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Onalaska American Legion

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Two Smelt Fry's left ... don't miss them!!

We still have two of our famous Smelt fry's available this year. They will be held the 4th Friday of February (24) and March (23). All the smelt you can eat. served with baked beans, Cole slaw and bread. \$9.00. Serving will be from 4:30 - 7:00 or until out. So come on in and enjoy a great meal and enjoy the entertainment in the lounge afterwards.

Mike Fries - Finance Officer

American Legion Website



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Legionnaires, Auxiliary, S.A.L., and Friends

GREETINGS TO ALL FROM THE COMMANDER:

Here we go, winter is really upon us. What a great time of the year it is to begin or continue involvement with your American Legion. No cabin fever for us.

Near and dear to us, "volunteers" are indeed the life-blood of our organization. Please acknowledge and say "thank you" to all the many, many individuals who contribute to making us who we are as a Post. It takes all of us to make our organization the vibrant, progressive, and successful Post that we are proud to be a part.

American Legion business does occur and is voted upon at our Monthly General Legion Meetings. This is the time to share our ideas, ideals, and recommendations for the betterment of our Post. Also, this hour is well spent to learn more and communicate among fellow members. Our next General Meeting is at 7:00 P.M., Monday, February 13. Traditionally, at our February meeting we have a special treat for attendees. Yes, Jack (Rags, besides other names) Renstrom will prepare his famous oyster stew and will have chicken dumpling soup available in addition. Come on and venture out to our monthly meeting and socialize afterward.

Question: What's going on business-wise? Answer: Many items! (calendar elsewhere)

- A. Normal monthly committee meetings
- B. Monthly fish fry and chicken and dumplings, smelt fry, SAL breakfasts
- C. No current additional construction on Activity Center project
- D. Baseball Committee busy with planning for State Legion Baseball Tournament. Mr.

Jeff Wolf has stepped forward as the Chairman of the event. Many sub-committees have been duly established with capable, competent leadership. Meetings are basically weekly to insure a very successful event.

E. On the agenda already, with planning underway under the Chairmanship of Mr. Paul Sampson, is the baseball "Sunny Open". This yearly event is on June 10th.

F. We are again hosting an Onalaska Area Freedom Honor Flight program. Details, to be communicated as the date approaches.

G. Auxiliary team has been and continues to be busy with catering and many functions. Thank you to all for your support, assistance, and you certainly as an organization have our respect and support.

H. Can't forget to acknowledge our SAL and the success in working to build up the organization. Membership is at a high point and participation is increasing.

I. This past weekend was the Mid-Winter State Conference in the Dells. Mike Christianson, Ray Kline, Merle Cunningham, and Ralph Amundsen represented us very well. Thank you.

J. There are many day to day items of business that transpire. Come to our General Meeting to hear more communications.

As always, feel good about you, express your ideas, and participate as much or as little as you want. Our place is just that, "Our American Legion".

Ralph Amundsen, Commander

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Bar News

Hope everyone is enjoying the new year.

We welcome back Texas Hold'em as of Thursday, February 9th. Bean bags are still going strong on Thursday nights. As long with our Burger Night from 4:30-8pm.

A reminder that we do serve lunch Monday-Friday from 11-2pm, with daily specials. Tuesday nights we have our \$4 Wings & Shrimp from 4:30-7pm. Burger Nights are Thursday de Friday evenings from 4:30-8pm.

Saturday, February 11th, there will be a chili cook-off in the bar from 12-4. Proceeds will be donated to our local food pantry. Anyone interested can sign up at the bar.

Join us Super Bowl Sunday, February 5th. We will be having raffles, food and drink specials. Bring in a nonperishable food item and receive a free Coors Light.

Once again, WI-FT is now available at the post. Stop in and enjoy a delicious burger while surfing the web. See the bartender for log-in information.


There are many dates still available in the hall. Perfect place for all your party needs. It's not too soon to start thinking about those graduation parties.

Hope everyone has a wonderful Valentine's Day!!

Stephanie


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Auxiliary

Hello Ladies,

What a crazy winter! Warm temperatures and then here comes the snow.. Oh well, we should be used to it, we live in Wisconsin.

Wilma Dettinger has been nice enough to head up a project for us in regards to going with a credit card phone line for our Auxiliary functions. That way we can take a credit card at the time of the event and get paid right away. This will be discussed further at our February meeting. I wish to thank Wilma Dettinger, Mary Powers and Dave Kuecker for doing the Nelson funeral this week. We will also be going over the funeral helpers list at the February meeting.

I wish to thank Jeannette Thach and Elaine Schickowski for taking care on short notice the Bridal Expo. We had a large funeral that day and neither myself or Stephanie the bar manager could attend.

