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Onalaska American Legion

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Commander: **Paul Roraff Sr**

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Service Officer: **Lindsay Conrad**

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Adjutant: **Jim Binash**

Sgt. at Arms: **Ethan Niles,
Casey Jones**

Historian: **Bob Muth**

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**Commander, Finance Officer, and
6 Legion Members (4 of 6 filled)**

Building Committee:

**Commander, and 5 Legion
Members (3 of 5 filled)**

To My Fellow Legionnaires; Auxiliary and S.A.L. Members & Friends of the Legion, Welcome to the Struck-Klandrud American Legion Post 336 of Onalaska, WI !

Legionnaire Family,

HAPPY VALENTINES!!! As our roof fundraising efforts begin, we are **seeking volunteers** to help assist with weekly 50/50 Raffles during the Tuesday evening Bingo sessions. If any Member(s) would like to **help support the Fundraising Committee(s) efforts** by volunteering and/or make a donation, please contact the Bar Staff or Commander. We need volunteers.

For Members who haven't renewed their Membership for year 2026, their individual status is now, unfortunately, in an **"EXPIRED"** status. To avoid being dropped from rolls, please support both the American Legion and your Post by **renewing** your Membership and returning to **"In Good Standing" ASAP**. This can be achieved either by USPS mail (addressed to: Onalaska Legion Membership Chair, 731 Sand Lake RD, Onalaska, WI 54650), in-person drop-off at the Posts Bar, or online at www.legion.org.

Thank you for supporting your Post 336 and the American Legion Family!

Please see the Posts calendar for upcoming events and come out for a visit and camaraderie!

Be safe and get involved by visiting your American Legion Post 336, Veterans serving the Veterans community

"The willingness of America's Veterans to sacrifice for our country has earned them our eternal gratitude."

**Paul Roraff Sr.
COMMANDER**

From the 1st Vice ...

HAPPY NEW YEARS TO ALL!!

Membership renewals continue to be processed for **2026**.

90% of the renewal goal has been met for 2026. Your continued support to our Post and the American Legion Family is indispensable and vital.

If you haven't renewed your 2026 Membership, your "In Good Standing" is now in an "EXPIRED" status. Please avoid being dropped from rolls by supporting you're the American Legion, Post, and your Membership by renewing now. Thank You for your invaluable support!

**HOWARD L HORMAN JR
1ST VICE/ MEMBERSHIP**



Happy New Year from the Service Officer!

Reminder: At the County Veterans Service Office (CVSO), Service Officer Jane Brannon is available to Veterans for assistance with Benefits, Claims, and Appeals Services, and how to file. If any Member has an inquiry or needs assistance with the process, please contact the CVSO directly at 608-785-9719 Located at 300 4th St N, la Crosse WI. For further info please visit the CVSO Website: www.lacrossecounty.org/veterans.

Eternally Grateful for your Service!!
Lindsay Conrad, Service Officer

Service Officers Report



~ **SICK CALL** ~

PAUL RORAFF SR.
(Commander)



TIMOTHY IRISH (Finance Officer)

JAMES BIALECKI • LEE STROZINSKY

~ **TAPS** ~

RAYMOND SEUFERT (non-member)

KENNETH STOEV (non-member)

Breakfast Buffets

— Please mark your calendars —

**February 15, March 15, April 5 (Easter),
May 10 (Mother's Day)**

We serve two types of eggs, biscuits and sausage gravy, pancakes, waffles, fried potatoes, tater tots, sausage, bacon, ham, juice, milk, and coffee.

Proceeds from our breakfast continue to support our Veterans, Community, and Legion.



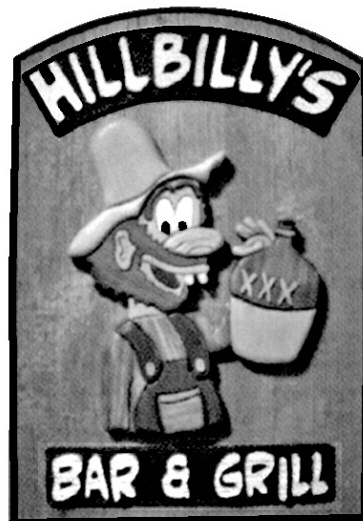
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From the 2nd Vice

**Hello to All,
Happy Valentine Day!**

Happy birthday to all our Legion members who have a birthday in the month of February.

