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Department of South Dakota

September 2026

Please share with your unit and members

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

2026-2027 Program Guide

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Theme: FOCUS-Family Organization for Community Unity and Service
Colors: Blue and Green
Flowers: blue hydrangea, poppies
Songs: Old Rugged Flag by Johnny Cash, Black Sheep by Ben Fuller, Amazing Grace by Ani DeFranco

2026-2027 Department Officers

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Calendar of Events:

September-Junior Activities, Publicity & Music, 9/11 National Day of Service & Patriot Day, send Gift Shop items by October 1st, reports from Girls State, plan unit programs for the year, National POW/MIA Day 9/18, attend District meeting, Gold Star Mothers/Family Day 9/27, mandatory obligations

October-Membership, poppy orders to HQ, Make a Difference Day 10/24, mandatory obligations

November-VA&R, observe ALA birthday 11/10, Veteran's Day 11/11, poppy orders to HQ, mandatory obligations

December-Education & Legislative, Christmas program at unit meeting, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 12/7

January-Americanism, sponsor Legislative programs, Martin Luther King Day 1/18, Plan poppy contest/ Miss Poppy

February-Girls State, Girls State & Journalism applications due March 1st, Mid-Winter Oacoma 2/19-2/21/2027, Americanism Poem & Essay, Pay Past President Parley dues, District Meetings March/April

March-Community Service, Legion birthday observed 3/15, Unit Member of the Year due to District Presidents

April-Children & Youth, Good Deed/Youth Hero awards, Purple Up for military kids 4/15, annual reports due District Presidents 4/15

May-Poppy & Mother's Day, election & installation of unit officers, poppy distribution, Mother's Day/Poppy Day Programs, remit 25% of poppy proceeds to Dept HQ by 6/10, elect delegates to Dept Convention and remit registration fee, Girls State 5/23-27

June-Girls State week 5/23-27@USD Vermillion, Dept Convention, Sioux Falls 6/18-20, Flag Day Program 6/14,PTSD Awareness Month

July/August-4th of July, 30 Days prior to National Convention-held in Kansas City, MO 8/27-9/2/2027

What VA Facility does my unit support?

Ft Meade VA: All of Districts 1 and 4
Hot Springs VA: All of District 2 and 3 and District 5: Big Stone City, Britton, Grenville, Langford, Milbank, New Effington, Pierpont, Revillo, Rosholt, Roslyn, Sisseton, Strandburg, Veblen, Waubay, Wilmot
Sioux Falls VA: All of District 7 and District 5: Astoria, Aurora, Bradley, Brookings, Bryant, Carpenter, Castlewood, Clark, Clear Lake, Elkton, Estelline, Gary, Raymond, Toronto, Volga, Watertown, Webster, White, Willow Lake
Hot Springs State Home: All of District 6
Human Service Center: All of District 8

FOCUS

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HUMAN SERVICE CENTER

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Fall 2026 District Meeting Schedule

Date	District	Host	Location	Notes		
Saturday, September 19, 2026	District 6	Post 138	DeSmet	10am-1pm ALA meeting at the Half Pint Bar-DeSmet--Legion to meet at the Post	Half Pint Bar – 104 3rd St SW, DeSmet, SD Across the street from the Legion Post 10 AM to 1 PM Our new SDALA President Patrice Sorensen will present her initiatives and projects, and we will hear updates from Department officers and Chairs. News from the National convention will also be shared. Coffee, Lemonade, Water, donuts and snacks provided. Our meeting will begin at 10 AM, if needed the Legion will join us later in the morning. The Half Pint Bar will bring in a cook at noon, for anyone who wants to stay and eat after our meeting. As a reminder the Department officials will need to leave for Watertown for District 5 meeting scheduled to begin at 3 PM.	as of 8.24.26
Saturday, September 19, 2026	District 5	Post 17	Watertown	3pm-ALA meeting at the Police Dept Comm Room, 128 N Maple St	Across the street from the Legion Post	
Saturday, September 26, 2026	District 2	Post 22	Rapid City	9-1130 am @ Post 22		time change as of 8.24.26
Sunday, September 27, 2026	District 1	Post 311	Piedmont	Joint meeting TAL/ALA 11am, Meeting 12pm		
Saturday, October 3, 2026	District 3	Post 8	Pierre	Meal at 1130-Post Home, ALA Meeting @1230-River City Transit--1600 E Dakota Ave, Pierre SD		time updates/locations as of 8.24.26
Saturday, October 10, 2026	District 7	Post 266	Tea	Social 1pm, Meeting 2pm		
Saturday, October 10, 2026		SiouxFalls	Alliance	Dept Commander Homecoming-Social 430-Dinner/program to follow **RSVP**		
Sunday, October 11, 2026	District 8	Post 194	Parkston	Social 1pm, Meeting 2pm		
Saturday, October 24, 2026	District 4	Post 78	Leola	social 1130am, meeting 12pm, meal 2pm		

