 201, District 7, Bonnie Owen, Historian

2 - Certificates of Recognition – awarded to Unit 355, District 2, Ria Marien/Judy Kuta, Historian; District 7, Vickie Dux, Historian

Leadership – Betty Stone, Department Chairman

1 – Unit Member of the Year – awarded to Christine Van Ryzin of Appleton Unit 38, District 9

Legislative – Becky Mueller, Department Chairman

2 – Wisconsin 250 Challenge: awarded to District 6 (Char Kiesling, Chairman); District 10 (Mary Townsend, Chairman)

3 – Certificates of Recognition – Neenah Unit 33, District 6 (Char Kiesling, Chairman); Thorp Unit 118, District 7 (Diane Weggen, Chairman); River Falls Unit 121, District 11 (Margaret Larsen, Chairman).

Membership – Christina Petranovich, Department Chairman

5 – Certificates of Recognition – awarded to Crandon Unit 94, District 9 (244.44%); Hazel Green Unit 526, District 3 (200%); Land O' Lakes Unit 464, District 11 (188.24%); Montello Unit 351, District 6 (158.33%); Osceola Unit 221, District 12 (150%)

68 – Certificates of Achievement – Units over 100% by January 31, 2026

- District 1: Edgerton #30, Beloit #48, Burlington #79, Delavan #95, Walworth #102, East Troy #188, Delafield #196
- District 2: Pt. Washington #82, Sheboygan #83, Sheboygan Falls #149, Rio #208; Poynette #271, Cambria #401, Fredonia #410, Adell #462, Hubertus #522
- District 3: Stoughton #59, Mt. Hope #229, Ridgeway #257, Gays Mills #308, DeForest #348, Mazomanie #437, Dane #503, Hazel Green #526, Beetown #551
- District 5: Milwaukee #1, Milwaukee #455
- District 6: Brillion #126; Stockbridge #128, Campbellsport #222, Berlin #340, Montello #351, Mt. Calvary #454, St. Cloud #478
- District 7: Bangor #40, Rome #65, Owen #123, Black River Falls #129; Wonewoc #206, Humbird #320, Northfield #541
- District 8: Mosinee #107, Vesper #520
- District 9: Kewaunee #29, Hortonville #55, Crandon #94, Little Chute #258, Coleman #280, Washington Island #402
- District 10: Arcadia #17, Turtle Lake #137, Glenwood City #168, Durand #181, Prairie Farm #259, New Auburn #267.
- District 11: Odanah #25, Park Falls #182, Rib Lake #274, Kennan #362, Mercer #424, Boulder Junction #451, Land O' Lakes #464, Lublin #547.
- District 12: Bayfield #49, St. Croix Falls #143, Milltown #254, Webb Lake #403, Cable #487

National Security – Bob Shappell, Department Chairman

4 – Certificates of Recognition – awarded to Waterloo Unit 233, District 2; Plymouth Unit 243, District 2; Cross Plains Unit 245, District 3; Winneconne Unit 364, District 6

1 – Program of the Year – awarded to Cedarburg Unit 288, District 2

Past Presidents Parley – Diane Weggen, Department Chairman

1 – Mentor of the Year – awarded to Anita (Sam) Catura of Hartland Unit 294, District 1

2 – Certificate of Recognition – awarded to Char Kiesling of Neenah Unit 33, District 6; Carol Swenson of River Falls Unit 121, District 10

Poppy – Kathy Grom, Department Chairman

7 – Poppy Poster Awards – awarded to Hadley Richards, District 3 (Class I); Lady First, District 4 (Class II); Bluebell Gremminger, District 2 (Class III); Whitney Schall, District 9 (Class IV); Abigail Marose, District 6 (Class V); Dakota Burkman, District 12 (Class VI); Gavin Aubart, District 7 (Class VII)

Public Relations – Natalia Genovesi-King, Department Chairman

2 – Certificates of Appreciation – awarded to Shelley Drager of Mazomanie Unit 437, District 3; Linda Lefky of Two Rivers Unit 165, District 6



DATES & DEADLINES

Last updated 6/1/2026

(subject to change)

2026		
Aug 28–Sep 3, 2026	Legion Family National Convention	Louisville, KY
Sept 12, 2026	ALA In The Know Conference	New Life United Methodist Church, Seymour, WI
Sept 19, 2026	ALA In The Know Conference	American Legion Post 53, Eau Claire, WI
Sept 19, 2026	7 th District Fall Workshop	American Legion Post 100, Sparta, WI
Sept 26, 2026	ALA In The Know Conference	American Legion Post 385, Verona, WI
Sept 26, 2026	8 th District Fall Conference	TBD
October 3, 2026	ALA In The Know Conference	American Legion Post 182, Park Falls, WI
2027		
April 3–4, 2027	2027 ALA 9–Pin Tap Bowling Tournament	Wolf River Lanes, New London, WI

2026-2027 Officer/Chairman visit request form can be accessed from the Department website:
<https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/departments-president-page>