



# Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

## Onalaska American Legion

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Adjutant:  
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**Ray Kline**

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**Wayne Henthorn**

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

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

January! How can it be January already? And the year 2013. Seems that we were just getting used to 2012.

We are certainly the busy ones here at Post 336. The month brings us to many special days and events. Among the happenings to note are:

1. Our usual Chicken and Dumplings and Fish Fry for the month.
2. Smelt Fry - we are generating our Annual Onalaska Post 336 Smelt Fry and have tentatively lined up for the last of February; details to follow soon
3. Our Wisconsin American Legion holds its Mid-Winter Conference over the weekend of January 18, 19, and 20. We look to have great participation in taking in informative training sessions in such diverse things as M1 training and schooling for membership, service, children and youth, and many other American Legion programs.
4. Only January, yet we are talking Baseball aplenty. Our Baseball Committee is busy working on scheduling, marketing, and planning for the upcoming season. Thank you one and all.
5. In the past years, we as a Post, have sponsored at least one bowling team in the Annual Wisconsin State Legion Bowling Tournament. Please contact Ray Kline prior to or at our February general meeting.
6. Don't forget that our next General Meeting is on Monday, January 14 at 7:00 P.M.

We just have to mention that we surely all enjoyed our Post 336 Family Adult Christmas Party. We had a wonderful turnout (almost full) and were delighted to meet new people and reminisce with old friends. Our Childrens Christmas Party was also a great success. We also had the pleasure of being the host site for our Onalaska Police and Fire Departments annual Santas List Program. Bravo to our Police and Fire Department Family in caring for others and making the holidays better for many.

We hope you enjoy our Legion and come join us in honoring our veterans and Legion Family always.

***Ralph Amundsen, Commander***

## **AUXILIARY NEWS**

### **Auxiliary:**

President: **Sue Kelley**  
1st Vice: **Elaine Schickowski**  
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**Mary Powers and**  
**La Vonne Rivers**  
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**Delores Kenyon**  
Sunshine Chairwoman:  
**Liz Reekers**  
Jr. Past President: **Diane Ryan**

I hope everyone had a nice holiday with family and friends. We have had a busy couple of weeks in December here at the Legion. We had a fantastic turn out for the Legion Family Christmas Party with over 150 people in attendance. We had a great meal prepared by our catering staff, lots of door prizes, dancing, and good conversation with old and new members. Then 4 days later, we had our Auxiliary Christmas party which was attended by 30 ladies. We want to thank Liz Staff and Ray Kline for their expertly prepared meal again for us this year. Who can forget our beverage servers - Jerry Miller, Clarence Stellner and Wil Talbot. A big hand to the guy and gal behind the scene in the kitchen, Linus Kujak and Brenda Hagel. I want to thank the committee for putting on a great party for the ladies. All the tip money that we gave will be given to the Food Pantry to help those in need.

At a previous meeting, we decided to buy a laptop and a printer. This has been purchased and we are in the process of putting in the membership and other important information regarding our organization.

Our sunshine chairperson will be enjoying the nice weather for awhile, so Norma Johnson will be taking care of that in Liz Reekers absence.

Our next meeting will be January 9, 2013 starting at 7:00 p.m. Our serving committee will be Lil Smith - chairperson 781-5930, Trudy Lee - 783-2773, Marlene Emery - 783-3711, Marion Engstad - 399-1463, and Pat Raasch - 397-7441. Please plan on attending.

If anyone is interested in playing in our bean bag league, we will have a league starting Thursday, February 7, 2013 starting at 6:30 p.m. We have a few of our auxiliary members in this league and we all have fun getting together for a couple of hours.

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



### **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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# Bar News

Happy 2013!!!! I hope everyone had a beautiful, enjoyable Christmas with their loved ones!!!!

What better way to ring in the new year?!?!?! Join us for our New Year's Eve Bash with Double Take Band. The party starts on the 31st at 8pm and as always is open to the public. Food, champagne at midnight and party favors are included. It's sure to be a great night! Don't forget your dancing shoes!

New Year's Day will be our annual Guest Bartenders from 10-4pm. Amazing drink prices along with a delicious bloody mary bar. Beers will be \$1.00, mixed drinks \$2.00, and bloody mary's \$3.00. Our fun filled guest bartender line-up will be as follows but not limited to:

**10-12pm - Linus Kujak, John Marcou, Doc Hagel**

**12-2pm - Clarence Stellner, Bob Muth, Terry Malszycki**

**2-4pm - Bill Sterling, Nikki Sterling, Neil Merritt**



Stick around following our guest bartenders...we will be cheering on the Badgers at the 2013 Rose Bowl starting at 4pm!! Food and drink specials during the game.

Stop in and join us for an incredible fun-filled New Year's Day!!!

Sunday, January 13th, the Legion will once again have a beautiful booth displayed at the 2013 Bridal Expo at the La Crosse Center. What a better way to promote our beautiful club and fabulous catering. Anyone looking for free tickets, please stop in or call me and I will be sure to get you tickets.

