Bi-Monthly Unit Mailing
February/March 2023

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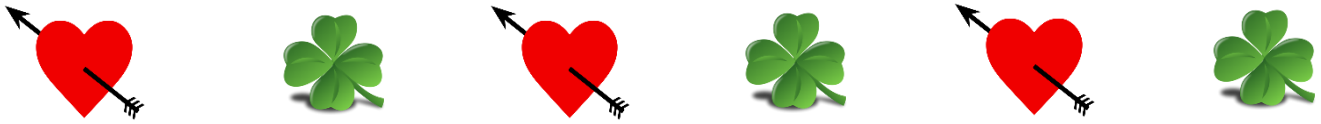


American Legion Auxiliary Mission Statement:

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

Department President Linda Coppock's message…

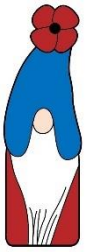
It is February! I am hoping the groundhog is good to us! Are you ready for a full month of patriotism?

We promote Americanism in the month of February. Have you gotten the Essay Contest Rules to your local schools? Are you promoting the Essay to your Junior and youth SAL members as well?

There are school districts that are home to more than one local ALA Unit. If that is your case, consider working with the other units within that school district to optimize the number of potential winners. Each unit could host a winner in each classification bracket. This way more students have the opportunity to be recognized for their participation in the Americanism Essay Contest. It's a win, win for everyone involved.

Units, are you promoting Americanism within your community? Do you still recognize local businesses or homeowners that fly the flag? Do you Spy any? Do you teach students the proper way to fold the flag, or have you shown them the proper way to dispose of or retire a flag? Consider hosting a community event and coordinate with other local organizations to promote Americanism by doing a flag retirement ceremony. Give attendees a small flag and the Flag Etiquette Guide. Promoting yourselves within your community is an opportunity to expand your membership! Believe it can happen and it will!

Americanism Chairman Sue Hembrook has updated the Americanism action plan. It can be accessed from the Department of Wisconsin webpage (www.amlegionauxwi.org) under the Dept Chrm/Action Plans tab. Be sure to contact Sue (genesuehem@wi.rr.com) if you have questions or promotion ideas.



As March comes upon us, are you roaring in the month trying to get the last of those membership renewals collected? Or are you resting like a lamb because you are "Over the Top" and at 100%? Does membership stop when you get to 100%? Should it? *Gnome Norm* "Believes" membership should never stop! It should be an ongoing process. It is probable that a member might pass away before the next membership year.

Are you working to recoup that loss? Well, lucky for your unit, March is Community Service month, and we need to step up our presence in our communities! I do "Believe" the more your community knows about you and what your unit does to work the ALA Mission, the more likely you will find a new member.

Community Service can be a wide range of activities and the more creative you can be the more appealing you might be to that potential member. But Community Service is not just about attracting new members, it is also about helping out within the community, working together for a specific cause, or simply offering to mow a neighbor's lawn. Seek out the veterans in the community to assist them with any needs they may have. Is there a military family in need of childcare because one of the parents may currently be away serving our country? What are the needs of the veterans in your community. Are you aware of the military families in your community? When did you last host a Blood Drive? Our Community Service Chairman Kay Grosskopf (kkgros44@gmail.com) is your contact for any question, ideas or concerns you may have about this program.

We are more than half-way to the July convention, so start gathering information for your program reports! Send pictures you want to share with me. Remember to honor the Four Chaplains, celebrate the successes of your unit and unit members. Wish The American Legion a Happy Birthday in March! Give yourself a hug if you need one, and "**Believe**" **b**ecause **e**veryone **l**oves **i**nclusion, **e**mbrace **v**eterans **e**verywhere!

