



**Department of Wisconsin
District Eleven Newsletter**

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August

* **Prayer:** Heavenly Lord, summer is in full bloom. The beauty of Your creation refreshes us. Please fill our hearts, our country and the world with peace. Let liberty surround us. Continue to bless America and place Your love in our hearts. Amen.

* **Conventions:** The Department Convention in Green Bay was fantastic. The celebrations, reports, displays, and time with friends renewed everyone. Mark your calendar to attend the 2026 Department Convention in Appleton. Many Wisconsin ALA members are now preparing for the 2025 National Convention in Tampa Bay, FL at the end of this month. As information is shared at conventions, the love and excitement for this great service organization grows within each attendee.

* **New Dept. President:** The new Department President for 2025-2026 is Sue Hembrook. Sue's theme is "*Honor Our Country, Support Our Veterans*". Her pin is featured in the upper right corner of this newsletter. The word on the left side of the bow says **Honor**. We will honor our country this coming year with the 250th birthday celebration. The word on the right side of the bow says **Support**. We will give strong support to our veterans. President Sue's special project is Camp American Legion. What will your unit do to support Camp?

* **Membership Packets:** All Units have received their **new 2026 membership packets** complete with goals and incentives. I'm looking forward to our Eleventh District Fall Conference to hand out awards to the Units in our District that reached 100% membership for 2025. We will celebrate!

* **District Fall Conference:** Saturday, **October 4, 2025** is the date. 274 N 3rd Ave. **Park Falls** is the place. Unit 182 will host the event. More information on the lunch, time, speaker, raffles, fun, etc. will be in the next newsletter. Plan now to attend this colorful and enlightening gathering of all our District's units. Let's break a record for member attendance! Yes, we'll do the basket raffles once again. Each unit is asked to donate a basket....theme of your choice. Thank You.

* **ALA In The Know:** All Units received information about the dates and places for the 2025 "ALA In The Know" sessions during three Saturdays in September. (There's one on October 4th, too....but Heh!... That's the date of our District Eleven Fall Conference.) Please attend a September session...enjoy, learn, and be ready to share with us what you learn at our Fall Conference in Park Falls.

* **PR:** Keep your community informed and aware of what "your" ALA Unit does through Facebook, websites, local newspapers, signs, parades, etc. Thank you for all the pictures you shared with me. They were on the District 11 Trifold Board at Department Convention. Many positive comments!

Thank you for all your amazing work for Veterans, Military, families, and community!