Welcome new members, we salute you!

PAST HAPPENINGS

On Monday 12 January 2026 Coulee Region Log Rolling received a donation check from SAL and Post 336 that will go toward youth activities.

2nd Vice Dirk de Zeeuw, world log rolling champion Livi Pappadopoulos and Commander Paul Roraff



OUR CUB SCOUT PACK 69



The Cubbies went Christmas caroling at the Onalaska Care Center back in December 2025. They brought big smiles to the residence. Great job Cubbies!

OUR BOY SCOUT TROOP 68

Thank you to Good Shepherd Church in La Crosse for use of their kitchen back in December 2025 so the Troop could work on their cooking skills for their Merit Badges. They had a great time learning to make a dinner consisting of oven fried potatoes, chicken breasts, green beans and of course homemade pumpkin pie.



FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

- Coulee Golf Bowl
- Pla-Mor Lanes
- Children's Museum
- Dahl Auto Museum
- High Roller-Skating Center
- Jump Start
- La Crosse Curling League
- Open skate at the Onalaska Omni Center (check their website for more info)

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Civil Air Patrol La Crosse Composite Squadron: Our Squadron is active in all three of the Civil Air Patrol programs: Cadet Programs, Aerospace Education, and Emergency Services/Disaster Relief. La Crosse Composite Squadron focuses heavily on creating unique leadership development opportunities for youth (and adult members). Civil Air Patrol serves as the official auxiliary of the United States Air Force.

Membership is open to youth ages 12-21 and adults of any age. The La Crosse Composit Squadron is located 2906 Fanta Reed Road La Crosse, WI 54601, east side of La Crosse Airport. Phone 608-433-2814. Who we are <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/about/who-we-are>.

Naval Sea Cadets Battleship Wisconsin Division USNSCC Training Ship Endeavor USNLCC: The mission of the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps is to build leaders of character by imbuing in our cadets the highest ideals of honor, respect, commitment, and service. We give young American skills, knowledge, and confidence through an amazing variety of training opportunities. Sear Cadets wear uniforms, work as teams in a disciplined environment, and adhere to our core values of honor, respect, commitment, and service. For more information please contact Commanding Officer LTJG Brett Dougherty USNSCC brett4488@protonmail.com or Executive Officer and Operations WO Mike Hilson (First Sergeant, U.S. Army [Retired]) seacadets.mike.hilson@gmail.com.

Cub Scout Pack 69 is open to girls and boys in kindergarten to 5th grade. They meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month right here in the Legion hall from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. If you have a child or grandchild that is in K-5th grade and would like more information, please call Cub Master Joe Kress at 608-387-0563.

Boy Scout Troop 68 is open to girls and boys in 6th through 12th grade. They meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month right here in the Legion hall from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. If you have a child or grandchild that is in 6th -12th grade and would like more information, please call the Troop Charter Rep – Dirk de Zeeuw at 608-397-5485.

Girl Scout Troop 7276 is open to girls in Kindergarten through 12th grade. They meet weekly at a few different locations. For more information, please contact Stacey Hronis-Johnson at 715-563-4568.

Coulee Region Logrolling supports amateur and professional rollers, offers year-round opportunities for beginners, and hosts the annual La Crosse Open Pro Tournament. Each Coulee Region Logrolling program's experienced coaches provide a fun and safe environment with great instruction and opportunities! Classes and events take place in La Crosse, Holmen, Onalaska, and La Crescent. For more information, please visit their website <https://www.couleeregionlogrolling.org/>.

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 26 March 2026: Friends of NRA Spring banquet at Stoney Creek Hotel from 5:00pm to 8:00PM. More info to follow!

