

# American Legion Auxiliary

# Third District Mewsletter

September 2025

#### President Message

My name is Ann Bovy, and I am your newly elected president for the Third Distrct. My husband Philip Bovy and I have a hobby farm outside of Cologne. We have two sons, Zachary and Joseph. I have worked at Waconia Hospital for many years, in the housekeeping department. For my favorite activities, that I like to do are camping, gardening, and fishing. I also like to teach preschool at my church.



I join the American Legion Auxiliary through my father Roger Sauerbrey who served in the Army from 1962-1970. I have been a member for 16 years at the New Germany Unit 601. I have served as the unit president for 11 years. MY whole family has been active in the American Legion, my dad (Roger) was the commander for 16 years and now he serves as treasure for the past 5 years. My mom (Linda) has been the treasure for 8 years in New Germany Unit 601. I am so glad to be with my parents as we serve our veterans.

My Theme this coming year is "Veterans are our Sweethearts". Our Symbols will be three red roses

(the roses represent the Third District). My president's project is landscaping at Hastings Veterans Home and St. Peters Regional Treatment Center, Disc Golf Course.

I am looking forward to visiting many units in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District. So please call me

A big thanks to all the chairman for saying yes to serving this upcoming year.

I attended the St. Paul Park Unit 98, barbeque rib contest. They had many participants making barbecue ribs, and I was one of the judges. My husband Phil and I really enjoy the day visiting with the American Legion, Auxiliary, Legion, Riders, and Sons of American Legions members.

I attended the Veterans Day at Caver County Fair. The program was held at the Waconia Carver County Fair in the fairgrounds, and the speaker was Navy Lieutenant Commander Mike Petersen. There was big group of supporters at the Veteran program.

Sincerely, 3<sup>rd</sup> District President, Ann Bovy

3<sup>rd</sup> District's American Legion , SAL & Auxiliary

# FALL FAMILY GATHERING

NEW GERMANY CITY HALL

# SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

Looking for donations for our "Not Your Typical Bake Sale"

Help us make our "Not Your Typical Bake Sale" a hit! We're looking for homemade baked goods, homegrown produce, plants, craft items (i.e. dish towels, and canned items) Every donation helps support our 3rd district ALA general fund—so turn on your oven or dig into your garden, and join the fun!

10:00AM

A FREE WILL DONATION WILL BE HELD FOR LUNCH Join us for a
Spectacular 3rd
District
Family Gathering
hosted by the
Auxiliary

A SPEAKER FROM
THE ST. PETER
REGIONAL TREATMENT
CENTER WILL BE IN
ATTENDENCE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT.

KARLA-T.D.NEWS2SHARE@GMAIL.COM

#### Secretary's note; Karla

Here we go! it's a new year, new President and new chairman. So far, our year is running smoothly. We have our Fall Family gathering planned

and ready for your attendance. Our president would love to have the support from our Third District Auxiliary.

I have a new word for you this year and its **changes**. When talking to our Legion Commander Amy she said she wants to see a reasons to come to all district activities. I also know Department President Robin is trying new things at fall conference. With that said Fall Family

Gathering will have a guest speaker who was recommended by Past Department President, Darlene Wondra, she, will tell us about what they do at St Peter Regional Treatment Center. Also, how they help the veterans that are there. We are also holding a bake/ farmers' market so if you have anything you would like to bring, please do so

Mid-Winter will look different this year We are asking for the chairman to turn in a written report that will be published in November. giving our units more time to act on the wonderful ideas that the chairmen come up with. And then at midwinter we are working out the details.

I'm Back!!!! I am out of Facebook jail and my first goal is to get the Third District Facebook page active again. I miss not knowing what is going on. We are also adding X for the younger generation.

We have a web site for the Third District Auxiliary. It's being revamped right now, and Jennifer is a delight to work with. We are adding history, Chairman contact info, unit happenings, our newsletter and the book of annual reports so everyone can read them. We will let you know when it's ready to be seen.

If you have information or events that you would like to publish in the newsletter Facebook or website, please send me the info and we will get it the right place.

I hope that Apple pie "wars" will continue at Fall conference



#### **Junior Honorary President**



Hi, my name is Mae Wright, and I am the Honorary 3rd District Junior Auxiliary President.

I am 11 years old, and I have been involved with the Junior Auxiliary for the last 4 years.

In my spare time I enjoy playing sports such as softball and hockey. I also like to do arts and crafts, specifically painting and drawing.

My project this year is to support 3rd District President Ann Bovy's project which will raise funds to build a flower garden at the Hastings Veterans Home.

I think Veterans and their families deserve a calming and comforting space, which a garden will provide. I am hoping to raise \$800. I would

greatly appreciate any donations and support for my project.

