



# COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Hello fellow veterans we are starting the newsletter by email, if you a veteran that does not get newsletter let one of the officers know. We are missing out on some functions we normally do because of Covid-19, but we still have the firing squad on Veteran's Day, and chicken-que. We will find out if we will have candy packing in December meeting, the school will let us know. We are not able to do night at races at Tomah VA. this year. We should call a fellow veteran to make that everyone is doing fine. We are ordering legion jackets and have legion baseball hats on hand.

I wish a safe deer hunting and a Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Hope to see you at next meeting!

**Mike Miller, Commander Post 116**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 18th	Legion Meeting at 7pm, no meal
Nov. 19th	Wax Legion Floor, contact Harlan Helseth for questions...
Dec. 7th	Exec Meeting at 6:30pm
Dec. 16th	Legion Meeting

# November Newsletter

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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 \$60

50/50  
No Drawing!



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2021 Paid Membership - 128  
2021 Membership Goal- 186

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

Hello everyone,

Let's have a meeting at 7pm, at the legion, Wednesday, November 18th, at the regular legion night meeting! See ya soon!

Cal Manske  
S.A.L. Commander



### Message from the Auxiliary:

Hi everyone! It was nice to see all of you at the November meeting. I hope everyone in Auxiliary is doing well and staying healthy.

In November, we completed the homebound list for the Christmas cards. Remember that because of the coronavirus we previously voted not to have our December meeting, and we don't meet in January.

There are still some unpaid memberships, so please pay your 2021 membership dues if you haven't already.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm, and we won't be having a potluck. Please remember to bring your mask.

Thanks,

Maddie Grethel  
Auxiliary President

**Letter sent to Commander Miller/Post 116 Members as follows:**

*Many thanks for the gift card!*

*It doesn't seem like 75 years since the war ended, but then when I recall what has gone on in that time there has been a bunch of changes. Back then the war ended-everyone was happy- everyone was together and all for the country. These days it seems if you look for people who put country first you have to look at groups like the American Legion—Keep up the good work!*

*I was lucky enough to be home on a recuperation furlough on VJ Day-what a time that was. When the war started Jack Sheetz from the cavalier put away some cases of champaign and said they would be opened when the war ended. That night he set bottles of it the length of the bar and said "Have Fun!". I was told that I didn't make it home that night!!! The following night things got back to normal and there were church services everywhere- that's when the real heroes were remembered—those who never made it home.*

*This thing called age keeps me from getting to an occasional legion meeting. If anyone is driving down there from LaCrosse, give me a shout at #788-1030, and I'll try to make it.*

*All the best to everyone and have a great holiday season!*

*Larry "LP" Pinski*

**October Calendar Raffle Drawing Winners:**

October 1st: Steve Vance	October 16th: Ron Semann, Lax.
October 2nd: Terry Jorstad	October 17th: Sara Mikshowsky, Banger
October 3rd: Mary J. Hess	October 18th: Ron Miller, CV
October 4th: Deb Primmer, Viroqua	October 19th: Don Langaard, Viroqua
October 5th: Kurt Helgeson, CV	October 20th: Michelle Dickinson, TX
October 6th: Bruce King	October 21st: Cynthia Lisney, CV
October 7th: Phil Strand, Westby	October 22nd: Sue Ann Hanson, Sheboygan
October 8th: Harlan Helseth	October 23rd: Phil Strand, Westby
October 9th: Alan Haakenson	October 24th: George Kendall, Viroqua
October 10th: Rod Ofte	October 25th: David Kuchinechi, Chaseburg
October 11th: Sandy Jorgenson, Chaseburg	October 26th: Charles Nelson, CV
October 12th: Charles Lind	October 27th: Ava Helseth, Westby
October 13th: Chad Hofslie	October 28th: Arlyn Jorstad, Chaseburg
October 14th: Ken Philips, CV	October 29th: Jayme Hanson, Viroqua
October 15th: David Verse	October 30th: Chrystal Anderson, Chaseburg
	October 31st: Nate Campbell, Viroqua



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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.