



## Department of Wisconsin 2024-2025 Leadership Engagement Plan

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## Get Involved

**Purpose: The purpose of the Leadership Committee is to better equip members to serve in leadership positions with confidence and skill. *Standing Rules #6, National Committees – Member/Organizational Support***

### Raise awareness of ALA leadership development opportunities.

- Attend District and Department leadership conferences/workshops
- Attend Department of WI American Legion Auxiliary In The Know (ALAITK) sessions
- Attend [American Legion Auxiliary Mission Training](#). A one-day, interactive conference geared toward learning more about the ALA's core programs and deliver our mission
  - Watch for event announcements in Auxiliary magazine, ALA emails, and social media for dates and locations.
  - After Mission Training, share the information you received with your unit, district/county, and department.
- Participate in [ALA Academy courses](#). Courses are self-paced and designed to help you learn about the ALA online and at no cost to you.
- Be aware of ALA leadership opportunities in your community:
  - Speak to other community organizations about veterans' support.
  - Speak to high schools about veterans to develop your own leadership abilities.
- ALA Unit Member of the Year Award
  - Nominate a fellow unit member for Unit Member of the Year.
  - Open to senior members who are not currently, nor have ever been, in an elected or appointed leadership role higher than unit president.
  - Nomination form located on the Department of Wisconsin website under the programs tab/leadership.



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### Promote participation in.

- Log in to the MyAuxiliary member portal **the ALA Academy** at [member.legion-aux.org/member/memberprofile](https://member.legion-aux.org/member/memberprofile).
- Go to the [ALA Academy](#)
- Mission Training session information: [www.legion-aux.org/meetings/mission-training/](https://www.legion-aux.org/meetings/mission-training/)
- Available courses include many topics – leadership, communications, mission outreach, etc.

### Enhance knowledge about ALA history, programs, and organization.

Download/purchase and become familiar with the:

- [Unit Guide Book](#)
- [Constitution & Bylaws](#)
- [Department Operations Guide](#)
- [Parliamentary Procedure](#)
- Department of Wisconsin Red Book
- Department of Wisconsin ALA Website: [www.amlegionauxwi.org](https://www.amlegionauxwi.org)
- National ALA Website: [www.legion-aux.org](https://www.legion-aux.org)
- And other [ALA guide books](#) available to enhance your knowledge of and promote our organization.

### Deadlines/Important Dates:

- April 1: Unit reports due to District President and Department Headquarters
- May 15: Department chairmen reports due to division chairmen, cc: national chairman
- June 1: Department Chairman Only: Award submissions and Department Unit Member of the Year due
- 2024-2025 Mission Training: [See dates and locations here.](#)

### [National President Focus](#)

For the 2023-2024 ALA administrative year the National President's focus is discussions on why the American Legion Auxiliary has seen in recent years that small-town rural environments are struggling, leadership capacity is dwindling, membership is aging and churning, and infrastructure is weakening. These reasons related to our membership have led President Trish Ward to an ALA national focus on helping reinvigorate our organization through membership — from the ground up. Ward is visiting ALA departments (states) during her term as national president to share a content enablement experience to help departments help their units succeed.