



# Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

**Onalaska American Legion**

Chartered May 14, 1921

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**Evan A. Fisher, a high school senior, is an Eagle Scout needing to perform an approved project. He was pointed in the direction of Memorial Flag Boxes by long time scouter Dr. Robert Wingate. Evan submitted the project proposal & it was approved.**

**Why did Evan finally decide to do this project? He wanted to say thank you to & honor veterans in this way.**

**Evan, with support & encouragement from scout leaders (including his dad) / donated glass from Mr. Guenther & La Crosse Glass / big help from Tristen Fink (working on becoming an Eagle Scout) worked very hard & successfully accomplished his project.**

**He constructed 10 beautiful Memorial Boxes for Military Funeral Flags. One for his grandfather WWII Navy, one for his uncle WWII Army, & 8 presented to Onalaska American Legion Post 336 for their future fallen comrades.**

**A presentation ceremony took place at Post 336 on Wednesday, 20 November 13.**

**Post 336 is very grateful, honored, proud to be the recipient of these excellent, well crafted memorial boxes from Evan, an outstanding young man.**

## **Officers:**

Commander:  
**Ralph Amundsen**  
783-7599  
1st Vice:  
**Robert Weber**  
2nd Vice:  
**Rich Musolf**  
3rd Vice:  
**Richard Pologna**  
Adjutant:  
**Ray Kline**  
Finance Officer:  
**James Bialecki**  
Judge Advocate:  
**Todd Bjerke**  
Chaplain:  
**Claude Deck**  
Service Officer:  
**Vern Reekers - 783-3913**  
Historian:  
**Mike Fries**  
Sgt. at Arms  
**Wayne Henthorn**  
Editor:

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

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

Entering the cold month of January, we have, at our Post many, many happenings. Please check the monthly calendar for events. We also have many activities that are not listed; for example on Thursday afternoons we generally have Euchre in the dining room. Thank you to all our volunteers and participants in all the activities!

### **Some upcoming news of note includes:**

1. January 1, New year's Day, we will have guest bartenders as usual and have special drink prices until 4:00 P.M.
2. Our monthly Chicken and Dumplings is moved to Thursday, January 2 because of New Years Day. The posters and signs are already out as of December 12 so we should have plenty of notice for all.
3. Our monthly Fish Fry remains on Friday, January 10. Hope to see you there.
4. Our Annual Smelt Fry event will be on Friday, February 28. We, again, will start serving at 3:00 P.M. This seemed to work extremely well this past year.

Quite a few of our officers are participating and attending the Mid-Winter State Conference this year. It's a great time for learning and developing ideas for our Post. And I'm positive that the classes, etc. will benefit us all.

***Hoping all have a great month, and please remember all of our veterans, especially those in need! See you at our Post.***

***Ralph Amundsen, Commander***

## **Membership**

Well, we are in the throes of winter already and we are still working on our membership renewals. We are getting close to our goal. So, please send in or drop off your dues as soon as possible.

As a reminder, sometimes the National Legion is behind schedule and keeps sending out dues reminders. If already paid, please just disregard the billing statement.

***Thank you everyone for your help.***  
***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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## **S.A.L.**

Commander: **Todd (Doc) Hagel**

1st Vice: **Bill Sterling**

2nd Vice: **John Marcou**

3rd Vice: **Dick Pologna**

Finance Officer: **Chris Carlson**

Adjutant: **Ray Kline**

Sgt. at Arms: **Bob Weber, Andy Truscott**

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

Happy New Year!!!! We hope everyone had a great and safe holiday season. We are looking forward to another very busy year. One of the best things to look forward to is Spring. Our breakfast numbers are on the rise and that looks very promising. We had the Santa's List dinner again put on by our local 103645961 police and fire department at the post making it year #2 here. They did another fantastic job. It was a very good turnout for needy family's in Onalaska and I was told with all the donations that no one was turned away for lack of funds. That really warms the heart to know we can help others when in need.

*Have a wonderful new year!*

## **TOMAH VAMC NEWS**

It just seems like a couple months ago that Vern Reekers and Wayne Henthorn were with me helping at the fishing tournament at the Tomah V.A.M.C. and now all of a sudden winter is upon us. December 10th was the Holiday Ball marking the end of the year events.

I'm always looking forward to like I say "put a smile on someone's face by keeping active with the Tomah V.A.M.C.

This month we are looking for a number of items for Tomah and our hospitalized veterans. Please drop off at the Post.

1. 2014 wall calendars with pleasing pictures for veterans rooms
2. T-shirts with pockets - all sizes
3. Underwear, either boxers or briefs - all sizes
4. Winter coats, caps and gloves
5. Sweat shirts, new or good used ones - prefer sizes medium and extra large
6. Tennis shoes - all sizes

*As always, don't forget the fallen, missing, or hospitalized veteran.  
Mike Christianson, American Legion Rep, Tomah V.A.M.C.*



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# Chicken & Dumplings

- \* Amish Chicken
- \* Dumplings & Gravy
- \* Vegetable & Roll

**Thursday, Jan. 2nd, 4:30 'til 7:00**  
**PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE**

**\$6.00**

## **Auxiliary:**

President: **Sue Kelley**

1st Vice: **Luella Chesebro**

2nd Vice: **Wilma Dettinger**

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer: **Colleen Kujak**

Historian: **Luella Chesebro**

Sgt. at Arms:

**Judy Chesebro and  
Jennifer Chesebro**

Chaplain: **Maureen Smith**

Parliamentarian:

**Delores Kenyon**

Sunshine Chairwoman:

**Liz Reekers**

Jr. Past President:

**Diane Ryan**

**Hello Ladies,**

I hope you enjoyed the holidays with your families and friends. We had our Ladies Christmas party and I want to thank the committee for doing a wonderful job again this year. By the comments I have heard everyone had a good time. A special thanks to the volunteer staff, Ray Kline, Liz Staff, Will Talbot, Linus Kujak, Brenda Hagel, and Mr. Ho Ho himself, Jerry Miller.

