



# 10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY NEWSLETTER AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2021



Hello 10<sup>th</sup> District Family,

Welcome to our first newsletter. This will be a joint letter, so you will see articles from the whole Legion family. A couple of things that are going to be changes for the better will be this newsletter and Conference training. We do not communicate well with our member's, and I hope this is a good first step. We are also going to have training at our District Conferences. For the Fall Conference we have three very good instructors to teach Consolidated Post Reports, Mylegion.org and Public Relations. And for the Spring Conference, we have scheduled suicide training. If there are subjects that you would like taught, please contact me.

The National Convention is being held on August 27<sup>th</sup> thru September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021. As a 10<sup>th</sup> District delegate, I will have a full report at our Fall Conference.

A lot of you know Chris Schmidt from Department Headquarters. She was the Membership Coordinator. She has resigned and moved on to better things. Almost all of us have made a call to Chris to ask a membership question. She will be sorely missed.

As time goes on, I would like to have our committee chairs write articles. This will help keep us informed between conferences. If you need to contact me for any reason, I can be reached at 715-410-7937 or by email: [larrylarson103@gmail.com](mailto:larrylarson103@gmail.com).

Until next time!  
Larry Larson  
10<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
The American Legion

10<sup>th</sup> District Legion and Auxiliary Units and Members to save cost on mailing this wonderful District Newsletter – please email me your email address. I'm requesting as many emails as possible so that I can reach all our 10<sup>th</sup> District Members.

Email me at [tisensee2173@gmail.com](mailto:tisensee2173@gmail.com)

Please send me pictures and articles of your Unit and Post activities, and Dates and Times of upcoming events.

President's Message:

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Margaret Larson, and I am your new 10<sup>th</sup> District President. I will be working closely with my husband, Larry Larson, your 10<sup>th</sup> District Commander. We hail from Unit/Post 121, River Falls. I will tell you right now, I am very new to this, but with your help, I will succeed! During my term I want to try and accomplish meeting as many of you, whether at a monthly meeting or one of your fundraisers. I would like to see every Unit doing more functions geared to our younger Veterans and their families. Let's show them that we are more than just a "good ole boys place to drink."

To date, I have been to Boyd (326) for a Legion DEC meeting. To Elmwood (207) for a potluck County meeting. Ellsworth (204) for a picnic and to hand out 2 awards they received from Department and to Augusta (291) for a potluck meeting. I have enjoyed each one and have brought back new ideas to share with my own Unit and the County. I believe I have put a few extra pounds on too!

The National Convention is coming up soon (Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>-Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>), this will be my first time attending. I am looking forward to more new experiences and challenges.

Our Fall DEC meeting together with the Legion's Fall Conference will be held at the Boyd Legion Post (326) on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Registration form is attached. Barron County is hosting a picnic on September 19<sup>th</sup> from 11:00-4:00 in the Cameron Village. More information will be forth coming.

Department in Portage will be holding their 3<sup>rd</sup> Celebration of Freedom, September 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a great family affair with many food trucks, booths, bands, displays, etc. ALA in the Know will have six sessions this year. Make sure to register soon for the time and place you want to go. This is a great way to learn new things or refresh your memory.

Let me leave you with this: You matter! **"I admire your dedication. We're all encouraged by you-including those that are served as a result of this great organization."**

Margaret Larson  
10<sup>th</sup> District President

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Hello from the 10<sup>th</sup> District Sons of The American Legion,

Recently the Augusta Post 291 applied for and received their charter for SAL Squadron 291. Congratulations goes out to them. This will give the Mighty 10<sup>th</sup> District 11 SAL Squadrons. In addition, SAL Vice Commander Steve Dubois met with the Cornell Post about establishing a Squadron there as well. Stay tuned for updates from Cornell Post 353.

SAL members will soon be able to go to [Mylegion.org](http://Mylegion.org) and renew their membership. The ability to do this will begin around October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please consider taking the Wisconsin American Legion College. It is a great source of information, and it will enhance your Legion knowledge and how to use that knowledge at your Post level.

Until next time.

Gary Lubick  
10<sup>th</sup> District SAL Commander  
Sons of the American Legion

SAL Adjutant – Todd Schesel  
SAL Chaplain – Kelly Powers

## 10<sup>th</sup> District American Legion Riders

My name is Earl Mack, I go by Tony. I was born in Augsburg, Germany while my dad was stationed there in the Air Force. I served in the US Navy as a Corpsman. I am a member of the American Legion in Baldwin, WI.

My wife, Andrea and I live in Hudson WI. We enjoy spending time with our two children and five grandchildren. I am proud to now serve as the President of the District 10 American Legion Riders.

**10<sup>th</sup> District American Legion Fall Conference and the 10<sup>th</sup> District American Legion Auxiliary DEC** will be held on Saturday September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at the Boyd American Legion Hall at 135 Clark Street, Boyd WI. Everyone is welcome!