Saturday 18 April 2026: Coulee Region Log Rolling fund raiser and recruitment from 11:00am to 2:00pm

Saturday 1 August 2026: Onalaska Community Day – family events 10:00am-2:00pm

Saturday 3 October 2026: Friends of NRA 3rd Annual Chili Cook Off, 10:00am to 2:00pm activity center

– **Dirk de Zeeuw, Jr., 2nd Vice**

From the Kitchen at Post 336!

Kitchen Update

Kitchen News You'll Want to Eat About!

The Legion Kitchen is serving up some fresh favorites made with pride! Start with our crispy Breaded Ravioli and crowd-pleasing Chicken Cordon Bleu Bites, perfect for sharing with your tablemates after a good round of stories and laughs.

For the main event, stand at attention for our NEW bold Bloody Mary Burger, stacked high and ready to report for duty with big, savory flavor.

Stop in, grab a seat, and support your Legion while enjoying some seriously good eats!

– **Angi Kinstler, Kitchen Manager**

Happy Valentines Day

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S.A.L. News

Breakfast Buffets: Our next breakfast is February 15th from 7:30 – 11:00. Please mark your calendars for upcoming breakfasts for 2026 February 15, March 15, April 5 (Easter), May 10 (Mother's Day).

We serve two types of eggs, biscuits and sausage gravy, pancakes, waffles, fried potatoes, tater tots, sausage, bacon, ham, juice, milk, and coffee. Cost: \$12 per person age 11 & over, \$10 Veterans, Free 10 and under. Proceeds from our breakfast continue to support our Veterans, Community, Youth, and Legion. January breakfast guests were 159. Thank you to all of our volunteers who assist in making our breakfast go so smoothly! If you haven't seen our banner for the Sons of the American Legion posted during the breakfast, stop in during the next breakfast. The SAL supports the Onalaska Legion projects and numerous other community groups.

Memorial Bricks: At each breakfast there is an opportunity to sign up a veteran, whether it is for yourself or another veteran for a memorial brick at the Onalaska Cemetery (value of \$50). Info is at the entrance of the breakfast on the south east side of the door. Please follow up with Bob Muth and let him know it was from the SAL drawing for your brick. January winner: Eric Schoenfeld.

Volunteers: We are in need of additional volunteers to assist with these breakfasts in the kitchen and serving. It's a pretty relaxed group and we always have a fun time. Many hands make light work!

Memberships: Thank you to each of our SAL Members who continue to support the SAL and Legion by keeping their dues current. If you have not paid your \$20 membership for 2026, please get in touch with Ben Zimmer or Neil Merritt.... Or just send it in to SAL Commander Ben Zimmer at the Onalaska Legion. Let's make this year 100% paid up memberships!

SAL Membership Meetings: Held the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Onalaska American Legion. Please note, meeting dates or times may be cancelled or changed based on scheduling conflicts or inclement weather.

Month of February **3** - Four Chaplains Day; **4** - USO Birthday;

Week of February 12 - National Salute to Veterans Patients;

19 - Coast Guard Reserve Birthday.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Valentine Day!

See you at the Legion,

- Ben, Neil, Ralph, Rich, Kent, & Sam, Dan (& Jean)



Post 336 Honor Guard Spotlight

Honor Guard: 2025 Activity In Review

Your Post 336 Honor Guard was engaged in 39 events during 2025. We performed military honors at 31 funerals, presented the colors at seven events, and marched in one parade. Howie Horman Jr and Brian Mayfield joined the Honor Guard in 2025 and we are grateful

to have them on the team. Active members of the Honor Guard include Jim Binash, Bill Crail, Rich Cota, Wayne Henthorn, Howie Horman Jr, Neale Horman, Warren Johnson, Brian Mayfield, Jeff Mills, Chuck Nick, Tom Puent, Carl Sjolander, and Steve Sjolander.

I thank all of them for their service to our veterans, our Post, and our community.

