



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commanders Message:

Commander's Message September 2024

As your Commander writes this month's newsletter summer is hanging on. Soon we will be “falling” into a very busy Autumn schedule.

- It's time to renew your membership if you haven't already done so. The top of your card should read 2025 to be current. First Vice, Wes Guy, is working hard on renewals and its important to keep current on your membership. If you choose to renew online visit Mylegion.org.
- Likewise, if you know an area veteran or active duty military who is not a P116 member, let us know. Call or text Wes Guy or myself to help get them signed up. Better yet, we have applications at the post for you to make the request. We welcome new members and are especially pleased when they choose to be active in P116.
- County Raffle tickets (blue) should be turned in at the September meeting.
- Vernon County Fair September 11-15. Visit the Veterans Booth in the Commercial Building. Sunday, September 15 is Coon Valley P116 Day. Register for a free flag.
- September 11, Patriots Day, is the annual US Flag Disposal Ceremony in Chaseburg. Meal & beverages available prior to the ceremony. Veterans and the public are welcome to attend.
- The word is out! Our September Lunch crew: Harlan, Mitch, Gary W and Mike S is promising a fine meal of southern flair . BBQ pork, baked potato, coleslaw and beans. Come join us. You don't want to miss the surprise dessert.
- Next month on Saturday October 19, our post will host the 100th birthday for Larry (LP) Pinski, WWII veteran and POW (Germany.) Dignitaries including local, state and national legionaires are invited.

Attention: If you have had a veteran's disability claim rejected it is time to consider an appeal. Last year over 13,000 veterans had their disability claims overturned. Our National Commander, Dan Seehafer of Horicon WI, has made a point of emphasis to review appeals of “mistaken decisions.”

Thank you, Commander Dan.

Post 116 Commander,

Mike Callan

September Newsletter

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Last Bugle:

Larry Lichtie
Bud McCormick
John Runice
Roger Strangstalien
Everette Olson



BUCKET DRAWING

July Membership drawing Charlie Servais. Not Present.

Next membership meeting drawing will be for 30 bucks.

50/50
No drawing.



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Membership Totals to Date

2025 Paid Membership - 110
2024 Membership Goal- 176

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MEMBERSHIP:

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PO Box 314
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Or pay on MyLegion.org!



Message from S.A.L. Commander:

SAL meeting on Wednesday September 18th at 7pm. Discuss Halloween party plans. Memberships are due.

Cal Manske
SAL Commander

Message from Auxiliary President:

I would like to introduce myself as your incoming auxiliary president. My name is Kelly Callan. I am the daughter of Mike Callan our current Legion commander. A huge thank you to Julie Nelson for years as President!

September is the start of a new auxiliary year. You should receive information about membership in the mail. Please reach out if you know anyone who would like to join the Auxiliary. We would love so meet some new members. Adult dues are \$34 and Junior \$5.25.

We will not have a meeting in October. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 6 at 6pm. Please bring a list of shut ins to the November meeting as we start to prepare for the holidays.

Sincerely,
Kelly Callan
Auxiliary President

Post Announcement:

Please consider going on the Freedom Honor Flight. Thanks to a recent rule change by the national Honor Flight organization, now any veteran is eligible for an honor flight. Priority is given to WWII veterans, then Korean War era veterans, then Vietnam War veterans, with seats awarded on first come, first served basis. You can apply online or download an application, go on: freedomhonorflight.org. Also, you can ask any post officer for assistance!

- September 11-15 Vernon County Fair
- September 11 Legion Flag Disposal in Chaseburg
- September 11 County Meeting Hillsboro
- September 12 Bingo 5:00
- September 15 Coon Valley Legion Day at the Fair

- September 18 Regular Meeting 7:00 Meal 7:30 Meeting, Lunch crew: Harlan, Mitch, Gary W, Mike S
 (Turn in blue raffle tickets)
- September 21 Freedom Honor Flight
- September 21 Fall Conference Onalaska Legion Hall, Registration 8:00



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