



# Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

**Onalaska American Legion**

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**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!**

February already and the cold, cold days of winter are upon us. Very invigorating!

For the shortest month of the year, we have a jam packed Legion calendar of events and happenings.

1. Starting out we have our Big Al's Chicken and Dumplings on the 6th. Please note that we have a 7:00 P.M. ending time listed so that we can handle business properly.
2. Following quite fast, on Friday, the 8th, we have our super Fish Fry. We are maintaining our consistency by keeping the events on the first Wednesday and second Friday monthly, so a couple times a year the chicken and fish are in the same week. Our great volunteer team really hustles during those weeks.
3. On Friday, the 22nd, we are holding our Annual Smelt fry. The hours of serving will be from 3:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. More details are under separate advertising within our newsletter.
4. By now, our Baseball Committee, piloted by Merle Cunningham, has just completed the yearly baseball schedule at a conference hosted at our post. Thank you, folks.
5. Moving forward, we, as a Post are looking diligently for a Finance Officer for at least a 6 month time-frame. If interested in a challenging position with great responsibility, yet a highly respected job, and a seat on the Executive Committee, please contact Ralph Amundsen.
6. Our Legion Community Days, chaired by Mike Fries, is preparing for our 2013 weekend. What a great event for our Community and Post. Meeting and planning throughout the year, our Legion Community Days Board is composed of very dedicated individuals trying to make each year's event a very successful venture. Please support!
7. After our February 11th General Meeting, we will have our annual treat of Oyster Stew and Chicken Dumpling Soup prepared by Jack "Rags" Rehnstrom. This is always a fun get-together in the cold winter.

We are also announcing the departure of our super Bar Manager Stephanie West and the incoming new Manager Neil Merritt. Other remarks are elsewhere in our newsletter. Thank you, Stephanie! and Welcome, Neil!

Thank you to our volunteers, our elected officers, and committee members. Our Post is "ours" because of you. Don't forget the rest of the very informative articles in the rest of our newsletter this month and every month.

*Bless our memberships and hold safe all our veterans.*

*Ralph Amundsen*

## **Membership**

As of this newsletter we are at approximately 86% of our yearly goal for membership. Great job in renewing to date. Please keep the renews coming in by mail or simply drop off in person at the Club.

We have made great strides over the years in notifying our Club of address changes or winter getaways, but we still have problems with a few of us. Therefore, please note that if we get back a newsletter marked temporarily away, we shall drop that person off the newsletter until we are notified of return to the area. We are charged some 90 cents each time we have returned newsletters. Thanks for everyone's help and attentiveness.

*See you at the club.*

*Bob Weber, 1st Vice Commander*

### **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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### **THE ONALASKA LEGION MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

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Treasurer: **Colleen Kujak**

Historian: **Diane Culbert**

Sgt. at Arms:

**Mary Powers and  
La Vonne Rivers**

Chaplain: **Maureen Smith**

Parliamentarian:

**Delores Kenyon**

Sunshine Chairwoman:

**Liz Reekers**

Jr. Past President: **Diane Ryan**

## **AUXILIARY NEWS**

*Hello Ladies,*

I hope everyone is doing ok with the winter weather and the flu and colds that are going around. The banquet hall has been busy with parties, receptions, but we have quite a few openings coming up if you know of anyone looking for a nice place to have their event. We voted at our last meeting to increase the wages of some of the catering staff, as we did their review and we have had nothing but good comments on the work that they have done for the Auxiliary. We also talked about the serving committees for the next year. If any new members would like to help out on this, it would be much appreciated.

I want to thank the ladies that attended the Leadership conference the end of January. I am sure they will bring to our February meeting what they learned and how it could help our organization.

Our next meeting will be held on February 13, 2013, starting at 7:00 p.m. Please plan on attending. The serving committee will be: Diane Ryan – chairperson 783-7367, Mary Boardman – 783-7367, Nancy Hurm – 781-9324, and Sandy Musolf – 783-4849. Hope to see you there.

***Happy Valentine's Day!!!***

***See you at the Post,***

***Sue Kelley, Auxiliary President***



## **Hello Veterans, Members and Peers,**

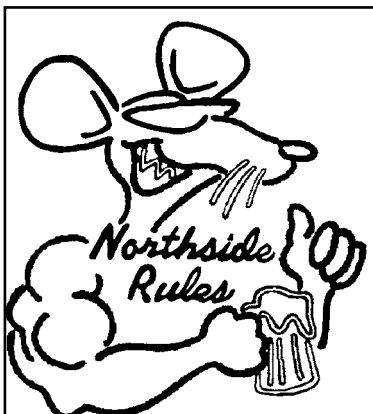
My name is Neil Merritt and I would like to introduce myself as your new Bar Manager. You may have seen me around the kitchen over the past 4 years. I have been living in Onalaska for the last 13 years and i have a wonderful teen daughter who keeps me on my toes.