- Chuck Nick, Honor Guard Commander

S.A.L. Officers

Commander:
Ben Zimmer

1st Vice: Neil Merritt

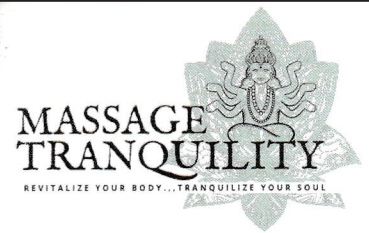
2nd Vice: Ralph Geary

3rd Vice: Rich Musolf

Adjutant: Dan Ferries,
Jean Lunde

Finance: Kent Stephan

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~ Auxiliary ~

Welcome Auxiliary Members!

Happy Valentines Day

Wishing all Auxiliary members who have a birthday this month a very Happy birthday.

Our next Auxiliary meeting will be February 11th, at 7:00p.m.

Thomas Paine's Common Sense remains one of the most influential political texts in U.S. history, and as the nation marks its 250th anniversary, its impact feels especially vivid. The pamphlet didn't just argue for independence—it reshaped public opinion so dramatically that it helped make the Declaration of Independence possible.

As the U.S. celebrates its **Semi quincentennial**, Common Sense stands out as a reminder that:

- Ideas can move people to action.
- Clear, accessible writing can change the course of history.

By the time the Continental Congress met in the summer of 1776, Paine's ideas had spread so widely that the political ground was ready for the **Declaration of Independence**.

Past business — The Auxiliary donated towards the downpayment for a new roof, we were able to help 2 Onalaska families with Thanksgiving dinner, and 2 Onalaska families with gifts for Christmas just to name some recent activities in our community. I encourage more members to attend monthly meetings to see how and where you can help our great community, Legion, and SAL.

Planning for the future — Easter is just around the corner, bring your ideas to the next meeting, we encourage your thoughts on ways we can improve our community footprint. We have also reached out to both Luther and Onalaska High schools to support 2 girls from each school to attend Badger State in June.

Membership — We are 11 members paid away from meeting 100% for the year! Please contact Shirley at 608-792-9862 to make payment or verify if you are paid up for the year.

Sunshine Committee — Please remember to inform our Sunshine person if you know of someone in the hospital or ill at home. You can reach Liz Reekers at 608-783-3913.

Volunteer Opportunities — We are always seeking volunteers — your generous donation of time helps keep our Legion strong! Please check at the bar for opportunities. Thank you for supporting our organization, our Veterans, and their families.

Ref: <https://share.america.gov/common-sense-sparked-americas-fire-for-independence>

— **Kim Roraff, President.**

Hello Legion Family!

Bar Update

We have several exciting updates to share with our members and guests. New zip-up sweatshirts and long-sleeved T-shirts will be arriving soon, featuring designs that represent the different branches of the service. They are a great way to show your support and stay warm at the same time.

We are also holding weekly 50/50 raffles during Bingo to help raise funds for our roof project. You must be present to win, and the drawing will be held after Game 5 each week. Thank you to everyone who continues to support these efforts, your support does not go unnoticed.

When you stop in, be sure to check out our new Bloody Mary and Mimosa flight boards. We hope you enjoy the new additions and thank you for being a part of our Legion family!

— **Elizabeth**

Auxiliary:

President:

Kim Roraff

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Shirley Berberich

2nd Vice:

Bobbi Garves

Secretary:

Mary Powers

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Parliamentarian:

Delores Kenyon

Chaplain:

Arleen Nelson

Sunshine Chairwoman:

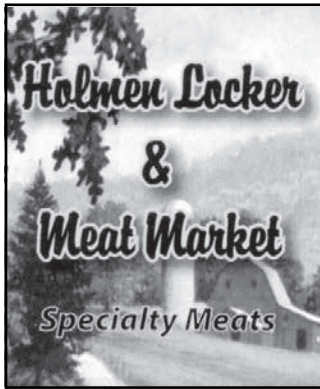
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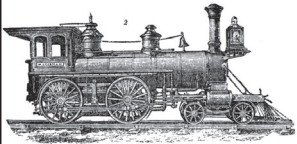
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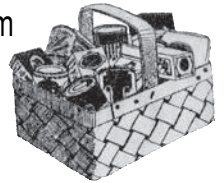
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**Meetings are every
2nd Tuesday at 10:00 am
at the Onalaska American Legion.**