We have a new (to the Legion) band performing on Friday, January 18th. Seven Ravens Band will be performing from 7:30-11:30pm. I've heard this band personally and think many of our members would enjoy the performance. So, stop in and have some delicious cocktails while enjoying a refreshing change. Let me know what you think!

Hope everyone has an enjoyable new year and all your hopes and dreams come true!

*Steph =)*

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## **S.A.L.**

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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**

## **SAL NEWS and VIEWS**

Our year of great breakfasts is at an end for the year. I have been asked by Doc Hagel, SAL Commander, to give my views for this months letter.

Where do I start?

Since Doc and his crew have taken over the S.A.L. great strides have been made to benefit the S.A.L. and the Legion Post. We have been fortunate to have the great camaraderie of the Legion, Auxiliary, Past Presidents and others to work in the same direction, for the benefit of

the vets and the legion, and our great families. To the people who work and attend our breakfasts on Sunday, we say thanks. Above all we say thanks to the Troops that are fighting to keep us free and enjoy the great company of friends.

On behalf of Doc and all members, OD the S.A.L. Have a very Happy New Year and come on down on January 1st for the guest bartender in our bar all day.

I am very proud to be the Advisor to this great group of people who are devoted to make our Post the best and best service to you all.

*Clarence Stellner, S.A.L. Advisor*

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## **Membership**

Its that time of the year when we are pressing for our membership renewals. Currently, we are at some 83% of our yearly goal in membership. Please drop dues off at the club or simply drop in the mail. All up-to-date members, "We thank you".

Seems that the National American Legion is somewhat behind in recording dues paid. If you have paid dues, and have your card, please disregard the notices from the National American Legion for dues reminders.

*Thank you for your service.*

*Bob Weber, 1st Vice Commander*

### **AMERICA IS AT WAR**

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continues**



A Blue Star Service Banner in the window of a home shows a family's pride in their loved one serving in the U.S. Armed Forces - and reminds others that preserving America's freedom demands great sacrifice.

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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 ~

**RICHARD J. FOX**

Honorable Veteran  
American Legion Post 336 Member

**RICHARD D. VENENGA**

Honorable Veteran



~ SICK CALL ~

**JAMES E. PAGE**



*Vern Reekers, Service Officer*

## 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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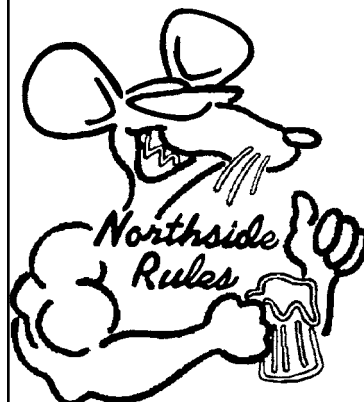
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		<b>1</b> Guest Bartenders 10am-4pm Rose Bowl Party 4pm	<b>2</b> Chicken & Dumplings 4:30-7pm	<b>3</b> Tacos 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8pm	<b>4</b> River City Landscaping Christmas Party Karaoke Plus 7:30-11:30pm	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 50th Birthday Party 1-4pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> NARVE 10am Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>9</b> Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	<b>10</b> Tacos 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8pm	<b>11</b> Fish Fry 4:30-7pm John Stevenson 7:30-11:30pm	<b>12</b> Wedding
<b>13</b> SAL Breakfast 8am-12Noon Bridal Expo La Crosse Center	<b>14</b> Executive Committee 6:00 pm Membership Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>15</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>16</b> Iron Workers Meeting 4pm	<b>17</b> Tacos 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8pm	<b>18</b> Seven Ravens Band 7:30-11:30pm	<b>19</b> Zietlow Benefit Hall
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> BLET - 9:30am	<b>22</b> Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7pm Building Committee 5pm House Committee 6pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Tacos 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8pm	<b>25</b> Rose Sobotta 7:30-11:30pm	<b>26</b> Bar Party 3-7pm Royall 30 Year Reunion Hall
<b>27</b> SAL Breakfast 8am-12Noon Baseball Meeting 2pm	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Tacos 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8pm		

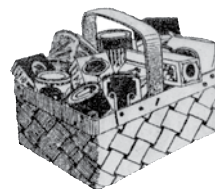
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## ***Texas Hold'Em***

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! As you read this letter our great season has come to a close. Our Championship was played on December 20th with 16 great Champions eyeing for the gold ring and cash.

We started out slow with attendance but as people saw the great and organized play we have at the Legion, it sprung up. We did pay out five places this year. Had super food, good camaraderie and lots of fun.

I would like to say how proud I am for the program we have at our Club for the past 10 years. This is only because of you players and the best pit crew in Wisconsin. My hat goes off to Les, Jerry, Bob, Bill, Chris and Terry for all you have put into it to make the Legion proud.

Our new season will start the 1st Thursday in February, 2013.

Till then have a great Holiday Season and don't forget your prayers and thanks to the men and women who are giving their all to keep us safe and free.

***The Crew and The Pit Bull***

