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2013 High School Award / Scholarship Winners

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

Our FINAL Terry Eggen Scholarship (\$750.00)

Tyler Van Beckum

will be a at U of MN – Twin Cities. Grandson of member Tim Szobody.

Americanism Award

(\$200.00, medallion, certificate ea.) – Highest Legion award.

+ **Rachael Luckas** – Onalaska HS

+ **Jake Schneider** – Onalaska HS

+ **Marcus Larson** – Luther HS

+ **Mariah Schultz** – Luther HS



Badger Boy's State: 8-15 June 2013 (\$250.00 registration ea. – 2 by Post 336, 1 ea. Onalaska Lions & Rotary, & \$75.00 for personal expenses ea. – all by Post 336)

+ **Jake Jendert** – Onalaska HS

+ **David Krohn** – Onalaska HS

+ **Collin Cortez** – Luther HS

+ **Kelby Paus** – Luther HS

+ **Justine Wintrone** – Luther HS Alternate is being sponsored through Eau Claire Post 53 with expense \$ by Post 336.

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

Rich Musolf, 2nd Vice Commander



Spotlight on 50 Year Membership in The American Legion ...

At our June General Meeting, we honored and thanked

~ George Walinski ~

for his 50 Years of Membership in The American Legion.

George, a humble and honorable Veteran, participates in our Honor Guard and is on our House Committee.

Thank You George, for your service!

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

GREETINGS FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION POST 336 COMMANDER!

Our summer is finally in full swing and your American Legion Post is a busy one.

There are many, many activities this month. Our monthly calendar reflects on scheduled happenings and our baseball schedule is very full in July. Among the notable items upcoming are:

1. On July 8 we will be hosting our annual veterans picnic for our disabled and elderly veterans. As usual, Vern Reekers, our Service Officer, is making the arrangements and coordinating the event. We will not be having our General Membership Meeting on that Monday night. We still have our Executive Committee Meeting at 6:00 on that night.

2. We host our Post sponsored Baseball Tournament on July 12, 13, and 14. Come on over for some great baseball and summertime fun. Our Baseball Committee is planning a super tournament and looks forward to a successful weekend.

3. In the month of August (we want to give advance notice) we are presenting our Legion Family Gathering on Saturday, August 3. This "picnic" will be held in our Activity Center and will include games for children and adults, food, beverage, and good times of visiting and renewing friendships.

Wow! Our Sons of the American Legion have sponsored a very welcomed gift to our Legion Family. We were in need of additional lawn equipment for our splendid baseball field. Commander Todd Hagel of the SAL presented a check to Merle Cunningham, Mr. Baseball, for the specialty mower to enhance even more our baseball program. We are certainly in synch in working toward the betterment of all of our programs. Thank you, Sons of the American Legion.

We note that we have aboard as a new officer - Richard Pologna, 3rd Vice-Commander. Richard is known as a "chicken man" and a "fish fry man" from his involvement with Chicken and Dumplings

and our Fish Fries. What a thoughtful, concerned, creative, and dedicated veteran who we are so proud to have part of our Legion Family. Thank you for your involvement.

We really should note that, Past Commander, past many things, Clarence Stellner has stepped aside to promote new and younger veteran involvement in our Post. Clarence, you have set excellent example and provided great leadership in your many, many years of Post service. We "thank you" and salute you. And, yes, Clarence is still directing Texas Hold-Em and marketing our Post constantly.

In June, we have honored our "volunteers" with a Team Appreciation Night. We held ours this year on Wednesday, June 19. Always fun and it is great spending time with those who really make our post. To our volunteers, your Post sincerely says "thank you". See you at one of our many baseball games and Post functions.

Ralph Amundsen, Commander

Membership

Our new membership year will be starting the first part of July. We will commence working on our next years membership goals.

As a reminder, for all Legion Family members, please give us address changes so that we may change your newsletter and mailing address on a timely basis. Nowadays, returned mail cost us approximately \$1 each between mailing and returned postage.

See you at our annual Family Gathering (picnic) on August 3 for membership renewal or anytime before that for renewals.

Thank you.

