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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**LAURA CALTEUS**  
Department  
President

It is awesome to see our units working the programs of the American Legion Auxiliary. Your dedication to our mission is amazing and wonderful to witness. We, as an organization, work tirelessly to care for our veterans and active duty military. Making tray favors, lap robes, cards, blankets, providing toiletries and more to our veteran facilities are making the lives of our heroes more comfortable.

The Service to Veterans Program is where all of these activities fall, so please make sure that all of the hours and dollars are accounted for. Keeping track on a calendar throughout the year, makes reporting that much easier. I have to admit, I don't keep track of my time and then I'm scrambling come report time. So don't follow in my footsteps, show me the way!

We are almost to the month of May and that means our main poppy distributions will be taking place. This should be an American Legion Family event, so remember to get all members

involved. The poppy is the memorial flower of the American Legion Auxiliary and the funds received by your distribution can be used for the rehabilitation of veterans, active duty military receiving treatment in a service hospital and now for the welfare of veterans, active military personnel, and their families where financial and medical need is evident. During your distributions, be prepared to answer questions about the Poppy Program, the history and especially where the funds will be used. You can go to the national Auxiliary website ([www.ALAforVeterans.org](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org))

to get that poppy information so that you and your volunteers are prepared. If you have any questions about the poppy program, you can contact Judy Kuta, Poppy Chairman for this program year. Have great poppy distributions and I sure hope the weather cooperates!

It doesn't seem possible that we are more than halfway through the 2015-2016 Auxiliary year. Having been all over the state these past months has been so wonderful. Meeting so many of our members and learning about their units and what they do for our veterans

humbles me. But the year is not over and I would love to come to your part of the state to see what your unit has been doing. Give me a call, or send me an email so we can get something scheduled.

I can't wait until July and our department convention to hear about the highlights of our programs and I can't wait to see our members supporting our organization and coming to have a good time at convention. Come and see what it is all about.

Keep working the mission, Be The Spark For Our Veterans and God Bless America!

## MEMBERSHIP

**Bonnie Jakubczyk, Chairman**  
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(Article submitted by Amy Luft, Department Membership Team Member)

### "Why isn't anybody joining our organization?"

That's a frustrating question for any of us to ask. Especially when meeting attendance is down and new membership is non-existent. Yikes.

Fortunately, there's a solution... and to the dismay of your members, it doesn't involve a bake sale. Here's the reality - we can't make someone join. All we can do is increase the probability of new people joining our organization by making ourselves and our groups more joinable.

Education brings more members. Many individuals, especially young adults, do not even know what the American Legion Auxiliary is all about. That's a huge roadblock for us. Utilize print and social media as much as possible. Write articles for your local newspaper. Have your younger members assist you with creating a website and Face Book page. Carry membership applications with you at all times and wear

your Auxiliary brand wherever you go. Every female that we have an interaction with, is a potential new member.

Satisfied members bring more members. What do you do when you find a great new restaurant? You rave to all your friends about it so they can enjoy it, too. Members are the same way. There is no better recruiting tool than a very satisfied member. Mentor new members and empower your established members to help them become successful leaders for our organization. We rarely hear complaints about over communication; rather members indicate that there is not enough communication. Keep your members informed on a regular basis. Haven't seen a member in quite some time? Give them a call and update them on what you're doing - let them know that you are thinking of them. Ask questions of your members. Be open to new ideas and embrace your traditional

customs.

A strong family brings more members. Create a bond with your Legion. The days of "the men" and "the women" are gone. It's a proven fact that Posts which have a strong relationship between their Legion and their Auxiliary are more successful. We are a Legion Family. Think as one and act as one.

You still have time to reach your membership goal. Remember that your membership team is here to help. We would love to know... What are you doing to make your Unit more joinable?

Keeping the promise: April - I promise to plant the seed of membership.

Promise Date: Earth Day April 22, 2016 - 85% membership goal.

Be the Spark for our Veterans!