GREETINGS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Bonnie Dorniak
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CANDIDATES FOR DEPARTMENT OFFICE: Candidates for department office must email their announcement with a head and shoulder photo to deptsec@amlegionauxwi.org by March 20, 2023, for publication in the *Wisconsin*. Announcements should be 300-350 words.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICES: Members who have not paid their 2023 dues are now delinquent and lost all privileges of membership, including the right to hold office, vote on unit matters, receive AEF assistance, or bowl in the annual 9-pin Tap Bowling Tournament (on no!). Family members may not realize that if their loved one passes before paying his/her 2023 dues, they ***cannot have an Auxiliary memorial service or grave marker***. The Unit may want to pay dues for their older members who can no longer afford to maintain their membership (honorary life membership).

The national organization mailed the final 2023 membership dues renewal notices in early February. To expedite processing, members may pay by phone (National HQ: 317-569-4570, Monday through Friday, 7:00 am – 3:30 pm) or online at www.ALAforVeterans.org. Questions about paying online should be directed to alahqa@ALAforVeterans.org. If a unit receives dues, they should immediately forward them to department using a Members' Dues Payment Form.

ALA BADGER GIRLS STATE: Unit reservation forms were due January 31, 2023, with payments of $400 per delegate. If you forgot to submit your reservation(s), please do so today!

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: Department and National Scholarship applications are due from students to Unit Presidents by March 1st. Unit Presidents should ensure the applications are completed correctly and all necessary attachments are included before signing and forwarding them to Education Chairman Sandra Garlie by March 15th. Late applications will not be considered. Visit the department website for details.

PPP SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Units that want to support Past Presidents Parley Scholarships designated for students pursuing an education in nursing or health careers should mail a check with the donation form posted on the department website (www.amlegionauxwi.org > Forms > PPP Dues & Scholarship Donation Sheet). Unit donations help ensure this opportunity can be continued as the need for nurses and healthcare workers becomes even more demanding.

ANNUAL REPORTS: Annual Reports were mailed to all units in October and can be accessed from the department website. There are two types of reports:

1) UNIT YEAR-END IMPACT REPORT – a **numeric** report that the national organization uses to report the Auxiliary's impact to Congress**.** Every Unit President should submit a Unit Year-End Impact Report to their **District President by April 15th.** District Presidents must consolidate the information and forward it to Department by May 1st. Late reports cannot be considered.
2) UNIT NARRATIVE REPORTS – **descriptive** reports used to explain a unit's activities. Unit Narrative Reports are due to **department headquarters by April 15th**. New this year is the Unit Narrative **Summary** Sheet. Units should mark the programs they worked during the past year and submit a detailed Program Narrative Report only for the marked programs. If a unit did not participate in any Auxiliary programs, simply mark "no" for each program and return the summary sheet. Department will sort and forward the reports to the appropriate program chairmen who use them to complete their annual reports to the national organization.

CONTESTS & AWARDS: Contests & Awards information is included in the Program Action Plans that are posted on the department website. (www.amlegionauxwi.org > Dept Chrm/Action Plans). Questions? Please contact the appropriate program chairmen as listed for each program.

Don't forget to nominate a Unit Member of the Year, Mentor of the Year, and Service Member of the Year for recognition! See the respective Program Action Plans (Leadership, Past Presidents Parley, and National Security) for details and deadlines for each nomination.

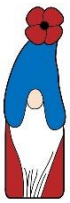
MEMORIAL SERVICE AT DEPARTMENT CONVENTION: Membership Change Forms must be submitted to department headquarters by May 1st for deceased members to be included in the Department Convention Memorial Book.

Annual Reports are due

- **April 15 – Unit Year-End Impact Report due to District President**
- **April 15 - Narrative Report - due to Department HQ**
- **Narrative Summary Sheet is required from all units**
- **May 1 – District Year-End Report due to Department Headquarters**

Annual Report forms can be accessed on the ALA Wisconsin Department website:
www.amlegionauxwi.org

MEMBERSHIP



Good GNOME day to you! Are you excited about your membership! What about your new and rejoined members! Let's get excited together.

