



FIFTH DISTRICT NEWS
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY/DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

January/February 2025

District Officers:
President-Linda Bartell
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Vice President-Vernadine Williams

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Chaplain-Louise Brown

Membership Chairman- Joyce Wingers

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Dates To Remember:
2/2/2025 Four Chaplains 82nd Annual Ceremony at the Zablocki V.A. Chapel
2/17/2025 96th Annual George Washington Luncheon
Annual Report of Hours for Service to Veterans, Youth and Community Service due to Linda Bartell by 3/31/2025
May 2025-5th District Spring Conference-date, time and location to be determined

Fifth District Units Membership Renewals for 2025:

We have three Units that have a total of (13) members that have not paid their dues as yet. **Please let me (Linda) know if there is a reason that you aware of, otherwise I will contact them soon.** I have attached those rosters for you.

Four Chaplains 82nd Memorial Ceremony:

Attached is an invitation to the above ceremony on February 2, 2025 at 1pm at the Zablocki V.A. Chapel. Hospitality after the ceremony. No charge, no need to bring anything. All are welcome to attend. The explanation of this ceremony is attached to the invite. **Please share with your Unit members asap. I hope to see you there.**

This is the first year that the Zablocki V.A. has allowed us into the facility since beginning of Covid.

George Washington 96th Annual Luncheon:

The invitation for this event is attached.

Good food, information and comradery is expected as in past years.

The date is February 17, 2025 at Meyers Family Restaurant at 4260 S. 76th Street, Greenfield, WI. Start time is 11am, Deadline to register is 2/8/2025

See invite for further info. **Please share with your Unit members asap.** I Hope to see you there.

District Dues 2025:

The invoice for your Unit is enclosed if you are the Treasurer as well as Unit President. Otherwise, they have been sent to your Treasurer 1/15/2025.

Unit Meetings:

I have met with two Units in our District to get them back on track with having meetings so far this month, finding out if you are working any programs etc. I will be contacting your other four Units to set up a date with you for this.

End of Year Reporting:

This is another reminder that the End of Year Reporting Blank Forms that your Unit received a couple months ago, are due to be filled out and sent to Linda Bartell by 3/31/2025. At the least, recycling counts as Community Service, if you aren't working any else, but hope you are.

Member Information:

Just a reminder to please keep your Unit Roster Membership info up to date. Meaning, possible changes of address, phone #, cell #. Perhaps you can do a review at the beginning of each year. These need to be sent to Department as changes are made.

Spring Conference 2025:

There will be a conference held again this year sometime in April or May. Date and specific info will be forwarded to you when available.

To be honest, last year only 2 members from one other Unit other than my own attended. I hope more members come this year.

Christmas Gift Shop 2024:

There were 450 gifts to Veterans families from the Zablocki, Union Grove and King V.A. Facilities that were wrapped in early December. All Unit members are invited to help in this. Will let you all know the wrapping date for 2025. It also is a fun event.

If there is anything that I (Linda) can do to help your Unit in any manner, please contact me.

Linda Bartell

Four Chaplains 82nd Memorial Service

Sunday

February 2, 2025 at 1pm

Zablocki V.A. Chapel

5000 W National Avenue

Milwaukee, WI

Hospitality Directly After the Service

No charge-No Need to Bring Anything

Lt. George L. Fox



Methodist

Lt. John P. Washington



Roman Catholic

Lt. Clark V. Poling



Reformed Church

Lt. Alexander D. Goode



Jewish

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All American Legion Veterans, any Veteran, American Legion Auxiliary, and family are ALL welcome to attend this Solemn Service.