



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commanders Message:



I debated on writing and doing a newsletter this month to save money for our post, but Ellie already gave me her minutes, so I thought I better get going and get this out, thanks Ellie! ;)

We are preparing for two big events coming up in May and June. Our Memorial Day program is one of them. We are doing something different this year for our lunch after the program, we are having a "Community Appreciation and Thank you Lunch", in which we will be serving a free meal from noon until 1:30pm. This is a way to say "Thank you" to the community for helping us clean and repair our hall back together and providing financial support. Also, we might provide a keg of beer for free to drink. The Auxiliary has agreed to help us do this, and will serve hot dogs and barbeque for the meal. The legion is planning to pay for the expenses and reimburse the Auxiliary for any profit they might miss out of here. I will ask the body to approve this at our Wednesday meeting. Our guest speaker for Memorial Day is Sheriff Jeff Banta. Mr. Banta has spoken in front of veterans before and I have heard great things! Thank you Mr. Banta for being our speaker!

Our second thing is June Legion Chicken Q. Since we won't have baseball games this year in the park were trying to come up with other things to attract people to the park this year! One idea is to have a Micro (.001) Marathon. It's an untimed event in which runners will have to go 138,435-feet to complete the race. All ages, genders, and levels of athletic ability can take part. If you have a better idea, my ears are open!

Our busy time of the year is starting, hope to see you soon!

Steve Nelson, Commander Post 116

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| April 14th | Legion Palm Sunday Breakfast, 8-12pm (see March Newsletter for work schedule) |
| April 17th | Regular Legion Meeting, 7pm , Serving Meal at 6:30pm; Chuck Lind and Roger Starkey |
| April 20th | 7th District WI Legion Spring Conference at Sparta (all are welcome) |
| April 21st | Military Academy Deadline |
| May 6th | Executive Meeting, 6:30pm |
| May 8th to 11th | Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall, Holmen High School (see enclosed for details) |
| June 8th | Chicken Q |
| July 14-17th | American Legion Riders, Legacy 100 Ride, Ashland to Madison |
| July 17-21st | Wisconsin Legion State Convention, Middleton |
| July 26-30th | State Legion Baseball Tournament in Westby, Westby/CV Baseball team will be playing! |

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Last Bugle:

Ken Kammel

*Lenard Wunwoody

*Harlan Olson

*Gilman Gronvold

* Not a Post 116 member



BUCKET DRAWING

March no Drawing
held...

50/50
Not Done in
March



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2019 Membership Goal- 186

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Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello everyone,

We will have a meeting at the regular April Legion meeting at 7pm.

Cal Manske

S.A.L. Commander

Message from the Auxiliary:



We opened our April meeting with a prayer for the Berg family in the loss of Lauren, Scott and Sherry's daughter. Our most heartfelt sympathy goes out to them.

We are hoping to have a large crowd at the Memorial Day event this year. The Auxiliary will be serving a BBQ and hot dog lunch and it will be free to everyone. To those of you who suffered losses during last summer's flood and to those of you who rendered help, donated food, needed items, money, labor, prayers and support - we want all of you to enjoy the parade, program and meal together. We are looking forward to seeing you, your family and friends on Memorial Day.

Watch for a work schedule in the May newsletter. Next meeting, Wednesday, May 1 - potluck, 6 pm; meeting, 6:30 pm.

Ellie Brye, Secretary

Please show your support of our Post 116 Legion Family and pay your dues for the Legion, SAL, or Auxiliary, get the check book out now and pay or go online on MyLegion!

Veteran Issues Please Contact:

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(veterans@vernoncounty.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/Vernon-County-Veterans-Service-Office-244550219077062/>

Building Update:

Harlan Helseth and Ron Miller stained the frames around the new windows, thank you guys!

We approved at last months meeting to add two 36-inch doors between the bar and meeting room. An additional frame will need to be added to fit these doors, Stephan Dickman will do this work.

Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall

This is coming to Holmen for public viewing May 8-11th, on McHugh Road frontage of the Holmen High School. You can have a private moment at the wall if you want, but this needs to be coordinated with people in charge. I can help you with this if you want?! The executive committee is recommending to the body to volunteer on the morning of Tuesday, May 7th and early morning of Sunday, May 12th. On May 7th we can help set-up flags (with other area volunteers) on both sides of McHugh Road from main street to Hwy 35/53. It will be approximately 550-600 American flags. Then on Sunday morning, May 12th, we can help remove these flags. Transportation to these work days will be arranged at our regular meeting, call me for more details!

Any questions regarding the wall can be directed to Willie Stokes, (815) 543-0128 or e-mail at wildeacres@charter.net.



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