



# 10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY NEWSLETTER JUNE 2023



## AMERICAN LEGION 10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 2023-2025 NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS AND CHAIRMAN

At the District 10 Spring Conference the following were elected as the 2023-2025 District 10 Officers effective at the close of the 2023 Department Convention:

- 10th District Commander- Rita Rindahl
- 1st Vice Commander- Jeremy Nordie- Membership
- 2nd Vice Commander- Aimee Korger
- 3rd Vice Commander- Mike Riedel- Buddy Checks
- Adjutant/ Finance Officer- Steve Isensee- BBS- Oratorical- Blood Donor Drives
- Judge Advocate- Nicolas Lange
- Chaplain- Marilyn Galoff
- Sgt at arms- Gerald Townsend
- SAL- Gary Lubick
- American Legion Riders- **vacant**
- Historian- Bruce Wozniak
- Baseball and Softball- **vacant**
- Education and Scholarship- Brian Flaskrud
- Boy Scouts- Leroy “Buzz” Thompson
- Buddy Checks- Mike Riedel
- Legislative- Katherine VanderMolen
- Veteran’s Helping Hands- Ken Piel

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POSITION	NAME
President	Mary Townsend
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Teresa Steinke
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Chrys Porter
Chaplain	Jean Erlewine
Historian	Jean Erlewine
Secretary/Treasurer	Teresa Isensee
Parliamentarian	Jeanne Williams
Americanism	Teresa Steinke
Children & Youth	Margaret Larson
Community Service	Maria Knoop
Education	Chrys Porter
Junior Activities	Tracy Larson
Leadership	TEAM
Legislative	Teresa Steinke
Membership	Teresa Steinke
National Security	Chrys Porter
Poppy	Yvonne Hill
Public Relations	TEAM
VA&R	Elsie Obermueller



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## DISTRICT 10 AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our 10th District Spring Conference went very well even though we had to do some walking/traveling to the Legion for lunch and the Memorial Service. I believe we had a better turnout for the Memorial Service because everyone stayed to finish out the conference. This will be my last District Family Newsletter, as our new President, Mary Townsend and her new officers and chairmen will be taking over in July. Look for good things to come! I want to thank each and everyone of you for a successful two years, I couldn't have did it without you.

Please remember to fill out and send the new 2023-2024 UNIT OFFICERS Form to Department. It is available on the Department website <http://www.amlegion.org/forms> .

If you have not sent in your 2024 UNIT DUES RENEWAL FORM, please do now, as it is due to Department by June 30th . This is the information Department uses to send the Membership packets to and who collects dues.

The 2023 Department Convention is right around the corner. Please make a point to go this year as we have one of our own Past Department Presidents (Sue Vorwald-Unit 121) being honored. You can find all the information on the Department website <http://www.amlegion.org/department-convention> - Get your registration in as soon as possible.

If you've ever thought about going, this would be the year to go, as it isn't as far as other years. (Wausau, WI) Each Unit is asked to bring a basket (\$30) for raffle. This money will help with President Linda Coppock's special project GIVING BACK TO THE ALA.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

June 11, 2023 - Gordy & Debbie Show sponsored by Unit 121 Auxiliary – River Falls(flyer attached)

June 18-23, 2023 – Badger Girls State, UW Oshkosh

July 19-23, 2023 – Department Convention – Wausau, WI

August 25-31,2023 – National Convention, - Charlotte, NC

ALAITK – September 30, 2023 – Fletcher Pechacek American Legion #121 hosting. (More information forth coming)

Thank you again for all your hard work, and hope to see many of you at DepartmentConvention.

Margaret Larson, District 10 President

## MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE FROM ALA DISTRICT CHAIRMAN MARY TOWNSEND

**June 30, 2023:** Last day to submit PUFL applications where the PUFL rate is based on the members' 2023 dues rate. All PUFL applications received after this date will need to be based on the members' 2024 dues rate.

Here is the link to PUFL application from the Department website. [https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/files/ugd/8bea47\\_18516a1f8d2b4566b59a129a0a86a11b.pdf](https://www.amlegionauxwi.org/files/ugd/8bea47_18516a1f8d2b4566b59a129a0a86a11b.pdf)

Please note they do not get returned to Department, please send them to National as indicated on the form. If you have questions you can contact National at [ALAHQ@alaforveterans.org](mailto:ALAHQ@alaforveterans.org) or 317-569-4500.

## ALA IN THE KNOW SESSIONS

Reservation deadline is August 1<sup>st</sup> for the 2023 ALA IN THE KNOW (Important Info for Every Member) at one of the three locations:

9/9/23 Waunakee, WI

9/16/23 Tigerton, WI

9/30/23 River Falls, WI

ALA IN THE KNOW Registration form is included with this newsletter.



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## GOOD DEED AWARDS – RIDGELAND UNIT 511

Recently two ALA Junior members from Ridgeland Unit 511, received the ALA National “Good Deed” Award. Alyson and Camryn Comstock received this award because of their support for veterans and deployed soldiers. They partnered with Soldier’s Angels on a project. They placed drop boxes in two locations, to collect donated items.

Over 1,853 items were collected, such as backpacks, hygiene items, t-shirts, books, and more. They also delivered the donated items to Benton Michigan. These girls are community focused and always looking for ways to serve. Congratulations girls, keep up the good work!

Pictured left to right: Rebecca Steffe Ridgeland Unit 511 President, Camryn Comstock. Junior member, Mary Townsend 10<sup>th</sup> District, President (elect) Alyson Comstock Junior member, and Mary Peterson Dunn County President



## OSSEO VETERAN’S MEMORIAL PARK

Osseo Carl Nelson Post 324 will be having their first paver layer ceremony on Saturday June 10 at 1:00pm, additional dates are Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm, Sunday June 25<sup>th</sup>, Saturday July 1<sup>st</sup>, and Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup>.

Location Osseo Veterans Memorial Park, 13519 Park Ave, Osseo WI

To submit articles and events for the 10<sup>th</sup> District Family Newsletter send to: Teresa Isensee [tisensee2173@gmail.com](mailto:tisensee2173@gmail.com)