A big thank you to Diane Ryan, for taking care of the holiday families if I haven't already thanked her. It has been a little slow with the hall bookings, but it is to be expected due to the holidays, it will pick up again soon.

We are working on the serving committees, so if you would like to help out, please contact me. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 starting at 7:00 p.m. What I have for a serving committee so far is: Trudy Lee – chairperson (?) 783-2773, Marlene Emery – 783-3711, Patty Raasch – 608-397-7441. If anyone would like to be on the January committee, please contact one of these ladies.

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

## **Honest Paul's L&M Tavern**

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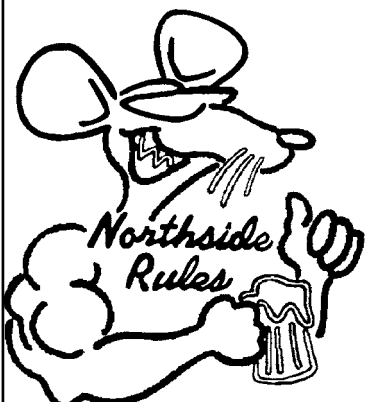
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## **Notes from the Newsletter Editor**



***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!*

# FROM THE EDITOR

Did you know you could read the Onalaska Legion Post 336 Newsletter online at: [www.onalaskapost336.org](http://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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## Food - Fun - Friends

**Veterans and the Public Welcome  
New & Transfer Members Invited**

**Food Events & Entertainment on Selected Evenings**

**Bar opens 11 a.m. daily**

**Lunch served 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. • Monday thru Friday**

**Facilities & Catering for Weddings,  
Anniversaries, Special Events, Etc.**



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## Retired and Active Railroad Employees: Protect your (NARVRE) Railroad Retirement and your Jobs!



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Meetings are every  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 10:00 am  
at the Onalaska American Legion.

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## Service Officers Report

~ LAST BUGLE ~

Merle Gregerson – Honorable Veteran, Post 336 Member  
David Bakke – Honorable Veteran, Post 336 Member  
John E. Yeager – Honorable Veteran, Post 336 Member

~ SICK CALL ~

Robert Turk, Keith Briggs, Lyle Carlson

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."



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## Hello Members, Patrons and Friends

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and got everything they put on Santa's list. We here at the legion love all of our customers so we couldn't be happier. Coming in to the new year we will be having all the fun and entertainment you would come to expect, as well as great food and friendly service. If you are looking to plan a Family event in 2014 now is the time to start thinking about us and our great facilities. Check out our website or call us anytime if you have any questions. Better yet, stop in and say hello, its always a pleasure to see you all. January we have some great music from The Memory Brothers and newcomers Marty and The Sharks! They are a great band so be sure to come on in and give them a warm legion welcome.

*Have a Happy New Year everyone, and we will see you at the Legion.*

## 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: **2"X2" are \$50.00/year;**

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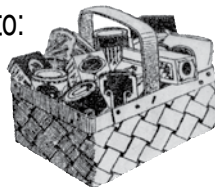
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> Guest Bartenders <i>Happy New Year's</i>	<b>2</b> Tacos - 11am-2pm CHICKEN and DUMPLINGS, 4:30-7pm	<b>3</b> Karaoke w/Theresa 7:30-11:30pm	<b>4</b> Bar Party, 6pm
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>8</b> Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	<b>9</b> Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm	<b>10</b> Fish Fry, 4:30-7pm Karaoke w/TWolf 7:30-11:30pm	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Executive Committee - 6pm Membership Meeting, 7pm	<b>14</b> NARVE, 10am Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm 40/8 Meeting, 6pm	<b>17</b> Marty and the Sharks, 7:30-11:30pm	<b>18</b> Ed Zietlow Benefit
<b>19</b> SAL Breakfast 8-noon	<b>20</b> BLET 9:30am	<b>21</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm	<b>24</b> Music Mix w/Brittany Styles 7:30-11:30pm	<b>25</b> La Crosse Builders Association Party
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Wings and Shrimp, 4:30-7pm Building Com. Meeting, 5pm House Com. Meeting, 6pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm	<b>31</b> The Memory Brothers 7:30-11:30pm	

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## **Texas Hold'Em**

Happy New Year from all the great Pit Crew of our Texas Hold'Em Tourney.

By the time you get this letter, our Tourney for this season will have been over. On the 19th of December we had our season Championship and had 16 great players trying for the onyx ring and bracelet set, made for a true champ plus the cash that goes with it. As you know the Legion does not keep any of the moneys for the entry. All funds are returned to the players. I guess that's why on February 6th, 2014, we will start our 19th season.

So until next year, may God Bless all our troops who serve so we can have all this fun at home.

*Happy New Year from very proud Pit Bosses  
... Billy, Bob, Chris, and the Pit Bull*

