



# COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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## Commanders Message:

Thank you again for voting me to be your commander again. I am truly honored to serve you. I have enjoyed the last year and I am looking forward to the future. There are some things that need to be discussed and voted on at the next Legion meeting including the siding project for the hall. This will be an expensive undertaking and would like to see a good presence from the membership to discuss this matter. It will likely cost north of \$20K and I want the membership to be able to discuss it. Moving forward as we are having Legion meetings we will need people to make a meal. If you would like to serve in this way please let an officer know. Aug 27th is Coon Valley Canoe Races and the legion will be serving breakfast. Another thing to keep on your calendar is the Meeting taking place on October 6th at the legion hall for Coon Valley 175th anniversary. This will be an important meeting where they will discuss events and most likely will involve the legions participation. Some important dates are coming up and volunteer opportunities.

Commander,  
Wes Guy

## Calendar:

- July 20th Regular post Meeting 7pm Meal 7:30pm Meeting
- August 1st Executive Meeting 6:30pm.
- August 1st County Meeting (Westby)
- August 6th & 7th 50th Anniversary All Star Game in Milwaukee
- August 11th Bingo at the Legion 5pm meal 6pm Bingo Start
- August 17th Regular Post Meeting/ Post Everlasting, 7pm meal and meeting at 7:30pm.
- August 26th - September 1st National Convention in Milwaukee
- August 27th Coon Valley Canoe Races, our Legion is serving breakfast, 7am-11am.
- August 29th State Baseball Tournament in Viroqua
- September 1 7th District Conference.
- October 6th Coon Valley 175th year meeting at the legion.

# July Newsletter

2022- 2023

Last Bugle:



## BUCKET DRAWING

July drawing will  
be for \$10!

50/50  
No Drawing!



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### Membership Totals to Date

2023 Paid Membership - 60  
2023 Membership Goal- 173

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## MEMBERSHIP:

Please make your check payable to C.V. Legion Post 116 in the amount of **\$40.00** and send to: Coon Valley American Legion Post 116  
PO Box 314  
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Or pay on MyLegion.org !



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

Hello everyone,

No meeting this month.

Cal Manske  
S.A.L. Commander

### Message from the Auxiliary:

I hope everyone is having an excellent summer! It is a great time to get outside and enjoy this beautiful country we live in! God Bless America!

Our Auxiliary unit doesn't meet in July, so our next meeting is August 3rd at 6pm. We will elect officers at that meeting, so please come and be involved in this very important process. We can't run this organization without you. See you in August!

Sincerely, Julie Nelson

Auxiliary President

## **Post Announcements:**

Congratulations to our new officers as follows:

Commander: Wes Guy

1st Vice: Mike Callan

2nd Vice: Richard Zube

3rd Vice: Vaccant

Chaplain: Tom Eslen

Sargent of Arms: Dan Hofslie

Historian: Frank Mathison

Service Officer: Harlan Helseth

Finance Officer: Roger Mathison

Adjutant: Charlie Nelson

Webmaster: Don Salter

If your interested in the 3rd Vice position, please contact Steve Nelson or Frank Mathison. Congratulation's to our new officers and thank you for accepting these positions!

CV Canoe Races on August 27th, the legion will be serving breakfast for this event!

As mentioned in the commanders message, Commander Wes would like a good showing at our next meeting to discuss and maybe vote on what to do with the siding on our legion building? This will be expensive and a big financial commitment for the membership and post! We will discuss the quotes submitted, the cost and what they will cover? The amount to reside our legion will be somewhere in the range between 20,000 to 30,000 dollars! Come to the meeting to let your voice be heard! If you have some expertise in this field you should come and make sure everything seems correct in the bids (cost and coverage).

We would like to thank Harlan Helseth, Gary Grethel, and Commander Wes for working on getting information and quotes to replace this siding, this has been a long tedious process for them, but we thank you very much for all your good work here!!

Mike Callan, 1st Vice Commander, would like you to know he is handling membership this year! He will submit membership that come in the mail to State Headquarters. The best way to pay your membership is thru MyLegion.org, it's quick and easy. Also, it's less paperwork for Mike to do, and lightens his load...Any questions or concerns please call him at #608-632-1538.

Let's get your membership paid now and then it's one less thing to do this year! Also, we encourage you to get a new member for our post, there are a lot of veterans out there that need us for a lot of reasons! Come to our meetings, it's good to just talk to other veterans and socialize, "Try it you might like it?", is the old saying?

*Westby/Coon Valley American Legion Baseball July Fundraising Raffle winners:*

*(Winners drawn between July 1st to the 15th), Rose Teach, Colin Sveum, Becky Lipski, Nick Butzler, Trent Strangstalien, Barry Bergum, Brad Mashak, Harlan Loman, Howard Hanson, Joe Cina, Paul Ellefson, Greg Daines, Chad Hofslie, Kevin Bluske, Karen Ekern, and Ron Paulsrud.*

*Winners are announced daily on WQRV AM 1360 or Channel 18 Viroqua old time show, between 11am-noon. Thank you Gary for doing this!*



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The players would love to see ya!**