Gift Shop and Christmas Party dates
2026-2027

Fort Meade VA

GIFT SHOP: CLC department

Set up on Sunday, November 15th

Shopping on Monday, November 16th, 9 am to???

Finish up on November 17th, 9 am to????

Please Contact

Joanann Georinger 605-920-9999 if you have any questions

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, December 14th, 1-3 pm, Auditorium

State Veterans Home:

GIFT SHOP: Auditorium

Set up on Sunday, November 15th, 1 pm to???

Shopping on Monday, November 16th, 9 am to???

Shopping and cleanup on Tuesday, November 17th, 9 am to???

Please Contact

Christmas Party:

Sunday, December 13th,

Auditorium 1-3 pm

Jane Benzel 605-745-6375

Hot Springs VA:

GIFT SHOP: Arts and Crafts Room

Shopping on Wednesday, November 18th, 5 pm to 8 pm

Shopping on Thursday, November 19th, 10 am- 3 pm and 5-7 pm

Veterans come in at 7:30 to pick out gifts for themselves.

Finish up on Friday, November 20th, 10 am to????

Please contact:

Debra McDonald

Christmas Party

Saturday, Dec 12th, 1-3 pm Auditorium

Sioux Falls VA…

Gift Shop…November 30th and December 1st in the Auditorium, 7:30 am till??????

Julie Wieman Chairman

Christmas Party Tuesday, December 15th 1-3 pm Auditorium

Roxann 605-940-6028

Human Service Center

Christmas Party:

Wednesday, December 16th 5-7 pm Susie Learing 507401-1439

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

South Dakota FOCUS Award

President Patrice is introducing a Unit Award Contest. In an effort to promote Family, Organization, and Community Unity and Service, Units and Members are encouraged to participate for a chance to win 1 of 2 $100 prize for your Unit.

Details

Meeting Attendance
Confirmed Delegate attendance at your
*District Meetings (Fall & Spring)
*Mid-Winter Conference
*Department Convention.
It does not need to be the same people

Reporting
*Reporting of at least three (3) active Program to Department Chairs
*Unit End of Year Report to District President
*Impact Numbers and Reporting to District President

Department Information
*Mandatory Obligations (including Department Delegate fee) paid to Department Headquarters by April 15
*Proof of 990 or equivalant tax filing
*Updated Unit Constitution/Bylaws or statement of reviewed

Membership
90% Unit Membership paid online or submitted to Department Headquarters and processed by April 15th

ALA Academy
Submit 10 class certificates from the ALA Academy from the current fiscal year (July-June). Classes can be one member takes 10 classes, 10 members all take the same class, or a combination of the two

To Do List

Meeting Attendance
- District Fall Meeting
- Mid-Winter Conference
- District Spring Meeting
- Department Convention

Reporting
- Submit Reports for each Program
- Submit End of Year Report to District President
- Submit Impact Numbers

Department Information
- Manditory Obligtions Paid
- Proof of 990 Filing
- Unit Governing Documents Updated/Reviewed

Membership
- 90% Membership Paid by April 15th

ALA Academy
- 10 ALA Academy Classes Completed

Contact Us

(612) 237-8166
sdfocusaward@gmail.com

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American Legion Auxiliary

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See video on website (Coming soon) on how to do it

southdakotaala@gmail.com

(605) 461-3387



USPS mail or E-mail?

We are working to improve efficiency and deliver information to our members more quickly. We are aware of ongoing mail delays and rising costs and we are asking whether you would prefer to receive South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary Department communications by USPS or by email.

