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Onalaska American Legion

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

GREETINGS FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION POST 336 COMMANDER!

Well, I have been Commander for over a month and the building is still standing. Business is doing great thanks to our great officers, staff, and committees who are doing a great job. Thank you all.

August is going to be quite busy at our Club so keep an eye on the calendar and check things out at the Post. **AUGUST 3rd WILL BE OUR ANNUAL PICNIC BEGINNING AT 11:00 AM. NOTE DATE CHANGE.**

August 11th is the regular Legion meeting at 7pm. We will have a guest program by the VA and Thom Downer. Please try to attend.

August 22-23: Onalaska Community Days with great food, refreshments, music, games and, above all, Saturday will be the big Firemen's Dance. Come out and support these great people who put themselves at risk to save us. God Bless them.

If you haven't tried or heard about our Wednesday night stick drawing and special homemade pizza at the Club by three great chefs and a runner, come out and enjoy.

On July 14th we served a special brat party to the confined Vets at various homes in the area and it was well received by all who attended. To Vern reekers and his crew, a big thanks for a job well done as usual. Vern has been heading up this program for as long as I can remember. Thanks.

We are looking for a few good people for some important jobs. If interested, please contact me. #1 - Newsletter Editor; #2 - People interested in helping Rich cut grass on the grounds; #3 - People interested in helping with Fish Frys and Chicken & Dumplings. All help will be greatly appreciated and I'm, sure you will have fun doing it.

There will be some changes in our Chicken and Fish events starting in September. CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS will now include self-serve coffee. FISH FRYs: Due to the cost of food we are forced to make some changes: 3 pieces of Fish - \$9.00; 4 pieces of Fish - \$10.00; This will include Salad Bar, Coffee, and choice of Fish - Batter Fried or Broiled and choice of baked potatoe or french fries. There will be no more all you can eat. Again this is due to food costs.

Until next month, have a great summer and COME down and check out the best Legion Post in western Wisconsin.

- Clarence



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2nd Vice: **Wilma Dettinger**

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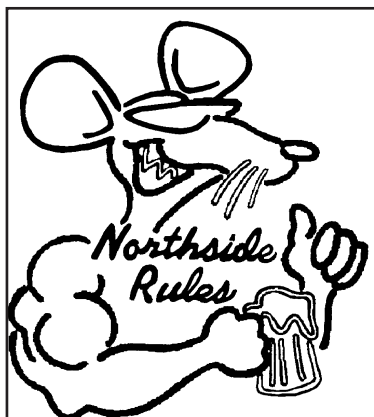
Hello Ladies,

I hope everyone is enjoying the outdoors while they have the chance. Any time you can spend it with family and friends, take advantage of it. Since we didn't have a meeting in July, we don't have too much going on. One big change is the **Legion Family Picnic will be held on SUNDAY AUGUST 3rd, instead of Saturday.** Please make sure you come on Sunday instead of Saturday to the picnic... It will still be held in the activity center with all the planned activities. That is a good day to pay your dues and get put in the drawing for the 3 - \$20.00 checks we give away that day if your dues are paid on or before that date. Our next meeting will be on August 13, 2014 starting at 7:00 p.m. The serving committee will be: Luella Chesebro - chairperson 385-638-6381, Marie Turk - 783-4593, laVonne Rivers, Jennifer Chesebro 608-567-1279. Please plan on attending.

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

Onalaska Community Days 2014 Hosted by The American Legion Family August 22 - 23

***Community Days takes place on the Legion Grounds located
at 731 Sand Lake Rd. with easy access from State Hwy 53.
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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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731 Sand Lake Road
P.O. Box 326
Onalaska, Wisconsin 54650**

Hello Members, Patrons and Friends

I like to think that August is the best time of year to live in Wisconsin. The weather is perfect. Harvesting peaks and everyone just seems to be in a great mood. And that is no different here at the legion. We love to see you all come in and enjoy yourself. This month not only do we have Onalaska Community days, but also Happy's Garage band and DRIVEN!! Also don't forget to check the calendar for our great weekly food and drink specials.

Hope you are all having a great summer.
Have a great day and we will see you at the Legion!

Neil

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

Who are the American Legion Riders?

We are not a motorcycle club. We are an association, a group of American Legion, Auxiliary, and Sons of the American Legion members who ride for a cause.

Whether it is working together on Veteran's issues, participating in a local parade as a Motorcycle Color Guard, raising money for a charity, or cruising together on a beautiful fall colored highway, the American Legion Riders program has provided a lot of enjoyment for those members who share a common interest in motorcycling.

If you are a Veteran, Auxiliary, or SAL member and love the "freedom of the road" on two wheels, and sometimes even three, then consider joining. We would love to have you!

Submitted by David Delimat

S.A.L.

Well, here it is already the middle of July and no snow. I do know a lot of you are already praying for cooler weather. As a reminder, we have the Legion Family Picnic on Sunday, August 3. Hopefully, we have a good turnout. For anyone who has not met the new SAL Commander, I will be there to meet and greet. During the picnic we will be doing our membership drive. I will also be recruiting help for my new role, as I will need a lot of help! The SAL monthly breakfast will begin again in September. I am hoping for your continued support and any help you can provide.

Bill Sterling, S.A.L. Commander

S.A.L.