I am looking forward to a fun year and hope to get to meet some of you at the Junior Fun Day being planned I know you will enjoy it.

Thank you for your support.

Mae Wright

3<sup>rd</sup> District Honorary Junior President



#### Past President Parley by Linda Kelly

The Past President Parley is made up of your past 3<sup>rd</sup> District Presidents. Google told me that the primary purpose of a past president's parley program is: "to utilize the experience and knowledge of past leaders to mentor and guide current and future leaders within an organization, ensuring its continued strength and success. This forum allows past presidents from various levels (unit, department, national) to actively contribute their expertise and institutional memory".

Your past president parley will hold their annual meeting soon. My question to you is <u>WHAT CAN WE DO FOR</u> <u>YOU?</u> We are an assorted group of ALA members and between all of us we have a lot of years of experience. We would love to provide mentorship to our units to make our district stronger.

We have a lot of new members and unless we provide them with a handbook, they will have questions. Please take a few minutes and e-mail me your suggestions, comments, and questions. All questions are important. We will answer them.

Linda Kelly: <a href="mailto:lkkauxiliary@gmail.com">lkkauxiliary@gmail.com</a>

"Come with an answer to 'As PPs, what can we do for our members'?"



October 4, 2025 10:00 am

Address: Northridge Court -101 fuller ST N -Shakopee



Please RSVP to Past
President Linda Kelly

Ikkauxiliary@gmail.com

and let her know what
you are bringing!

A Question to answer: 'As Past Presidents, what can we do for our members'?"

#### Continuing Education and Resources for ALA Leaders



Effective leadership requires ongoing education, especially as technology evolves rapidly. Navigating these changes can be challenging, but valuable resources are available to support your growth as a leader.

ALA Academy: An Overview Have you explored the ALA Academy available on the National ALA Website?

https://alaacademy.alaforveterans.org/topclass/searchCatalog.do?catId=353372 The Academy offers a wealth of self-paced courses on a variety of important topics. Notable lessons include:

- ALA National Scholarships
- ALA Junior Patch Program
- Celebrating Women of Service
- Celebrating the Month of the Military Child
- Compliance Matters
- National Poppy Day
- Wreaths Across America
- Tax-Exempt Status: Revocation and Reinstatement

#### Self-Paced Courses

The ALA Academy's self-paced courses are accessible from any device, allowing you to learn at your convenience with no pre-registration required. Highlights include:

- ALA 101: Member Orientation This course provides a history and overview of the ALA, covering
  its mission and the impact members make through service to veterans and their families. It also
  explains how your dedication contributes to the ALA's ongoing work. Learn More
- ALA Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Designed to help members recognize biased language and performance bias, this course offers strategies for fostering an inclusive environment and coaching others about the importance of inclusion and equity within the ALA. Learn More
- ALA Branding This module explains the significance of branding and its influence on the Auxiliary's reputation and mission. It also addresses the importance of brand loyalty for the organization's future. Learn More
- ALA Communication Methods Discover how ALA National Headquarters uses various digital
  tools to share resources and information, and learn to use social media to promote awareness
  about the ALA. Learn More
- Unit Fundraising and American Legion Auxiliary Foundation Grants Gain practical guidance on planning, marketing, and running successful fundraisers, and become familiar with the four types of grants provided by the ALA Foundation as well as the application process. Learn More
- Introduction to Conflict Resolution This course explores the benefits and challenges of conflict, distinguishing between conflicts and complaints, and outlines strategies to resolve issues professionally and proactively. Learn More
- ALA Leadership: Living Our Motto of Service Not Self Learn core leadership competencies, develop a personal plan for leadership growth, and discover how your leadership can advance the ALA mission and inspire others. Learn More

With so many ALA Units struggling and wondering how they can continue when money is tight - I came across this simple fundraiser on the National Website that was presented in 2019. The Penny will cease production, but it still has some value - Think about this ...

### Mile of Pennies – a fundraiser that makes cents Idea Posted On: Tuesday, 18 June 2019



Sometimes it's hard for members to participate in fundraisers. It could be because of the time commitment, because they are busy with their kids or grandkids, or perhaps because they themselves cannot financially contribute big sums to the cause.

If your American Legion Auxiliary unit is struggling to get members or the community involved, try a "Mile of Pennies" fundraiser. People of

all ages can participate and giving as little as one penny can make a difference.

Challenge members to collect enough pennies over a certain time to spread for a mile end to end. If you succeed, that's 84,480 pennies, or \$844.80 raised for your unit. If you want to be more ambitious, shoot for 2 miles, 5 miles, or even a half marathon of pennies.

