



DISTRICT 12 NEWSLETTER – Spring 2025

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Unit leaders – please share at your next Unit meeting

Hello 12th District Members,

Midwinter Conference was an interesting event this year. Seniors and Juniors conducted the training in the morning and service projects were offered to all attendees in the afternoon. Poppy making was also offered for veterans by a dual member. The general presentation, legislative presentation and Juniors presentation are now available on the department website under Programs--HQ-General Info www.amlegionauxwi.org/hq-generalinfo.

Membership: If Units have members that missed paying 2024 dues by January 31, the members will be removed from the roles and names removed along with benefits. The dues can be paid ASAP and be reinstated for continued service. Maybe Units can help pay the dues for the nursing home residents. Also, a Buddy Check for those who have not been attending meetings or events. These calls are nice to receive and encourages a welcome feeling. These members can also be encouraged to do projects at home if they knit, crochet or sew. Also, they can make legislative calls to the politicians for programs and bills helping The American Legion.

Public Relations: Thank you to the Units for publishing many activities on Social Media. It keeps the public aware of who and what the Auxiliary does. Robert Shappell offers PR Chats on Zoom. All members are welcome to attend, listen, share ideas and join in the discussions about how best we can communicate our purposes and activities.

Annual Reports: Help your Unit President by completing your individual tracking charts of volunteer hours and donations. This information needs to be given to the Unit President by April 1 or a date chosen by the Unit President, so the President has adequate time to complete the Unit report. Unit Presidents – please make sure I receive them no later than April 15th so I can do my work and forward it to headquarters. This information shows the ALA contribution for Congress uses to legislate benefits for our Veterans. See the Annual Reports tab on the ALA website: www.amlegionauxwi.org

SPRING CONFERENCE

Spring Conference: The 12th District Spring Conference will be held on 03 May 2025 hosted by Post/Unit 316 Sheldon, WI. It will be in the Sheldon Community Center. The Department President, Becky Mueller, has accepted an invitation to be our special guest at the District Meeting and she is looking forward to meeting everyone. Please note that this is an election year and there are several positions members can step forward and accept the challenge of helping to direct the 12th District. All Unit members of good standing are eligible to attend and vote. Each unit is requested to bring a silent auction item for the District fundraiser and there may be a 50/50 raffle by the host unit. Any questions, please contact Betty Stone at 715-452-5329 or 608-738-9542. *Deadline for registration is April 20, 2025. RSVP form was not available at this mailing. Contact Betty Stone for more information.*

Calendar:

Spring Conference, 03 May 2025, Sheldon, WI Post/Unit 316

Regional/State Oratorical, 29 March 2025, Ripon Collage, Ripon, WI

ALABGS, 15- 20 June 2025, UW-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI

Volunteers are needed. Contact Danyelle Thompson, at alabgs.chairman@gmail.com

State Convention, 17-20 July 2025, Green Bay WI

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Spring District Conference, if not before.

Sincerely,

Barb McDaniel
District 12 President