

Department of Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary

6th District Newsletter

Serving French The Heart

January 2025

Best wishes for a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Membership

The December 10, 2024 membership report shows that 6th District moved from 6th place to 3rd place. **Great job everyone!** Any senior dues that were not processed as of 1/2/25 will receive a mailed renewal notice from NATIONAL the first week of February. Members will be encouraged to pay their dues to National via call line/online via debit or credit or mail their dues directly to Department HQs for processing.

Pulsation Pass Award Package For The 2025 Department Convention - All Units with membership of 100% or more by December 31 will receive two entries for the drawing. All Units with membership of 100% or more by January 31 will receive one entry. Package includes: Two paid member registrations, one paid room for a two-night stay in the convention hotel, recognition on stage during convention, and two passes to the Commander's party on Saturday night. Winner will be picked February 14.

6th District Outstanding Americanism Person of the Year

The deadline for nominations was December 31st and I have received information on three very outstanding members. The judging will be completed at Midwinter and awards will be presented at the 6th District Americanism Recognition Banquet. **Banquet Invitation and Registration forms are included with this newsletter.** I hope to see many of you there!

District Dues

District dues are payable in January of each year at the rate of \$1.00 (one dollar) per member based on the membership of the Unit for the previous full year as recorded in the Red Book and the Treasurer will include with the District dues notice, sent during the District President's second year in office, a request for two dollars (\$2.00) per unit to be given to the District President at the Spring Conference. The following Units have not yet paid: **Unit 340 Berlin; Unit 329 Briggsville; Unit 222 Campbellsport; Unit 152 Menasha; Unit 70 Oshkosh; Unit 477 St. Nazianz.** Make check payable to: 6th District ALA and mail to: Treasurer Beth Puddy, 349 Stow St, Fond du Lac, WI 54965. Thank you to those units that have already sent in their dues.

Americanism

Does your unit sponsor the Americanism Essay Contest? The topic for the Americanism Essay contest this year is **"What does America the Beautiful mean to me (regarding veterans and our military)?"** Please reach out to the schools in your area to have their students participate on all levels. Classes range from 3rd & 4th graders and continues to Juniors & Seniors in High School. There is also a class for students with special needs. Unit winners are due to Department on March 15, 2025. Forms are available on the Department website <u>www.amlegionauxwi.org</u>

ALA Badger Girls State (ALABGS)

REMINDER: 2025 ALABGS reservations of \$500 per delegate are due January 31, 2025. Unit/Sponsors should contact their schools now and work with the high school through the selection process. Volunteers are needed for the 2025 ALABGS Session. Anyone interested in helping for the week or even a few days should contact Chairman Danyelle Thompson at alabgs.chairman@gmail.com. A list of opportunities is posted at www.alabgs.org.

Annual Reports

The 2024-2025 Annual Report forms were mailed to all Unit Presidents. They are also posted on the department website in fillable format. Now is the time to start getting organized for yearend reporting. Review the Annual Report Instructions with members during your next few meetings. Please include pictures, stories, newspaper clippings, flyers, news articles, activity reports with your Narrative Reports. Let me know if you have questions or need assistance.

Dates To Remember

- January 18, 2025 Auxiliary Mid-Winter Session, Appleton
- February 15, 2025 6th District Oratorical Contest, Post 70, Oshkosh
- March 29, 2025 Department Oratorical Contest, Ripon
- March 29, 2025 6th District Americanism Banquet, La Sure's, Oshkosh
- April 26, 2025 6th District Spring Conference, Oshkosh Post 70
- June 15-20, 2025 ALA Badger Girls State, UW-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI

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The Fighting Sixth



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61st Annual Americanism Recognition Banquet

American Legion Family,

It is our great honor to host the 61st Annual Sixth District Americanism Recognition Banquet.

We cordially invite all Legionnaires, Legion Auxiliary Members, Sons of the American Legion, Legion Riders and their guests to join us for an evening of celebration in honoring those recognized for their selfless dedication to "Americanism."

This year's event will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2025 at La Sure's Hall in Oshkosh. Social begins at 5:00 p.m. with the opening ceremonies starting at 6:00 p.m. and dinner to follow.

Banquet seating is by advance reservation only. The cost is \$30.00 per person and reservation requests with payment must be received by March 8, 2025. Please use the attached reservation form. Include a contact name, telephone number and Post/Unit/Squadron # on the form.

La Sure's is located south of Hwy 44 at 3125 South Washburn St., Oshkosh (next to the Outlet Mall). Their phone number is 920-651-0796.

Rooms have been blocked under The American Legion at Cobblestone Suites at a reduced rate of \$107.00. Cobblestone Suites is connected to La Sure's however it is a separate business. They can be reached at 920-303-1133. Rooms will be held until Wednesday, February 26, 2025.

Feel free to contact me at 920-379-7052 or <u>djdmsteinert@gmail.com</u> with any questions. Hope to see you there for a wonderful evening of fellowship and camaraderie.

Dave Steinert 6th District Commander

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61th Annual **Americanism Recognition Banquet** Saturday, March 29, 2025

Reservation Form

Make check payable to: The American Legion 6th District

Mail to: **Dave Steinert** 2850 Homestead Dr Oshkosh, WI 54904

Contact Name: _____

Post/Unit/Squadron # _____ Dist. _____

Email:

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Total tickets ordered: _____ @ \$30.00 each = _____

Please list names of all parties attending (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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Reservation Deadline: March 8, 2025

Manitowoc Calumet Winnebago