How you raise your money is up to you. The easiest way is to have each member fill up a jar, empty water bottle, or some other container with pennies, and bring them back to your unit each meeting to be counted. Be sure to print out a label for whatever container you use and tell people you are trying to raise a mile worth of pennies to help local veterans, military, and their families. If it is for a specific project, make sure to include that.

Members can go door to door, ask family and friends, or set up a booth outside a local business or at a school sporting event (with permission, of course). You can even host a collection day for community members to drop off pennies.

Make sure to promote this campaign on social media, post updates throughout the process, and have fun with it! When you reach 21,120 pennies, you have made it  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile. You could have your members walk that distance on a track and post celebratory pictures online - all these things will help more people find out about your fundraiser and donate.

Though this fundraiser is simple, it can bring more awareness and raise some extra funds for your ALA unit - all while getting members of all ages involved!



### Save the Date: American Legion Auxiliary Leadership Training

October 18, 2025, | 10AM-3PM

#### Ready to Lead & Have Fun?

Circle your calendar for a day of learning, laughter, and leadership! Join us for the American Legion Auxiliary Leadership Training on October 18th, 2025, from 10AM to 3PM – Forest Lake Registration will be \$7.01 and will include a lite lunch

#### All members are welcome—bring your energy and excitement!

#### Why come?

- Make new friends!
- Grow your leadership superpowers!
- Fun games and activities!
- Snacks and surprises!

Stay tuned—more details and awesome surprises are on the way!

Cavalene Regan Leadership Chairman 2025-2026

#### **Americanism**

Time for a new year! I hope everyone has been working and keeping track of your work on our Auxiliary programs during the summer. Be sure to include it in next spring's reports.

We will have a 3<sup>rd</sup> District Americanism contest this year.

#### **Americanism Essay Contest**

It's time to get in contact with your schools to promote the Americanism essay contest. If some of you have had good luck working with your schools, I would appreciate you letting me know your strategy. My email is on the bottom. Thanks, I'd like to share the info with other Units in 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

The Americanism Essay Contest was created to teach students the value of patriotism and what it means to be Americans. Thousands of students participate in the program each year and help promote a lifelong respect of our flag and country.

Students (grades 3 to 12) explore the fundamental rights and freedoms we enjoy today. Each year's contest has a different theme. There is a category for students with special needs.

Current (2026) Essay Theme: "Celebrating America's 250th Birthday and the Veterans who Fought for Our Freedom."

Prizes as follows:

Americanism

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Guidelines from the US Flag Code on when to display the flag: The flag should be displayed often, especially on national and state holidays, as well as special occasions. Some examples include

- New Year's Day
- Inauguration Day
- Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays
- Memorial Day (half-staff until noon)
- Flag Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Veterans Day

Joanne Joachim 3<sup>rd</sup> District Americanism Chair joannetdmf@frontiernet.net

### **MEMBERSHIP**



#### **Welcome to the Third District Amazing Race!**

This year's theme is the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Amazing Race. Like previous years there are five teams with each team covering 2 counties in the district. New this year is the teams will be led by two people. This allows an opportunity for a seasoned membership leader to mentor another member of their choice. Responsibility will be shared promoting true "Teamwork" as well as an opportunity for someone to learn the role.

The amazing race will take us through the district, renewing and adding members. As we travel through our ten counties Team Leaders and Units under them will have the opportunity to win prizes and/or cash incentives as

milestones are met. Winners will be announced in following month's newsletter.

- September, Units at 40% at the time of the Family Gathering in New Germany on Saturday the 20th are eligible for a drawing of \$25.00.
- Fall Conference October 23rd 25th in St Cloud, \$50.00 prize for the first Unit to reach 60%.
- Pearl Harbor Rally December 6th in Buffalo MN, at that time units at 80% are eligible for a drawing of \$50.00.
- March Appreciation Rally 2026 (date TBD), at that time units at 100% are eligible for a drawing of \$50.00.
- Incentives to be awarded at the Third District Convention May 15 & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026 in New Prague. The first unit to add a PUFL will receive \$25.00. The first unit to add 3 Junior Auxiliary members will receive \$25.00.
- I encourage all Membership Chairs/Members in the District to attend the Rally's. It's the best time
  to meet other members and exchange ideas on growing your Unit's membership and collecting
  dues.

Next month the Team/Unit statistics will be posted and one of the Teams will be highlighted.

Tip for the month: You never know who you may meet so carry a membership enrollment form in your purse.

As we move into Fall and you enjoy the outdoors I have a question.

Canoe achieve September's unit goal of 40%.