Short and sweet newsletter this month. **Serving committee for the February 8th meeting will be Diane Ryan chairperson 783-7367, Mary Boardman 783-7367, Nancy Hurm 781-9324, and Sandy Musolf 783-4849.**

See you at the Post,
Sue Kelley, Auxiliary President

Auxiliary:

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Jr. Past President: **Diane Ryan**



Notes from the Newsletter Editor

Reminder: Nominations for the 2010 Terry Egan Memorial Scholarship are due by April 30th. Contact Rich Hoeth at the Legion Clubroom.

Pictures: If any of you have pictures of any Post activity that you would like published in the Newsletter and/or archived in the Post History File, please let me know or drop them in the Newsletter Mail Slot at the Post. Include your name and I will make sure you get them back. I will scan all such pictures and keep them in a computer "History File" for Post 336.

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The Terry Eggen Memorial Scholarship began in 2002 to honor the Memory of Terry Eggen, Onalaska Legion Post Commander in '80,'81, and '82. A Vietnam vet, Terry was a long-term member of the Onalaska American Legion Post #336 and donated a great deal of time and labor in his strong support of Youth Programs, at the Legion level.

Requirement: MUST be a Legion Member of Post 336. If not a member, name of active member & relationship to active member.

Education Qualifier: MUST show verification of enrollment as a full time student in a 2 or 4 year college (HS seniors are included with this qualifier, when they enroll.).

Your Challenge: Write a 500 (or less) word paper on the topic of "Americanism".

Deadline Info: Must be received, no later than April 30, 2012, by 2nd Vice Commander, Rich Musolf, Struck Klandrud Post 336, 731 Sand Lake Road, P.O. Box 326, Onalaska, WI 54650.

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We have a number of transferred in and new members. Please welcome William Bennet, Mark Squier, Robert Sullivan, Robert Johnston, and Stephen Johnston. Thank you for your membership. We hope to see you at the Club.

Being short and sweet, we do have membership cards and transfer-in forms always available at the bar for those of us who recruit or encourage membership.

See you at one of our many activities.

Ralph Amundsen



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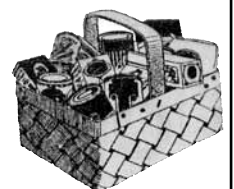
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Chicken & Dumplings 4:30PM - 7:00 or till gone Rotary Club Mtg. Noon	2 <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM Texas Hold'Em <u>Ground Hog Day</u>	3 Double Take 7:30—11:30PM	4
	6 Jacees Meeting 7:00 PM	7 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM	8 Auxiliary Mtg. 7:00PM Rotary Club Mtg. Noon	9 <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM Texas Hold'Em	10 Fish Fry 4:30—7:00 John Stevenson 7:30—11:30PM	11 Christmas Party Dining Hall 5:00PM
5 SAL Breakfast 8:00AM - Noon	13 <u>Executive Meeting</u> 6:00PM <u>Membership Meeting</u> 7:00PM	 14 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM <u>NARVE Mtg.</u> 10:00AM <u>Valentines Day</u>	15 Rotary Club Mtg. Noon	16 <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM Texas Hold'Em	17 Time & 1/2 Band 7:30—11:30PM	18
19	20 BLET Div 3 Meeting 9:30 AM Jacees Meeting 7:00PM	21 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM FHF Committee Meeting 6:00PM	22 Rotary Club Mtg. Noon <u>Ash Wednesday</u>	23 <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM Texas Hold'Em	24 Smelt Fry 4:30—7:00PM Music In Motion Britney Styles 7:30—11:30PM	25
26 SAL Breakfast 8:00AM - Noon	27	28 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM <u>Building Comm. Mtg</u> 5:00PM <u>House Comm. Mtg</u> 6:00PM	29 Rotary Club Mtg. Noon			

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S.A.L.

Hello all. I guess our easy winter is over, and on to the unexpected. Our breakfast schedule for February is the 12th and 26th. I have also ordered extra SAL and POW/MIA shirts. They are at the post, and you can ask Steph or one of the bartenders about them if interested. I have them in medium, large and extra large. Any other sizes I can order if wanted. That's about it so keep your chin up, spring is right around the corner.

Doc Hagel

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Texas Hold'Em

Where has time gone to ?? It seems we just finished a great season and a new one is here.

February 9, 2012 this is the big new date. A new team will be on board for your playing enjoyment. Please give them a chance to get in step with your playing fun and enjoy the new people. Rules have not changed, pay out the same, time limits same, no eating, cell phones, chewing or profanity, just for starters.

Remember the Pit Bull is still on board and wants you all to have fun on a level playing table. We at the Legion are very proud of all you poker players who have made our Tourney the talk of poker games in the area. This starts our 8th season ,lets continue to have fun. So until February 9 when the Pit Bull hollers "shuffle up and deal".'

Clarence, Bill, Terry and Bob