Your Membership Team:  
Bonnie Jakubczyk, Amy Luft,  
Penny Joren, Meghan Helms,  
Andrea Stoltz

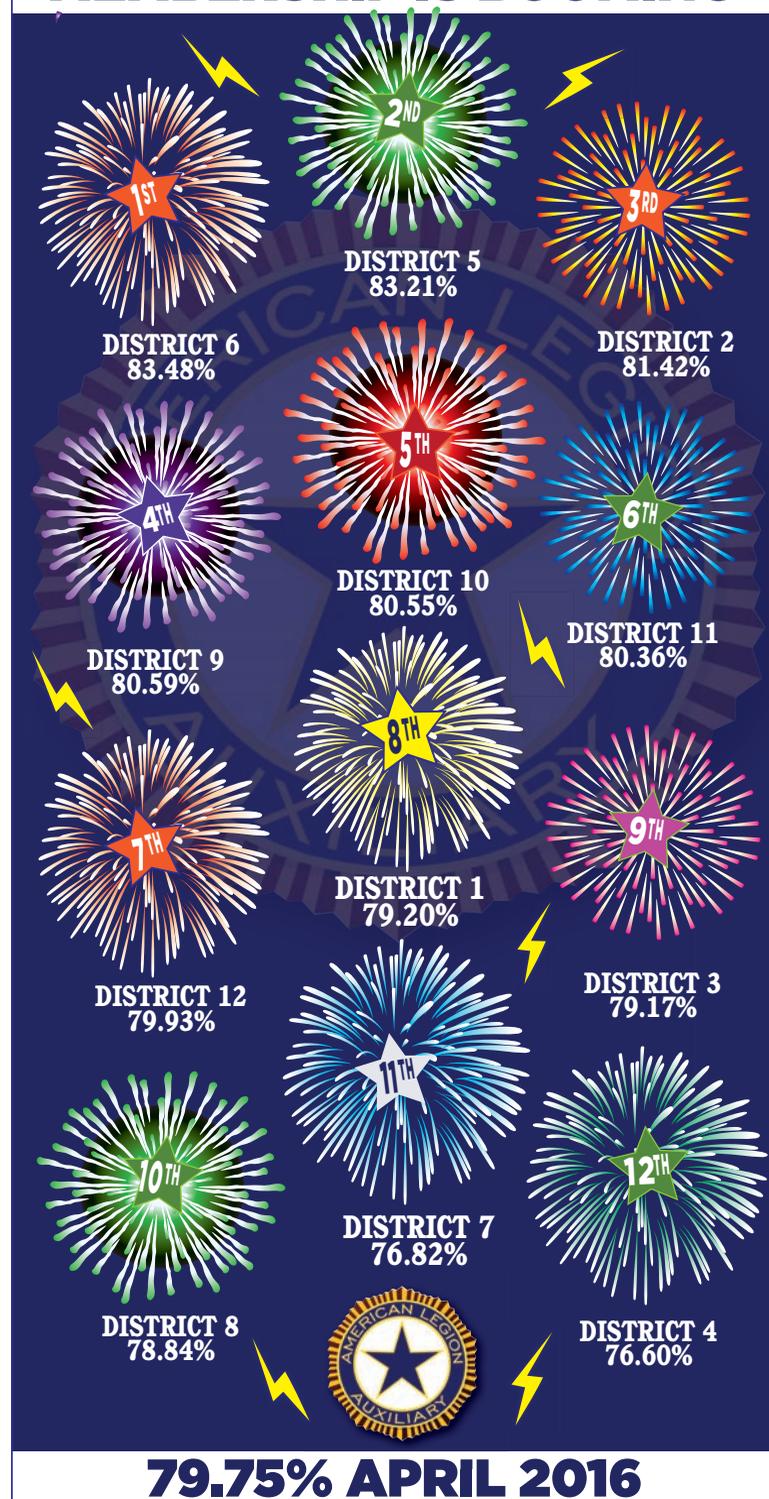
## WORLD WAR II - LETTERS HOME!

The American Legion Auxiliary is supporting *Letters Home*, a TV series being produced that documents a father-son team's mission to reconnect World War II veterans, family, and comrades with the veteran's lost war memorabilia. This poignant project is currently being pitched to cable networks. ALA members at the Washington DC Conference who viewed the first episode's trailer were in tears as they watched how an old box of stuff bought at an auction by producer Bob Massie made its long lost way "home," reuniting WWII memorabilia with its WWII veteran owner.

You can help demonstrate

viewer interest in the series by entering the *Letters Home* Facebook "Like" contest. To encourage ALA members to "like" the *Letters Home* Facebook page, American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters (ALA NHQ) is making it a department challenge! The ALA department with the most "likes" from ALA members (per capita) will receive special recognition from ALA NHQ! Hurry, and tell your ALA friends - the contest ends April 28. Learn more about *Letters Home*, by visiting <https://www.alaforveterans.org/letters-home/> and hitting "like." Let's put Wisconsin in the spotlight at National Convention!