Robert 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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Hello Members, Patrons and Friends,

Its really shaping up to be a great summer here at the Onalaska American Legion! Seeing all of you coming in and having a great time is one of the many thing I love about this place. And to aid in your summer time enjoyment we bring you live entertainment from the "Classic Rockers" and and by popular demand "Driven"!!

We have Lots of new Beers for you to try and daily food and drink specials. Thursday nights we have out Bean Bag Leagues which I encourage you all to try, its a blast!

Thank you all for your patronage. Have a great day and we will see you at the Legion!

Neil

Legion Community Days

The committee is ready to roll out the 8th annual **Legion Community Days** next month, the dates being August 23-25. As always we have another great and exciting festival.

We have a great line up of entertainment, food vendors, kid's things and tournaments.

The opening ceremony at 6:00 pm Friday will feature Miss Wisconsin again this year along with Miss Onalaska. That will coincide with the opening of the food court and refreshment tent. So come have a sandwich and beverage and catch the kick off. We will follow it up with the Studebaker 7 for our entertainment with a short break at 9 for the fireworks. They were a big hit last year. The Packer game will be on a big screen TV in the tent. You can enter to win the set to be given away Saturday night.

Saturday the pancake breakfast will start at 7:00 am, followed by the softball tournament starting at 9:00 am. Our grand parade will begin at 3rd. and Main again at 11:00 am proceeding East on Main St. to Sand Lake Rd. and North to Quincy. Get your spots set up early so as not to miss it. The motorcycle ride participants will run the parade route before leaving on the ride. We will have Kid's fun day on the grounds from 1:00 – 4:00 pm, which will include a kid's parade starting at 2:00 pm. The parade route will be on the grounds. We need some entries so get your kids and grandkids and decorate up their bikes and dogs and cats and join in the fun. In addition we will have lots of games and other things going on all afternoon. At 1:00 pm the entertainment will kick off on the main stage with Guitar Logic playing, followed by Spare Parts Project band, all leading up to the Last Call, who provide the night's entertainment for the annual Onalaska Fireman's dance. The TV plus many other items will be given away during the night. Don't be left out. The softball tournament begins in the morning and Euchre in the afternoon.

Sunday begins with the SAL buffet breakfast at 7:00 am. Then registration for the 5K fun walk begins at 8:00 with the walk going off at 9:00am. This is a non-timed fun walk, in memory of Sandy Nelson, and all the proceeds go the Wisconsin Chapter of ALS. All participants of the walk will be given a coupon good for \$2 off the buffet breakfast, so get registered, join the walk and have a great breakfast. We also have the Kid's fishing derby, Texas Hold'em and the car show going on Sunday as well as the Jim Bee Three in the refreshment tent and the wrap up of the softball tournament. And as always we will have bingo going all three days for you to earn some big bucks. It will again be in the dining room for your cool comfort pleasure.

As you can see we do have a fun and busy weekend planned so save the dates and come join us. The LCD committee has done a great job again this year and has a pretty darn good weekend set up.

We will have the volunteer book in the bar so those who wish to help us out can sign up for various duties. We always need lots of help, so if you can lend a hand. The book will be available by mid-July. Watch for the brochures in the bar and around town also by mid-July and in your newsletter in August.

Steven J. Fleis

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AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello Ladies,

Could summer finally be here? The mosquitoes are here, so summer must be!! We had our installation of officers at our June meeting and I want to thank Liz Staff for the doing the installation for us. We are still looking for a couple of members to be officers. We need a secretary and two members at large. If you are interested, please contact me.

We will be sending only one representative to our State Convention in July and thank you Luella Chesebro for going for us. Not too much to report on this month as we do not have a meeting in July. The next meeting will be August 8, 2013 starting at 7:00 p.m. The serving committee for August will be Elaine Schickowski – chairperson 608-317-7097, Marie Turk – 783-4593, Jean Sparks – 783-7305 and Jeannette Thach – 785-7737.

Happy Fourth of July!!!

