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Dear Member,

Once a year we seek donations in exchange for poppies, the memorial flower of The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary. The enclosed poppy is a replica of the poppies that bloomed on the battlefields of France. This memorial poppy is not only a personal tribute to those who gave their lives for our Country, but it honors our living Veterans.

When you wear this little red flower it helps to keep alive the kind of patriotism so necessary in this great country of ours. The poppy we are distributing in return for a contribution is made by veterans ... to remember veterans ... and to help veterans.

We are asking our members to remember the sacrifice that our service men and women made for America. ALL funds derived from this distribution of poppies are used exclusively for rehabilitation of veterans and assistance to their families. To continue our support, we need your help. Donations may be mailed to or dropped off at the Post. If you cannot donate at this time, please wear this poppy proudly in honor of our Veterans.

Yours in Service

Wilma Dettinger
Poppy Chairman



Remember ... ALL GAVE SOME ... SOME GAVE ALL



If you receive your newsletter online and do not receive your poppies by mail, they may be picked up, and a donation made at the American Legion Post 336. Donations go to help Veterans. Thank you for your donation.

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2nd Vice:
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Legionnaires, Auxiliary, S.A.L., and Friends

GREETINGS FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION POST 336 COMMANDER!

Unbelievable that it's May already and we are surely ready for some bright and warm weather.

At our Post we are so very thankful of the many happenings. May brings us a very busy month with our veterans, especially our deceased veterans being honored.

1. Memorial Day and the corresponding honoring of our deceased veterans is a much traditioned Community event. As usual, we will be presenters of the public program at the Cemetary. We have dedicated much emphasis on this day and have had the Memorial Day Commission, made up of many enthusiastic individuals, work to develop this years program along with future endeavors. We will be seeking public input through a survey at the luncheon following services at the cemetary. These ideas, then, will be considered for future changes in our Memorial Day program.

2. Our Post "Veterans Memorial" that will be on grounds is slated for dedication to our veterans past, present, and future previous to month end. Finalization and date will be announced as finalized. We wish to extend a "thank you" to the point men on the project: Wayne Henthorn and Clarence Stellner. What a great project and acknowledgement honoring veterans.

3. May brings us to our seasonal end for a couple events. On May 1, we feasture our Famous Big Al's Chicken and Dumplings. On May 10, we have our Great Fish Fry. We will start up, again, the month of September for these two events.

4. On April 17, we announced our awards for two outstanding individuals for our Post. The annual Friend of the Legion is Diane Ryan. Diane has been very active in our Post and is always there for those in need, be it helping at Chicken and Dumplings, Fish Fries, childrens activities, Memorial Day program, and through her enlightened insight and advice for the betterment of our Post. Thank you for being you, Diane. Our annual Legionnaire of Year is Mike Christianson, a humble and dedicated advocate for the veteran, especially the hospitalized veteran. Mike spends countless hours working with the veterans specifically in Tomah and even King. Through his effort, Mike represents

us in the highest levels of who we are as a Legion. Mike also represents us on our House Committee and volunteers for many other events. We are proud of you, Mike, as a veteran and a fellow Legionnaire.

5. Don't forget, we hold our annual election of officers at our May General Meeting. This will be on Monday, May 13 at 7:00 P.M. For those interested in representing us, feel free to contact those on the election committee: Wayne Henthorn, Rich Musolf and Clarence Stellner. We also have posted sign-up sheets on each bulletinboard.

6. There is so much happening, please check our calendar for other items.

Hope to see you at our Post. Thank you veterans and may the future be bright.

Ralph Amundsen, Commander

Membership

We are down to the last of the membership drive. We need to renew the last of about 50 memberships to reach our yearly membership goal. It's easy to renew. We can drop our dues off at the clubrooms at any time, we can mail the dues in, or now we can even accomplish on-line.

Please remember to put in a change of address when needed. Basically, it costs our Post \$1.00 for every returned piece of mail. This does mount up in costs.

Also, we have had a number of members who receive notices from the National Legion about paying dues. Seems like they are way behind. So, if dues are paid and you receive a notice from National, just disregard the notice.

Thank you for your membership.

