



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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I would like to thank everyone who bought and sold Vernon County tickets. We have not had a county meeting since this spring, hoping to have it in October in Stoddard. We are doing a flood relief raffle for the month of October with a winner every day, please help sell these \$20 tickets. Call Mike Miller for tickets (608) 483 2328. We are not having the post everlasting this month because of the pandemic. We are trying something new with legion and Lions chicken que on August 23rd please help be a success. We are also selling sweet corn on that day also. We have a great start on membership this year, call Chuck Lind to pay your dues. Hope to see you at next meeting at 7pm. on the August 19th.

Mike Miller, Commander Post 116

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Aug. 15th | American Legion Riders District 7 Legacy Run, LaCrosse Area Harley Davidson and ending at Onalaska Community Days |
| Aug. 19th | Legion Meeting at 7pm, no meal, all officers (wear legion shirt) need come and take a picture for 100 Legion Book! Wear mask! |
| Aug. 23rd | Combined Chicken Q with the CV Lions Club and Sweet Corn Sale, 11am-2pm. See enclosed work schedule!! |
| Sept. 11th | Flag Disposal Ceremony at Chaseburg Legion, 6 pm lunch, 6:30pm ceremony. |
| Sept. 19th | 7th District Fall Conference at LaCrosse Legion Post 52 |

August Newsletter

2020 - 2021

Last Bugle:

Richard Nestingen
David Sorenson
Monroe Johnson
Reuben Johnson
Roger Hofslie
David Holen
Kenneth Kammel
Don Kammel
Jack Fletcher



BUCKET DRAWING

No winner!
Next Month meeting \$30

50/50
No Drawing!



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Membership Totals to Date

2021 Paid Membership - 96
2021 Membership Goal— 186

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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
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Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello everyone,

Let's have a meeting at 7pm, at the legion, Wednesday, August 19th, at the regular legion night meeting! See ya soon!

Cal Manske
S.A.L. Commander



Message from the Auxiliary:

Hello Everyone! I'm the new Auxiliary President! I look forward to working with all of you this next year. I'm a senior in high school and the daughter of Julie Nelson and Gary Grethel. I've been raised in the Legion family my whole life and I hope I can do a good job with all of your support.

At the August meeting we had election of officers. The rest of the 2020-2021 officers are: Vice President Julie Nelson, Secretary Ellie Brye, Treasurer Nancy Miller, Membership Chairperson Gloria Freitag, Chaplain and Sergeant-at-Arms Mary Elsen. We look forward to a great year and hopefully a quick end to the coronavirus.

Gloria indicated that a few members still have not paid their 2020 dues, so please pay if you can. For the rest of us, 2021 membership dues can be paid over the phone by calling the National Auxiliary at (317)-569-4570 (Monday-Friday 7am-3:30pm). Membership dues may also be paid online at www.ALAforVeterans.org, by going to the "Members Only" tab. Finally, you can still pay your dues when you receive the notice in the mail.

Frank Mathison of the Legion spoke about the Legion Family Book he is creating for Post 116. He did a wonderful job showing us all the history he has collected. Thank you Frank for taking the time to come to our meeting.

There will be no meeting in September. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, October 7th, at 6pm. Once again we won't have a meal, just the meeting. Please bring your mask. I look forward to seeing you at our October meeting.

Thank you,
Maddie Grethel

As many of you are aware, Coon Valley Post #116 turns 100 years old in 2021. I am currently in the process of creating a history book to capture our accomplishments and highlights over the past 100 years. This history book will be unlike previous histories that we have done, because it will contain a lot of photos and will be quite comprehensive. We will have copies for sale next year for those interested.

We would like your assistance, so please contact me if you have any photos or documents or news clippings that you feel should be included in the book. Please do not procrastinate, but, contact me as soon as possible so your item or items can be included.

Frank Mathison-Post Historian

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LEGION WORK SCHEDULE FOR LEGION&LIONS CHICKEN-Q – Sunday August 23rd

Chicken Fryers 6am-until done!

Carl Holte Tom Elsen Charlie Nelson Rod Ofte
Ryan McCracken Brian Janes Gordon Hellwig Steve Nelson

Potato Cookers: Roger Mathison Ron Miller

Food Tickets 10:30am-2: Frank Mathison Mike Callan

In Kitchen 10am-2pm!

Harlen Helseth Chuck Lind Ron Miller Roger Mathison

Selling Raffle Tickets Outside, 11am-2pm

Ron Hoff Wally Cox

Sell Corn Outside, 11am-2pm

Mike Miller Wesley Guy

Post 116 News:

October Calendar Raffle is \$20 a spot and up to 500 tickets sold, 31 winners at \$100 each day, tickets will be distributed at legion events.

Legion Jackets are being ordered soon! Let Charlie Nelson know what size you want at the August Legion meeting or call him at #608-317-7065. Cost will be around \$80.

New membership year, another option to pay online at Legion.org!

Will be selling sweet corn donated by Coon Creek Feeds (please thank Mr. Kazenga), planned for August 23rd Chicken Q.



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Auxiliary President

Congress and the White House agree to expand definition of war eras to include all who served since Dec. 7, 1941.

More than 1,600 members of the U.S. Armed Forces were killed or wounded in periods of time not designated as war eras since the end of World War II. The newly signed Let Everyone Get Involved in Opportunities for National Service Act of 2019 – The LEGION Act – honors those veterans, their spouses and descendants, extending membership eligibility in The American Legion Family to hundreds of thousands who had previously been excluded. The LEGION Act offers American Legion membership eligibility to any U.S. military veteran who served at least one day of active military duty since Dec. 7, 1941, and was honorably discharged or is serving now. The act also affects membership in the American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion, expanding eligibility for those groups, as well.