



# COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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### Commander's Message:

We are starting with a lot of activities going on. I would like to thank the people who chair these events to make them a success! This meeting we will discuss what kind of roof steel or shingles we should put on the legion. Come and give us your suggestions. We need time to get estimates for the spring. We want to display our active duty service members on the wall at the legion. We would like to have a picture and address. The color guard did a great job at the Snowflake Ski Jump. I would like to thank the crew that replaced the floor and placed the glass board on the walls and ceiling in the bar cooler. We appreciate the time and effort people put in the activities we do. We sent flowers to the local churches in observance of 4 Chaplain Sunday. Thanks for all that helped at the Superbowl breakfast.

Mike Miller  
Commander Post 116

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| February 15th | Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00pm  |
| February 18th | Regular Post Meeting - 7:30pm   |
|               | Lunch Committee: Ron Miller & Mike Miller                                   |
| February 20th | State Oratorical Contest – Ripon College                                    |
| February 27th | CVABA Chicken-Q @ Legion Hall   |
| March 1st     | Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30pm   |
| March 18th    | Informal Post Meeting - 7:00pm  |
|               | Vernon County Meeting - 8:00pm, Guest: State Commander Endres               |
|               | Lunch Committee: Auxiliary  |
| March 28th    | Palm Sunday Breakfast   |
| April 18th    | Westby American Legion Baseball Team Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by Post 116 |
| April 19th    | Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00pm  |
| April 21      | Regular Post Meeting - 7:30pm   |
|               | Lunch Committee: Roger Starkey and Chuck Lind                               |
| April 26th    | Vernon County Meeting - Ontario   |
| May 26th      | Vernon County Meeting - Chaseburg   |

# February Newsletter

2009-2010  
Last Bugle

Julian Rundhaugen  
Archie Brye \*  
Peter McCormick  
Ernest Nelson



## BUCKET DRAWING

Austin Holen  
Not Present

February  
Drawing will be:  
\$80.00

50/50 -  
DRAWING  
Herb Cornell

\* The Legions portion of the drawing is put towards the building fund



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### Membership Totals to Date

2010 Paid Membership - 214  
2010 Membership Goal - 222

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### From the Adjutant's Desk:

- We continue to make progress on raising money to go towards our Building Fund. We will be taking estimates and will be deciding on proceeding with either a shingle style roof or a metal roof very soon. We would really like to be able to do this project this summer.
- Veteran's Display Wall: We are looking for information on the following members on active duty: Jim Beck, Rolv Ihle, Travis Engh, Barry Grimsled, Austin Holen, Sam Knutson, Mark LeJuene, Tony Manske, Kyle Muller, Matt Semke, Betsy Stafslie, Eric Stafslie, Richard Switzer, and Ed Glass. Let us know basic information, rank, where stationed, length of time at station, etc.
- Oratorical Contest – Jenna Menn won the Vernon County Oratorical Contest in Chaseburg. At the District Contest held in Tomah a contestant from Bangor won.
- Thanks to Ron Moilien from Citizen's State Bank for presenting the body with some building financing options at our January meeting.



### Message from S.A.L. Commander Brad Role:

Hope this note finds everyone well. I'd like to remind all of our SAL members to get their 2010 dues paid up as soon as possible. I'd like to thank the SAL members who marched with the Legion in the Chaseburg Snowtrail Days Parade last month. Lastly, the date has been set for the 2010 Brewers Bus Trip to Miller Park – the date is August 8 with the Brewers taking on the Houston Astros. Tickets will be available soon. Think spring!



### Message from Auxiliary President Annette:

Our next meeting will be on Monday night February 15 at 7:00pm.

Work on getting in our memberships.

Weather permitting our 7th District President Kelly Mades will be down at our meeting. Let's have a good turnout.

### **Westby Snowflake Ski Jump**

The Coon Valley American Legion did a wonderful job of presenting Colors at opening ceremonies of the Snowflake Ski Jump. Thanks to everyone who helped and showed great pride in our community. Once again, please remember to thank Don Weber, for donating the cost of admittance for Veterans and their spouse once again this year. Thanks Don Weber!

### **Super Bowl Sunday Pancake Breakfast**

Thanks to everyone who worked at our Super Bowl Sunday Breakfast. It was a success once again this year and it can only be this way with the help of all of our members. I thank all of you who worked extra hours to make this a success!

### **Oak Tables For Sale**

We do have interested parties in purchasing the oak tables at a cost of \$100 per table. Please let Adjutant Charlie know if you are interested by February 15. We will inform the successful bidders at our February meeting or if they are not present we will call them by phone within days of the meeting.

### **Order Merchandise (Hats, Jackets, Shirts, Caps, etc.)**

Jackets: I have inquired about getting matching jackets from the same Company we have ordered from in previous years. Minimum quantity we can order is 6, but the cost per jacket for our members would be \$66.75 + average shipping cost. If we order 12 to 24 they will cost \$54.75 + average shipping cost. There is an increased cost for sizes larger than XXL. This could have the Legion investing a lot of money so please let us know if you are interested.

Baseball style hats: We will make an order for several high quality baseball style hats that we can have on hand to sell to interested individuals. If you have a preference please bring your ideas to the February meeting.

Legion Caps: We probably will not be ordering any Legion Caps to have on hand at the Post, so we will leave it up to our members to measure their size and order on their own or let us know your size and we can order it for you.

Polo Shirts: I have not heard much interest in ordering any additional polo shirts so we will not be ordering at this time.

Please contact Charles Nelson if you are interested in any of these items before we make an order.

### **Service Awards**

We will once again be nominating local individuals for service awards.

Teacher of the Year: Pete Engh and Monte Dunnum

Legislator of the Year: Lee Nerison

Firefighter of the Year: Jason Hellwig

EMT of the Year: Karl Henrickson

Law Enforcement Officer of the Year: Sergeant Nathan Campbell

Public Relations Award: Westby Times

### **Website**

Don Salter has done an excellent job on our website and is always taking some very great pictures. Thanks! If anyone has any information that Don could use please get it to him. See website on heading of page 2.



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### **Walk-in Cooler**

Thanks to everyone who worked hard and re-furbished the walk-in cooler. Also, thanks needs to go out to some local businesses that donated time and material. These will be mentioned at the February meeting. Please come and take a look at the February meeting.

### **4 Chaplain Sunday—February 7**

We observed 4 Chaplain Sunday on February 7 and subsequently sponsored flowers at the C.V. Catholic Church, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Coon Valley Lutheran Church, Esofea Church, Morman Coulee Church, and the Vang Church. Thanks to Chances Are for arranging the flowers and to everyone who delivered these to the Churches.

### **Mid-Winter—Wisconsin Dells**

Thanks to our members who were able to attend the Mid-Winter Conference in Wisconsin Dells. It sounded like attendance was good but it did involve a lot of walking. Having the conference in Wisconsin Dells next year will be re-evaluated.

### **HDTV Raffle**

Michele Kammel has the tickets printed for the HDTV raffle again this year and they are available for sale. Please see Michele at the February meeting and pick up tickets to sell. There will once again be a maximum of 500 tickets sold and our profits will be placed in the building fund. Drawing at Legion Chicken-Q.