Midwinter has come and gone with many exciting opportunities to network and learn from each other. Our Membership table display can be viewed on our Department Membership Facebook page. Check it out.

Some statistics: we have 391 new members this membership year – mostly senior members, which surprised me. I thought we would have many more Junior members signed up. Are your children and grandchildren members? If not; why not? What a great way to build relationships that honor your family heritage and service.

Second district led the race by a small margin with Third district nosing up to pass. Most of our districts are within a few percentage points of jumping into the lead. Now is the time for another push to the front. The holidays gave us a much-needed pit stop. Let's get back in the race.

Continue to contact your unit members on a regular basis. Let them know upcoming projects and functions. Invite them to participate even in a small way. Each member has something to contribute to the overall welfare of our units, counties, districts and department. Don't just ask what your unit can do for you but ask what do you contribute to make your unit special and beneficial to all the members?

Thank you to membership chairs on all levels. You provide a very valuable service to our organization. A couple of reminders – update address changes as soon as possible. Your snow-bird member should change their address otherwise they will not receive their National magazines and other notifications. Magazines aren't always forwarded so they may be flagged as a 'lost' address. I want to personally thank all of you who have worked hard to reduce our lost addresses list in the past few weeks – a noticeable reduction has been accomplished.

Please send in your deceased members in a timely manner. We want to recognize them in our memorial services held at our spring conferences and department convention. They deserve to be remembered.

Please handle your transfer requests quickly. The member transferring and the receiving Unit has to sign off on the form before being sent to Department. Be sure these transferring members are given your meeting times and locations. Invite them to upcoming events and ask them to participate if possible. Welcome them.

Continue to work your programs and projects. Making a difference in other lives is our vision and mission. BELIEVE in yourself and your unit. BE THE ONE to reach out and touch others.

Don't hesitate to reach out to the membership team if we can be of assistance.
In service not self,
God Bless you all,

Becky Mueller, Department Membership Chairman
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CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Jan Pulvermacher-Ryan, Department Chairman
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As I'm sure everyone is aware, The American Legion recently changed their eligibility rules to allow male members to join the American Legion Auxiliary. This has the potential of increasing our Auxiliary membership numbers. So please consider this opportunity of adding to your membership rolls. We have seen increased numbers joining but a large potential exists if we just take the time to consider what's available in our area.

Now is a great time to review your governing documents to be sure they address areas of concern (if they exist) but just to make sure that the document covers all areas for your member's rights and their responsibilities as well.

Consider your unit officers and review if they still support the activities of your unit or if you need to define or change to be sure you are in compliance and that enough officers are involved in this process.

We all need to remember that our members have rights that need to be considered when defining our document for the group at large. Be sure that it is without discrimination or mandates responsibilities that are not warranted. Our documents should support the activities of our unit with the intent of helping our members, The American Legion if called upon to do so, and our communities at large.

Our organization should represent good will, good intentions and a positive attitude to help others whenever and wherever we can. We should be willing to genuinely benefit our neighbors in our home towns to provide aid if requested. We should be that go to group that they can depend upon to provide help in an emergency.

Our membership should be seen as a gift, as it provides us with opportunities to not only help veterans, our military, but our hometown people in general. We have been given a gift when we join, to be involved in something larger than self. Our neighbors and our communities benefit from our involvement in this truly awesome organization. We need to remember the reason we joined and the opportunity to serve others that it provides. Service not Self is a great motto and the Auxiliary exemplifies that hands down.

Good luck with your year of service and remember there are always others that need our help and we can be that resource for the community we live in.

Membership is Changing. Are your Standing Rules Changing Too?

Diane Kranig, Standing Rules Chairman
dianeqltr@hotmail.com

The past few years have seen tremendous changes in our everyday lives. In addition, changes at the national level have impacted our membership. As a result, our membership needs, our way of gathering, and how we go about our business have changed as well. Unit Standing Rules should be updated to reflect all of this change.

