

ALA November 2025 Newsletter

I'm going to start this newsletter with upcoming events, and thanks to all who have helped with these events.

FIRST, we need your pictures of the veterans in your family, it does not matter if they are Legion members or not. We are adding a veteran tree this year to go along with our red, white and blue tree, the all-white light tree will honor our veterans Greetings to All,

It seems impossible that the end of 2025 is upon us. I will be going into the New Year with one hand. Wow what a pain, and literally what a pain.

in our lives. Service Pictures if possible if not any picture and the branch they've served or served. Email Linda Brunner at linran@chorus.net or Krystal Wages at kwages@me.com. Need by Nov 23rd

Thank you to all the family members that had to dig for these pictures, I certainly appreciate mine.

Festivals of Trees and Star Lighting Souper Supper: November 30 @ the community bldg. We as a group generally donate a couple of soups for this occasion. Star Lighting is at the bluff on Nov 30th 5pm. Delicious soup afterwards, and beautiful trees to stroll around and see. Want to bring a soup, make your favorite and bring it in for everyone to try. Let Suzi or I know so we can inform the chamber.

The Annual Auxiliary Christmas party and QOV ceremony, Dec 13th, 2025, At Grandma Mary's. Gathering at 11am, QOV at 11:30, Lunch at 12:00, with 50/50 and games to follow. Donation of small gifts for extra prizes for the 50/50 drawing encouraged and accepted.

We take the months of Dec and Jan off meeting wise, but it's still a busy time with Mid- winter taking place in January.

We are hoping to secure a spot at the Shack for a meat raffle, we have been offered to do a fundraiser at Jax too. Maybe a meat raffle and pie auction. This may be set up while we are on recess, but with the wonderful internet we can stay connected.

Thank you to all that have responded to the urgent call from our active military and their families, it's a trying time for all of us. We will partner with the USO of Wisconsin to get these families a Thanksgiving dinner and a gift of gas cards. if you wish to thank these families in person join me in Waunakee to Welcome these families and present them with dinner and a gift card for gas. Hopefully they get their back pay!! November 25th 5pm Waunakee Post.

We have been challenged not only as a unit but as a district to have the most contact with our legislators regarding our veteran affairs in Washington. I plead with all our members to take a minute out of our busy schedules to log on and send letters out. It's fast, easy, and so effective. We head to congress every year to advocate for our veterans, our numbers count. We are the largest Veteran and Military family organization in the world; we make the difference. Let's get email. WILEGION.ORG, find the national grassroots action center. All the legislative actions will be there and only 1 click away. Let's get clicking.

We have been trying to get into the schools to show them what we do and how we can help our students succeed. This year we reached the Elementary school and holy smokes the second graders learned and signed the Pledge at this year's program, along with the multi grade chorus and band. It was topped off with the 7th grade class writing personal thank you to our veterans and 12 of these students read their letters to the veterans present.

We had another successful Bite and Beverage at Gordon's, providing about 21 veterans with a free meal, it was fantastic to visit with all our local heroes, and of course the food was fantastic as usual. Thank you, Joy, and crew. And thank you to our members who came to greet our veterans.

Thank you all for being members of this amazing organization, we are a powerful group advocating for our veterans, active military and their families. Let's keep up the good work.

Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact any of our members. Our Legion Post has a new website and they have included a spot for our auxiliary news. Our newsletter should be there, along with any other news. We will continue to post on our Facebook page and the 3rd District Facebook page. you can also head to Dept of Wi website, it's filled with information, and all the programs and what they do. Very interesting. You may find a program you NEED to be a part of.

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