## CREATE A SPARK MEMBERSHIP IS BOOMING



### CANDIDATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DEPARTMENT OFFICE

Due 5/13/16

All candidates for Department Office must submit an announcement and head/shoulder photo in JPG format to [deptsec@amlegionauxwi.org](mailto:deptsec@amlegionauxwi.org) by May 13th for publication in the next Wisconsin. Questions? Please call Department Secretary Bonnie Dorniak at 608-745-0124.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

**Diane Weggen**  
 Department Chaplain/Music Chairman  
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As I write this article, I received the first of what I'm hoping are many Unit Chaplain Prayer Books. I received a few prayers and inspirational thoughts; however, I need many more to compile President Laura Calteux's 2016 Prayer Book. It would be awesome if there was an entry from every Unit in the Department of Wisconsin!

Unit Chaplain year-end reports were due April 15th. If you didn't submit a report, please contact me immediately to report if your unit has a chaplain, uses prayers or songs at meetings or special events, includes MIA/POW prayers or ceremonies, and does a service or recognition for deceased members. I need this information so I can complete my report for the national organization by May 15th.

With April being Children and Youth month, members are reminded of the many Auxiliary supported programs that serve others, especially the young people in local communities. With the completion of the Americanism Essay Contest, thousands of students around the state wrote essays about Lincoln's promise to veterans and their families. With May, the traditional Poppy month, The American Legion Family distributes poppies and participates in Memorial Day programs. All are ways The American Legion's family brand positively impacts communities.

Local Posts and Units gain support and esteem when they are visible in their communities, when The American Legion Family members are seen as integral to activities and good works in communities and when working For God and Country.

Matthew 23:11 "The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest." Actions speak much louder than words. Supporting youth and doing things for veterans and active-duty service men and women demonstrates to our communities who we are, what we do and why we matter to them. Let's be the greatest among our communities.

Dear Lord, there are many ways to serve our veterans, their families, and their communities. Guide us in doing Your will as we dedicate ourselves to keeping Lincoln's promise of caring for veterans and their families. Thank you for all you have given us. Bless and guide us as we work to be the "greatest" for God and Country to Energize Our Programs and to Be the Spark for Our Veterans. Amen

**For God and For Country**  
*words and music by Richard Feiner*

For God and for Country  
 We'll carry on together.  
 Let justice and freedom reign undaunted  
 In our hearts forever.  
 All through the nation in exultation  
 We salute thee, O great Auxiliary of Legionnaires.

For God and for Country  
 In legion we assemble  
 'Mid peaceful endeavor,  
 Let no tyrant cause our hearts to tremble.  
 First in salvation,  
 Pride of the nation  
 We salute thee, O great Auxiliary of Legionnaires.

## GREETINGS FROM HEADQUARTERS

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May is Poppy Month. Please help honor the veterans and military personnel who sacrificed so much for our freedom by distributing poppies in your community and don't forget to submit your poppy profit report to Department after your distribution is complete. For the appropriate use of poppy funds, refer to the Poppy Fact Sheet posted on the Auxiliary website. The American Legion Resolution No. 20 approved at the 2013 National Convention strictly defines the use of poppy funds.

Wisconsin is so proud of our veteran poppy makers. During the past eight months they have successfully made enough poppies to complete all of the poppy orders received by department headquarters. Twenty-five (25) poppy makers filled 367 orders totaling more than 430,000 poppies for units and posts across the state! The poppy profits generated from these distributions enable the

American Legion Auxiliary to support many valuable programs including educational scholarships, Homeless Women Veterans Program, Camp American Legion, three VA hospitals and three veterans homes in Wisconsin, Dayton Residential Care Facility in Kenosha, and the VA hospitals in Iron Mountain, MI and Minneapolis, MN. And this doesn't reflect the poppy money that posts and units use to support veteran causes in their own communities! As you distribute poppies, please pause a moment to appreciate the time and effort put into each flower by the veteran poppy makers who made them. 2017 Poppy Order Forms should be available in August. Units and posts are encouraged to turn their orders in early to ensure receipt of poppies when they need them. Thank you to everyone who supports this valuable program of the American Legion Auxiliary!

Any candidate for Department Office must email her announcement and photo to me by May 13th for publication in the Wisconsin.

The 96th American Legion Auxiliary Convention will be held at the Madison

Marriott West in Middleton from July 15 - 17th. Convention details are posted on the department website under the April Unit Mailing and highlighted information is published in this issue of the Wisconsin. Members are encouraged to make their hotel reservations before the room block is sold out. I hope to see you in Middleton!