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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2013 Terry Eggen Memorial Scholarship

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

Requirements:

MUST be a legion member of Post #336 OR – a spouse, child / step child, grandchild of an active member of our Post.

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 by 2nd Vice Commander Rich Musolf,
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NO LATER THAN May 17, 2013. Clarifications – Phone # 608-397-9548.

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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,

As I write this , we just received snow last night. I thought spring was supposed to be here!!!! Oh well, sooner or later I hope it gets here. Some warm sunny days will brighten up everyone's spirits. We had a good turnout for our April meeting and we discussed a few item that are very important to our organization. We got a nominating committee for our new officers which consists of Luella Chesebro, Wilma Dettinger and Colleen Kujak. So if you are interested in being a leader for the ladies at our Post, please contact them. Don't be afraid that you " don't know anything about it or how it runs". We have many past officers that are still active that will gladly help and guide you.

One of the things we did have a good conversation on was the cost of dues for the upcoming year 2014. It was voted on by a majority vote, that we raise our dues to \$23.00. This will be in effect for the dues to be paid for 2014 membership. We know that the price did go up, but in the long run it will be a good thing for our Auxiliary. We also decided that the dues payments will be sent direct to our Post Office Box instead of going to the First Vice in charge of membership. As always, you can also drop them off at the post.

State convention this year will be in July in the Milwaukee area and we will be getting more information on that in the next month, so we will pass that along to whomever would like to go.

Diane Ryan gave her report on the Easter Egg hunt and once again we had a great turn out. We had 110 children and at least that many parents that came out that day. A big thank you to

Diane and her helpers for putting this on for us. I had the pleasure of taking out the 0-2 year olds, and it was so fun to watch the little ones picking up the colored eggs.

We also introduced our New Miss Poppy 2014 – Taya Hauser, she is the daughter of member Cathi Hauser.

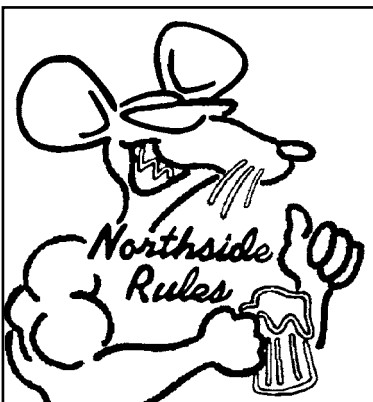
I wish to thank everyone that has helped me in the past two years as your Auxiliary President. I hope that I have served you well and done what I can to promote our Legion and Auxiliary and its organization.

Serving committee for our May 8, 2013 meeting will be: Liz Reekers – chairperson 783-3913, Judy Nimmo – 780-4952, Mary Powers – 783-1535, Nikki Sterling – 781-6084 and Dawn Topel – 783-4833. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m with elections being held that night.

Thank You, Sue Kelley

Hello Members, Patrons and Friends,

April showers bring May flowers?? The robins outside don't seem very pleased thus far, but the weather inside the legion is always friendly fun and a constant 72 degrees.



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Maybe you have not noticed but May has FIVE Fridays! what does that mean you ask? That mean an extra night of great Friday entertainment!! We have 3 great bands and 2 nights of Karaoke delight.

Texas Hold-em wraps up this month as well so if you think poker is your game, then the Onalaska American Legion Is your place every Thursday night.

In order to provide our customers with the best quality there will be a small increase on some of our drinks and menu items. But have no fear, we will be having some great new drink specials that are UN-BEATABLE. And don't forget if your looking to have a party of even a after-work get together, we have you covered.

That's about it folks, lets make May the greatest month that starts with "M"

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

Neil

FROM THE EDITOR

Did you know you could read the Onalaska Legion Post 336 Newsletter online at: www.onalaskapost336.org ?

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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Please Note: If there is an Auxiliary or SAL member in your household, they must also opt out of the print version or it will continue to be mailed to your home. Return this filled out form to Onalaska American Legion Post 336, 731 Sand Lake Road, Onalaska WI 54650.

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Service Officers Report

~ LAST BUGLE ~

DAVID EARL CARTWRIGHT

Honorable Veteran

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
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S.A.L.

