



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commanders Message;

First off, our regular meeting August 16 is Post Everlasting, dedication to our Legion brothers departed in the last 12 months. Rod Ofte and family will provide the meal. Expect a touching program, a great meal, and a short meeting. For members we have not seen for a while this is a good time to rejoin the ranks in monthly meeting attendance.

Many things in the hopper this month! The highest priority is our search for a webmaster to replace our faithful and long term webmaster, Don Salter. He has been most patient with us in the search quest. We simply need an interested and knowledgeable person to maintain and provide upgrades on our website. If you are interested or have someone in mind, call me.

Mark your calendars! The last fully functioning WW II LST will anchor at Riverside Park in La Crosse, August 31 - Sept 4, (9-5) tours \$15, will include four decks by ladder and cover the entire ship.

All red raffle tickets for the county legion raffle have been distributed. Please turn in stubs and monies. Thanks to Charlie for mastery of raffle.

Charlie has also been gathering orders for the new legion polo shirts with "Be the One" theme, Sizes run true. If interested, catch him before he sends the order.

Elsewhere in the newsletter is the message for Post 116 Auxiliary. I have total respect for their commitment, the projects they take on and the fortitude of their members. I make a simple request on their behalf. They are seeking a few new members to share the joy and become active members in the American Legion Auxiliary. If you know someone interested and eligible contact Julie Nelson, Aux President.

Post 116 has a reputation of having some of the best meeting meals in the county. Thanks to loyal meal crews more than half of our annual meetings have commitments. That said, if you have a few cooking skills and maybe a special preparation that you'd like to share, sign up on the sheet at the bar.

Stay tuned for monthly updates on our post's involvement in Coon Valley 175th anniversary. Tentative dates of celebration are June 12-14, 2024. The committee is focusing on nostalgia, doing it like it was done 25 years ago, with plenty of baseball, classic cars and food choices,

In saving the biggest event of the month for last we are assembling work crews for the August 26 Canoe Races in Coon Valley. Pancake breakfast 7-11 (see last page for work schedule), and two shifts in the beer garden 2-5 and 5-8 for beverage ticket sellers and bartenders.

Upcoming meeting topics: discussion on hall rental fees, and a proposed fund raising plan to replace ceiling tiles.

If you are engaged in summer projects get them done, summers almost over.

Mike Callan Commander

Calendar:

August 7th Exec Meeting and County Meeting Westby

August 10th Bingo Night

August 16th Legion Meeting, Social Hour 6:30pm, Meal at 7:00pm, Post Everlasting Program 7:30pm, Meeting at 8.

August 26th Canoe Races, 7am-11am pancake breakfast, 2pm-5pm bartenders&beer ticket sellers, 2nd shift is 5pm-8pm.

August 31st Committee Meeting CV 175th Anniversary

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Last Bugle:
Carliss Larson



BUCKET DRAWING

No Winner

July Membership
drawing winner not
present!

Next membership
meeting drawing
for \$20.

50/50
No Drawing!



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Membership Totals to Date

2024 Paid Membership - 81

2024 Membership Goal- 171

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MEMBERSHIP:

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Or pay on MyLegion.org !



Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello.

Meeting at 7pm, August 16th to discuss memberships, bean bag league, etc...

Cal Manske
S.A.L. Commander

Message from the Auxiliary President:

Auxiliary met in August and had election of officers. Hope everyone is enjoying the rest of summer. Hope to see you at our next meeting on Wed, Sept 6th at 6 pm.

Sincerely, Julie Nelson
Auxiliary President

Post Announcements:

Dates to Remember as follows:

Aug 31-Sept 4 LST at Riverside Park in La Crosse

Sept 4 Labor Day (Exec Meeting TBD)

Sept 13 County Meeting Hillsboro

Sept 20 Regular Post meeting

New legion shirts will be ordered! Cost maybe \$65. Contact Adjutant Charlie for details...

We need workers for Canoe Races, August 26th. Consider bartending at a shift or two between 2pm to 8pm! Let Commander Mike know if you want to work?!

Westby/Coon Valley American Legion Baseball Calendar Raffle winners are:

July 1st	Brandi Lindvig	July 9th	Tony Teach
July 2nd	Carolyn Anderson	July 10th	Delman Groth
July 3rd	Gina Iverson	July 11th	Martin Gilbertson
July 4th	Erica Hoven	July 12th	Loren Olson
July 5th	David Roethel	July 13th	Steve Nelson
July 6th	Joe Berra	July 14th	Scott Yttri
July 7th	Steph Berkland	July 15th	Phil Moilien
July 8th	Allen Adam	July 16th	Monte Hagen
July 17th	Jennifer Kelley	July 26th	Jennifer Kelley
July 18th	Donna Kjelland	July 27th	Nadine Paulsrud
July 19th	Claire Griffin	July 28th	Mary Rudie
July 20th	Harold Olson	July 29th	Bill Oliver
July 21st	Holly Munson	July 30th	Ted Wicker
July 22nd	Al Bekkum	July 31st	Jennifer Stoltz
July 23rd	Ron Hoff		
July 24th	Pat Mlsna		
July 25th	Evelyn Weber		

Post Everlasting will be done at August 16th meeting night! We will need volunteers to be on the firing squad. No uniform is necessary.

Please renew your membership, 2023-2024 membership are now due, thanks!



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CV Canoe Races on August 26th, the legion will be serving breakfast for this event, see below work schedule:

	7am-9am	9am-11am
Cooking Eggs	Ron Piojda	Gary Grethel
Cooking Pancakes	Charlie Nelson Mike Miller	Roger Anderson Dale Gabrielson
Cooking Sausage	Harlan Helseth	Jessi Guy
Window Servers	Steve Nelson Wes Guy	Ron Hoff Josh Humm
Tables, Beverage, Coffee	Tom Elsen Richard Zubie	Reuben Starch Bernie Roesler Charles Servais
Cashier	Frank Mathison	Mike Callan
Bartender		Rod Ofte