Resolutions approved by units and districts must be received at Department by June 1st. Unit delegate and alternate forms will be sent to units 30 days prior to convention and must be returned to Department by July 1st.

Reminder: New membership applications should be submitted as soon as they are received so the member's benefits are effective immediately. Some benefits are based on years of service – such as the Auxiliary Emergency Fund. You wouldn't want to risk a member from being delayed in receiving benefits because her membership application wasn't submitted in a timely manner. New member applications received after September 1st will be applied to 2017. 2017 membership cards and rosters will be mailed to units after department convention.

## AMERICANISM

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Where does AMERICANISM start and end? To answer my own question, AMERICANISM has no beginning and no ending. We have the AMERICANISM program working every day for every veteran and military service member. Everything we do and say affects our American pride and our American Legion Family continues to get the job done in many ways.

FLAG ETIQUETTE and respect needs to be taught to all citizens. The new Legion bookazine, "Indivisible", is a wonderful way to introduce flag facts and learn flag etiquette. Try to get "Indivisible" into your units, posts, and to the schools and community. Award those who faithfully and correctly display the flag, even if it is only a simple post card or note sent to a homeowner or business. Invite the community to a Post flag re-

tirement ceremony and introduce the proper way to fold a flag in your schools and to our junior members.

"GET OUT THE VOTE" should be our battle cry during this election year. Promote all elections by offering rides to our elderly or others needing assistance and volunteer to assist with voter registration. Place posters around town to remind citizens it is a privilege and a freedom we must act on.

The American Legion Auxiliary AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST has many of our youth busily writing to answer this year's question: "How do we keep Lincoln's promise to our veterans and their families?" President Lincoln promised to do this following the Civil War in his second inaugural address. The essays are flooding in and this is very exciting to see!

American Legion Auxiliary BADGER GIRLS STATE is a major aspect of our AMERICANISM program and plans are

underway for another outstanding week in June on the UW-Oshkosh campus for high school Junior girls all over the state. They will come together for a leadership conference to learn about our form of government and acquire a spirit of patriotism in the process. So many volunteers are devoted to this program year after year and remain faithful to its purpose. Please consider joining this unique and fulfilling AMERICANISM effort!

Above All STAY ENERGIZED AND HAVE FUN in bringing in new ideas for thanking veterans, our military, and their families for their service and our freedoms all while WEARING OUR BRAND in the community. This is Americanism and this is what we do, who we are, and why we matter as the AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY.

I hope you submitted your AMERICANISM year-end reports so I can read all the inspiring things you have accomplished in support of this wonderful program.

## VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

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As I write this, I'm sitting in a VA Medical Center. If you've walked through the doors of a VA hospital, you know firsthand the hustle and bustle of everyday life in this city in itself.

Veterans of all branches, rank, age, size and shape often greet or good-heartedly rib one another as they pass in the halls, scurrying to appointments. My mind's eye pictures them in their uniforms, trying to figure out what their assignments might have been and where they were stationed – their story.

As the daughter of a veteran accompanying her Dad to appointments, I have witnessed the interaction between veterans and staff and have talked to both. The dignity and respect with which I have seen our veterans treated is wonderful! It's commonplace to hear, 'Thank you for your service!' from doctors and

nurses alike.

As the Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) Chairman, I have had the privilege to tour a couple of the VA hospitals and homes with Department officials. We were warmly welcomed, shown areas of interest, and mingled with dedicated staff and caring volunteers. To those of you working directly with our veterans in the VA hospitals and clinics, thank you. You are the frontline, the face of the American Legion Auxiliary. We only make one first impression and YOU are the ones providing that – the ones those veterans will identify with our organization.

Every veteran admitted to a VA hospital receives a bed covering. To our crafty members who are creating handmade afghans and quilts, thank you for wrapping our veterans in the warmth of the American Legion Auxiliary. Others provide snugly baby blankets and layettes for new moms, furnish Buddy Baskets, plan

dinners and parties, host Bingo, visit veterans in nursing homes, shop for VA Center wish list items, and so much more...

Has your Unit supported the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival, Heroes to Hometown, Quilts of Valor, the Elizabeth Dole Foundation, Camp American Legion, or our own Wisconsin-based Camo Quilt Project? Have your volunteer hours, activities and donations been reported? If not, please do so ASAP! Share your pride serving as Sparks to our Veterans! Last year, 74 new volunteers were added to the roll with 39,918.75 hours tallied. Can that be beat? Of course it can, but reporting is essential!