Please complete the following and return it to Department Headquarters via email at southdakotaala@gmail.com or mail it to: SD ALA Dept HQ, PO Box 983 Mitchell, SD 57301

YES! Please e-mail all Department communications to:

Who should we email it to: _____
ALA Role: _____
Email address: PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY! _____
Phone # if questions: _____

No thanks, please continue to mail our communications to our Unit President:

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City, State, zip code: _____
Phone # if we have questions: _____

Unit Name/Number: _____

Thank you!
Amy Howard
Department Secretary

ALA MIS Access Request

☐ Add New User (not replacing anyone)

☐ Replace Current User (if you are replacing with a higher level of access you will be billed the full amount of the new level of access-no exceptions

☐ Change Current User Access Level (if you are replacing with a higher level of access you will be billed the full amount of the new level of access-no exceptions)

☐ Deactive Current User Only (not replacing)

Unit Location: _____

Unit Number: _____ District Number: _____

Member Requesting Access _____

Member ID Number _____

Member Email _____

Access Level Requested (Choose Only One)

☐ Unit View (View Only—make no changes, pull reports)	$10.00
☐ Unit Write (Update records & enter New Member Applications)	$15.00
☐ Unit Full Access (Pay dues & makes changes)	$20.00

Make checks payable to American Legion Auxiliary of South Dakota

Mail To: American Legion Auxiliary of South Dakota
PO Box 983
Mitchell, SD 57301

Questions: (605) 461-3389
southdakotaala@gmail.com

American Legion Auxiliary of South Dakota
Poppy Order
Date:_____

Location:_____Unit: _____ District#_____

State _____ Out of State Orders, please add $20.00 to help cover postage

	Quantity	Cost
Small Poppy	1,000	$350.00
Small Poppy	100	$35.00
Large Poppy	1	$2.00

Size	Order Quantity	Cost Per Poppy	Extended Cost
Small Poppy		$0.35	
Large Poppy		$2.00	
Total			

Payment Enclosed: $: _____ Check #_____

Please mail completed form and payment when ordering. The veterans are paid as they complete the poppies. Send forms and payments to: American Legion Auxiliary of South Dakota, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301

SHIP POPPIES TO:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

_____ _____

Signature of Unit Secretary Date

Thank you for supporting our Poppy Program!

American Legion Auxiliary Department of South Dakota

Deceased Member Notice

Please mail to: South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301

Department Headquarters will forward information to the Legionette Chair/Editor

Town & Unit #: _____ District #: _____

Name: _____ ID#: _____

Date of Death: _____ Additional Notes: _____

Town & Unit #: _____ District #: _____

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Date of Death: _____ Additional Notes: _____

Submitted By: _____ Date: _____

SD ALA Legionette ***EMAIL*** Subscription Form

Unit #	First Name	Last Name	Email Address	Cell Phone	New or Renewal	$4/Year

Send this list with payment to American Legion Auxiliary of South Dakota, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301. To report an error on names or addresses, change of addresses, and/or deceased members, e-mail Department Secretary at

southdakotaala@gmail.com. Send your news and pictures to Katie Stier, editor of the Legionette at katielynnstier@gmail.com or mail to PO Box 244, Onida, SD 57564

SD ALA Legionette ***MAIL*** Subscription Form

Unit #	First Name	Last Name	Street Address	Town	State	Zip	New or Renewal	$7/year

Send this list with payment to American Legion Auxiliary of South Dakota, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301.

To report an error on names or addresses, change of addresses, and/or deceased members, e-mail Department Secretary at southdakotaala@gmail.com.

American Legion Auxiliary Department of South Dakota

Member Data Update Form

Please mail to: South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301

Town & Unit #: _____ District #: _____

Name: _____ ID#: _____

Date of Request: _____

Type of Change:

☐ Address Change ☐ Name Change ☐ Additional Information

Address Change:

Former: _____

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New: _____

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Name Change:

Former: _____

New: _____

Additional Information (i.e. continuous years, date of birth, phone number, email:

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Submitted By: _____ Date: _____

American Legion Auxiliary Department of South Dakota
Membership Transmittal Form

Please mail to: South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301

20 ____ - 20 ____ Membership Year

Date: _____

Town: _____ Unit #: _____ District #: _____

Member Reporting: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Transmittal Sheet Summary

_____ Seniors X $30.00 = _____ _____ Juniors X $5.00 = _____

$12 Nation & $18 Department $2.50 Nation & $2.50 Department

_____ PUFL X $0.00 = _____ Back Dues X $30 or $5 = _____

Do **NOT** list PUFLs on detailed roster below $30 for Senior or $5 for Junior

Total any (+) Underpayments or (-) Credits _____

Check Number: _____ Total Dues Remitted: _____

YTD Membership Total: _____

Members for Transmittal

List only members you are paying for on this transmittal. Indicate the year in the last column if paying back dues.