Kind regards,

Jeorgia Cluckey



#### Poppy Chairman: Tami Paul,

It's a real honor to serve as this year's Poppy Chairman for Minnesota's 3rd District. Every time I hand someone a poppy, I get to share what it really means. The poppy isn't just a flower—it's a reminder of sacrifice, of hope, and of the promise to remember. I like to think that every poppy worn carries a story with it. Maybe the one you pin to your jacket, or keep tucked away somewhere safe, does too.

For me, the poppy is deeply personal. The one I wear—and the one that hangs in my car—are daily reminders of my dad, Harlow LeRohl. Those small red petals help me keep his memory alive, along with the stories and legacies of all our veterans. It's a way to carry their spirit with me, every single day.

The story behind the American Legion poppy goes all the way back to World War I. The battlefields were so devastated that almost nothing grew—except wild red poppies. Soldiers saw them blooming among the graves, bright spots of beauty in the middle of all that destruction. After the war, the poppy became a symbol of remembrance. In 1920, the American Legion adopted it to honor those who had fallen, and to support those who came home. Every year, volunteers make and hand out paper poppies, asking for donations to help veterans in need.

So, when you spot a bright red poppy on a jacket or hand it out, remember it's not just a flower. It's a promising way of saying we won't forget those who served, or what they gave up for all of us.

This year, I'm excited to announce two contests for our District Convention, both designed to celebrate the poppy and everything it stands for.

Contest #1- We're holding a photo contest. Take a picture where the American Legion Auxiliary poppy is the star. Hold it up to the sky, weave a story into your photo, or capture a holiday moment—the only rule is to let the poppy's meaning shine through.



**Contest #2-** We're inviting everyone to paint a rock with a poppy on it to be able to place it somewhere special—a garden, a park, a walking path—so that it can inspire others after the convention is over. Every rock should feature a poppy, but everything else is up to you. Add anything that honors your veteran or helps spread the poppy's message of love, honor and remembrance.

If your unit is planning a poppy-making day, please reach out to me at tamipaul.ala@gmail.com. I'm working to coordinate a district wide poppy making day at different units throughout the area. With our district so spread out—and with a poppy shortage this year—it's more important than ever that we come together and support one another while helping our veterans

Let's use our creativity and our sense of community to honor those who served, keep their stories alive, and inspire each other with the enduring symbol of the poppy.



#### **Public Relations by Linda Kelly**

Public Relations: I like to use the internet, so I googled "public relations" and I found a lot. After reading several definitions the following may be a mouth full, but it makes sense: "public relations plays a crucial role in shaping the public perception of an individual or company".

We can't assume they know all about us and we can't assume that what they think they know is right. Simply, we need to let the public know who we are, what we do, and why we exist. The easiest way is to use your local publications.

So, your first job is to check out your local paper(s). See if they have a reporter that will attend and report on your events. If not, will they accept articles written by a unit member? Do they accept pictures? People like to see pictures with captions that will encourage them to read the article.

I think we don't always realize that what we do is important enough to have it in the paper – you are wrong! We are here for our veterans, our youth, and our community. Everything we do is for their benefit. We are an important part of our community.

Over the next few months, I hope to give you some other ideas, but for the time being, be sure to take pictures at your events.

The last thing that I would like to encourage you to do is to keep a file of the articles you have submitted to your paper. That way you will be ready to complete your unit's annual report when April rolls around. I would LOVE to be able to tell our Department Program Chairman that we had 100% reporting from our 46 units. I suppose I could volunteer to come with red, white, and blue hair at our District convention if that happens.

Happy reporting!!



#### **HISTORY:** Sally Strasser historian

History, History is all around us every day, something is happening in the world in our state and in our **UNITS.** Our new year has started and so have our events and Unit meetings.

Let us start writing our history each month while it is fresh in our minds.

The **USA** will be celebrating 250 years in 2026, that is a lot of history and some of our units have been around for many decades. Let us look at our unit histories and

see what unit has the oldest history.

So let us make this the best year in your unit and oh yeah do not forget the pictures. I will be looking forward to seeing what is happening in each unit. So, start keeping track while it is fresh in your mind.