As with Membership...Renew, Recruit, Rejoin! It's never too late to Renew your volunteer commitment to the VA&R program; Recruit others to serve our veterans and military; Rejoin if you've been away from the program for awhile.

Thank you for caring and sharing your time and talents for our veterans!

## DEPARTMENT CONVENTION HONORED GUEST



**Katherine "Kay" Arndt**  
Past Department President

Past Department President Katherine "Kay" Arndt (2001-2002) will be the honored guest at the Past Presidents Parley Luncheon, Saturday, July 16, 2016 at the Madison Marriott West in Middleton, Wisconsin.

Kay Arndt joined the American Legion Auxiliary in 1980 through the Korean War service of her husband, Louis. Kay and her husband served together as Commander and President of Benjamin Johnson Post and Unit #160, Brooklyn; Green County Council; and 3rd District.

Upon her retirement after teaching for 33 years, they transferred to Bronsted Searl #93 where she served as President, Secretary and Education Chairman. At the department level, Kay served as Chaplain, Historian, three Vice President positions, on the Leadership Committee, and held Chairmanships in Education, Membership,

Music, Poppy and Americanism. She received a National American Legion Citation for Education and American Legion Auxiliary awards for outstanding Education Program and Outstanding History in Central Division. Kay was an American Legion Auxiliary Badger Girls State Counselor for 17 years. She is still an active member of Unit 93 as well as Lincoln County and State Retirement Associations, the Tomahawk Women's Civic Club and Red Hats.

Kay's theme was "Be Deer to Veterans." Her theme pin depicted two deer – a doe for the senior members and a fawn for the juniors. Virginia Kodl was her membership chairman and their theme was "Get Wild Over Membership." Kay envisioned herself as the state badger – "badgering you all, not only about membership but also such things as reading directions, following rules,

and meeting deadlines."

According to her first article in the Wisconsin publication, Department President Kay Arndt said, "We all must continue to learn and try new things in order for our auxiliary programs to continue to be successful. When I look back over my teaching career, I remember all the new things we tried over the years – some worked, some did not, but the only way to achieve our goals was to keep looking for new and better ways while maintaining the old tried and true ways that did work. This same theory applies to the American Legion Auxiliary."

## PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY LUNCHEON

**Kay Arndt**

**Department President 2001-2002**

**Saturday,  
July 16, 2016  
at 12:30 PM**

**Madison  
Marriott West  
1313 John Q Hammons Drive,  
Middleton**



### Menu Choices (select one)

- **Turkey Croissant Sandwich:** Mesquite smoked turkey on a croissant with lettuce and tomato. Served with potato salad and pickle spear.
- **Chicken Caesar Salad:** Romaine Hearts with grilled chicken, shaved parmesan and herbed crouton.
- **Vegetarian:** Caesar salad without chicken.

Cost: \$20.00 per person  
(Meal includes tax and gratuity)

### RESERVATION DEADLINE WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2016

Late reservations will not be accepted. No refunds will be issued after July 6th.

Submitted By:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ District # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Ticket \_\_\_\_\_

Turkey Croissant \_\_\_ Chicken Caesar Salad \_\_\_ Caesar Salad \_\_\_

Name on Ticket \_\_\_\_\_

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Name on Ticket \_\_\_\_\_

Turkey Croissant \_\_\_ Chicken Caesar Salad \_\_\_ Caesar Salad \_\_\_

Total Tickets Ordered \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If more reservations need to be listed, please add a separate sheet. Thank you.

Make Check payable to: ALA Wisconsin  
Mail to: ALA Wisconsin  
PO Box 140, Portage, WI 53901-0140

## OFFICIAL CALL TO THE 96TH ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

**American Legion Auxiliary - Department of Wisconsin**  
Friday through Sunday, July 15-17, 2016

**Madison Marriott West • (1313 John Q Hammons Drive, Middleton, WI)**

### Department Convention

The 96th Annual Department Convention will be called into session at the Madison Marriott West. Convention General Session will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 15, 2016 in the Superior Room.

### Purpose

The purpose of the Department Convention is to elect officers for the 2016-2017 year, elect delegates/alternates to the National Convention, amend the Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules as needed, receive reports of the Department Officers/Chairmen, recognize outstanding Unit achievements and transact business as may be brought before the convention body.

