



# COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Thanks to everyone who has help with the legion functions. We are not having Burger night next month, but will do it starting next October or November. It has been a success! I will need some volunteers to work seventh district spring meeting, talk more in detail next meeting. We have the county Banquet in Stoddard this year on February 22, call Lisa McCarty for reservation meal is at 7. Remember to sign up for freedom honor flight, they have it May 9 and September 12th. We are putting in an order of legion hats and jackets for next meeting, let us know if you can not make it. We are deciding on flood insurance for the legion hall and shed this meeting, please come and vote on this decision.

**Mike Miller, Commander Post 116**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>February 15th</b>	Lions Annual Projects Fund Raffle
<b>February 19th</b>	Regular Meeting, 7pm Meal at 6:30pm, meal servers, Ron and Mike Miller (stuff pork chops)
<b>February 22nd</b>	CVABA Fundraiser for Ballfield Vernon County Banquet, at Stoddard Legion Post, Bar opens at 6pm.
<b>February 29nd</b>	SAL Bean Bag Tournament
<b>March 8th</b>	Legion Riders 7th District Meeting , 12:30pm
<b>March 9th</b>	Executive Meeting at 6:30pm
<b>March 19th</b>	Regular Meeting, 7pm; CV Auxiliary serves meal at 7:30pm, Vernon County Meeting at 8pm

# February Newsletter

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Last Bugle:

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



**BUCKET  
DRAWING**

**"Drawing not held"  
Next Month \$70**

**50/50  
No Drawing!**



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### Membership Totals to Date

2020 Paid Membership - 163  
2020 Membership Goal- 186

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

Hello everyone,

Meet at 7pm, Wednesday at Regular Legion meeting night to discuss Bean Bag Tournament on February 29th.

Cal Manske  
S.A.L. Commander



### Message from the Auxiliary:

Hello everyone!

Remember if you have not paid your membership dues yet this year, please do so as soon as possible. Gloria Freitag is our membership chairperson, so send them in to her. Being a member is so important to our organization. Remember your membership represents a loved one who has served our country. What could be more important than that?

February is Americanism month. We discussed ways we, as American Legion Auxiliary members, can show our love for America. Some examples are saying the Pledge of Allegiance, singing the National Anthem, encouraging all to fly the flag, thanking businesses that fly the flag, and supporting The American Legion. These are just a few ways we as ALA members help promote Americanism in our communities.

We discussed what we will be serving for the County Legion Birthday Party in March. Mark your calendars for March 19<sup>th</sup>! We appreciate any Auxiliary members who are able to help on that night.

We will once again be offering a scholarship this year to a graduating senior, and we will be sponsoring a Badger Girls State delegate again this summer.

Because of Lent, our next two months of meetings will NOT be on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, so please mark your calendars. Our March meeting will be on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, with potluck at 6 pm and the meeting at 6:30 pm. Our April meeting will be on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at 6 pm. If this is Burger Night at the Legion, then don't bring potluck but plan to support the Legion and purchase a burger meal. We hope to see you at both of these meetings!

Sincerely,  
**Julie Nelson, Auxiliary President**

New membership 2020 year is going on now, please pay your dues on-line on Mylegion.org or mail in at the Legion mailing address, pay them right away, then your done with it!!

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**“Trout Fest 2020 is May 2nd at the Coon Valley Legion!”**



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## **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.