Commander: **Todd (Doc) Hagel**

1st Vice: **Bill Sterling**

2nd Vice: **John Marcou**

3rd Vice: **Bob Webber**

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

Adjutant: **Ray Kline**

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

Dick Polodna

Chaplain:

SAL Advisor: **Clarence Stellner**

SAL NEWS and VIEWS

Happy Mothers Day! We will be having our Mothers Day breakfast as usual. We look forward to a great day. Our membership is at over 100%, and continues to grow each year and is very exciting to watch as we continue to get more involved with the whole legion family. We have a lot of great people here and strive to make it better all the time. The upcoming months will be very busy again with Mothers Day, Fathers Day, Memorial Day, Community Days, all the parades etc. It is a very busy time of year at the post. It is a great feeling, a proud feeling, to be part of such a great organization. Our elections for officers is coming up, so look for some possible change's. I'm sorry to say that on a sad note, one will be our chaplain. Matthew Wobeck has passed away. He will be greatly missed.

Thanks, and have a great and safe summer.

Todd (Doc) Hagel, SAL Commander

VA News

Need a ride to the Tomah VA? If you have a medical appointment at the Tomah VA but don't have a means of getting there, call (800) 872-8662, ext. 66227 or ext. 61661. The Veterans Transportation Service has added resources and now has vans that can transport wheelchair patients. They also have vans that go to the VA Medical Centers in Madison and Milwaukee.

Always appreciated are toiletries, hats, and other articles for our hospitalized veterans. There is an ongoing listing on our Post bulletin boards.

**Always veterans helping veterans,
Mike Christianson, VA Liaison**

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2"X2" are \$50.00/year 2"X3.75" are \$80.00/year, this ad is horizontal.

All payments must be made for the full year, payable in advance. New ad space will open up if there are some non-renewals. The space will be made available on a first-come, first-served basis for new advertisers.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Chicken & Dumplings 4:30-7pm	2 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'em - 7-10pm	3 Driven Entertainment 7:30-11pm	4 Wedding - Hall Cummings Bar Party - 4pm
5 Baseball Meeting 1:00pm	6 Sheet Metal Work Meeting, Noon, Hall Deer Creek Condo Meeting, 3:30, Hall	7 Sheet Metal Meeting Hall, 8:30am Sheet Metal Lunch Hall, 12noon Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	8 Auxiliary Meeting 7pm River Steele Meeting 4pm	9 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'em - 7-10pm	10 Fish Fry 4:30-7pm Karaoke Plus 7:30-11:30pm	11
12 SAL Mother's Day Breakfast 8am-12Noon	13 Executive Committee 6:00 pm Membership Meeting 7:00 pm	14 NARVE, 10am Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	15	16 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'em - 7-10pm	17 Double Take 7:30-11:30pm	18 A/C Graduation Stellner Wedding - Hall Fischer
19 Graduation Party Hall - 3pm Paula Stoner	20 BLET - 9:30am Girl Scout Leader Meeting 5:30pm-7:30pm	21 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	22	23 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'em - 7-10pm FINAL	24 Rose Sabotta 7:30-11:30pm	25 Graduation Party Activity Center
26 Wedding - 3pm Josh & Beth Brietung	27 Sheet Metal Meeting 4:30 pm Hall Memorial Program Cemetery/Post	28 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7pm Building Committee 5pm House Committee 6pm	29	30 Tacos - 11am-2pm Burger Nite - 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'em - 7-10pm Irish Fest Meeting	31 Classic Rockers 7:30-11:30pm	

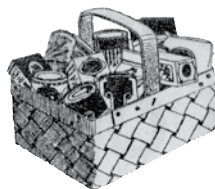
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Texas Hold'Em

Time sure flies when you're having fun. Our season is almost half way and going strong. I hear that at some games they are lucky to have 15 people to play. We are averaging 26 per week, thanks to some great players and the way we run the tourney. We hear this all the time. Thanks! We at the Legion try harder to make it fun!

Our Championship will be held on May 23rd this year. Great food, great players, surprises, great pay backs and the best players of the season.

We will be again having game at the Community Days in August and restarting the regular season in September. Watch for the dates. Til next month, remember the troops who give us the freedom to have all this fun and keep them in your prayers and thoughts.

Bob, Bill, Chris and the Pit Bull

