



# Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

## Onalaska American Legion

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**Claude Deck**

Editor:  
**Thom Downer**

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

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

Time sure flies when your having fun. We are looking forward to a very busy winter and events at the club. Starting November 1st with the famous Poultry Night, 5 pm til 9:30 pm. Fee will be \$5.00 at the door. This will include soup, sandwich and beer, and door prizes, lots of fun trying for turkeys, hams, meat boxes and games of chance.

Chicken and dumplings on November 5th, Fish Fry on the 14th and the great S.A.L. breakfast on the 16th. The club will be closed on Thanksgiving Day so that all our Legion Family can eat and worship together.

Above all don't forget stick night and the best handmade pizza at only \$4.00, \$5.00 with a big beer.

On a different note, our newsletter has had a problem with many returns due to wrong addresses. Each return costs the club almost a dollar. If you don't get your letter and it is returned to us, you will not be getting future letters until you correct your address with our office. Please check your situation to help keep our costs down.

For all who are not aware, our former Commander and helper on many projects at our club, Jerry Malin has been confined to his home for a while due to an illness. His bride Alice has been doing double duty taking care of Jerry and the duties at the club, so please say a prayer for both of these great folks, and wish him a speedy recovery. Jerry we miss you.

I would like to say thanks to all you people out there who have been helping me with my job as your Commander. This job needs everybody's help in its projects and functions to exist. Thank you all.

To Rich Muslof, a very special thanks for your hard work at keeping our outside grass so well manicured and Vern Reekers for the entrance flowers. These are things that make us all proud of our Post.

Until next month, wishing you all a happy Thanksgiving and above all, say a prayer for all the great men and women who are serving now and in the past, so we can enjoy this great country.

*Commander Clarence*



## **Auxiliary:**

President: **Sue Kelley**

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**Liz Reekers**

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**Diane Ryan**

## **Hello Ladies,**

Are we all enjoying the fall weather? It sure didn't take long for the leaves to turn colors, did it? ☺ Oh well, we knew it would be here sooner or later, so we should be used to it by now. A big thanks to all the helpers for the Kids Halloween party. I appreciate what they do for our Auxiliary. We have received a letter from the Onalaska - Holmen Food Pantry asking for donations for non perishable food items, and paper products as the needs for our residents that need a little help has increased dramatically. We will have a tub/bin at our Post for you to drop off these items for the Food Pantry. Thank you for any support you can give. Our next meeting will be November 12, 2014 starting at 7:00 p.m. The serving committee will be:

Norma Johnson - Chairperson 783-3763, Sharon Miller - 783-2022,

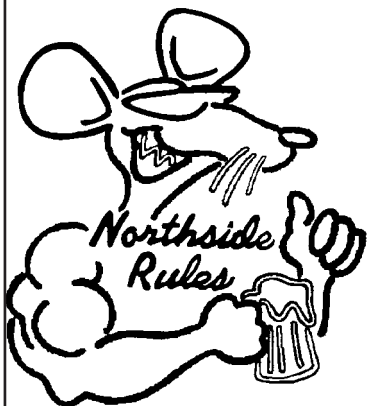
Lois Hanson - 781-8498, Alice Malin - 783-8248, and Colleen Kujak - 783.3621.

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

## **To the American Legion Family,**

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Onalaska Community Days, we wish to thank you for your continued support of this worthwhile project. Each year provides its own challenges, whether it be Mother Nature, new or changed events, or other events going on in the area. I am proud to say that once again it looks like we will have made a profit thanks to the Legion Family and its members, guests and friends. We still have a few more financial items to get on the books, so our final numbers are not quite finalized for this year. I want to thank all the volunteers for their countless hours in putting this event together. Without you, it would not be possible.

**Thank You,  
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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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## Hello Members, Patrons and Friends

As we brace ourselves for another Wisconsin winter, I cannot help but be thankful for the sight of changing leaves and the brisk air. But I am going to refrain from saying the "S" word at this time, it's just too darn early! And since it is Thanksgiving this month, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our staff for everything they do. Laurie, Joe, Keri, Jim, Cathi, Charlie, Sue K., Alice, Vegas, Sue Ellen, Tony and Bob. You are all truly great and without you this great legion would not be the same.

November is also a great time to come into the Legion for great food. We will be featuring delicious soups during the week that will warm you up. And with entertainment every Friday night, we are sure to keep the nights hot!

I hope everyone has a happy Thanksgiving and to all you "s" birds... See ya in the spring!

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

**Neil**

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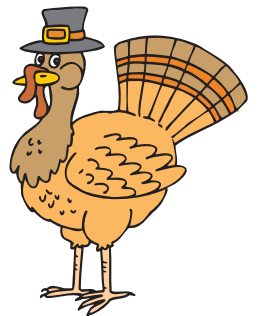
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**Bill Sterling**

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3rd Vice: **Dick Polodna**

Finance Officer:

**Chris Carlson**

Adjutant: **Ray Kline**

Sgt. at Arms:

**Matt Burnett**

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

There's really nothing to report again this month. The October breakfast went very well. The next breakfast dates will be: November 16th and then again on December 21st. (I had the dates wrong in the last month's newsletter).

I want to thank all the S.A.L. members, Auxiliary Past Presidents and other volunteers, who come out to help us each month. We always welcome and appreciate your help. I know you have all heard this over and over, but we couldn't do it without your help.

