



# Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

## Onalaska American Legion

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Commander: **David Delimat**

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House Committee:

**Robert Weber**

Building Committee:

**Merle Cunningham**

*To My Fellow Legionnaires; Auxiliary and S.A.L. Members & Friends Of The Legion  
Welcome To American Legion Post 336 In Onalaska, WI!*

April Showers bring May Flowers?! Where?! This snow and winter weather we are having is only going to bring May Chiropractor appointments. I am hoping that by the time this is printed the weather has had a turnaround for the better.

I want to apologize to anyone who tried to participate in the Easter Egg hunt and missed out. We were sticking to a strict start time and in the end it got started earlier than planned. We are taking all the experiences and using them as lessons learned for next year's event. We definitely will not have a registration start time one hour prior and we definitely will get back to staggering the times we let the kiddos out to hunt the eggs so single parents can enjoy the hunt with possibly more than one child if applicable.

We had our Past Commander/President banquet on April 18th. I want to congratulate Jim Boylan who is our Friend of the Legion for all his efforts behind the scenes supporting the Legion. Our Legionnaire of the Year went to Carl Sjolander for his continuing efforts to better our Post and to serve his state and nation within the American Legion. I also want to extend a big Thank You to Ray and Liz for doing the cooking and putting on the meal for us.

There apparently has been some bar talk/gossip going around at the Legion regarding the upcoming heating and air conditioning project. I have in this newsletter a one page

update re-affirming what was said in the January and February newsletters and there has not been a change to that. The closure information will also be a slide on the new message TV system in the bar area as well as being posted at the two entrances.

My Adjutant, Jim Binash, and myself had the chance to meet with the organizer of the National American Legion Riders Legacy Scholarship Run. Onalaska American Legion Post 336 is officially the last stop of the day on August 22nd. We will be feeding a minimum of 450 guests to include the National Commander, Denise Rohan as well as other dignitaries. We will be sharing more information in the coming months leading up to this wonderful opportunity and will be looking for volunteers to help make our post shine.

At the next membership meeting we will be holding elections. If you are interested in holding a position and you are a member in good standing, meaning your membership is up to date, you can sign up and run for any position. There are sheets posted at both entrances to the Post for you to sign up.

Our next general membership meeting will be held on May 14th at 7pm.

*Regards, David Delimat, Commander (608) 317-7750, [commander.post336@gmail.com](mailto:commander.post336@gmail.com)*

The following By-Laws changes are proposed as a result of the Executive Committee looking at the House Committee. The first reading was at the April 2018 general membership meeting, this printing is considered the second reading. These changes will be read off again at the May general membership meeting and voted upon at that time.

### **SECTION 11**

#### **HOUSE COMMITTEE**

1. House Committee shall consist of *four* voting Members. The current Post Commander and *four* elected committee members comprise the voting members. The current Post Commander votes only as a tie-breaker in the event of a tied vote by the elected members. Two voting members are elected annually for a *two* year term. In addition there are non-voting members who may include, if not elected as House Committee Members, the Post Finance Officer, Adjutant, Building Committee Chairperson, and the Bar Manager.

## ~ Auxiliary ~

Welcome Spring!! Mother Nature and Father Time need to stop playing the April Fools jokes on us!



Due to other obligations, Jadin is unable to be our Miss Poppy. At our meeting on April 11, we crowned Lyndsey Theis as our new 2018 Miss Poppy. Please extend a warm welcome to her as well! Congratulations, Lyndsey!

Our Past Commanders and Past Presidents Banquet was held on Wednesday, April 18, 2018. We had a great turnout! Thank you to all who attended and to the volunteers for their help!

Our Easter Egg Hunt was held on Saturday March 31st. Thank you to everyone that braved the cold weather with their little ones to gather eggs. A great turnout and a fun time by everyone. Thank you to Diane Ryan and her great helper bunnies!

Scholarship applications for Onalaska Ladies Auxiliary and Past Presidents are available at the Legion. High school seniors are eligible to apply.

Thank you to all members attending the April meeting and also for the serving committee for the delicious lunch! We would love to see even more of our members participating. Support from members is essential to our success as an organization.

**Our next meeting will be May 09, at 7pm. Serving committee will be: Mary Powers, Shirley Stewart and Liz Reekers.**

Please note our Auxiliary membership dues will be raised for 2019 to \$30 for adults and \$6.00 for junior members.

*Thank you for supporting our deserving Veterans and their families. See you around the Post.  
Shirley Berberich, President/ Membership Chairman*

## Auxiliary:

President:

**Shirley Berberich**  
(783-3892)

1st Vice:

**Shirley Berberich**

2nd Vice:

Treasurer:

**Sue Kelley**

Secretary:

**Amy Delimat**

Chaplain:

**Maureen Smith**

Sergeant at Arms:

**Mary Powers,**

**Liz Reekers**

Member at Large:

Sunshine Chairwoman:

**Liz Reekers**



## Texas Hold 'Em

We have been having some great nights of Texas hold'em. Last week we had 39 players and had a great time and fun playing the game of chance. Chance that your card comes on the river.

