

# COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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#### Commanders Message:

May is here and Memorial Day is just around the corner. If you can join us please do. We will be firing at 6 different cemeteries marching in the parade and will be having a Memorial Day presentation. If you want to be in the parade you can ride with your fellow legionnaires on a trailer or march. We will have both options available. If you have a vehicle that can be in the parade and would like to help out we are looking for an additional 2 vehicles to be in the parade to drive special guests. I would love to see a large group come out

in support. Another important thing to mention is that at the May legion meeting we will be holding elections. So, come on out and vote for the new officers. We have a Chicken Q coming up on June 1th and the AUX has agreed to serve the meal as they have Pre Covid-19. We will be cooking Aprox. 540 halves and I have included the work schedule in the newsletter. If you cannot work please let me know so I can get someone on the roster to fill in. In other news, the service officer reports that the VA office is taking walk-ins on Mondays and Thursdays, but as I understand, they're position changes in the offices, so it might be better to check with the LaCrosse office. They might have an opening to have you see someone specialized for you issue... If anyone is willing, we are looking for members that would be willing to be bartenders for legion events. We host many activities at the hall and some require bartenders to serve drinks. As spring comes and winter falls behind most people feel good and are generally in a good mood and we can forget that we may have brothers and sisters struggling with life. It is always a good time to do a buddy check. Be the One!

Commander Wes Guy

# Calendar:

May 11th - Bingo at the legion Hall 5pm

May 17th - Legion Meeting (Election Night) 7pm meal 730pm Meeting

May 22nd - County Meeting at Chaseburg 7pm

May 29th - Memorial Day (see enclosed day activities)

June 5th - Executive Meeting 630pm

June 11th - Chicken Q (see attached work schedule)

June 21st - Legion Post Meeting 7pm meal 730 meeting

June 24th - Trout fest

# May Newsletter

2022- 2023
Last Bugle:
Richard Reget
Richard Engh
Al Bushek
Ed Gorman
John Thurk
Julius Damale
Don Bahr
Stuart Peterson



DRAWING

No Winner

May drawing will be for \$110!

50/50 No Drawing!



Commander: Wes Guy (608) 738 - 6533 Adjutant: Charles E. Nelson (608) 452 - 3018 Post 116 Newsletter is published monthly as a service to our members. If you wish to submit an article for a future edition, please contact: Steve Nelson

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Membership Totals to Date

2023 Paid Membership - 171

2023 Membership Goal- 171

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# **MEMBERSHIP:**

Please make your check payable to C.V. Legion Post 116 in the amount of <u>\$40.00</u> and send to: Coon Valley American Legion Post 116 PO Box 314

Or pay on MyLegion.org!

Coon Valley, WI 54623

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

Hello.

We will have a meeting in May and set a date later in the month.

I will contact members when I have this date and time set, thanks.

Cal Manske

S.A.L. Commander

# **Message from the Auxiliary President:**

Hello everyone.

We are getting ready for Memorial Day and Chicken Q. Much of our May meeting involved discussing both of these events. We really need help from everyone who is able, so please contact me or any other officer for more information, or simply show up and pitch in.

Memorial Day Cakes: Please drop off your cake at the Legion hall by 9 am on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29th (and if you can cut your cake ahead of time, please cut 20 pieces).

We are very grateful to Kwik Trip for providing us a \$100 gift card to help with some of the expenses. As you know, we feed all of the middle and high school band students for free (a long-held tradition we've been able to maintain), so we are so appreciative to Kwik Trip for helping us with the donation.

We need help in the kitchen on Memorial Day. We'll plan on meeting in the Legion kitchen at 9 am. We will have one shift, and just work until we're done. We are asking for any/all members who are able to please help us on that day. Here's a list of workers (even if you don't see your name, but you can work, please show up): Paulene Aspenson, Ellie Brye, Kelly Callan, Hazel Cornell, Mary Elsen, Gloria Freitag, Bernie Gerke, Bella Grethel

(after done with band obligations), Mary Hess, Judy Hofslien, Becky Lind, Sandy Mathison, Donna McQuin, Nancy Miller, Angie Nelson, Julie Nelson, and Joyce Temp.

Poppies have gone out to local businesses once again. If you happen to be in a business that has our poppies for distribution, please be sure to thank them.

The Auxiliary will be helping with the Legion Chicken Q on Sunday, June 11th. This is a great opportunity for us to help the Legion with their wonderful meal. Look for more info and the work schedule in the next newsletter.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Guy, who has been selected as the Coon Valley American Legion Auxiliary's 2023 Badger Girls State delegate.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, June 7th at 6 pm at the Legion Hall. See you there!

Sincerely,

Julie Nelson, Auxiliary President

#### **Post Announcements:**

#### Memorial Day Activities

7am - Meet at Legion Hall

730am - Koethe Cemetery

745am - Trinity Church (Mormon Coulee)

8am - St. Joseph's Ridge Parish

830am - North Ridge Cemetery

930am - Bethany Church (Esofea)

10am - CV Lutheran Church

1030am - Parade Down Main Street

11am - Memorial Day Observance Program

# Chicken Q Work Schedule

Chicken Fryer 6am till Done

Mike Miller Charlie Nelson Steve Nelson Brian Janes Gordy Hellwig Ron Piojda Al Goede Ron Miller

Food Tickets: 10am - 130pm Frank Mathison 130pm - 5pm Mike Callan

Bartenders: 10am - 130pm Gary Grethel 130pm -5pm Matt Semke

Tipboards/ Raffle tickets: 11am - 3pm Ron Hoff Wally Cox



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