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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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Department President

Thank you American Legion Auxiliary members for all that you have done and will continue to do for our Veterans, their families, and your communities. Department Program Chairmen submitted their mid-year reports to their respective Central Division Chairmen including information collected from units that reported. Thank you, chairmen, for your dedication and leadership. Units are reminded to submit their year-end reports to their District President by April 15, 2015 so we can demonstrate the value and effectiveness of the American Legion Auxiliary.

The American Legion Auxiliary is counting on you to promote the programs of our organization and to let your communities know "Who We Are" and "What We Do." Submit articles to the local newspaper on your activities and events, create posters and flyers to display in your communities, write Letters to the Editor and place ads in the paper thanking businesses and community members that have helped your Unit.

It is important that we PRO-

MOTE the American Legion Auxiliary so that our organization will be here for future generations. If you have not already paid your 2015 American Legion Auxiliary dues, please send them in today. Your membership in our organization is important. You are not just a number! Unit members are the foundation and without them our organization will crumble.

It is important that all members of the American Legion Auxiliary work to develop a "Culture

of Goodwill" by making sure that your Unit has a friendly environment that welcomes all. Be sure that you are respectful to others, think positively, pay attention, speak kindly, say thank you, accept others, and listen. Be civil – it is OK to disagree – but make sure that you are respecting the opinion of others. We must lead by example and respect others for who they are. If you want to learn how to instill positive behavior within your unit, register and attend the

training in Portage on March 7th. Check out the department website or January unit mailing for more details.

As Commander Shappell and I visit the Wisconsin supported VA medical facilities and Veterans homes, one statement has been repeated many times, "We could not offer the activities and support

without the help of the American Legion Family." Your donations and volunteer hours do make a difference in the lives of our Veterans at these facilities. Aroma Therapy and Music Therapy are used at each facility we have visited to balance the harmony of body and mind. Thank you for your continued support.

Wisconsin Veterans Home at King



Department President Teresa Isensee presented a check for \$1,000 to the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King. This donation was designated for the purpose of furnishing a Sensory Room at MacArthur Hall. Thank you to all the Auxiliary members and units that sent contributions designated to King to make this gift possible. Pictured, left to right: Sandy Schoen, Admissions Director; Tammy Wood, SH Executive Director; Greg Reichenback, MH Executive Director; Department President Teresa Isensee; Shannon Hardel, Deputy Commandant; Amber Nikolai, Member and Public Relations Director; and Dave Rademacher, OH Executive Director.

SAVE THE DATE!
Department President Teresa Isensee's
Testimonial Dinner
Saturday May 16, 2015
at The Eagles Club, 2588 Hallie Rd
Chippewa Falls, WI

Raise your Voice in Song for Our Veterans



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MEMBERSHIP

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Will an Act of Service Be Your Resolution?

It's January and traditionally resolution time. Have you chosen your resolutions yet? Have you broken the first ones and need to find one that is easy and gives you a sense of satisfaction? If you have been reading my articles, you know that I feature a few songs that tie the vision of the American Legion Auxiliary with the involvement that can be generated by you as individual members of the American Legion Family.

With the "Winter Wonderland" that I see out my patio window, it brings to mind two songs about snowmen. The first is "Frosty the Snowman" and he makes me think of the joy and happiness that he expressed as he "came to life one day." Are you a Frosty type of member? Do you exhibit a positive attitude and spread cheer to your fellow members who are

homebound or feeling the winter blues? Could you resolve to send a "Thinking of You" card as a simple gesture to make someone else feel better?

The second snowman I thinking of is Olaf from the Disney movie "Frozen." Olaf is a lovable character, created by sharing and working together, who is willing to sacrifice himself to be close to others. Kristen Bell's lyrics in "Do You Want to Build a Snowman?" are about inviting someone to share time and memories with you. Do you ask eligible members of the American Legion Auxiliary to join and share in our wonderful programs?

Both of these songs remind me of a quote from Albert Schweitzer. He said, "...the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve." In the American Legion Family we continue to serve every day. Do you share this information with others? Please consider making it your resolution to spread the word and ask, "Do

you want to make it a better world for our veterans, our troops, and their families? Come and join us."

As of December 31, 2014, the units in the Final Countdown to win \$100 (for the most members over goal) are: Franklin Unit 192, District 4 (21 members); Elmwood Unit 207, District 10 (13 members), Omro Unit 234, District 6 (7 members); Cambria Unit 401, District 2 (6 members), and with 5 members each (3-way tie) – Neenah Unit 33, District 6; Owen Unit 123, District 7; and Hammond Unit 432, District 10.

