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**Onalaska American Legion**

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**Proud and honorable Veterans representing all five branches of the service on Memorial Day 2012.**

**Pictured from left to right:**

**Patrick Maloney, Army;**

**Dick Cagle, Navy;**

**Terry Malszycki, Air Force;**

**Bob Muth, Marine Corps;**

**Clarence Stellner, Coast Guard.**



## ***HONOR GUARD***

On April 22, 2012, at the Legion Hall, we had an Appreciation Dinner for the area Legion Members that are on our Honor Squad.

We gave out three awards for special members. One of our special awards was for a long time member, Harold Gildermeister. Harold is 90 years old and is one of our most reliable members and hardly ever misses a call.

Harold was in the Army Air Force in WWII. His first base was in Texas. The base was still under construction when he was there. After serving his country, he went to work for the I.R.S. in Kansas City area before moving to Onalaska.

*Honor Guard Commander, Vernon Reekers*

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**783-7599**

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**Rich Musolf**

3rd Vice:

**Clarence Stellner**

Adjutant:

**Ray Kline**

Finance Officer:

Judge Advocate:

**Todd Bjerke**

Chaplain:

**Claude Deck**

Service Officer:

**Vern Reekers - 783-3913**

Historian:

**Gary Chesebro, Jr.**

Sgt. at Arms

**Wayne Henthorn**

Editor:

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

### **GREETINGS FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION POST 336 COMMANDER!**

The hot and humid days of July are upon us. Let's enjoy and be happy!

At our American Legion Post, we generally look at July as a month of regrouping and planning for the future. We are taking a much needed break from all of our volunteer sponsored events. By August, we again, will be going full steam ahead with activities. Our Wisconsin American Legion State Baseball Tournament commences on August 3 for at least 4 days of action followed closely by our Legion Community Days on August 24, 25, and 26. Come on over.

Our Memorial Day program was very successful and well attended. By the way, we need to send out a "thank you" to Bernie Sasse for all the attention and hard work in maintaining our Veterans Memorial site. In the very near future, we are putting together a Memorial Day commission to review and to hopefully facilitate an even better public program for Memorial Day observance.

Welcome back! Our Legion Family Picnic is planned for Sunday, August 12th in our Activity Center and Legion grounds. Sponsored through our Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL we all look forward in having your participation.

Our normal monthly General Meeting will not be held in July. The July meeting date of July 9 will again be a Veterans Picnic that we annually sponsor for our disabled, older, or needy veterans. Our Service Officer Vern Reekers is again chairing and coordinating the afternoons events.

Hope you have a wonderful month. Thank you to all our veterans!

***Ralph Amundsen, Commander***



## **Baseball News**

Our Sunny Open Golf tournament was a great success. We had 34 foursomes and plenty of help with the program. A special "thank you" to Clarence Stellner for the Sunny Open and for assistance throughout.

Our Legion teams are in place with 14 on each team. Both the 16 and under and 18 and under teams are scheduled heavy this year.

The yearly Baseball raffle tickets are now on sale. They are offered at \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00.

Excitement is here for the season and is building for the State Tournament.

Come on out and cheer for your teams. We have the greatest of fields and people.

***Merle Cunningham, Chairman of Baseball Committee***

## **Legion Baseball Collecting Cans**

The Baseball Committee of our Legion Post 336 has a site in the parking lot to collect aluminum cans to raise money for our Legion Baseball. All are encouraged to donate their aluminum cans to this most worthy cause!

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## Service Officers Report

~ LAST BUGLE ~

PETER JUSTICE, Post Member

Additional Honor Guard rites for non-members:  
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~ SICK CALL ~

TONY MARKEVITCH

Vern Reekers, Service Officer



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## A tradition continues



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To each and every one who serves, we say "thank you."



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## S.A.L.