Registration starts at 8:00am and Conference begins at 9:00am. Registration requested by September 5<sup>th</sup>. If you need a registration form, email me at [tisensee2173@gmail.com](mailto:tisensee2173@gmail.com)

Meetings in the morning, a joint Luncheon Banquet, followed by afternoon training sessions on Consolidated Post Reports, My Legion.org and Public Relations

Legion Registration     \$5.00  
Auxiliary Registration \$0.00  
Luncheon Banquet       \$15.00



## Celebration of Freedom September 24-25, 2021, at the Department Headquarters in Portage, WI.

Main attraction is the Tunnel to towers 9/11 Never Forget Mobile Exhibit, this 83' tractor-trailer transforms into an 1,100 Sq Ft exhibit. The interactive guided tours are carried out by FDNY firefighters.

## AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Why membership matters? Because membership is you, and you matter. Each member has value, whether active or inactive. The boarder battle is coming to an end. What was this battle, you ask? Our Past Department of WI President Joanie Dickerson had a bet going with National Auxiliary President Nicole Clapp from Iowa. The State that got the most 2021 memberships in by National Convention wins. If Wisconsin wins, Nicole has to wear Bucky Badger Red, and if Iowa wins, Joanie will be wearing Hawkeye colors. Last count Wisconsin was leading.

Remember, your 2021 membership dues must be paid prior to the 2022 dues. Keep working on reaching Unit goals.

Mary Townsend  
10<sup>TH</sup> District Membership Chairman  
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100<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary gathering at Fisherman's rest along the Rush River in El Paso (7 miles east of Ellsworth). In the late 1930's and early 1940's our Auxiliary women often had their summer picnic here. This picnic was a "thank you" to all the junior girls, girl scouts, the Bay City girls, and all who helped distribute poppies. Attended by 10<sup>th</sup> District Commander Larry and Larson and 10<sup>th</sup> District President Margaret Larson.

### 2021-2023 10<sup>th</sup> District Legion Officers

Commander – Larry Larson  
 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander – Ken Piel  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander – Rita Rindal  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Commander – Aimee Korger  
 Adjutant – Steve Isensee  
 Chaplain – Marilyn Galoff  
 Service Officer –  
 Sgt at Arms – Jeremy Nordie  
 Sgt at Arms – Jim Bevilacqua  
 Judge Advocate – Nicholas P. Lange  
 Historian – Bruce Wozniak  
 Information and Technology Officer – Roland "Cal" Briggs

Barron County Commander - Roland "Cal" Briggs  
 Buffalo-Pepin County Commander – Richard Webb  
 Chippewa County Commander – Mike Reidel  
 Dunn County Commander – Christopher Larson  
 Eau Claire County Commander – Roderick Anderson  
 Pierce County Commander – Paul McDonough  
 St. Croix County Commander – Jerry DuBois  
 Trempealeau County Commander – David McCrea  
 Newsletter Editor – Teresa Isensee [tisensee2173@gmail.com](mailto:tisensee2173@gmail.com)

### EDUCATION NEWS

Now is a great time for your Unit to participate in a "GIVE 10 TO EDUCATION" project, to help benefit your local schools. Each Unit member can donate 10 school related items, bring them all together and bless your school. They will appreciate your support. Write a narrative and email it to me at [getmet77@hotmail.com](mailto:getmet77@hotmail.com)

Mary Townsend, 10<sup>TH</sup> District Education Chairman

### 2021-2023 10<sup>th</sup> District Auxiliary Officers and Chairman

President – Margaret Larson  
 1<sup>st</sup> Vice – Mary Townsend  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice – Teresa Steinke  
 Parliamentarian – Jeanne Williams  
 Historian/Public Relations – Ashley Carothers  
 Chaplain/Music – Karen Taylor  
 Secretary/Treasurer – Teresa Isensee  
 Sgt -at-Arms – Pam Nelson  
 Asst. Sgt-at-Arms – Maria Knoop  
 Barron County President – Mary Townsend  
 Buffalo-Pepin County President – Julie Webb  
 Chippewa County President – Joan Chawla  
 Dunn County President – Mary Peterson  
 Eau Claire County President – Teresa Steinke  
 Pierce County President –  
 St. Croix County President – Elsie Ober Mueller  
 Trempealeau County President – Monica Bahr

### Committee Chairman:

Americanism – Teresa Steinke  
 AEF – Julie Webb  
 Badger Girls State – Sherry Brads  
 Children & Youth – Mary Townsend  
 Chippewa Falls VA Rep – Nancy Raden  
 Community Service – Jean Erle wine  
 Constitution & Bylaws – Teresa Isensee  
 Education – Mary Townsend  
 Junior Activities – Chris Porter  
 Leadership – Teresa Steinke  
 Legislation – Yvonne Hill  
 Membership – Mary Townsend  
 Minneapolis Va Rep – Jeanne Williams  
 National Security – Maria Knoop  
 Poppy – Tracy Larson  
 Public Relations – Teresa Steinke  
 VA & R – TBD