*Bill Sterling, SAL Commander*

**A VIETNAM VETERAN IN NEED ...** Do you know a Vietnam Veteran that needs some help? Does that fellow veteran need a friend to get the help they need.



The La Crosse Area Veterans Mentor Program (LAVMP) and the Tomah VA Medical Center Caregiver Support Program are partnering up to reach out to Vietnam Veterans who might need a little help. If you are a spouse, family member or friend that know a Vietnam Veteran that might need some help and a friend, call the LAVMP at (608) 785-6420. The VA

Caregiver Program and the LAVMP are there for them. We will reach out and see that fellow veteran is never left behind.

*Thom Downer, Post 336 Veterans Liaison*

## **TOMAH V.A.M.C.**

### **Current Donation Needs:**

The patient clothing room is in dire need of NEW men's briefs! All Sizes are welcomed! Also...New jigsaw puzzles (we'd like all the pieces, please), and – TRAVEL SIZED toiletries for the veterans in the Hospice Program and their family members who stay by their side.

### **2015 Calendars**

Every year, thanks to donations by service organizations, volunteers and other friends, Voluntary Service purchase a gift for each veteran in the Tomah VA Medical Center during the holidays. This year, we plan to order patriotic calendars for every veteran. Therefore we will NOT NEED very many 2014 calendars.

### **La Crosse VA Clinic**

Fall 2014 Full shots are available now through December 12, 2014 on Wednesdays and Fridays. Hours are from 9:00 am through 4:00 pm. In addition you may get your flu shot at any scheduled appointment. Just ask for it. REMEMBER...On federal holidays all clinics are closed.

***AS ALWAYS...DON'T FORGET THE FALLEN MISSING OR HOSPITAL VETERANS.***

*Mike Christianson*

## 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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## Service Officers Report



### ~ LAST BUGLE ~

Chris Mesolores – Honorable Veteran – Post 336  
 Dennis Waller – Honorable Veteran – Post 336  
 James Q. Wright – Honorable Veteran – Post 336  
 Roger Q. Saley – Honorable Veteran – Post 336

### ~ SICK CALL ~

Jerry Malin – Gary Turk

*Respectfully Submitted, Vernon Reekers, Service Officer*

*This the sixth in a series of inactive members of the Onalaska American Legion Post 336. The member this month is George Walinski. George has served honorably on Honor Guard for 20 years. Because of health reasons and age he has been told it was time to give it up. George was an over-the-road truck driver and a very strong teamster member and officer. We will miss you George. Good Luck!*  
*Vern Reekers, Honor Guard Commander*

## LOOKING FOR HONOR GUARD MEMBERS

Are you interested in participating in Military Funerals, posting/presenting of Colors at events, being part of local schools programs, Memorial Day activities, and representing Post 336? We are seeking additional Honor Guard Members from our Post. Contact Vern Reekers at 783-3913, or Rich Musolf at 397-9548 for additional information.

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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## LA CROSSE AREA VETERANS MENTOR PROGRAM

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 The LAVMP . . . Never Leaving a Fellow Veteran Behind.*



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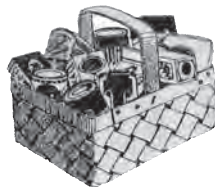
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b> Poultry Party 5pm
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm Jaycees Magic & Variety Show, 6:30pm	<b>5</b> Chicken & Dumplings 4:30-7pm	<b>6</b> Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm Snow Drifters Meeting, 7pm Texas Hold'Em, 7pm	<b>7</b> T-Wolf & the Midnight Howling 7:30-11:30pm	<b>8</b> Happy Birthday Rhonda - Hall
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Executive Committee 6pm General Meeting 7pm	<b>11</b> NARVRE, 10am Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>12</b> Auxiliary Meeting, 7pm Pizza Night 5-8 pm	<b>13</b> Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'Em, 7pm	<b>14</b> Fish Fry, 4:30-7pm Cross Town Bandits 7:30-11:30pm	<b>15</b> Big Band Ball - Hall
<b>16</b> SAL Breakfast 8-12pm	<b>17</b> BLET, 9:30am	<b>18</b> Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7pm	<b>19</b> Pizza Night 5-8 pm	<b>20</b> Taco Thursday, 11am-2pm Burger Night, 4:30-8pm 203606079 Texas Hold'Em, 7pm	<b>21</b> Hall - Party Karaoke Plus 7:30-11:30pm	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Wings and Shrimp, 4:30-7pm Building Com. Meeting, 5pm House Com. Meeting, 6pm	<b>26</b> Pizza Night 5-8 pm	<b>27</b>  Happy Thanksgiving Club Closed	<b>28</b> The Classic Rockers 7:30-11:30pm	<b>29</b>
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## What's Your Current ID Number?

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## **Texas Hold'Em**

Our season has been a little slower this season with the weather and Packer football, but we are having fun. The game takes on a new winner each week and great friendship happens. Our main purpose for holding this tourney is to get good people together to have a game of cards, a bit of lunch, a beverage, and above all, meet new friends.

On November 1st the Pit Bosses will be selling meat boxes at the big Poultry Event that starts at 5:00 pm and goes to about 9:30. There will be turkey raffles, ham raffles, and other games of chance for a good time. Fee is \$5.00, includes food and beverage. Come on down and enjoy.

Til next month, have fun with the new colors by Mother Nature, and above all, don't forget those great troops who make this all possible.

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