As I said before we will play until the last week in May and that will be the championship night. So If you haven't won yet there is still time to get in. See you on THURSDAY nights, get here early to get your seats.

*Dickie, Pat, Al and The Pit Bull*

Till next month remember our troops are out there fighting so we can enjoy the great game of TEXAS HOLD-EM !!

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*Service Officers Report*

~ **SICK CALL** ~

**Julie Malin**  
**Alan Lauermann**

~ **TAPS** ~

**Daniel Haines**

*Vern Reekers, Service Officer*

*What's Your Current ID Number?*

Somewhere in this newsletter is a member's membership number.

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If it's your number call: Bob Weber: 783-3300

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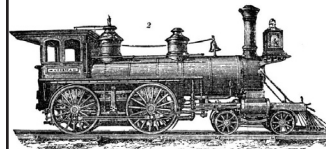
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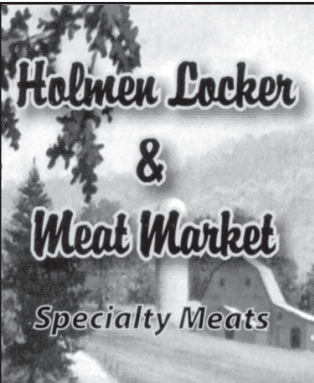
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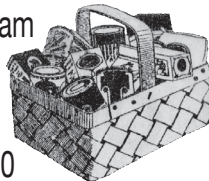
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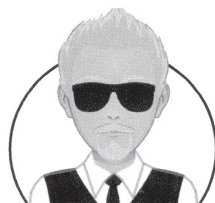
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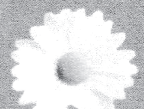
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We are asking our members to remember the sacrifice that our service men and women made for America. ALL funds derived from this distribution of poppies are used exclusively for rehabilitation of veterans and assistance to their families. To continue 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

*Shirley Berberich*

Shirley Berberich  
Poppy Chairperson



Remember .....

**ALL GAVE SOME...SOME GAVE ALL...**

## ~ S.A.L. ~

Well today, April 15, 2018, we are enjoying quite a bit of white stuff falling from the sky. Punxsutawney Phil was off on his prediction of 6 more weeks of winter (that would have been March 16, not April 16!). Anyway, we do live in Wisconsin.

We are excited to announce that on April 10 the playground equipment arrived at the Legion. Thanks to all of the Legion families, members, and baseball families for being patient with the construction mess. The end result will be awesome! In the meantime, mother nature has not been very accommodating to our schedule. The old playground equipment has started to be removed, the ground will be leveled, new equipment installed, wood chips will be laid, and if all goes well.....the playground will be ready for our families by mid to late May.

*Many, many THANKS to Interstate Roofing* for assisting us in taking the equipment off the semi when it arrived. We also want to thank the many hands (and minds) it has taken to get this accomplished for our Legion, their families, baseball group, and our community. If you would like to volunteer your assistance in getting this goal accomplished, please provide one of the SAL board members your name and a phone number. Many hands make light work.

Next on our agenda for the playground will be installing sidewalks to make it more accessible to our more challenged individuals along with a gazebo.

Our next **SAL Breakfast Buffet** will be **Sunday, May 20, 2018 from 7:30 - 11 a.m.** Cost is \$9.00 and includes 2 kinds of eggs, 3 kinds of potatoes, pancakes, biscuits & sausage gravy, sausage links, ham, coffee, juice, toast, and Belgian waffle. Remember they are the third Sunday of the month from September to May each year. Hope to see you there!

- Doc, Chris, Neil, Dan and Jeane

### S.A.L. Officers

Commander:  
**Doc Hagel**  
1st Vice:  
**Neil Merritt**  
2nd Vice:  
**Dan Ferries**  
Finance Officer:  
**Chris Carlson**

## American Legion Riders



### Upcoming Dates:

#### May 12

- 0500 - Freedom Honor Flight - Hanger 4  
Colgan Air Services, French Island
- 0900 - Monthly District 7 Meeting  
Post 417 - French Island
- 1000 - District 7 Legacy Run Meeting  
Post 417 - French Island

**May 20** - 0900 until 1800 - Brat Fry -  
Holmen Festival Foods  
to support Camp American Legion

**May 26** - Colors presentation prior to a night  
of racing - La Crosse speedway -  
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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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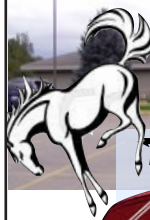
To each and every one who serves, we say "thank you!"