If your Unit does not conduct an annual review of your Standing Rules, now would be a good time to appoint a member or members to take on that task. Here are some things to look for as you proceed.

The first major change, of course, is that the National By Laws now allow us to recruit male spouses of female veterans as members. Many Unit Standing Rules include verbiage that is specific to women. It would be a good idea to change all those "she" and "her" pronouns to "they", "their", and "them". If the rule in question pertains to an officer or chairman, use the title, such as "The President shall…" or "The Chairman may…", instead of She or Her.

Another item to watch for is gifting of items that are gender specific. The Standing Rules in my Unit call for presenting a corsage to a member who is being installed as District President. A Male member might not want a corsage so we changed the rule to present them with a flower of choice. We also put a dollar limit on the flower, just to be safe!

The same goes for a Past President's pin given to a member at the end of their term of office. At present, National Emblem sales does not offer a tie tack or lapel pin for Past Unit Presidents and a male might not like the current pin. The rule could be changed to offer a choice of a pin or monetary gift instead.

Has your Unit made changes to your Standing Rules to account for your current fundraising activity if that has changed recently? Are you still doing monthly Bingo at the Assisted Living Facility or delivering cards and candy instead? That should all be reflected in your Standing Rules so that there is no question when it comes to Unit projects.

The time and place for meetings should be specified in your Unit By Laws. I hope that most Units have included meeting via electronic means in those By Laws. If so, do your Standing Rules allow the President to appoint a member who is responsible for setting up the equipment and securing the log in for the meeting?

And last but not least, also remember that many Unit members are second (or third) generation members, meaning they don't have a spouse who is a Legionnaire. Review your Standing Rules to make certain that they are not left out of the programs and policies of your Unit.

I look forward to reviewing many more Unit Standing Rules in the coming months!

EDUCATION

Sandra Garlie, Department Chairman
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One of the main objectives of the ALA Education Program is to promote the many unit, department, and national scholarships that are available. Now is when many students are applying for scholarships, so it is a good time to follow up with schools to ensure they know these resources are available.

Here are a few things to remember:

- Deadlines:
  - March 1st – Student applications must be submitted to Units.
  - On or before March 15th – Units certify and forward applications to Department Education Chairman.
  - Scholarships cannot be accepted after deadlines.

- Unit Presidents/Chairmen: Verify the applications are complete and all required materials are included. Please be sure to sign the applications.

- Units may certify multiple applications for Department scholarships but can only certify one application for National scholarships. Applicants may apply for each scholarship for which they are eligible.

- Some department scholarships can be awarded to current college students or graduate students.

- Technical College students may also apply depending on scholarship rules.

Scholarship forms and other information are available on the department website at www.amlegionauxwi.org. For more information and frequently asked questions about national scholarships awarded by the ALA, visit www.alaforveterans.org/scholarships or contact me to obtain any of the needed documents. I look forward to receiving a great number of applications!

I would also like to remind units to apply for the Unit Education Awards. Award entries and year-end reports are due in May. I look forward to hearing from all of you!

Don't forget to make sure that you let your area teachers know how much we appreciate them. Teacher Appreciation week is May 8-12, 2023. I would love to hear and see what units do for the teachers throughout Wisconsin.

M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund

Joan Chwala, Department Chairman 2015-2023
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A Brief History – On February 4, 1925, the Executive Committee of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Wisconsin, established the M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund with the sum of $200.00. Since 1925 the maintenance and growth of the fund has been entirely dependent upon the repayment of loans and voluntary contributions from units and friends of the American Legion Auxiliary.

The purpose of the fund is to aid women veterans and female members of the Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary to attain a higher education. An interest-free loan of $800.00 may be paid annually and can be renewed for up to five years, for a total loan limit of $4,000.00, to women enrolled in college on a full-time basis. There shall be no interest charged unless the loan is in default.