Commander:

**Todd (Doc) Hagel**

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2nd Vice: **John Marcou**

3rd Vice: **Bob Webber**

Finance Officer:

**Todd (Doc) Hagel**

Adjutant: **Ray Kline**

Sgt. at Arms:

**Chris Carlson,**

**Dick Polodna**

Chaplain: **Matt Wobeck**

SAL Advisor:

**Clarence Stellner**

## S.A.L.

Hello all, Our elections are done for another year and I have been blessed with being commander for another year. We have accomplished so much over the past 3 years with still more to do, and together I know we will continue to grow within the legion family. I am great full for being supported by a great team of officers, members, volunteers and friends. Thank you all !!! We will get a short summer break and then kick it back in to high gear, starting in August for community days. Everyone have a great and safe summer.

*Todd (Doc) Hagel*



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# Auxiliary

**Hello Ladies,**

One of the auxiliary community projects is to support the veterans. To get ready for Memorial Day, Sally Schultz makes and donates the sashes for Miss Poppy to wear. Carl and Cindy Sjolander with the help of the Boy Scouts, put a American flag on each veterans grave. Between the Onalaska Cemetery, Brice Prairie and Houser Cemeteries there were 654 veterans graves this year. The Auxiliary puts a large poppy on each flag to honor the veterans. This year Delores and Sue Kenyon, Sally Schultz, Miss Poppy Natashya Schultz and her sister Aleisha and myself helped put the poppies on the flags.

Another way we help the Legion is by handing out the small flags they give out to all who attend the Memorial Day service. This year, Judy Chesebro, Sally Schultz and myself handed them out. The Auxiliary puts a large poppy on each wreath that goes on the white cross for the roll call of the veterans.

The auxiliary also helps out by getting the rolls, coffee and juice ready for the community to have before the service and the ladies serve the lunch that the legion has for the community.

One of the biggest projects that auxiliary does it to keep the directory at the cemetery updates so everyone can find their love ones. This project has been going on since 1976, the bi- centennial year. If anyone has other ways we can help honor our veterans on Memorial day, please contact Diane Ryan or Sue Kelley, Auxiliary President.

**Diane Ryan**



This letter was given to me to put in the newsletter to let people know what we do for our veterans, community and our legion. It is a big job but never less a job that we do because of who we are and what the brave men and women have done for us. I want to thank all the ladies that have done work behind the scenes to make our Post one of the best.

I wish good luck to the ladies that are going to State Convention for us and hope they enjoy their time there learning about all the programs we have available. We do not have a meeting in July, so there won't be a serving committee is this newsletter. We also will be having our Legion Family picnic again this year!! The date will be Sunday August 12, 2012. More information to follow.

**See you at the Post,  
Sue Kelley, Auxiliary President**

## Auxiliary:

President: **Sue Kelley**

1st Vice: **Elaine Schickowski**

2nd Vice: **Wilma Dettinger**

Secretary: **Mary Grenier**

Treasurer: **Colleen Kujak**

Historian: **Diane Culbert**

Sgt. at Arms:

**Mary Powers and**

**La Vonne Rivers**

Chaplain: **Maureen Smith**

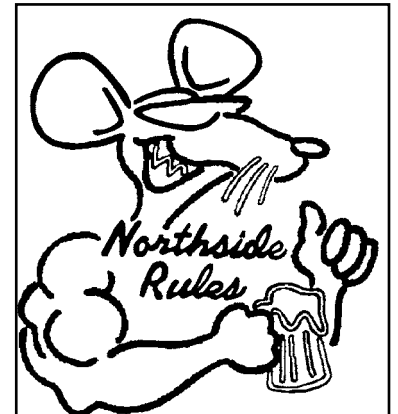
Parliamentarian:

**Delores Kenyon**

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**Liz Reekers**

Jr. Past President: **Diane Ryan**



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2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 10:00 am  
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## Bar News

Hope everyone is enjoying their summer.

A few things coming up in the month of July but overall a pretty quiet month around the club.

The club will begin accepting credit cards and debit cards effective July 2nd. This will be a great addition for our club. The bar no longer accepts checks but we do offer an ATM in the lounge for your convenience.

Last July we purchased our new cash registers. Hard to believe it's already been a year. These cash registers have been a blessing to say the least and was truly a great investment for our club.

Stop in on Wednesday, July 4th for "All Day Happy Hour Pull Tabs".

Our new menu is enclosed. A few changes were made and we added some more delicious items.

Lunch is served Monday - Friday from 11-2pm. We also accept carry-outs. Be sure to stop in and try one of our delicious burgers.