Use a Member Update Form to report Name, Address, Phone, or E-Mail changes.

Use the Deceased Member Form to report deaths.

	ID Number	Last Name	First Name	MI	Sr	Jr	Back Dues Year(s)
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American Legion Auxiliary Department of South Dakota

Member Transfer Form

Please mail to: South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301

New Town & Unit #: _____ District #: _____

Name: _____ ID#: _____

Date of Request: _____

Previous Town & Unit #: _____ State: _____

Member Signature: _____

New Unit Officer Signature _____

American Legion Auxiliary Department of South Dakota
Obligations Form

Please mail to: South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 983, Mitchell, SD 57301

Town: _____ Unit #: _____ District #: _____

Date: _____ Check Number: _____

Mandatory Obligations

National Convention Assessment * $ _____

Quarters ($0.25 per member) $ _____

Bond ($6.00 flat fee) $ _____

Dept Convention Delegate Fee ** $ _____

Non-Mandatory Obligations

Convention Proceedings Book ($15.00) $ _____

Auxiliary Programs

Rehabilitation (VA&R)

Facility Name _____

Veterans Care (Donations & Showers) $ _____

Christmas Party $ _____

Christmas Gift Shop $ _____

Creative Arts $ _____

Children and Youth

Donations $ _____

Scholarships $ _____

Child Welfare Foundation $ _____

Programs

Auxiliary Emergency Fund $ _____

Juniors $ _____

Past Presidents Parley $ _____

National President's Project $ _____

Spirit of Youth Scholarship $ _____

Department Presidents Project $ _____

Others we Support

Legion Band $ _____

Total Obligations **$** _____

* National Convention Assessment	
1-15 Members	$7.00
16-25 Members	$8.00
26-35 Members	$9.00
36-50 Members	$10.00
51-75 Members	$11.00
76-125 Members	$13.00
126-200 Members	$15.00
201+ Members	$18.00

** Department Convention

# of Members	Total # of Delegates	Total Fee
Unit Minimum	1	$5.00
2-30 Members	2	$10.00
31-60 Members	3	$15.00
61-90 Members	4	$20.00
91-120 Members	5	$25.00
121-150 Members	6	$30.00
151-180 Members	7	$35.00
181-210 Members	8	$40.00
211-240 Members	9	$45.00
241-270 Members	10	$50.00
271-300 Members	11	$55.00
301-330 Members	12	$60.00

Member Reporting: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

2027 MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Member Award: Recruit/Rejoin 10

- **Award:** Special gift selected by the National Membership Chairman
- **Presented to:** Members who recruit and/or rejoin 10 Senior and/or Junior members. Rejoined members must not have renewed since 2023 or earlier.
- **Deadline:** Members must be entered and paid in ALAMIS member database by June 1, 2027.
    - FORMS must be received at National HQ by June 7, 2027.
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - Form can be printed from the ALA national Membership Committee page of the national website (www.ALAforVeterans.org). You must be logged in to the *My Auxiliary* area to access the page.
    - One entry per recruiter.

Unit Award: 100% Unit Award

- **Award:** A special gift from the National President
- **Presented to:** Units that reach 100% of their 2027 membership goal by January 31, 2027.
- **Deadline:** January 31, 2027
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - This award will be based on units that reach 100% of their reported goals by January 31, 2027 as verified by ALAMIS.

  Note: **Departments must submit unit goals to National Headquarters by September 1, 2026, to be eligible for the 100% Unit Award. These must be sent in a specific format which will be provided by NHQ. Gifts for winning units will be mailed to each department for distribution.**

Unit Award: New Unit Award

- **Award:** A special gift selected by the National President
- **Presented to:** New units chartered between September 1, 2026 and July 31, 2027.
- **Deadline:** July 31, 2027.
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - This award is automatically presented upon receipt and processing of new unit charter applications at National Headquarters.

Department Membership Goals: Department membership goals are based on each department's 2025 membership as of 30 days prior to the 2025 National Convention plus a 1% increase.

Seating at National Convention: Seating at National Convention will be based on each department's percentage of their 2027 membership goal, from highest percentage to lowest.

