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Good Afternoon Legion Family,

A huge thank you to all of you that took time out of your weekend to attend the 9th District Fall Conference in Wabeno on 3 Oct 2026. What did you like about the conference? If there is a training that you would like to see, let me know I will explore all ideas. I enjoyed seeing laughter throughout the room and the Legion Family interacting with each



other!

9th District You Are All Turtley Awesome!!!

Brief rundown of the training for those not in attendance.

1. Jeff Zwiers (Past 9th District Commander), current Dept Membership Chair discussed how we should focus on renewals until the end of 2026 and then work on the 2930 list. Jeff would also like the District to hold 2 membership/buddy checks (one in Fall of 2026 and one in Spring 2026), be on the lookout for more information once the District Commander finds a Post to host.
2. John Wolfe gave an excellent informative lesson on WALLECA (WI American Legion Law Enforcement Career Academy). WALLECA is setup for Sophomore, Junior, or Senior High Schools Students. For more information check out programs on wilegion.org. Thank you John!
3. We had a Post 44 member (John VandenLangenberg) talked to the membership about first responding and what the symptoms are for a stroke. Thank you John!
4. Lee Ward spoke on behalf of Russ Hanseter, who was unable to attend the conference regarding Camp American Legion. Thank you Lee for presenting and Russ for putting the information together.
5. Debbie Thomas spoke about the Dept 250 Club, Dept Raffle Tickets, membership, and WI American Legion College. The Legion Magazine is changing size (more pages, same content, same font size), this is to save money with printing and mailing (it can be mailed for the catalog price versus magazine). Your Post Constitution and By-Laws should be

reviewed at least every 5 years. Do you have a copy or know where there is a copy of your Post Constitution & By-Laws? Thank you Debbie for talking to the membership!

6. Bob Seide from the District SAL talked about Legacy. Who do you put the "hat" on for? District 9 has 430 SAL members. Any Post who is interested in starting a Sons of the American Legion Squadron, can reach out to me and I will give you the contact information. Thank you Bob for the great information on the SAL!

7. Since we no longer have a District Historian, a new Facebook account has been created as another source to keep all of our members informed. Please like, follow, and share, you can use the link below to find the account.

[Ninth District Facebook](#)

Attachments: District Calendar of Important Dates, Dept 250 Club, Abbreviation List, District Bowling Tournament Flyer and Registration Form

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you for all that you do for God & Country,

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