### Representation

Representation in the Department Convention shall be by Unit, in accordance with the provisions of the Department Constitution. Delegates to Department Convention shall be Unit members duly elected for that purpose. Each Unit shall

be entitled to two delegates and two alternates for the Unit itself and an additional delegate and alternate for each fifty members or major fraction thereof, whose District, State and National dues have been paid at least thirty days prior to the date of Department Convention. Units with less than ten paid members or whose District dues have not been paid shall have no representation.

### Delegates & Alternates

Prior to Department Convention each Unit will receive information showing the total number of paid members as of June 15, 2016 and advising them of the number of delegates the Unit is allowed. Each Unit is entitled to alternates equal to the number of delegates allowed. Delegates must attend their respective District Caucus and all Convention Sessions. It is the responsibility of each delegate and alternate to attend all the sessions so her District has a full delegation at all times. An alternate shall have all privileges of the delegate when the delegate is not present.

Delegates-at-Large to Department Convention include the following members: Department President, Department Officers, National Executive Committeewoman, Alternate National Executive Committee Woman, Past Department Presidents and current District Presidents, who shall be entitled to one vote at the Department Convention. Delegates-at-Large shall be listed separately as additional votes and not included among the Unit's total allowable delegate/alternate count. Units are to return to Department Headquarters a list of their delegates-at-large and approved delegate/alternate(s) for voting certification.

*NOTE: Newly elected District Presidents (Districts 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11) are not delegates-at-large for this current convention; they do not assume their position until after installation of officers on Sunday at Department Convention.*

## Interest Free College Loans Available!

To All High School Senior Girls: Congratulations on your impending graduation from high school! If you are interested in borrowing interest-free money for college, your membership in the American Legion Auxiliary qualifies you for that opportunity. You can receive up to \$800/year for five years – a total of \$4,000! This loan is also available to any

senior Auxiliary member who wishes to further her education.

Interested students should send a written request for a M. Louise Wilson Education Loan application form to Department Chairman Joan Chwala at W13567 County Road M, Gilman, WI 54433. A simple application and information sheet will be mailed to you immediately.



**NOTE:** To have a M. Louise Wilson Educational Loan, you must maintain your membership with the Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary, even when you are repaying the loan.

## CONVENTION REGISTRATION AND HOUSING INFORMATION

The 96th Annual Department Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Wisconsin will be held July 15-17, 2016 at the Madison Marriott West in Middleton. Registration forms were mailed in the April Unit mailing and can be found on the Auxiliary's website ([www.amlegionauxwi.org](http://www.amlegionauxwi.org)). Online registration (\$25) can be submitted through The American Legion's website ([www.wilegion.org](http://www.wilegion.org)) until July 11th.

For hotel accommodations at the Madison Marriott West, call 888-745-2032 and ask for the Wisconsin American Legion conference block. The cost is \$115.00, plus applicable tax, for double occupancy. All reservations are on a first come first serve basis. The cutoff date for rooms is June 22, 2016 provided rooms are still available. A listing of alternate hotels near convention is included in the April Unit mailing ([www.amlegionauxwi.org](http://www.amlegionauxwi.org)).