I look forward to meeting you all and serving the bar for many years to come. I thank you for welcoming me and i plan for a enjoyable present and a prosperous future!

Some great thing to look forward to this month... Starting again in February we have our Texas Hold em and Bean Bag tournaments. And Feb 15th we are having a never before seen band at the legion called The Classic Rock Band, so be sure to come on down and dance the night away!!

And remember to book your summer events soon because the calender is filling up very fast.

***Have a great day and  
we will see you at the Legion  
Neil***



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By opting out of receiving the print edition of the newsletter, you can save the Post money and get the information sooner! The online edition of the Legion Newsletter is usually available 2-3 days before the newsletter hits your mailbox. Provide us with your e-mail address and we will notify you each month when the latest edition is available on our site.

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## Service Officers Report



~ LAST BUGLE ~

**KENT DAVIS**

*Honorable Veteran and Post 336 member*

**ROD JOHNSON**

*Honorable Veteran and Post 336 member*

**JOE THIENES**

*Honorable Veteran and Post 336 member*

**WAYNE HORMAN**

*Honorable Veteran*



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Finance Officer: **Todd (Doc) Hagel**

Adjutant: **Ray Kline**

Sgt. at Arms: **Chris Carlson,**

**Dick Polodna**

Chaplain: **Matt Wobeck**

SAL Advisor: **Clarence Stellner**

### SAL NEWS and VIEWS

Welcome to February. Spring is getting closer, I hope. We have changed our breakfast schedule to one per month instead of two starting in February. It was a hard decision, but I think this will be good for all concerned as we don't need to be burning out our volunteers. Our breakfast date will be on the third Sunday of those months except for May where it will be the Second Sunday for Mothers Day. We will also have two in March. The third Sunday and Easter Sunday. I hope this doesn't seem to confusing so keep an eye on the newsletter calendar and also we will be making up schedule cards for all the dates that you can pick up at the club. Thank you so much everyone who has supported us and continues to do so.

### VETERANS AFFAIRS

Our Post 335 is recognized consistently for our contributions and support of our fellow Veterans at Tomah and elsewhere. I'm proud to say I'm from Post 336. We will be beginning an ongoing "Needs" and "Wants" program for our Veterans through our Post. Watch for information on our bulletin boards.

*Mike Christianson*

*Veterans Liaison*

### Newsletter Advertisements and Renewals

We will be communicating with the current newsletter advertisers to determine if they wish to continue to advertise with us. Ads are available on a one-year basis, from January thru December. Sizes available and prices are:

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> Shufflin Duprees 7:30-11:30pm	<b>2</b> Logan Alumni Bar
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Girl Scouts Meeting 5:30-7:30pm	<b>5</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>6</b> Chicken & Dumplings 4:30-7pm	<b>7</b> Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'Em - 6-10pm Bean Bags - 6:30pm	<b>8</b> Fish Fry 4:30-7pm Karaoke w/Theresa 7:30-11:30pm	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> Cub Scouts Meeting Hall - 3-7pm	<b>11</b> Executive Committee 6:00 pm Membership Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>12</b> NARVE 10am Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>13</b> Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	<b>14</b> Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'Em - 6-10pm Bean Bags - 6:30pm	<b>15</b> Classic Rockers Band 7:30-11:30pm	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> SAL Breakfast 8am-12Noon	<b>18</b> BLET - 9:30am	<b>19</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>20</b> Iron Workers Meeting Hall - 4pm	<b>21</b> Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'Em - 6-10pm Bean Bags - 6:30pm	<b>22</b> Smelt Fry 4:30-7pm Music Mix Karaoke with Brittany Styles 7:30-11:30pm	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7pm Building Committee 5pm House Committee 6pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'Em - 6-10pm Bean Bags - 6:30pm		

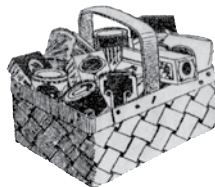
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## **Texas Hold'Em**

Our Championship ended with some great players sharing in the big prizes and the gold ring. In 1st Place - Dave Holthaus; 2nd Place - Ed Pisarik; 3rd Place - Tom Schomberg; 4th Place - Jerry Krajewski; and 5th Place - Jason Benrud. We are very proud of our champs and want to say thanks to all who played this season. We will start our next season on February 7th, 2013.

As I write this newsletter a deep sorrow has come over our club. For the past several years we have made great strides in making this club very friendly and family oriented. It is with deep regret that I am here to say that we are losing the best Club Manager that this Club has ever had. A person who would enter in the AM with a big smile and 'Hi', always ready for a joke or something to make us all laugh. Stephanie, we will miss you, but most of all, wish you the best in your future plans. I'm sure your plans are in the best interest of your 2 boys and their future.

From all the Gang at Texas Hold'Em, Best Wishes and God Speed to your Future!

*Bill, Bob, Chris and the Pit Bull*