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- ★ General Motors (Car / Truck) ★ Customized - 1st, & 2nd Place
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# ONALASKA AMERICAN LEGION POST 336 BULLETIN

There has been some confusion and gossip or bar talk going around regarding the upcoming heating and air conditioning project and how long the post was going to be closed. I want to make it very clear that what was posted in the January and February newsletters is still the same time frame that the Post will be closed. The only change since then is that the project needs to be done by August 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Post, to include the bar and hall, will be closed starting July 9<sup>th</sup> and will be closed for up to 2 ½ weeks but could extend out to 3 weeks. The Executive Committee made the decision to fully close the Post instead of trying to run partial operations as to allow the work to be done without any interference of members/patrons at the Post. We do not have a need for any Sidewalk Foremen on this project.

The dates are set in the contract that has been signed with HSR and unless a new contract is signed the dates are NOT going to change.

This information will also be posted as you enter the Legion as well as on the message sign in the bar area.

**Thank you, David Delimat - Commander**

## JANUARY NEWSLETTER

I want to give everyone an update to the heating and air conditioning project. We have the dates set, as of now, with the project being done in three construction/building phases. Phase one begins in June and is the major mechanical portion of the project which should be a minor if any inconvenience. Phase two to begin July 9<sup>th</sup> in which the Bar area will be shut down for 1 ½ to 2 ½ weeks. We are exploring bar operations options at this time. Phase three will be started as soon as the bar area is complete and involved shutting down the hall at this time. On the bright side, the kitchen, with all the work we have done thus far should only be shut down for one day. The complete project is requested to be completed by August 24<sup>th</sup>.

## FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

During the January Executive Committee meeting, it was voted to close the Legion while phase 2 (the bar area) of the Heating and Air Conditioning project is completed. Closing allows us to start phase 3 (the Hall) at or about the same time. July 9<sup>th</sup> is the first day the Legion will be closed. The bar will be closed 2-3 weeks. In closing the Legion, we are looking at getting the whole project done sooner than if we were to keep the Legion partially open.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	7	8 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-8pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm NARVRE - 10am	9 Pizza Night 5-8pm Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	10 \$2 Tacos \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm Texas Holdem Championship 7pm IBEW 5pm	11 Karaoke with Rose Sobotta 7:30-11:30pm	12
 13	14 Insurance center meeting 9am-6pm Executive Meeting- 6pm Membership Meeting- 7pm	15 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-8pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm	16 Pizza Night 5-8pm BLET 10am Whispering Pines Condo Meeting 7pm	17 \$2 Tacos \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm 40/8 Meeting May we thank you 4-6pm	18 Fish Fry 11-2pm 5-8pm Studebaker 7 7:30-11:30pm	19 Wedding Reception - Kieth & Denise Big Bikes - A/C
20 S.A.L Breakfast Buffet 7:30 - 11am	21 Insurance center meeting 10am and 5pm	22 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-8pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm Building Comm mtg 4pm House Comm mtg 5pm Legion County Meeting -A/C	23 Pizza Night 5-8pm	24 \$2 Tacos \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm	25 Fish Fry 11-2pm 5-8pm 7:30-11:30pm Music Mix w/ Kelly Graduation party- Gamoke - A/C	26 Graduation party - A/C- Kiera
27 Graduation party - Hall Carson Graduation party - A/C Clark	28 Graduation party - Hall Newkirk	29 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-8pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm	30 Pizza Night 5-8pm	31 \$2 Tacos \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm		

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**MAY 2018 Newsletter**

## Hello Members, Patrons and Friends

As the gateway to summer opens, we look forward to the many splendors that May has to offer. Green grass, blossoming flowers, baseball and of course grad parties! It's never too late to get your party of any kind booked to insure you get the date that you want. Feel free to give us a call to discuss how we can make your party plans a reality! Have a great day and we will see you at the Legion!

Neil - [barmgr.post336@gmail.com](mailto:barmgr.post336@gmail.com)

### *Hey Everyone!*

We just wanted to give everyone a quick update on the planning of this year's Onalaska Community Days. We have all of the bands, food vendors and events booked and this looks to be the best year yet! Look for our posters and brochures coming out soon. Our team has been working hard raising funds for this year's event as we look forward to helping out the community with our proceeds. If you are interested in being a volunteer for Community Days, please give us a call at the Legion, we would love all the help we can get. It's a lot of fun too!!

Be sure to save the dates for the festival June 15th and 16th. Plus the Car show on June 10th! Bring your sweet ride out to the show! Only \$10 to enter and 12 different classes. All cars and bikes welcome!

Thank you!

***Onalaska Community Days Team***