3rd District Prayer: Chaplain Tamara Thayer

Dear Lord,

As our new District 3 leaders begin their year of leadership please guide them in using their talents to best serve those who served. As our 3<sup>rd</sup> District Auxiliary members start planning their activities this year may you give us wisdom to plan fun events to engage our members, impactful projects to benefit the veterans, their

families, and the community. This is an exciting year as we prepare to celebrate our 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026. We praise you Lord for the blessings you have given our nation. You have said, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." Amen

# **Veterans Affairs and Rehab Services** Helen **Strong chair**

Good morning District 3 Auxiliary Members. Since this is my first Chairperson opportunity, bear with me as I learn. To introduce myself, I am Helen Strong, Unit #491, Bayport. Please feel free to send me any information or projects your Unit has done for Veterans Affairs or Rehab. I'm wondering if any of you have heard of or had any contact with The Til Valhalla Project. Their goal is to honor the lives of Veterans who have left us. I recently was honored to have them honor my dad who suffered and passed from results of being injured in WWII. Please feel free to contact me with any suggestions or ideas on how we can honor Thank you, Helen Strong hstrong@popp.net



## TIL VALHALLA PROJECT "WHERE HEROES LIVE ON FOREVER"

At Til Valhalla Project, we understand the pain that comes with the loss of a loved one. When you first lose someone, you receive an abundance of support and sympathies, and it is a great feeling to know people are there for you and thinking of them. But as time goes on, the support fades, and we start to ask ourselves, "Will they be forgotten, am I the only one who still thinks about them?" Well, we are here to ensure that your Hero's legacy will live on forever and never be forgotten.

We have added PFC Theodore W. Carlson to our Wall of Heroes, where his face and name will be seen every day by someone new.



PFC Theodore W. Carlson, 44, U.S. Army, born February 15, 1919, lost the battle within on July 12, 1963. In WWII, Carlson was a Rifleman with 3rd Infantry Division. While in France, his unit was attacked by enemy artillery and took cover in a forest. As he scouted a safe route forward, a German machine gun opened fire. Carlson was hit multiple times but he made it back to an aid station. Once he healed, he was transferred to 9th Air Force, as a Squadron Carpenter until the war ended. For his service, Carlson earned a Purple Heart. Rest easy, Hero! Til Valhalla, Brother!

Per Ca	pita Dues for 2025-202	26 year Amt D	ue by Dec 1st 2	025
	Membership as of	7/31/2025	\$2.00	
Unit#	Unit Name	Mbrshp	per mbr	amt
			amt due	paid
1776	Apple Valley	235	\$470.00	
491	Bayport	77	\$154.00	
144	Belle Plaine	95	\$190.00	
143	Brownton	18	\$36.00	
580	Chanhassen	73	\$146.00	
57	Chaska	136	\$272.00	
207	Cleveland	38	\$76.00	
594	Eagan Disbanding	11	\$22.00	
311	Elysian	172	\$344.00	
43	Faribault	149	\$298.00	
189	Farmington	28	\$56.00	
225	Forest Lake	222	\$444.00	
433	Gaylord	53	\$106.00	
95	Glencoe Disbanding	13	\$26.00	
408	Green Isle	32	\$64.00	
47	Hastings	30	\$60.00	
620	Hugo	67	\$134.00	
96	Hutchinson	160	\$320.00	
424	Inver Grove	6	\$12.00	
380	Kilkenny Disbanding	12	\$24.00	
300	Lafayette	18	\$36.00	
108	LeCenter	125	\$250.00	
586	Lonsdale	71	\$142.00	
507	Mahtomedi	45	\$90.00	
79	Montgomery	120	\$240.00	
149	Morristown	103	\$206.00	
601	New Germany	18	\$36.00	
45	New Prague	67	\$134.00	
510	Nicollet	48	\$96.00	
518	North Mankato	80	\$160.00	
84	Northfield	29	\$58.00	
343	Norwood	24	\$48.00	
184	Pine Island	88	\$176.00	
447	Prior Lake Disbandin	8	\$16.00	
54	Red Wing	169	\$338.00	
65	Rosemount	65	\$130.00	
643	Savage	53	\$106.00	
2	Shakopee	73	\$146.00	
141	Silver Lake	60	\$120.00	
98	St Paul Park	127	\$254.00	
37	St Peter	71	\$142.00	
125	Stewart	33	\$66.00	
150	Waconia	87	\$174.00	
407	Winsted	40	\$80.00	
314	Winthrop	19	\$38.00	
	·	3268	\$6,536.00	\$0.0

Welcome to the new year.

Please read the following information and make sure it is passed on to the unit Treasurer.

#### **Unit Per Capita**

Shown to the left is the Unit Per-Capita for each unit in the 3<sup>rd</sup>
District. Per the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Standing rules each unit is required to pay the amount shown on the left for their unit by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The per-capita is based on the unit membership shown on the last Department membership bulletin sent out on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. These membership dues were paid between September 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 and July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

You may have noticed there is not a \$3.00 Jr Hosting fee. This was voted out at the 2025 3<sup>rd</sup> District
Convention in May of 2025.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> District per-capita fees are going up in 2026 to \$4.00. Hopefully all the Units increased their unit dues to \$34.00 for the 2026 membership year to cover this cost. Here is the breakdown

National \$18.00, Department \$12.00 and District \$4.00 Total is \$34.00

If the unit wishes to collect dues to help the unit, let's say \$2.00 the amount collected would need to be raised to \$36.00.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Teri Richardson 651-429-3885

Dist3AuxiliaryFinance@outlook.co

#### Treasurer Teri Richardson

Information on Audit

August 8, 2025

Hello Everyone,

Here is the information I have for you regarding the Audit for the 2024-2025 year.