Hope everyone has a safe, enjoyable 4th of July with your loved ones.

Stephanie =)



## 2012 High School Award / Scholarship Winners

I am pleased to announce the following young men & women selected for our awards / scholarships this year.

**Terry Eggen Scholarship (\$750.00) -- Taylor Wall** -- will be a Junior in the Honors Program at U of M - Twin Cities, in Political Science (Law & Politics),

**Americanism Award (\$200.00, medallion, certificate ea.) -- Highest Legion award.**

- + **Emily Balfanz** -- Luther HS
- + **Abraham Freybler** -- Onalaska HS
- + **Rebecca Frett** -- Onalaska HS
- + **Dexter Robson** -- Luther HS

**Badger Boy's State:** 9-16 June 2012 (\$235.00 registration ea. - 2 by Post 336; 1 ea. Onalaska Lions & Rotary; & \$75.00 for personal expenses ea. - all by Post 336)

- + **Bjorn Bloomquist** -- Onalaska HS
- + **Michael Dzedzic** -- Onalaska HS
- + **David Mueller** -- Luther HS
- + **Mitchel Wrobel** -- Luther HS
- + **Caleb Jonnson** -- Luther HS

Alternate is being sponsored thru Tremp. with expense \$ by Post 336.

Our congratulations and best wish go out to these outstanding, quality young men & women!!!

**Rich Musolf, 2nd Vice Commander**



### Notes from the Newsletter Editor

**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 one of the officers of the club know or drop them in the Newsletter Mail Slot at the Post. Include your name and we will make sure you get them back. We will also accept digital file photos. You may email them to the editor along with a description of the photo contents. They say pictures are worth a thousand words!



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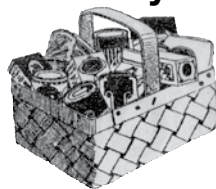
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1	2	3 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7	4	5 Tacos 11-2pm Burger Night 4:30-8 Bean Bag League 6:30-outdoor	6 Lisa Urban 7:30-11:30pm	7
8 Veterans Picnic 3:30pm (Not open to the Public) Executive Meeting 6pm Membership Meeting 7pm	9 NARVE 10am Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7	10 Auxillary Meeting 7pm	11	12 Tacos 11-2pm Burger Night 4:30-8 Bean Bag League 6:30-outdoor	13 Stoney Ridge 7:30-11:30pm	14 Infant - Zoey Lollar Benefit (Kris 781-4567)
15 Borchert 40th Anniversary - Hall	16 BLET 9:30am	17 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7 FHF Mtg 6pm	18	19 Tacos 11-2pm Burger Night 4:30-8 Bean Bag League 6:30-outdoor	20 A Night To Remember 7:30-11:30pm	21 Aquinas Class of 59 Reunion - Bar
22	23 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7 Building Comm Meeting 5pm House Comm Meeting 6pm	24	25 Tacos 11-2pm Burger Night 4:30-8 Bean Bag League 6:30 - outdoor Girls Night Out - Hall 5- 8pm 5000l	26	27 Driven Entertainment 7:30-11:30pm	28 Aquina Class of 60 reunion - Bar Barb 788-3386 Topel - Hall
29	30	31 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7				

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## **Texas Hold'Em**

Our final Tourney for the Spring Season ended on a great note. We had five winners who shared big bucks plus a gold ring.

1st Place went to Eric Martin; 2nd to Wayne Hanson; 3rd to "Dad" Darrel Hanson; 4th Place to the [Beef King] Ed Pisarik; and 5th place to Steve Bina. Thank you all champions for a great tourney!

We will start the season with our Kick-Off Tourney at the Community Days Festival on August 26th. Sign up will be that day.

Our regular tourney for the Fall Season will begin on September 6th.

I would like to say thanks to everyone who played this last season and a special thanks to Les and Jerry for being our presenters to the winners.

I would be remis in not saying a very big THANKS to my new Pit Crew. They are now seasoned vets in the Texas Hold'Em world ... Bill, Bob, Chris and Terry.

Til Community Days, have a great summer and don't forget our Troops who make this all possible!

*The Pit Bull*