Wisconsin is the only Department with the M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan Fund. As stated before, we count on our units to keep our girls interested in getting the loans and to reach out to the girls in their units who have loans. We need to show them our support. We have two girls interested and others are paying back their loans at $50 per month.

At the time of this writing, District 2 leads in donations with $500. District 9 is in 2nd place with $275. Four Districts have no donations. Can we keep giving out loans with these small donation amounts? Please donate!

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Send donations to Department Headquarters with this stub.

Make check payable to: **ALA-M. Louise Wilson**
Send to: PO Box 140, Portage, WI 53901

City_____ Unit # _____ District # _____

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

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LEADERSHIP

➢ UNIT MEMBER OF THE YEAR 2023

WHAT OR WHO INSPIRES YOU? An effective leader is a person who creates an inspiring vision of the future, manages delivery of the vision, motivates people around them and encourages members to think outside the box. Remember the *"~~But we have always done it this way~~"* buttons? Yes, the quote is intentionally crossed out to remind you to kindly challenge what we do and why we do it to find new and better ways to achieve the ALA Mission.

Please take the time to look at your unit's highest achieving members. Brag about their accomplishments and the impact they have had on unit programs while serving the ALA Mission. Document these actions in the **Unit Member of the Year Award** submittal.

The Unit Member of the Year Award recognizes members serving at the unit level who exemplify the values and ideals of the Auxiliary and whose accomplishments significantly impact the program work in their units. This award moved from the Past Presidents Parley program to the Leadership Program because members may not be an officer, but lead in other ways.

Requirements:

1. Open to senior members in good standing who are not in an elected or appointed leadership role higher than unit president.
2. Accomplishments and activities must be achieved during the 2022-2023 ALA Year. You may add other relevant information, as needed.
3. Units must submit a completed UMOTY form including a narrative of 1,000 words or less describing the nominee's accomplishments and activities by the submittal deadline.
4. Entry MUST be received by the Department Leadership Chairman, Joyce Endres, ljendres@charter.net **by April 15, 2023 by 5 p.m. CST.**
5. You will receive a confirmation when your award is received

The UMOTY Award recipient will be recognized at the 2023 ALA Department and National Conventions.

The Unit Member of the Year form is included in this unit mailing and on the ALA department web site at: **https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/** within the Leadership Program Action Plan**.** Also look at other available Leadership awards your unit or county may be eligible for and also submit those awards.

Need help? Contact the Department Leadership Committee to help you learn and grow members and leaders at all levels:

Chairman Joyce Endres – ljendres@charter.net • 608-772-1763
Committee Member: Patti Westpfahl – pjw1975@ymail.com • 920-299-0943
Committee Member: Teresa Isensee – tisensee2173@gmail.com • 715-667-3528

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

UNIT MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Unit Member of the Year recognizes those serving at the unit level who exemplify the values and ideals of the Auxiliary and whose accomplishments significantly impact the program work in their units.

A Unit Member of the Year from each department will be recognized annually at the American Legion Auxiliary Department and National Conventions.

Requirements:

1. Open to senior members in good standing who are not in an elected or appointed leadership role higher than unit president.
2. Accomplishments and activities must be achieved during the 2022-2023 ALA Year. You may add other relevant information, as needed.
3. Units must submit a narrative of 1,000 words or less describing the nominee's accomplishments and activities together with the nominee's name and address.

Nominating Department: Department of Wisconsin	
Department Leadership Chairman Name: Joyce E. Endres Address: 1147 Fleetwood Ave, Madison WI 53716-1417 Email: ljendres@charter.net Telephone Number: 608-772-1763 (c)	
Nominee Information Name: Address: Email: Telephone:	
Nominee's Unit Name and Number:	
Form must be completed and submitted to Department Leadership Chairman, Joyce E. Endres by **April 15, 2023**	Joyce E. Endres 1147 Fleetwood Avenue Madison, WI 53716-1417 608-221-1763 (h) ♦ 608-772-1763 (c) ljendres@charter.net

Attach narrative of 1,000 words or less describing the nominee's 2022-2023 accomplishments and activities.

