



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



October 2019

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We have a lot of functions going on until the end of the year. We have the annual chicken que on November 10th with bake sale. Remember to bring things for bake sale before the start of chicken que. We have youth government day at Vernon county courthouse at 9 am. We are needing volunteers to go to veterans day program on November 11th. We have raffle tickets available for December, our first loan payment is in February about \$8,000. We will bring recommendation to October meeting about having burger night at legion. Lets have a good showing at next county meeting in Stoddard. The mailing of newsletters are costing about \$1,600 a year, if you have email help us reduce our cost please. If anybody has fundraising ideas to reduce our 30,000 loan let any officers know.

Mike Miller, Commander Post 116

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Oct 15th** Stoddard County Meeting, 8pm, Lunch at 7:30pm
- Oct 16th** Regular Post Meeting, at 7:30pm; Lunch 7pm; Servers, "Fishing Crew"
- Oct 19th** Hall Rental, Class Reunion, need bartender, 3-9pm
- Oct 26th** SAL Halloween Party, at 7pm, posters posted, please support!
- Oct 29th** Vernon County Youth Government Days, at Vernon Co. Courthouse, at 9am
- Nov 4th** Executive Committee Meeting, work crew for Burger Night
Burger/Chili Dog Night, 5-8pm, \$5 a plate
- Nov 10th** Veterans Day Chicken Q and Bake Sale, 10:30am until sold....SEE WORK SCHEDULE!!
- Nov 20th** Regular Post Meeting, at 7:30pm, AED class and pictures at 6:30pm, no lunch.
- Nov 21st** Tomah VA night at the races, at 6:30pm
- Dec 2nd** Exec Meeting at 6:30pm
- Dec 7th** Legion Fundraiser, get your tickets, and sell them!!
- Dec 18th** Regular Post Meeting, at 6:30pm, pack candy for Santa!!

August Newsletter

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Last Bugle:

Richard "Dick"
Nesting



**BUCKET
DRAWING**

Sueanne Schartz

**50/50
No Drawing!**



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Membership Totals to Date

2020 Paid Membership - 136

2020 Membership Goal- 186

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Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello everyone,

We will have a SAL meeting, Wednesday, October 16th at 7pm. Topics include memberships and Halloween Party. Halloween Party is Oct. 26th, 7pm, please support this fun event!

Cal Manske

S.A.L. Commander

Message from the Auxiliary:



Happy Fall Everyone! I know many of you love this season the best, so I'm happy for you. I would prefer 80 degree weather all year round, but I suppose there's not much hope for that in Wisconsin.

Auxiliary is off to a wonderful new year. We were excited to have our newest member, Kelly Callan, join us at our September and October meetings.

We are also excited that President Trump signed the "Let Everyone Get Involved In Opportunities for National Service Act" (LEGION Act), which allows veterans who served during periods not previously considered "wartime" to join the American Legion. This in turn makes their family members eligible for the American Legion Auxiliary (and Sons of the American Legion). If you know someone who is now eligible, please let them know or let us know. For now, as I understand, we can still use the old membership applications and we can write "LEGION Act" in the eligibility date section on the applications. If you need a membership application, please see me or ask any of our Auxiliary members.

Membership dues can be paid to our Membership Chairperson, Gloria Freitag.

We are currently working on ways to distribute our poppy money to local needy veterans, as well as other projects. Please join us at our meetings and be a part of this very important organization!

Our next meeting is MONDAY, November 4th (there is a conflict on our regular meeting night). Pot Luck is at 6 and the meeting starts at 6:30.

Thank you! **Julie Nelson, Auxiliary President**

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

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LEGION WORK SCHEDULE FOR CHICKEN-Q – Sunday November 10th

***Chicken Fryers* 6am-until done!**

Wesley Guy Carl Holte Tom Elsen Mike Miller Charlie Nelson
Brian Janes Gordon Hellwig Ron Miller Steve Nelson PK?

***Bartenders* 10am-1pm:** Gary Grethel
1pm-?: Matt Semke

***Food Tickets* 10am-1pm:** Frank Mathison
1pm-?: Steve Vance

***Tipboards/Raffle items* 11am-2pm:** Ron Hoff and Wally Cox

***Bake Sale Table:* 10am-2pm:** Ryan and Rylie McCracken, Jody Kliscz

***Kitchen Worker and Servers:* 10am-2pm:** Mike Callan, Roger Mathison, Harlan Helseth, Tom Sharrott, Orlin Clark

***Clean Tables and take out garbage:* 11am-2pm:** Kevin King, Sherman Olsen, Stuart Peterson, Richard Zube



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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.