2016 DISTRICT SPRING CONFERENCES

DIST.	DATE	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TIME/FEE	LUNCHEON COST	MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:	SEND CHECK TO	CONTACT PERSON	DEADLINE
#1	4/23/16	Delavan AL Post 95 111 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street Delavan WI 53115	9:00 am Fee: \$15	Included in Fee	ALA Unit 95	Connie Lindloff 405 Creekside Place Delavan WI 53115	Connie Lindloff 262-215-7074 lindloffs@hotmail.com	4/2/16
#2	4/30/16	Cedar Ridge Grand Hall 113 Cedar Ridge Drive West Bend WI 53095	8:00 am – 9:00 am Fee: \$2.00	\$15.00	ALA Washington County	Mary Montag 726 Jean Court Allenton WI 53002	Mary Montag 262-355-6467 thumpermon50@gmail.com	4/16/16
#3	4/23/16	Wauwaukee AL Post 360 417 E Main Street Wauwaukee WI 53597	8:00 – 8:45 am Fee: \$3.00	\$8.00	ALA Unit 360	Carol Endres 424 Nightingale Lane Cottage Grove WI 53527	Joyce Endres 608-221-1763 ljendres@charter.net	4/15/16
#4	5/7/16	Ascension Lutheran Church 1236 S 27 <sup>th</sup> Street Milwaukee WI 53215	9:30 am Fee: \$2.00	\$15.00	ALA District 4	Sue Hembrook 24215 60 <sup>th</sup> Street Salem WI 53186	Sue Middlestead 414-545-2727	4/20/16
#5	<b>5<sup>th</sup> District Members are Invited to Attend 4<sup>th</sup> District Conference</b>							
#6	4/16/16	Waupun AL Post 210 130 N State St Waupun WI 53963	8:00 - 8:45 am Fee: \$1.00	\$9.00	ALA Unit 210	Judy Lyon 200 Pleasant Avenue Waupun WI 53963	Nancy Helms 920-231-5310 nhelms420@att.net	4/9/16
#7	3/19/16	Sparta AL Post 100 116 Angelo Road Sparta WI 54656	8:00 – 9:00 am Fee: \$2.00	\$8.00	ALA Unit 100	Kathy Rowan 11691 County Hwy Q Sparta WI 54656	Kathy Rowan 608-633-2372	3/14/16
#8	4/23/16	Clintonville AL Post 63 20 Memorial Circle Clintonville WI 54929	8:15 am Fee: \$16.00	Included in Fee	ALA Unit 63	ALA Unit 63 c/o Nancy Fields N11012 Quarterline Rd Marion WI 54950	Sarah Stiff 715-340-5188 drsarahstiff@gmail.com	4/5/16
#9	4/23/16	Jack LaMar Community Pavilion N11291 Dorr Street Elcho WI 54428	8:00 am Fee: \$1.00	\$11.00	Marie Schuh	Marie Schuh PO Box 265 Elcho, WI 54428	Marie Schuh 715-275-3882 shoe@plbb.us	4/16/16
#10	4/23/16	United Methodist Church 300 Stout Street Chetek WI 54728	9:00 am Fee: \$2.00	\$8.00	ALA Unit 179	Lou Ann Novak 902 Knapp Street Chetek WI 54728	Lou Ann Novak 715-764-1033	4/2/16
#11	4/23/16	Camp American Legion 8529 County Rd D Lake Tomahawk WI 54539	Fee: \$12.00	Included in Fee	ALA Dist. 11	Claudia Osero 400 N 7 <sup>th</sup> Street Tomahawk WI 54487	Linda Kostka 715-209-8135 lkostka@ymail.com	can arrive on day
#12	5/21/16	Bruce AL Post 268 834 N Main Bruce WI 54819	9:30 am Fee: \$2.00	\$12.00	ALA Unit 268	Gayle Brainerd N6009 State Road 40 Bruce WI 54819	Gayle Brainerd 715-415-2729	Lunch – 5/19 Mtg – can arrive on day

current as of 4-8-16

SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

FEBRUARY 2016

1	15.00	Darlene Booth	Boyceville
2	15.00	Josephine Zahurance	Sarana
3	15.00	Judith Dattbyn South	Milwaukee
4	15.00	Betty Anne Stasny	Black River Falls
5	15.00	Judy Senkowski	Poynette
6	15.00	Janet Birnschein	Port Washington
7	25.00	Janet Koltz	Beaver Dam
8	15.00	Kathleen Echterling	Tomahawk
9	15.00	Alice Mueller	Rhineland
10	15.00	Marian Weiss	Delavan
11	15.00	Joan Lecher	Stevens Point
12	15.00	Robert Dieck	Shiocton
13	15.00	Mary Hafenstein	Spooner
14	25.00	Barbara Godel	Alma
15	15.00	Norma Edwards	Oconto
16	15.00	Karl Krueger	Baraboo
17	15.00	Sylvia Uber	West Salem
18	15.00	Yvonne Martell	Somerset
19	15.00	Carol Gilbertson	Beldenville
20	15.00	ALA Unit 469	Marathon
21	25.00	Carol Olson	Northfield
22	15.00	Karen Prueter	Mountain
23	15.00	Barbara Burghardt	Chippewa Falls
24	15.00	Catherine Baylie	Green Bay
25	15.00	Maguire Bunkelman	DePere
26	15.00	Amanda Rihn	Madison
27	15.00	Jan Stanienda	Onalaska
28	25.00	Debbie Mahoney	Glenwood City
29	500.00	Marlene Schewe	Wausau



