



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commanders Message;

Fall is here.

The crisp air, the end of gardening for the year, the expected killing frost, football and hunting time in the woods, fields, and marshes is upon us. All good and for many our favorite time of the year.

First of we want to invite all our legion members to Coon Valley Firefighter/EMT Appreciation & Recognition dinner on Monday, Oct 16. Bar opens at 6:00, Meal at 7:00, Meeting & program to

follow at 7:30.

As a show of support we are asking members of Post 116 to attend. If you have the evening free, come on down, enjoy a meal of pork loin and mashed potatoes, and thank our local firefighters and first responder's for their important work.

Two days later, at our regular meeting Oct 18 one of our A-teams in the kitchen is back to prepare their annual dinner for legion members. Ron Hoff, Geoff Banta, and Wally Cox are sure to delight our palates. The Exec committee suggested this is a good time to offer a free meal to legion members who bring a guest or friend. Suggestions: an inactive or lapsed member, a non member, or active military. The meal is free to the guest as well.

We are actively seeking replacements for our webmaster, Don Salter, and Dan Hofslie, Sgt at Arms. For more information and to discuss, call me 608-632-1538. I hope to have promising news in the next newsletter.

Mike Callan, Post Commander

Calendar:

Oct 12 Bingo Night

Oct 16 Firefighter/EMT Appreciation Dinner

Oct 17 County Meeting Stoddard (catfish for dinner)

Oct 18 Regular monthly post meeting 7:00 meal, 7:30 meeting (Banta, Hoff, Cox)

Oct 21 Lorenz Pinski 99th birthday

Oct 28 SAL Halloween Pub Crawl

Nov 6 Exec meeting 6:30

Nov 9 Bingo Night

Nov 10 Veterans Day Programs

Nov 11 Veterans Day

Nov 12th Legion Veterans Day Chicken Q (see enclosed schedule)

Nov 15 Regular monthly meeting 7:00 meal, 7:30 Meeting (SAL)

Dec 9 Army-Navy Game

Dec 20 Legion Meeting

Jan 20 Midwinter Legion Conference La Crosse

October Newsletter

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Last Bugle:

Carliss Larson



BUCKET DRAWING

No Winner

September Membership drawing winner not present!

Next membership meeting drawing for \$40.

50/50
No Drawing!



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Membership Totals to Date

2024 Paid Membership - 131

2024 Membership Goal- 174

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Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello.

Meeting at 7pm, October 18th to discuss memberships, Halloween Party, etc...

Cal Manske
S.A.L. Commander

Message from the Auxiliary President:

Hello everyone. Our next meeting is on Wed, Nov 1 at 6 pm. Remember to renew your Auxiliary memberships by sending them in or bringing them to the meeting. Enjoy the fall weather.

Sincerely, Julie Nelson
Auxiliary President

Post Announcements:

New legion shirts are ordered! Cost maybe \$65. Charlie said it maybe end of the year before they might come in?

General Manager for Legion Baseball/Softball is needed for next year. Talk to Roger Mathison for questions and if interested.

The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs is excited to announce the "She Is a Veteran" Campaign. The campaign will include diverse Wisconsin women veterans from various service eras across the great state of Wisconsin.

The "She Is a Veteran" is a Wisconsin Women Veteran's outreach campaign that is designed to:

Connect women to their identity as veterans.

Change the public perception of what veterans look like.

Connect women veterans to benefits and resources they have earned.

Connect women veterans to the community.

Campaign participants will be recognized via a short bio and point of contact on the WDVA Women Veteran website. Campaign members will share their stories, hoping their journeys will resonate with all individuals and encourage Wisconsin Women Veterans to speak up and proudly identify their veteran status.

Campaign participants will meet once a quarter (either in person or remotely) with campaign chair, WDVA's Women Veteran Coordinator.

Campaign members will share community outreach events and Wisconsin Women Veterans' concerns, issues, and needs.

Each Wednesday in March, WDVA will spotlight a woman veteran via their website as well as their Facebook & Instagram pages.

Veterans Day Chicken Q Work Schedule (Sunday November 12):

Chicken Fryers - (6am until done) Tom Elsen, Charlie Nelson, Wesley Guy, Brian Janes, Gordon Hellwig, Steve Nelson, Ron Poijda

Potato Cookers –Roger Mathison and Ron Miller

Cashiers– (10:30am-2:00pm) Frank Mathison, Mike Callan

Kitchen & Serve Food (10:30am-2pm)

Harlan Helseth, Mike Miller, Gary Grethel, Gary Hess, Wally Cox, Ron Hoff, Bernie Roesler



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