American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Wisconsin
ALA in the Know

12-29-2022

Attn: Unit Officers and Members,

With the start of 2023, the ALA in the Know Committee as begun to look at the program we will be presenting later this year.

Requirements for Units Hosting ALA in the Know forms were included in the last Unit mailing. We have already received a couple "Request for Proposal" forms. They are both for the central or southern part of the state; it would be really great if a Unit from the northern part of the state would be willing to open their doors to host a session. We feel it is important to give all members the opportunity to attend a session and not have to travel a great distance, so please give it some thought and discussion.

To help make this year's program more informative to the membership we are looking for suggestions/ideas of what topics you would like to be presented. We want this program to be member-driven, not just the ideas of the committee.

Committee's ideas are:

- Officers training – let us go back to the basics
- The 4 Pillars program
- Meeting procedures
- Conflict resolution
- Team building/breakout sessions

Remember all ideas are good ones so we hope to have a lengthy list to select from!

Send your suggestions/ideas to ALAITK Chairman, Patti Westpfahl at email pjw1975@ymail.com no later than March 1, 2023.

Thank you,

Patti Westpfahl

Christmas Gift Shop 2022

Another Great Year!

Christmas Gift Shop season only lasts a couple months each year, but a lot is accomplished in a very short time. Facilities are contacted, gifts selected, orders received, gifts wrapped! Sounds pretty simple, but in truth, there is a little more to it!

Selecting gifts for family members of all ages can be a challenge. We tried to follow current trends, but in the end, we have a budget and are limited by the size and weight of the items we could offer. It's not a fast process. Many hours of surfing Amazon went into making the final selection of items we offered. After all of that, we just hoped there would be no supply chain issues when the orders are placed. A colorful "catalog" was created and forwarded to the staff at the VA's.

Staff at the various facilities are tasked to visiting the veterans and assisting them in making their gift selections. They did an amazing job! A total of 128 orders were taken in 8 different areas this year. This was great as we reached out to 21 more veterans this year that we did last year. Piles and piles of Amazon boxes and packages began arriving, and were sorted into orders and prepared for wrapping day.

Wrapping day was another great adventure! Members from near and far came together on a rainy Sunday morning to wrap the 414 assorted gifts that would make their way to the families of our veterans in long-term care facilities. Brookfield Unit 449 hosted the event and welcomed everyone with tasty treats. Gifts were wrapped with great care in festive Holiday wrap in record time! Shipping boxes were labeled and delivered to the Post Office that very day!

Just a couple short months and the whole program was done! Logistics and staging the various phases of Christmas Gift Shop were a bit of a challenge at times. But all that is of little importance without the generous donations from Units all over Wisconsin. It is those donations that fund this great program and bring smiles to the faces of veterans and their loved ones each year. This year the program cost just short of $5,500. Your donations completely fund this great program, so thank you to everyone that supported Christmas Gift Shop this year!

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American Legion Auxiliary-Department of Wisconsin
2023 American Legion Auxiliary Convention

RESOLUTIONS - INSTRUCTIONS

A resolution is a main motion, offered as a resolution either because of its importance or because of its length or complexity. Resolutions for this reason should always be prepared in writing.

Resolutions usually are comprised of two parts, the preamble and the resolved clause(s). However, a preamble is not required for a resolution to be proper. The preamble explains the reasons for the motion, and each idea or reason therein begins with "Whereas." The "Resolved" clause is the motion itself and would be written as a motion.

The Bylaws of the Department of Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary (Article II, Section 1) require that:

4. The Department President shall, not less than 30 days prior to the annual Department Convention, appoint a Resolutions Committee consisting of five members chosen from the delegates.

    a. Resolutions presented by an individual member must be approved by the Unit or District to which the member belongs. Resolutions must be received at Department by June 1. Copies of these resolutions shall be transmitted to Units not less than 30 days before Department Convention.
    b. Any resolution not approved by a Unit or District, or when the district conference is held after June 1, must be approved by the appropriate Department Chair of the program to which the resolution pertains. The Department Chair will submit approved resolutions to the Resolutions Committee for consideration.
    c. The Resolutions Committee will forward any approved resolutions with a financial impact to the Finance Committee for their approval.