Please mail narrative program reports and photos of Membership activities to department headquarters by April 15, 2015. Department will forward the information to me. Details are in the annual report packets that were mailed in December and are posted on the department website.

Joan Chwala, Chairman
Bonnie Jakubczyk, UD&R
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

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A new year and a new opportunity to remember those who put their lives on hold as they serve to protect our freedoms. We owe a great deal of gratitude for all who serve the public welfare and in light of the tragedies of recent months, let us pause to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our safety and our freedom. As we approach the second month of our new year, we especially remember the Four Chaplains who unselfishly gave their lives so others could live that tragic night.

I'm sad to report that I did not receive any mid-year unit reports. I'm confident that you are including prayers and memorial services in your meetings and most of you are participating in commemorative events with your post. Please take the time to complete your annual reports and list all the great things you do for veterans and for your members.

Prayer

Father, The worries of each day are ever around us. Conflict, both within and without, threatens the peace we so desperately want and seek. Father, we come to You with open hearts, seeking Your guidance and being content with all that You have given us as a nation. Guard our hearts, O Lord, so that we will be faithful to You, and let the peace of Your presence surround us each and every day. Amen.

Music

Are you including music in your meetings? I attended a wedding reception once at which it was announced the bridal couple would kiss if a guest would sing a song that included the word "love." What a great idea for a quick game during a unit meeting! See how many songs you can list that include the word "love" in the lyrics. Set a time limit or do a round-robin. Award a small prize for the most songs or for the last person still able to list more! Here's one to get you started (do you remember who recorded it?):

"Everybody Loves Somebody Sometime"
by Sam Coslow, Irving Taylor and Ken Lane

Everybody loves somebody sometime
 Everybody falls in love somehow
 Something in your kiss just told me
 My sometime is now.

Everybody finds somebody someplace
 There's no telling where love may appear
 Something in my heart keeps saying
 My someplace is here.

If I had it in my power
 I'd arrange for every girl to have your charms
 Then every minute, every hour
 Every boy would find what I found in your arms.

Everybody loves somebody sometime
 And although my dreams were overdue
 Your love made it well worth waiting
 For someone like you.

Everybody loves somebody sometime.

Until next month, keep "raising your voice in song for our veterans."



GREETINGS FROM HEADQUARTERS

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The Department Staff wishes everyone a very healthy and peaceful 2015.

National Headquarters mailed renewal notices to anyone whose 2015 dues were not processed at department headquarters by December 5th. If you receive a notice but think your dues are paid, please verify with your Unit Membership Chairman that she forwarded the payment to headquarters. Until department receives your dues, your membership is considered delinquent. Members that have not yet paid their 2015 dues should submit them to department headquarters as indicated on the renewal notice as soon as possible.

Every month (except July and December), program information is sent to Unit Presidents from department headquarters to be shared with their members at unit meetings. This information is also posted on the department website (under Unit Mailings) for anyone who would like to review the information on their own.



LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

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You have enemies? Good. That means you've stood up for something, sometime in your life." *Winston Churchill.*

Our democratic government allows you to stand up for what you believe in without fear or harm. It enables you to communicate with legislative representatives about your opinions on issues relating to the American Legion Auxiliary's mission, veteran's rights or other issues.

Effective communication builds strong relationships and keeps the lines of communication open. Be gracious, not argumentative, emotional, impolite or threatening. Strive to be a strong knowledgeable advocate or opponent, rather than an enemy.

Share the Legislative Advocacy Guide and communication tips with members to raise awareness about the ALA Legislative program. Use a variety of communication tools including letters, emails, telephone calls or in-person visits to communicate with legislators. Letters are always appropriate, but email may be better and faster.



NATIONAL SECURITY

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Thank you to all the units and members who took part in the "Snickers for Soldiers" campaign. Over 200 pounds of candy bars and other snacks have been donated to the USO lounge at Milwaukee General Mitchell Airport. If you have not yet participated (or would like to contribute again), it's not too late. Collect any non-perishable candy and/or snack items at your monthly meetings. Mail the items or deliver to: USO-Wisconsin, 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr., Ste. 313, Milwaukee 53202.