**Sue Kelley
Auxiliary President**



Baseball Commentary

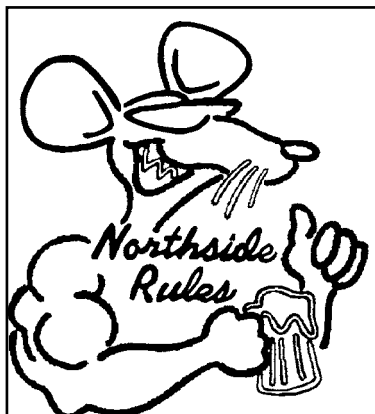
We sponsored our annual Sunny Open Golf Outing on June 9. In spite of the weather, the day was a resounding success.

Our Baseball Season is well underway for both of our Legion teams. Our spectators and cheering sections have been wonderful and we always could use more support. Come on out for some great baseball and cheer on our teams.

We are hosting the Onalaska 18 and under Tournament on July 12, 13, and 14. What a fun and competitive tournament. Come join us.

Now on sale - our annual Legion Baseball raffle tickets. It's a good way to support our program and possibly get something in return. Tickets on sale at the bar or from many Baseball committee members.

Merle Cunningham, General Manager



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FROM THE EDITOR

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Service Officers Report



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ORVILLE SALLANDER

Honorable Veteran, Post 336 Member

LLOYD DENISON

Honorable Veteran, Post 336 Member

LYLE SILBAUGH

Honorable Veteran

~ SICK CALL ~

GARY LANG – AL TOPEL – DONALD MULLIKIN

Respectfully Submitted, Vern Reekers, Service Officer

AMERICA IS AT WAR

A tradition 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.

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



The American Legion Family
www.legion.org

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Onalaska Post 336 Baseball will be hosting a 6 Team Tournament on July 12 through 14 at our Legion Field.

Teams from La Crosse, West Salem, Westby, New Lisbon, and Winona will play and compete on Friday through Sunday.

On Saturday evening, following the West Salem versus Onalaska game, which starts at 4:30 P.M., the team will be hosting a fundraiser in the Activity Center. The band "Trio Soul" will be playing. This event is free to the public. We will feature food and refreshments, along with raffles to generate money for the Baseball Program.

For our Legion Family, we are needing additional volunteers for concessions. A signup sheet will be posted in the Legion for schedules, etc. Should be fun to participate and enjoy the baseball and our team.

We want to "thank all" for the continued support for our Baseball Program.

Our Legion Baseball Committee



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	1	2 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	3	4 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm	5 Onalaska Class Reunion '63 Hall Classic Rockers	6 Onalaska Class Reunion '78 Hall
	8 Executive Committee 6:00 pm	9 NARVE, 10am Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	10 Auxiliary Meeting 7pm River Steele Meeting 4pm	11 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm	12 Karaoke Plus 7:30-11:30pm Baseball Tournament	13 Baseball Tournament
14 Baseball Tournament	15 BLET - 9:30am	16 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	17 Iron Workers Meeting Hall - 4-6pm	18 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm	19 Driven 7:30-11:30pm	20 Wedding - Hall Alice & Mike Budwieser Party A/C
21	22	23 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7pm Building Committee 5pm House Committee 6pm	24	25 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm	26 Music Mix w/Brittney Styles 7:30-11:30pm	27 Wedding/ Reception - Hall Brent and Dawn Taylor
28	29 Irishfest Meeting Hall	30 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	31			

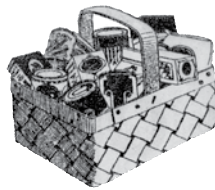
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Texas Hold'Em

Our Great season has come to an end on May 23rd with some great champs. **#1** - this season was our own Doc Kaplan, a very good player and friend of all players. Congrats Doc. **#2** - Dave Osgood; **#3** - Jim Schleifer; **#4** - Lee Geary; **#5** - Coach Benrud. Congrats to all you winners.

The above fellows and gals who played are all winners in the fact that they played with great players and people. Our purpose here is to promote fun, sportsmanship, camaraderie and friendship, all part of our Legion Family's theory on life.

I'm going to deviate for a moment to say thanks to a fellow who has dedicated his whole summers to making our Veteran Memorial at the Cemetery so great looking. The response from those who attended could not praise the man enough for all the work he put in it. My heart felt thanks to Bernie Sassy on behalf of all Veterans. Thank You!

Our next tourney will be on August 25th at the Community Days. Till then have a good summer and see you in August.

Bob, Chris, Billie and the Pit Bull