MARCH 2016

1	15.00	Diane Mayhugh	Neosho
2	15.00	Henry Nowobielski	Thorp
3	15.00	Esther Olson	Spooner
4	15.00	Mike Stoltenberg	DeForest
5	15.00	Mary Augustine	St. Nazianz
6	25.00	Helen Franzen	Crivitz
7	15.00	Michael Krass	Milwaukee
8	15.00	Emily Widlake	Ripon
9	15.00	Kris Cavadini	Eagan MN
10	15.00	Joan Liempeck	Oak Creek
11	15.00	Chris Giese	Juneau
12	15.00	Lori Yaun	Brooklyn
13	25.00	Betty Patzward	Fall Creek
14	15.00	Lois Meshak	Stevens Point
15	15.00	Barbara Wittmann	Brillion
16	15.00	Catherine Kerns	Arlington VA
17	500.00	Ann McEwen	Barron
18	15.00	Lorelei Haessly	Horicon
19	15.00	Tammy Beringer	New Holstein
20	25.00	Thomas Hilden	Green Bay
21	15.00	Barbara Wittnebel	Hustisford
22	15.00	Phylis Taft	Boscobel
23	15.00	Mrs. Joseph Clemens	Dane
24	15.00	Florence Saxe	Ettrick
25	15.00	Sandra Santy	Pulaski
26	15.00	Norraine Krammen	Oregon
27	25.00	Marian Nernberger	Medford
28	15.00	Susan Martin	Wrightstown
29	15.00	Jenny Culver	Saint Croix Falls
30	15.00	Catherine Dodge	Oshkosh
31	15.00	Carol Omerik	Schofield



STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, America is the land of freedom, preserved and protected, willingly and freely, by the men and women of the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, millions who have answered the call to arms have died on the field of battle; and

WHEREAS, a nation must be reminded of the price of war and the debt owed to those who have died in war; and

WHEREAS, the red crepe paper poppy has been designated as a symbol of the sacrifice of lives in all wars; and

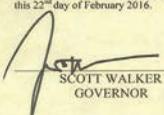
WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary has pledged to remind citizens annually of this debt through the distribution of this memorial flower;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as

**POPPY MONTH**

throughout the state of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2016.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:  
  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State

FLOWER ORDERS FOR DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

Please order flowers or corsages for Department Convention directly through Connie of Felly's Flowers. Orders may be placed Monday through Friday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm at 800-993-7673. All flowers orders must be placed with a credit card. Flowers will be delivered to Department Convention on Friday morning by 8:30 am and held in a cooler at the hotel until needed. There is a delivery charge of \$0.50 for each order form. Appropriate sales tax will be added to each order. Please review the April Unit Mailing as posted on the department website for a complete list of corsage selections and prices.

61ST ANNUAL KING DAY PILGRIMAGE

JUNE 19, 2016

The 61st Annual American Legion, 8th District, King Day Pilgrimage will be held on Sunday, June 19th at the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King, Wisconsin. The American Legion, Legion Riders, American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion members from across the state, as well as their guests, will visit King and participate in a picnic with members of the Veterans Home. The general public is also invited and encouraged to attend.

Musical entertainment will be provided from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A delicious charcoal broiled chicken dinner will be served by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 161 with service to begin at 10:30 a.m. and continuing until sold out. Cost per meal is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 per child 12 and under. Meal tickets can be purchased on the day of the event.

Immediately following lunch will be the traditional King Day parade consisting of Legion Riders, District and Department officers, 40 et 8 Voiture Locomotives, the Marathon High School Drum and Bugle Corps, Color Guards, Honor Guards, and Drill Teams. Following the parade will be a formal program featuring Department Commander Dale Oatman, National Commander Dale Barnett and National President Sharon Conatser.

"We hope you can join us and help make this a wonderful day for the members of the Wisconsin Veterans Home," said Committee Chairman and 8th District Commander, James Young. "I'm hoping American Legion members will make a special effort to represent their posts at the 61st Annual King Day and I encourage all Legion Family and community members to join us for this spectacular day," he added.

A table will be set up in the park where volunteers can receive assignments to assist members of the Veterans Home to join the outside festivities. "This is an excellent way to make a new friend and meet new people," said Young. If you have any questions about the annual American Legion, 8th District Pilgrimage on Sunday, June 19th, please call James Young at (920) 450-5287.

Anyone interested in sponsoring the broiled chicken dinner (\$8 per adult) should send a check payable to:

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 161  
Attention: Nancy Neuroth  
N2710 Lind Lane  
Waupaca, WI 54981

Please do NOT send checks for the chicken dinners to Department Headquarters.