



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF NORTH DAKOTA

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## October 2025 - Unit Presidents, Department Officers, and Chairs

Enclosed in this mailing are materials you may find helpful.

- **2026 Winter Conference** - is set for **January 23-25, 2026**, and will be held at the Baymont by Wyndham, Mandan, ND (formerly known as Seven Seas). Make your hotel reservations soon by calling 701-663-7401. A tentative schedule and pre-registration form are enclosed with this mailing.
- **Department President, Candace Berg** - Sends greetings and information. Please share this information with all unit members.
- **Required Contributions and Poppy Order Forms - Deadline -November 1, 2025**
  - Has your unit submitted your "Required Contributions and Poppy Orders"? Forms can be found on the department's website at [www.ndala.org](http://www.ndala.org) or send an email to [secretary@ndala.org](mailto:secretary@ndala.org), requesting a copy.
- **Americanism Essay Contest and Cover Sheet - Arliss Koski, Department Americanism Chair** encourages all units to sponsor the Americanism Essay Contest in your local schools and home-schooled students as well. The theme for the 2026 Essay Contest is *"Celebrating America's 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday and the Veterans Who Fought for Our Freedom?"*
- **Community Service Program - Shelley Schuster, Department Community Service Chair**, encourages all unit members to support and be involved in your communities. Be sure to log your volunteer hours and report them in the Spring 2026.
- **Junior Activities Program - Jane Schoonover, Department Junior Activities Chair**, encourages units to get their Junior Members involved in learning about the auxiliary and assisting Senior members with projects.
- **2026 Membership Goals**

Please review the documents and forms. These will be posted on the website for future references.

Thank you for your continued leadership and support of the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary, supporting our veterans and their families. This year will be a tremendous success for the Department of North Dakota.