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 BOGO on First Drink Until Noon Pizza & Apps 10am-8pm Troop 68 6PM-7PM	2 Carpet Cleaning Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm Pack 69 5PM-7PM	3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm	4 Homemade Special 11am-2pm Vietnam Vets Group 10am-11am \$6 Pizza Special 4-8pm Bar Stick Drawing 6pm AM Radio Mtg 5:30PM-9PM	5 Hall Euchre Open to Public 1PM \$4 Burger Special 11am-2pm & 4-8pm DJ Trivia @ 6pm GRAA Mtg 6-9pm	6 Fish Fry 11-2pm & 4-8pm FAYME ROCHELLE & THE WAXWINGS @ 7PM VIP Group 10:30-12:00	7 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm Private Event in Hall
8 Pizza & Apps 10am-8pm SUPER BOWL PARTY 5PM Troop 68 6-7pm	9 Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm Exec. Mtg 5:30PM Post Mtg 7PM	10 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm NARYRE 10-12pm BINGO 6pm	11 Homemade Special 11-2pm Lifeline Preventative Screening 8:30am-5:30pm Vietnam Vets Group in Bar 10-11am \$6 Pizza Special 4-8pm Bar Stick Drawing @ 6pm Auxiliary Mtg 7	12 Hall Euchre Open to Public 1PM \$4 Burger Special 11am-2pm & 4-8pm DJ Trivia @ 6pm Excel Energy Mtg 5-7pm	13 Fish Fry 11-2pm & 4-8pm DADDY'S GIRLS @ 7PM	14 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm Private Party in Hall
15 Pizza & Apps 10am-8pm SAL Breakfast 7:30-11am Troop 68 6PM-7PM	16 Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm Pack 69 5PM-7PM	17 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm	18 Homemade Special 11-2pm Vietnam Vets Group 10am-11am	19 Hall Euchre Open to Public 1PM \$4 Burger Special 11am-2pm & 4-8pm DJ Trivia @ 6pm	20 Fish Fry 11-2pm & 4-8pm LARRY'S DRIFTERS @ 7PM	21 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm Private Event in Hall
22 Pizza & Apps 10am-8pm Troop 68 6-7pm	23 Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm Sheet Metal / Local 18 4PM-6PM House Bldg Mtg 6PM	24 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm	25 Homemade Special 11-2pm Vietnam Vets Group 10am-11am Insurance Center Mtgs 1, 3 & 5pm	26 Blood Drive 9am-1pm \$4 Burger Special 11am-2pm & 4-8pm DJ Trivia @ 6pm	27 Fish Fry 11-2pm & 4-8pm LB & THE HI VOLTS @ 7PM	28 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm Karaoke w/ Shay @ 7PM

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Bean, Richard (55)	Kowal, James (55)
Betz, Thomas (50)	Lafleur, David (53)
Borchert, Lynnette (51)	McWain, Gile (67)
Braund, Rodney (57)	Newberry, Jr, Clarence (60)
Briggs, Keith (63)	Olson, Wayne (50)
Brueggen, Stanley (54)	Page, Gerald (50)
Christianson, Michael (57)	Platz, Larry (52)
Cota, Richard (59)	Roraff Sr, Philip (70)
Cox, Daniel (51)	Rose, Daniel (55)
Czeiska, Siegfried (53)	Running, Jr, Maurice (59)
Devine, Donald (56)	Schultz, James (54)
Erdman, David (51)	Sjolander, Carl (53)
Fleis, Steven (50)	Skogen, David (61)
Gehri, Dale (54)	Thompson, Larry (55)
Guy, John R (50)	Thomson, Clare (59)
Helgerson, Rolf (60)	Walinski, George (64)
Hoff, Lloyd (57)	Weber, Stephen G. (54)
Horman Sr., Howard (60)	

Your Post 336 Honor Guard

Looking for new volunteers to
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Happy
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Day
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