Resolution 288 adopted at the 67th American Legion National Convention calls for designating a POW/MIA Empty Chair at all official meetings

tion on their own.

If you have not submitted your Poppy Order for 2015, please do so ASAP. If you placed an order last year but haven't sent your 20% poppy profit report to department, your order will be delayed until this is reported.

Check out the ALA Badger Girls State website (www.badgergirlsstate.org) for up-to-date information on the 2015 ALABGS session and orientations as they are scheduled.

Contest & Awards packets were mailed in November and information is posted on the department website. Units are encouraged to review the information and participate in as many contests as possible. Questions? Please contact the appropriate program chairmen as listed in the packet.

The Auxiliary offers more than \$25,000 in scholarships at the state and national levels. Scholarship applications (due in March!) may be obtained from Unit Presidents, high schools or from the department website. Read the directions on each scholarship for specific details. Unfortunately, dona-

tions to the department scholarship fund are down this year. See the article on page A4 for information on how to send donations if you would like to support this valuable program so we can continue to offer scholarships from year to year.

Unit Annual Reports are due to District Presidents by April 15th. Unit Narrative Program Reports should be sent to department by April 15th. Department staff will forward the narrative reports to the appropriate program chairmen and to President Teresa. President Teresa will review these reports to select the Awards of Excellence that are presented at Department Convention. Don't miss this opportunity to be "loud and proud" about all the activities you are involved in!

Wisconsin has been selected by the national organization to host training on March 7th in Portage. All members are encouraged to attend to learn more about the Auxiliary. Details were in the January unit mailing and registration forms can be downloaded from the department website. Reservations are due February 20th!

Visit your lawmaker's website to find their preference for receiving email communication. Telephone calls are effective, especially when time is short. A call may influence a legislator's last-minute decision about whether or not to support an issue. During an in-person visit, follow the three 'B's': **Be on time; Be brief; Be polite.** Make an appointment prior to your visit and exchange business cards as a record of your visit.

In all communications:

- Clearly identify yourself. Let the legislator know you are a constituent. Include your name and address.

- Focus on one subject per communication. Stay on point and briefly explain your position or why they should be concerned. Cite facts and support your position with accurate information.

- Ask your legislator to support or oppose an issue. Be prepared to provide the name, number, sponsor of the bill, and its intent. Ask your legislator for their stand on the issue.

- Use positive statements to support your opinion. Respect your legislator's right

to have a different opinion. If they don't agree on one issue, they may be a strong ally on another.

- Personalize your message by explaining how a proposal may affect veterans' rights, you, your family or community. Suggest action you want your legislator to take.

- Follow-up on how your legislator voted on the issue. If your legislator supported your views, thank them. If they did not, note your disappointment, but state you want to continue working together.

- Prior to closing any communication, sincerely thank your legislator for their time and attention.

Advocate for the things you believe in. Work the Legislative Program Plan of Action. Your effective positive voice truly matters.

Please mail narrative program reports of Legislative activities to department headquarters by April 15, 2015. Department will forward the information to me. Details are in the annual report packets that were mailed in December and are posted on the department website.

of The American Legion as a physical symbol of the thousands of American POW/MIAs still unaccounted for. The American Legion Auxiliary would also like to recognize this resolution and is asking all units to designate an empty chair at their official meetings as well. National POW/MIA Recognition Day is recognized annually on the third Friday of September. That would be a perfect time to host a Recognition Ceremony for your community. A complete ceremony table kit (including instructions) can be ordered from Emblem Sales.

In concert with President Teresa's theme, Raise your Voice in Song for our Veterans, I encourage you to also raise your voice in support for our active military, their families, and our nation. Continue to clip your coupons, participate in

blood drives, donate to Fisher House and USO-WI, take part in welcome home events, honor our troops and support our active military. However you decide to support National Security, make sure you report on it! It's important to let everyone know who we are, and what we do.

To receive email correspondence throughout the year about National Security, send your request to: amyjluff@gmail.com.

Please mail narrative program reports and pictures of National Security activities to department headquarters by April 15, 2015. Department will forward the information to me. Details are in the annual report packets that were mailed in December and are posted on the department website

AMERICANISM

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What is the purpose of the Americanism program? The purpose is to promote patriotism and responsible citizenship. An example is to be knowledgeable on flag history, etiquette and proper flag disposal methods. Contact your schools, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and community groups and offer to have a flag awareness program either at your post or at their meetings. Contact your state and federal representatives and ask them to support the flag amendment.

