



4TH DISTRICT NEWS

Department of Wisconsin | American Legion Auxiliary

Mark Your Calendar!

Our 4th District Fall Conference will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023.

Please join us at Oelschlaeger-Dallman Post 434 in Oak Creek for some fun, food and learning.

Remember, we are only meeting quarterly now, so we hope to see you there.

Let's Talk Technology



There's now a Facebook Group for the 4th District. It's a place where we can share

information and get caught up on events and happenings within our units. I invite you all to join. Here's the link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/282342071186347/>



Department Convention

Now that the 2023 Department Convention is behind us let's congratulate our new Department Officers:

President Maggie Geiger
 Senior Vice President Becky Mueller
 First Vice President Sue Hembrook
 Second Vice President Amy Luft
 Historian Mary Petrie
 Chaplain Betty Stone
 NEC Bonnie Jakubczyk

We are honored to have our district represented by Sue and Bonnie at the department level. Their dedication and hard work is something we can all be proud of! Let's support all of our new officers and wish everyone much success.

Condolences

Doris Irwin, mother of Past Department President Diane Weggen passed away on Sunday, July 23, 2023 at the age of 100 years and 7 months. Her funeral was held on August 4th. We send our deepest condolences to Diane and her family.

Win This Quilt!

There's nothing you have to do but come to the 4th District Fall Conference. Your presence will get you a chance to win the quilt. If it's not something you would like to keep for yourself you are certainly welcome to use it as a fund raiser item for your unit.



Can You Say Mush?

Our new President, Maggie Geiger's membership drive includes a dog sled and the huskies that pull the sled. Without those dogs that sled is going nowhere. Like the Auxiliary, without us all working to grow our membership, we're not going to get very far. So all the districts are getting ready to "pull" that sled.

Membership packets were sent out to our unit membership chairmen. 2024 dues can be paid to them or pain online via debit or credit card on the ALA national website www.legionaux.org/renew. If you did not receive your membership packet contact Andrea Stoltz at 608-745-0124 or alawi@amlegionauxwi.org.

Each district president had the opportunity to name a husky that will represent our individual districts. The district with the most membership growth will be the lead husky. Get the idea?



Our 4th District husky's name is Winkle. The name comes from Colonel Archie Van Winkle who happens to be the only Medal of Honor winner from the state of Alaska. The name seemed appropriate since the next Legion Auxiliary President, Lisa Williamson comes from Alaska.

Let's work together to make Winkle the leader of the pack.

President's Theme

President Maggie Geiger's theme is "Enhancing the Lives of our Veterans, Military and their Families - One Day at a Time." Her President's Pin was designed by Morgan Johnsen.



Little Miss Poppy

Congratulations to Unit #434's Poppy Princess, Avery Smith who was appointed Wisconsin Little Miss Poppy 2023-24. She accepted her award at the Department Convention in July.



National Veterans Creative Arts Festival

On August 9th and 10th the Zablocki VA Veterans Art Competition Visual Arts show was held. It was a self-guided walking tour to view the Veteran creative art entries. The arts are a way to help veterans recover from and cope with physical and emotional disabilities, it is a form of rehabilitative treatment. Some of the artists were in attendance.



Entries included poetry, short stories, collages, quilts, dioramas, carvings, sculptures, paintings, sketches and much more. It is a very moving and emotional experience.

The performing arts event will be held on August 31, 2023 at Zablocki VA. Everyone is welcome to attend.