Thank you to Lynn Duffy, Cavalene Regan and Kelly Kause for serving on the Audit Committee.

#### **General Fund Budgeted money**

If you look at the top left of the Budget page, you will see **Income**. This is the amount that was to be collected as Per-Capita according to the Unit Membership posted in the last membership bulletin put out by Department as of July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. All the per-capita was collected except for Lester Prairie which turned in their charter

If you look at the information under **Expense**, these are the items we budget for and there are 3 columns, **Budget**, **Actual and Variance**.

Under the Budget Column is the money that was budgeted, the Actual column is what was spent, and the Variance column is how much we were over or under on the budgeted money.

The budgeted money is covered in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Standing Rules under **ARTICLE II Finances Section 6 A thru E** 

The 3<sup>rd</sup> District Convention is covered under **ARTICLE II Finances Section 6 H 1-11 and several other** places.

Every item shown on the budget is covered in the Standing Rules. That is why we have Standing Rules.

If it is not covered in the Standing Rules, it is non-budgeted money and is voted on by the Exec Board. In some cases, it is voted on at the Convention by the members.

#### **Protected Fund Donated money.**

The pages following the Budget are the Protected Funds. This is the money that is donated by the units, members, Legion, SAL and personal donations for projects, printing of the plaques, Past Presidents fund, St Peter Treatment center Veterans parties etc. This money can only be spent on what the donation was made for. It shows the amount that was taken in and the amount that was spent throughout the year.

If you have any question about the Audit, Please let me know.

Teri Richardson 3<sup>rd</sup> District Treasurer 651-429-3885

Budget 24-25 Report 4	Rev	ised		6/30/2025		
Third District						
American Legion Auxiliary						
2024-2025 Budget						
Audited report						
3340 members as of 7/31/24 per capita \$2			) ac	dded to Ge	nera	al Fund
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Income:		4-25		)24-2025		riance
Per capita for 2024-2025 Year 6-11-2025	\$	6,680.00	\$	6,654.00	\$	26.00
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TOTAL INCOME: as of 6-30-2025	\$	6,654.00		6,654.00	\$	26.00
Expense:	_	dget		tual	Va	ır
Presidents Expense See report 9	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	838.30
District Convention Report 6  Exec Committee Report 5	\$ \$	2,995.00 1,050.00	\$ \$	2,156.70 996.98	\$ \$	53.02
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Membership Award	\$	225.00	\$	200.00	φ \$	25.00
Membeship Team Leaders	\$	75.00	\$	75.00	\$	_
Membership Supplies	\$	200.00	\$	49.77	\$	150.23
Treasurer's Expense chk 759 G Cert Diane	\$	150.00	\$	75.00	\$	75.00
Sgt-at-Arms Expense chk 750	\$	200.00	\$	200.00	\$	_
Secretary's Expense chk 772	\$	300.00	\$	300.00	\$	-
Secretary's Supplies 772	\$	425.00	\$	197.79	\$	227.21
Past Presidents pin	\$	110.00	\$	121.83	\$	(11.83)
Past Secretary's Pin	\$	-			\$	-
Past Treasurer's Pin	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Audit Committee Meeting	\$	30.00	\$	30.00	\$	-
Standing Rules Comm. Mtg.	\$	30.00	\$	20.00	\$	10.00
2 Delegates to Natl Conv 2024	\$	1,422.00	\$	1,422.00	\$	-
Memory Book 2023-2024 Deanna's	\$	90.00	\$	-	\$	90.00
Kim's Memory book 1-13	Φ.	400.00	\$	90.00	\$	(90.00)
Check Reorder Deposit Slips Gen F	\$	120.00	\$	-	\$	120.00
ALAMIS	Φ.	F00 00	\$	10.00	\$	(10.00) 500.00
Family Cathering  3rd Dist. Jr. Fun and Learning Day 732	\$ \$	500.00 200.00	\$ \$	100.00	\$ \$	100.00
Department Jr. Conf - Dist Jr Act Chair 766	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	φ \$	100.00
3rd Dist Hon Jr Pres stipend 764	\$	200.00	\$	100.00	\$	100.00
Dist. Jr. Conf./ Jr Conf. Prize Money**	\$	200.00	\$	-	\$	200.00
Department Hon Jr. Pres Lunch/Gift*	\$	40.00	\$	-	\$	40.00
Replacement Pins 9-16 dup Treas Pin	_	.3.00	\$	49.98	\$	(49.98)
Nothing in the Standing Rules			,		•	( /
Past Hon Jr Pres pin or charm	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Not budgeted Prot Check acct chks 9-16			\$	42.11	\$	(42.11)
Not budgeted Prot acct Dep Sips 6-18			\$	89.10	\$	(89.10)
Not Budgeted Website			\$	500.00	\$	(500.00)
Not Budgeted Badges 1-21			\$	69.55	\$	(69.55)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND Expense	\$	10,312.00	\$	8,645.81	\$	1,666.19