If the community you live in is holding an election this spring, don't forget to Get Out and Vote. Encourage others to vote and offer to take those who are unable to drive with you.

Promote Americanism and the American Legion Auxiliary by wearing and displaying your name, unit and department identification at all functions. Support the American Legion Baseball program, the Oratorical Contest and Junior Shooting Sports.

The Americanism Essay Contest is fast approaching. The theme of this year's contest is "What Does Freedom Mean to

My Family?" Please encourage your unit to contact the schools in your area and other youth organizations to promote this contest which is open to all students in grades 3 through 12. Awards will be awarded in each of the five class divisions.

A reminder to all units and members: Please mail your pictures and narrative program reports for your Americanism activities to department headquarters by April 15, 2015. Department will forward the information to me. Details are in the annual report packets that were mailed in December and are posted on the department website.

WALASBA BOWLING

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Bowling Chairman
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Mark your calendars! Spring is coming and the dates of April 11 & 12 and April 18 & 19, 2015 are the days you need to reserve for the Auxiliary's Annual 9-Pin Bowling Tournament. This tournament is for YOU, the American Legion Auxiliary Member. This is the time to get out and reacquaint with friends as well as make a new one, or two or twenty! Appleton Unit 38 is hosting this year's tournament at Sabre Lanes in Menasha.

parted in last year's tournament, were included in the January Unit mailing, and are posted on the Department website (www.amlegionauxwi.org). Please register a team today! Entry forms should be mailed to Tournament Manager Jenni Syftestad, 205 Thompson Street, Verona, WI 53593 by March 1, 2015. Questions? Contact Jenni at 608-845-7857 or syftes@chorus.net.

Encourage your Unit President to form a bowling team. To be eligible for this tournament, bowlers must have a current Wisconsin Auxiliary card and be over 18 years of age. This is not a sanctioned tournament so bowling in a sanctioned league is not a pre-

requisite to participate. Also, if you are interested and don't have a team, or just want to be a substitute, let Tournament Manager Jenni Syftestad know the dates and events you are interested in bowling - be specific - team, singles, doubles, all events.

Have you thought about hosting a WALASBA Bowling Tournament? This tournament is a great money maker for units. If you are interested in being a host unit, please contact Jenni Syftestad or me as soon as possible. We are looking for hosts for 2016 and beyond.

The WALASBA Committee hopes to see you in Menasha in April!!!

Wrightstown Unit 436: MISSION IN ACTION!

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.*

ALA Unit 436 of Wrightstown recently visited the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King. The unit collected money from their Veterans Day Dinner, Shopko donations and Meltaways donated by Seroogy's to purchase items from King's wish list. Members delivered the items along with a gift for their adopted veteran, Gilbert Faust. Pictured (left to right): Connie Lamers, Gilbert Faust, Bonnie Wicker and Sue Martin.

How does your unit work the Auxiliary mission? Please send photos and a brief description to Department Secretary Bonnie Dorniak at deptsec@amlegionauxwi.org for possible inclusion in an upcoming issue of the Wisconsin publication.



Apply to be part of building Wisconsin's Strategic Plan for Success!

Strategy Member Application

WHY? We need input from grass root members from around the state who care about where the ALA will be in 10, 20, 30 years. We want your input on new and creative ideas to implement our Wisconsin Strategic Plan goals and strategies.

Interested members will work with leaders of the Department Strategic Planning Team to help identify strategies and activities to achieve Wisconsin's five goals: 1) Attain a Million Members, 2) Create an Internal Culture of Goodwill, 3) Develop Leadership at All Levels, 4) Strengthen the Department and Units, and 5) With The American Legion, Build Brand Loyalty.

If you are interested in helping us ensure the Wisconsin ALA is strong and viable, please submit an application to Joyce Endres, WI Strategic Planning Chairman at ljendres@charter.net. THANK YOU.

Your Name: _____
District #: _____ **Unit #:** _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

- Briefly explain why you would like to be a part of the Strategic Planning Team.
- Briefly explain what assets you feel you will bring to the Strategic Planning Team and which goal interests you most.

To ensure we have interested and creative team members, please apply to be a part of the Department Strategic Planning Team by Monday, February 16, 2015.

Questions? Call Joyce Endres at 608-221-1763 for more information!

