



**Department of Minnesota**  
**November 2025 Unit Mailing**  
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## **History Tidbit**

### **Celebrating the ALA's Birthday**

The American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) observes its birthday on November 10, commemorating its founding in 1919. This day is especially significant as it marks the establishment of a patriotic service organization devoted to supporting veterans, military service members, and their families. In 2025, the ALA will celebrate its 106th anniversary, reflecting over a century of dedicated service and community involvement.

### **Unit and District Celebrations**

Units are encouraged to organize special activities to honor this milestone. Members can document these events in their unit histories, ensuring that their contributions and celebrations are remembered for years to come. Districts might also consider hosting birthday parties that bring together all units in the area, with the added opportunity to invite a special guest speaker to share in the festivities.

### **Connecting and Having Fun**

Above all, these celebrations provide an opportunity for members to come together, enjoy each other's company, and have fun. The spirit of camaraderie and connection is at the heart of the ALA's mission, making each birthday celebration a meaningful and enjoyable occasion.

**Happy Birthday to us, Happy Birthday to us, Happy Birthday American legion Auxiliary, Happy Birthday to us!**

### **Writing tips**

The historian can request each chairperson to provide a summary of their program for the current year or compile these summaries herself. When writing a paragraph for each chairmanship, begin with essential information, including who, what, where, when, and why, and consider starting with an engaging opening sentence to encourage further reading. Good luck and it's never too early to start.



**ALA Trivia/ Historical photo**

What year was this taken? (Clue is in the picture.)



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