1 \$1084.29 (Left 23-24)	\$ 1,084.29	\$ 1,084.29	
2 Moved from Savings acct 9-30-2024		\$ 1,584.00	
3 Per Capita as 6-30-2025		\$ 6,654.00	
4 Total from 1-3		\$ 9,322.29	
5 Minus Total GF Expense		\$ 8,645.81	
6 Total from 4 minus 5 should equal curre	ent Bank Stateme	\$ 676.48	
Current Bank Statement 6-30-2025		\$ 676.48	
Difference from Bank Statement		\$ (0.00)	
CD 575 6-2-2025 Gen Fund 3496.00		\$ 3,655.72	159.72 intere
CD 586 6-2-2025 Emer Fund 11,762.00		\$12,299.36	537.36 intere
Savings 6-23-2025 8002.63 - 1584.00 =		\$ 6,419.57	0.94 interest
Total of Gen Fund assests 6-30-2024		\$23,051.13	
Total of Prot fund Assets 6-30-2025		\$ 4,330.38	
Total combined 3rd District Assests		\$27,381.51	

#### **TREASURER**

Donation	s as of 8-17-2025	Pres	3rd Dist	St Peter
		Project	Honorary	Spring Fling
Unit#	Unit Name	Hastings/St Peters	Jr Pres Proj	Christmas Pty
586	Lonsdale	\$600.00		
	Cash Donations	\$5.00		
	Total	\$605.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Above is the list of Units that have donated to the President Ann's Project. Shown in this newsletter is a form to make donations to the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Presidents project at Hastings and St Peter, to the Honorary Jr Presidents project at Hastings and to the Spring Fling and Christmas Party for the Veterans at St Peter Treatment facility,

Please use the 3<sup>rd</sup> District American Legion Auxiliary 2025-2026 per capita and 2025-2026 Donation form when sending in the Unit Per Capita and any donations.

If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call at 651-429-3885 or email <u>dist3auxiliaryfinance@outlook.com</u>

Here's to a great year. Thank you for all you do for our Veterans, Communities and our members.

Teri Richardson 3<sup>rd</sup> District Treasurer.



### **3rd District**

## **American Legion Auxiliary**

2025-26	Per Capita Form	and 2025-26 Donation Fo	rm
Unit #:	Location:		
Submitted By:		Date:	
Phone #:	Email Address:		
3rd District Per-Capita (see the 3rd	District Newsletter for	amount due from unit by Dec 1st 20	025)
Per-Capita	Check #:	Amount Due	
Please submit a separate check for the un	it per-capita		,
1. Make checks payable to the American I	Legion Auxiliary	Please write per-capita on the mem	io line
2. Mail the check and per-capita form to Te	ri Richardson at the addre	ess shown below:	
3rd District	Auxiliary Programs		Amount
3rd District 3rd District Presidents Project Hastin			Amount -
	gs Landscaping Fund a		
3rd District Presidents Project Hastin	gs Landscaping Fund a oject Hastings	nd St Peters Disk Course Fund	\$ -
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Any donations made with Gambling Funds must be made out to and sent Directly to Hasting or St Peter

Please put 3rd District Pres Project in the memo line if sending Directly to Hastings or St Peter

Please let the 3rd District Treasure know if you have made a gambling donation for the Presidents Project

Teri Richardson

Hastings Veterans Home

St Peter Treatment Center

3rd District \ Treasurer

ATTN:

ATTN:

200 Hallam Ave S Mahtomedi MN 55115 1200 18th St E

100 Freeman Dr St Peter MN 56082

Hasting Mn 55033

#### Junior's

I'm Back! Hope everyone enjoyed their summer. It sure seems to fly by. It's back to school time already.

As the District Junior Chair this year I want to start the year off with a fun day. So, on October 17<sup>th</sup> we will have a fun filled day of events. This will include the following:

Get to know each other game.
Trivia game
Lunch
Tour of Aliveo Military Museum in Red Wing

I hope you reach out to your Juniors and encourage them to join us. I know the newly appointed Honorary Junior District President Mae Wright would love to meet you all. I am attaching the necessary paperwork to sign-up for the event. The paperwork must be completed and returned to me no later than October 10<sup>th</sup> to allow time to confirm a head count for the tour. I encourage you to invite your young SAL members as well. They may enjoy the day.