40th WALASBA TOURNAMENT

14th ANNUAL 9-PIN TAP TOURNAMENT

April 11-12, 2015 or April 18-19, 2015

EVENTS

Team (now 4-woman)
 Double - Singles
 All Events

SQUAD TIMES

Saturday 12 pm or 3 pm
 Sunday 9 am or 12 pm

Sabre Lanes
 1330 Midway Road
 Menasha, WI 54952
 Hosted by Unit 38 - Appleton

ENTRY FORMS (can be found on the Department website - www.amlegionauxwi.org)

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Jenni Syftestad
 Tournament Manager
 205 Thompson Street
 Verona, WI 53593-1043
 Ph: 608-845-7857
 E-MAIL: syftes@chorus.net

Entry Closing Date

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED
 NO LATER THAN
March 1, 2015
 Entry Forms may be Photocopied BUT
 NOT altered in any other way.

The ALA Scholarship Fund Needs Your Support

Donations to the American Legion Auxiliary's scholarship fund are down significantly this year. If you would like to support young people who are pursuing a higher education, please send your donation payable to ALA-Wisconsin, PO Box 140, Portage, WI 53901-0140 and indicate it should be designated to "Account #4465-Scholarships."

The following thank you notes were received by previous ALA scholarship recipients.

Dear American Legion Auxiliary,
Thank you for your generosity in awarding me a 2014 American Legion Auxiliary Department President's Scholarship. Your support has helped me reach my second year studying electrical engineering, physics, and mathematics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

After the successful conclusion of my first year in college, I accepted a job offer from Pico Computing, a small technology company that integrates FPGAs (essentially small, reconfigurable computer chips) with ordinary computers in order to make certain computing algorithms run faster. During my time there, I tested Pico's computing systems and used the information I obtained to update the Getting Started Guide and several of the sample programs. I greatly enjoyed my work at Pico and gained a much better understanding of computers.

Then, I returned to school in the fall to continue my classes. In

this connection, I should particularly mention a physics lab course where I did well and learned a lot. More than one of the experiments used radioactive cesium-137, the same element that is principally responsible for the harmful radiation caused by the fallout from the Chernobyl and Fukushima nuclear disasters. Fortunately, however, I only worked with very small amounts and avoided eating any.

On my free time, I helped run an online college chess league and volunteered to help lead a class for the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) on projects for the Raspberry Pi, a \$35 miniature computer with general-purpose digital output pins for hobbyist use. The class was a great success and, as all good teachers know, it was the teacher who learned the most!

As I look forward to a new year, it's a comfort to know that there are people like you in the world who are willing to make sacrifices to help others succeed. Thank you for your contribution to my education.

Sincerely,
Thomas Ulrich
(Sponsored by Appleton Unit 38, District 9)

Dear ALA Scholarship/Education Department,
My name is Heather Dotson and I am a sophomore this year at Milwaukee School of Engineering majoring in Electrical Engineering. Thank you so much for your generosity in funding the 2013 Spirit of

Youth Scholarship, and your willingness to enable students like me to fulfill our dreams. This scholarship has helped make it possible for me to attend MSOE.

I have always been interested in science and math, ever since I was a little kid. I was not the kid who would ask how to do the problem in math class; I was the kid who wanted to know how the calculators worked. One of my favorite toys when I was younger was an electronic snap circuit kit which had instructions to build various circuits that would turn on a motor or light up a bulb, and it always fascinated me. I was on FIRST robotics teams for the six years prior to my attending MSOE, and through that program I found that I enjoyed the process of designing, constructing, programming and testing a robot and working with a team to do so. When it came time for me to look into future plans, the option that I could most see myself pursuing was engineering.

As a student at MSOE, I have been maintaining my grades and have made the Dean's List every quarter. In addition to my studies, I am involved on campus through four different student organizations, and I have a campus job in the Student Life Office as an Office Assistant. I cannot express my appreciation enough for your generosity; I plan to be an asset to the engineering community and hope to give back someday.

Sincerely,
Heather Renee Dotson
(Sponsored by Portage Unit 47, District 2)



2015 Reached the High Note New Member Award Entry Form

Sign up 1 new 2015 Senior Auxiliary or 2 new 2015 Junior Auxiliary members and receive a 2015 Treble Clef pin



Recruiter: _____ Unit # _____ District # _____
 Recruiter's Address _____
 City / State / Zip _____
 NAME OF NEW MEMBER(S) - 1 new Sr. or 2 new Jr. Auxiliary members
 Senior Auxiliary _____
 Junior Auxiliary _____

Transferring and rejoining members DO NOT count.