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August 22-23, 2014

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Friday, August 22nd

- * Brief Opening Ceremony on Main Stage to Kickoff Celebration at 5:30 pm
- * Softball Tournament Begins
- * Refreshment Tent opens at 5:00 pm
- * Food Court opens at 5:00 pm
- * **Bingo** in Dining Hall, **6:00 - 10:00 pm**
- * Onalaska Fire Department Guest Bartending
- * **"Redline Outlaw"** playing on Main Stage, **7:30 - 11:30 pm**

Safe Ride Available



Saturday, August 23rd

- * American Legion Clubrooms Open All Day, beginning at 8:00 am
- * Softball Tournament All Day starting at 8:00 am
- * **Bingo** in Dining Hall, All Day and Evening, **Noon to 10:00 pm**
- * Food Court Opens at 11:00 am
- * Refreshment Tent Opens at 11:00 am
- * **Texas Hold'Em Tournament** in the Bar at **1:00 pm**, **Sign up at 11:00 am**
- * **Euchre Tournament** at **2:00 pm**, in the Activity Center
- * **Children's Fishing Tournament**, **9:00 am to 12:00 Noon**
- * Bean Bag Tournament at 12:00 Noon
- * Onalaska Fire and Police Departments on Grounds for Children's Activities
- * **Annual Car Show** from **1:00 - 4:00 pm**
- * Children's Activities and Games, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
- * Afternoon Dunk Tank with Local Guests, 12 Noon to 4:00 pm
- * Music by **"The Executives"** on Main Stage from **2:00 - 6:00 pm**
- * Onalaska Fire Department Annual Firefighters Dance featuring **"Last Call"** on Main Stage Playing **7:30 - 11:30 pm**

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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.

I no longer wish to receive the Print edition of the Legion Newsletter.

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**Meetings are every
2nd Tuesday at 10:00 am
at the Onalaska American Legion.**

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Service Officers Report



~ LAST BUGLE ~

Wilbur C. Jenson - Honorable Veteran - Member Post 336

Philip Swan - Honorable Veteran - Member Post 336

William A. Stockers - Honorable Veteran

~ SICK CALL ~

Mike Fries

Respectfully Submitted, Vernon Reekers, Service Officer

This is the third of a series of our past Honor Guard Members who will be added to our inactive list. He is Harold Gildermeister. Harold was one of our most dedicated members. He was not the best on the firing line, so he always carried our Nations Flag. When Harold retired, he was 90 years old and still going strong. Good Luck, Harold!

Vern Reekers, Honor Guard Commander

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."



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Membership

Welcome to our new membership year drive. The renewals are already starting and we are going gangbusters. Remember that we have our annual "early bird" program if you renew by November 11. We now send a free drink card out with the new membership cards. The bartender will honor your free drink when you turn in the free drink card.

We, also, will honor our Paid Up For Life memberships for "early bird". Simply show your Paid Up For Life card to the bartender.

Hope to see you at the Club.

Richard Polodna, 1st Vice Commander

Onalaska Community Days 2014

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August 22-23

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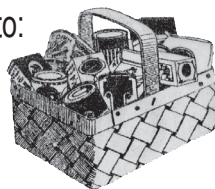
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Driven 7:30-11:30pm	2 Benefit for Mike Peterson - Activity Center
3 Legion Family Picnic - Activity Center Baby Shower Bar - 1pm	4	5 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	6 Pizza Night 6-8 pm	7 Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm Irish Joke Contest	8 Celebration of Life - Ron Olson Hall - 6-9pm Karaoke Plus 7:30-11:30pm	9 Dennis Waller Benefit - Hall
10	11 Executive Committee 6pm General Meeting 7pm	12 NARVRE, 10am Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	13 Auxiliary Meeting, 7pm Pizza Night 6-8 pm	14 Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm	15 Time & a Half Band 7:30-11:30pm	16 Celebration of Life Hall
17	18 BLET, 9:30am	19 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	20 Pizza Night 6-8 pm Ducks Unlimited Banquet - Hall	21 Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm 40/8 Steak Fry - Hall - 5pm	22 23 COMMUNITY DAYS	
24 Community Days CleanUp	25	26 Wings and Shrimp, 4:30-7pm Building Com. Meeting, 4pm House Com. Meeting, 5:30pm	27 Pizza Night 6-8 pm	28 Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm	29 Karaoke w/Theresa 7:30-11:30pm	30
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The Food Basket is serving an increasing number of people and requests donations of food and money.

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What's Your Current ID Number?

Somewhere in this newsletter is a member's membership number. If it's your number you win \$10.00 - easy way to get \$10.00.
If it's your number call: Dick Polodna: 783-3300

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Texas Hold'Em

We are on spring break now so I want to take this space to ask for help from all Legion members.

The La Crosse Veteran Mentor Program is in need of new mentors to help the men and women who are having trouble getting back from the long stays on active and reserve duty. These troops sometime find themselves in need of someone to help guide them with proper traing and comon sense. I know many of you are very qualified. Please call Thom Downer, director of this program, for more info. Thom can be reached at 608-795-6420.

Thank you and see you all on August 23 for the Community Days Tourney. It will be held inside the Post bar this year.

*Chris, Billy, Rip,
and the Pit Bull*