Department Award: 50% Award

- **Award:** $50 to be used to advance the ALA mission
- **Presented to:** Departments reaching 50% of their 2027 department membership goal.
- **Deadline:** Veterans Day, November 11, 2026.
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - Award will be based on membership entered in the ALAMIS member database by November 11, 2026.

Department Award: Highest Percentage of New Members per capita

- **Award:** Citation Plaque
- **Presented to:** The department with the highest percentage of new 2027 members per capita. Citation Plaque will be presented to the winning department at their mid-winter meeting by the national membership chairman.
- **Deadline:** January 1, 2027

Department Award: 85% Award

- **Award:** $85 to be used to advance the ALA mission
- **Presented to:** Departments reaching 85% of their 2027 department membership goal.
- **Deadline:** Merit Medallion Membership Deadline March 15, 2027.
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - Award will be based on membership entered in the ALAMIS member database by March 15, 2027.

Department Award: Highest Percentage of New Members per capita

- **Award:** Citation Plaque
- **Presented to:** The department with the highest percentage of new 2027 members per capita. Citation Plaque will be presented to the winning department at their department convention.
- **Deadline:** May 1, 2027

Department Award: 95% Award

- **Award:** $95 to be used to advance the ALA mission
- **Presented to:** Departments reaching 95% of their 2027 department membership goal.
- **Deadline:** National Poppy Day® May 28, 2027.
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - Award will be based on membership entered in the ALAMIS member database by May 28, 2027.

Department Award: 100% Award

- **Award:** $250 to be used to advance the ALA mission
- **Presented to:** Any department that has reached 100% of their 2027 department goal.
- **Deadline:** Independence Day, July 4, 2027.
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - Award will be based on membership entered in the ALAMIS member database by July 4, 2027.

Department Award: 95% Retention Award

- **Award:** Citation Plaque
- **Presented to:** Any department that reaches 95% retention rate (includes renewals and rejoins)
- **Deadline:** 30 Days prior to National Convention, July 31, 2027
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - Award will be based on membership entered in the ALA MIS member database by July 31, 2027

Department Award: 102% Award

- **Award:** $500 to be used to advance the ALA mission
- **Presented to:** Any department that has reached 102% of their 2027 department goal.
- **Deadline:** National Lighthouse Day, August 7, 2027.
- **Materials and guidelines:**
    - Award will be based on membership entered in the ALAMIS member database by August 7, 2027

American Legion Auxiliary
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name (First) (M.I.) (Last)

Address

City State ZIP

Home Phone Cell Phone Email Address

/ / ☐ Birth to 17 ☐ 18 and over

Date of Birth *(Required)* Unit # Location

Have you been a member previously? ☐ Yes ☐ No (If yes, fill in below.)

Previous Unit City/State ALA ID # (if known)

/ /

Signature of Applicant *(or legal guardian if under 18)* Date

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Eligible Through—Name of Veteran *(Female Veterans: List Your Own Name)*

If Living:

American Legion Member ID # *(Required)* Post # City State

☐ Deceased—If veteran is deceased, contact ALA unit about the necessary military records.
For Veteran's DD214 Discharge Papers: www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records

Veteran Served:

☐ WWI (4/6/1917-11/11/1918)

Anytime After 12/7/1941 (check all that apply):

☐ Global War on Terror ☐ Panama ☐ Vietnam ☐ WWII
☐ Gulf War ☐ Lebanon/Grenada ☐ Korea ☐ Other Conflicts

Applicant's Relationship to the Veteran:

☐ Spouse ☐ Parent ☐ Sibling ☐ Grandparent ☐ Grandchild
☐ Child ☐ Self (Veteran or Current Servicemember)

To be Completed by an Officer of The American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary

I certify that the above named individual served at least one day of active duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or is still serving honorably.

Officer Membership Verification / / Date

HELP US GET YOU CONNECTED!

I am interested in learning more about:

☐ Volunteering for Veterans, Military, and Their Families
☐ Youth Activities, Including ALA Girls State, Junior Member Programs, and Scholarships
☐ Member Discounts and Services
☐ Other

Please contact the following individual about volunteering or joining the American Legion Auxiliary:

Name Phone Email

Name Phone Email

Name Phone Email

Recruiter's Name Unit/Post # City State

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Submit this application to the ALA unit you wish to join. If unit is unknown, contact National Headquarters at (317) 569-4500 for assistance.
Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. ***Membership pending approval of application.***