Submit only one "Reached the High Note" form per recruiter per year to the Portage office... but don't stop there!

Don't forget to fill out and enter the National Recruit 1 to receive a "One in a Million" button.

Submit this completed for to: American Legion Auxiliary 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



CALENDAR FUNDRAISER WINNERS DECEMBER 2014



1	15.00	20139	Joyce Phillips	Cross Plains
2	15.00	45696	Marilyn Polzin-Boardman	Holmen
3	15.00	00246	Jenny LaBash	Sycamore IL
4	15.00	07723	Craig Wright	Waukesha
5	15.00	00217	David Benishek	Milwaukee
6	15.00	37184	Paul McCann	Tomah
7	500.00	41543	Ann Soiney	Osseo
8	15.00	16180	Joanne Kasten	Oconomowoc
9	15.00	08760	Betty Kanouse	Cambria
10	15.00	22849	Ruby Hay	Beloit
11	15.00	43325	Colleen Kopras	Bruce
12	15.00	36988	Sharon Gilbertson	La Crosse
13	15.00	43325	Colleen Kopras	Bruce
14	25.00	28846	William LaRose	Eau Claire
15	15.00	01514	Dorothy Effenheim	Cedarburg
16	15.00	27470	Flora Neilson	Kennan
17	15.00	15618	Blanche Schoenhaar	Pewaukee
18	15.00	32477	Ruth Olson	Soldiers Grove
19	15.00	31347	Judy Merola	Hancock
20	15.00	39002	Debra Court	Black Creek
21	25.00	39307	Barbara Sleeter	Gillett
22	15.00	04562	Ruth Franke	Marathon
23	15.00	09821	Theresa Kysely	Dousman
24	15.00	09354	Joyce Curran	East Troy
25	15.00	N/A	G R McCormick	St Germain
26	15.00	01264	Margo Hansen	Pardeeville
27	15.00	19700	Karon Kuykendall	Boscobel
28	25.00	25974	Sharon Krantz	Shell Lake
29	15.00	11287	Karry Kultgen	Port Washington
30	15.00	08635	Joyce Hill	Elroy
31	15.00	17027	Christopher Giese	Juneau

POPPY SHOP REMINDER



Orders for 2015 Poppies should be placed with Auxiliary Headquarters by **February 1, 2015** to ensure delivery by distribution day.

Units and Posts that haven't yet submitted their 2014 Poppy Profit Report **must do so before ordering for 2015.**

The Poppy Order Form is available on the department website (under **Online Forms**) or by calling headquarters at 608-745-0124.

..... DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 16, 2015	George Washington Luncheon Klemmer's Banquet Center, Milw.	April 25, 2015	8th District Spring Conference New London, WI
Mar 7, 2015	National Training for All Auxiliary Members Dino's Restaurant 2900 New Pinery Road, Portage	May 2, 2015	4th District Spring Conference
March 21, 2015	7th District Spring Conference Holmen, WI	May 2, 2015	9th District Spring Conference
April 11-12, 2015	WALA Bowling Tournament Sabre Lanes, Menasha	May 16, 2015	President Teresa Isensee's Testimonial Dinner Eagles Club Chippewa Falls, WI
April 18-19, 2015	WALA Bowling Tournament Sabre Lanes, Menasha	May 30-31, 2015	12th District Spring Conference Unit 487, Cable, WI
April 18, 2015	6th District Spring Conference New Holstein, Unit 124	June 6, 2015	Commander Bob Shappell's Testimonial Dinner Country Inn & Suites 350 Seven Hills Road Port Washington, WI
April 18, 2015	10th District Spring Conference Cumberland, WI	June 21-26, 2015	ALA Badger Girls State UW-Oshkosh
April 25, 2015	1st District Spring Conference Orfordville, WI	July 16-19, 2015	Department Convention Radisson Paper Valley Appleton, WI
April 25, 2015	2nd District Spring Conference First Reformed Church 527 Giddings Avenue Sheboygan Falls, WI	Aug 28-Sep 3, 2015	National Convention Baltimore, MD
April 25, 2015*	3rd District Spring Conference Gays Mills, WI	Sep 18-19, 2015	Fall Informational Forum The Plaza Hotel & Suites Eau Claire, WI

Information is subject to change *Contains Updated Information



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