



American Legion Auxiliary

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Dear Auxiliary members,

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank you for a job well done. We ended the 2021-2022 membership year with over 100% membership for 12th District. The only District to go over the top. I have many citations to give to the busy units in the 12th District. We will hand them out at the Fall Conference.

FALL CONFERENCE
SHEPTEMBER 24, 2022 at GRANTSBURG
LEGION HALL 9:30 am – 3:00 pm.

Put this on your calendar and plan to attend. We would like to have at least one person from each unit in order to have the unit representatives take home the citations.

The Department Membership chairman and Department President will be there to answer any questions you have on membership and other programs.

After lunch we will have a special presentation from one of our Units. So, come at 9:30 am and plan to stay until 3:00 pm.

We are also asking each unit to bring something for the raffle which will be held during the conference. We will have a white elephant sale starting at 10:00 am. So, ladies we are looking for anything that is in excellent condition, this includes baked items, craft items and anything else.

The more items we have the more money we will raise. This is our 12th District fund raiser.

Please send reservations and checks to: Judith Clemmer, PO Box 214, Grantsburg, WI 54840 by September 15th. The cost of the registration and lunch is \$20.

All Units should have gotten their membership packet by now if not please contact Andrea Stoltz (608-745-0124) at Department HQ if you have any questions.

So, please send into Department your 2022-2023 Unit Officers Form and the renewals for your officers. In order to be an official officer, you must have your current dues paid. In order to be eligible for membership awards you must have a 2022-2023 Unit Officers form on file at Department. Even if your officers have not changed since last year.

Poppies

Have you sent the 20% of poppy profits to Department? Please do so before ordering this year's poppies. Have you ordered your poppies yet? It is time to order. Also, remember you may distribute poppies year around. So, if you have 2021 poppies left distribute them on Veteran's Day or other Unit activities. Get the word out that we help veterans and their families.

Reports

Do you have a member who is good on the computer or even almost that can bring up things on the internet. If so, have them bring up the reports on the Department website.

Then choose which programs your Unit is involved in and see what needs to be reported on the forms.

Then let your Unit members know what they need to be keeping track of, so you can write it down as you do the activities and reports will be easier and a more accurate account of what your Unit is doing.

Ask your members to start now to write down the activities, hours, and expenses for the activities they are involved in. We are a service organization these reports go to Congress, in order for us to keep our organizational charter and non-profit status.

Every Unit needs to report on every form even if it says no activity, in order for us to report to National who reports

to Congress. So, start now! If you have questions, please contact me and I will be happy to answer your questions. Thank you for your service to veterans.

Ladies it is time to contact your schools to see if they have students in their Junior year of High school interested in attending the 2023 ALA Badger Girl State session. Session will be held June 18-23, 2023, at UW-Oshkosh. Think about volunteering to help promote the program.

All work and no play make Jack a dull boy. So, as you plan your service activities also plan some fun things to do together too.

Come to the Fall Conference to see what other Units are doing, meet some new friends and have fun with us.