I hope to get enough other Units Juniors active so we can have our own District Junior Conference this year. I know those juniors who have attended the Department Junior Conference in the past have enjoyed their experiences.

Remember to include your Juniors in your Unit's events.

Do you have any juniors between the ages of 6-12? If so, see if they are interested in being Miss Poppy for your Unit. Details of the requirements can be found on the National Auxiliary website: Legion-Aux.org.

Finally, remembers to take photos of any activity your junior(s) are involved in at your home Unit or elsewhere.

Thank you for your interest. See you soon! Lynn Duffy 3<sup>rd</sup> District Junior Chairman



# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY THIRD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA

#### MEDIA RELEASE CONSENT FORM

- 1. I, the undersigned, hereby authorize American Legion Auxiliary, Third District of Minnesota to take photographs of me, take motion pictures of me, take video footage of me and/or make electronic sound records of me (herein referred to as photographic or electronic reproductions) as well as use my name and likeness.
- 2. I authorize the use of any such photographs or electronic reproductions and my name and likeness for any purpose, including, but not limited to educational and other public media as may be deemed appropriate by the Third District American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Minnesota. I understand that I may be identifiable for such photographic or electronic reproductions for non-profit purposes.

I understand that I will not be compensated financially for such uses.

Signature of Applicant's Parent/Guardian

3.

Print Name

Title

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Email Address

PARENTAL CONSENT FOR THE YEAR 2025-2026

I certify that I am the parent and/or guardian of the individual above, a minor under the age of eighteen years. I hereby agree to assume legal responsibility for his/her authorization referred to in the General Media Release.

Date

#### REGISTRATION FOR THIRD DISTRICT JUNIOR FUN DAY

Unit Number Unit Name
Number Name(s) of Junior or SAL attending:
Number Name(s) Adults:
Please describe any dietary restrictions below:
Return this form along with the Media Release to <b>Lynn Duffy, 3<sup>rd</sup> District American Auxiliary Junior</b> Chairman, 1660 – 14 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, St. Paul Park, MN 55071.
REMEMBER THIS REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 10 <sup>TH</sup> .
AGENDA
10:30-10:45 Check-in.
10:45-11:00 Meet and greet activity at:
American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 98
328 Broadway Ave., St. Paul Park, MN 55071
11:00 Spin the Wheel Trivia
11:30-12:30 Lunch on your own. 328 Grill will be open.
1:30 Tour Aliveo Military Museum
321 Bush Street
Red Wing, MN 55066



### Unit 98 Rib contest

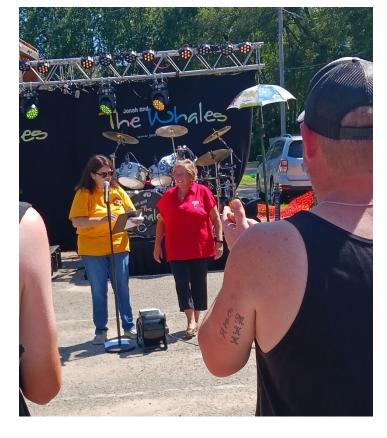
### **BATTLE OF THE RACKS**











#### **Unit Happenings**

**Shakopee Unit 2** had a busy summer! They honored three 8th grade girls for being good citizens, handed out poppies at Canterbury on Memorial Day and the 4th of July (and even snapped a surprise photo with Paul Allen), and picked up a new member—and best display—at the Taste of Shakopee.









Kim Carlander, Unit 580, Ann Bovy, 3rd Dist. President, Joanne Joachim, Unit 580, and Bar Van Eyll, Unit 57 were at the Carver County Veterans Resilience & Strength Summit on August 13 in Norwood/Young America.

Kim decorated for the event and Joanne and Barb were active in planning the event. The event had a panel representing the MN Assistance Council for Veterans, St. Paul Vet Center, Veterans Resilience Project, VA Suicide Prevention Team, and Mpls. VA Compact Act. Each panelist gave a short overview of the program. Questions were also taken from the floor and answered.





# Department of Minnesota Fall Conference

Saint Cloud Convention Center

October 24-26

See you there!

Chanhassen Unit 580 delivered dozens of shower sandals and personal care items to Hasting Veterans Home distribution

Pictured; Hasting Veterans Home Rep Darlene Wondra and Kim Carlander Unit 580 president.





President Ann at the Carver County Fair along with Waconia unit 150