Once the Resolutions Committee and other appropriate chairs/committees have acted on all resolutions, the Resolutions Chair will report recommendations to the convention delegates.

American Legion Auxiliary-Department of Wisconsin
2023 American Legion Auxiliary Convention

RESOLUTION

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Submitted by:
Unit Name:_____ City_____ Unit #_____Dist. #_____

Contact Name:_____ Phone # (____)_____

Subject:_____ Date:_____

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Resolution #_____

Program: _____

Signature of UNIT President/Secretary:_____ Date:_____

Signature of DISTRICT President/Secretary:_____ Date:_____

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY:
Committee Chair Name & Signature

_____Date:_____ ☐ Approved ☐ Rejected ☐ Revised

_____Date:_____ ☐ Approved ☐ Rejected ☐ Revised

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Convention Action: ☐ Approved ☐ Rejected Date: _____

Red Book Corrections

Pg. 9 Add Noreen Schmidt as Madison – Middleton Memorial VAMC deputy
Pg. 9 Add Sue Hembrook as Milwaukee – Zablocki Memorial VAMC deputy
Pg. 10 Add Beth Puddy as Fond du Lac County President
Pg. 10 Add Bonnie Schult as Marathon County President
Pg. 10 Add Virginia McGregor as Waushara County President

updated 10/24/2022

DATES & DEADLINES

Last updated 1/26/2023
(subject to change)

2023		
DATES	**EVENT**	**LOCATION**
Feb 11, 2023	WI American Legion Oratorical Contest	Ripon College, WI
Feb 20, 2023	George Washington Luncheon	Meyer's Restaurant 4260 S 76th St, Greenfield, WI
Apr 1, 2023	9th District Spring Conference	Appleton, WI
Apr 15-16, 2023	Wisconsin ALA Bowling Tournament	Schwoegler Park Towne Lanes, Madison, WI
Apr 22, 2023	3rd District Spring Conference	American Legion Post 360, Waunakee, WI
Apr 22, 2023	8th District Spring Conference	Vesper, WI
Apr 29, 2023	2nd District Spring Conference	American Legion Post 321, Germantown, WI
Apr 29, 2023	6th District Spring Conference	American Legion Post 306, Green Lake, WI
Apr 29, 2023	10th District Spring Conference	St. Bridget's Catholic Church, River Falls, WI
May 6, 2023	1st District Spring Conference	American Legion Post 171, Union Grove, WI
May 12-13, 2023	American Legion Dept Spring Meetings	Camp American Legion, Lake Tomahawk WI
May 13, 2023	4th District Spring Conference	American Legion Post 416, Greendale, WI
May 20, 2023	Joint Legion Family Testimonial	Romy's Nightingale, Black Creek, WI
June 11-17, 2023	Badger Boys State	UW-Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI
June 18-23, 2023	ALA Badger Girls State	UW-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI
July 19-23, 2023	Legion Family Department Convention	Rothschild/Wausau WI
July 24-28, 2023	WI American Legion Law Enforcement Career Academy (WALLECA)	Fort McCoy, WI
Aug 25-31, 2023	Legion Family National Convention	Charlotte, NC
FUTURE EVENTS *(subject to change)*		
July 2024	Legion Family Department Convention	Appleton, WI
Aug 2024	Legion Family National Convention	New Orleans, LA
July 2025	Legion Family Department Convention	Green Bay, WI
Aug 2025	Legion Family National Convention	Tampa Bay, FL
July 2026	Legion Family Department Convention	Appleton, WI
Aug 2026	Legion Family National Convention	Louisville, KY