



# Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

## Onalaska American Legion

Chartered May 14, 1921

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### **Officers:**

Commander: Jim Binash

1st Vice: Al Cagle

2nd Vice: Dirk de Zeeuw

3rd Vice: Rich Musolf

Adjutant: Jerry Yushta

Finance Officer: Mike Fries

Judge Advocate: Todd  
Bjerke

Chaplain: Rich Cota

Service Officer:

Vern Reekers - 783-3913

Historian:

Steve Sjolander

Sgt. at Arms: Jerry Yushta

House Committee:

Commander,

Finance Officer, &  
4 Legion Members

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!**

Social distancing is the norm for now. While we progress through this Pandemic, I hope you are all well and coping with the social isolation. The Post has been closed since March 17. All the bartenders and kitchen staff have been furloughed. The bar mngr. and admn. asst. remain on payroll. The Past Commanders and Presidents banquet has been postponed until later. Memorial Day observances will still be done, but scaled down to accommodate social distancing. Normally we have officer elections this time of year. However, we will accomplish that in June. The second Monday in June will be our next Post meeting. Anyone desiring to be one of the officers is encouraged to seek an elected office. Elections will also include new members for the House and Building Committees.

A ceiling projector is going to be installed in the Legion hall. When we rent out the hall anyone wanting to post pictures/power point for their event will be able to do so. There will be insulation put in the walls around the newer HVAC system to reduce the noise level. At some point in the near future we will be remodeling the bar area. Financially we are in a good position and want to retain that position.

Legion baseball is questionable for this summer. It is unlikely we will have Onalaska Community Days being held here this year. The event us usually held around Father's Day. It is anticipated we will be opening at the end of May. What opening restrictions there will be is not known.

**– Jim Binash, Post Commander**

## **1st Vice**

### **Hello Everyone,**

It has been a while, I hope this finds you all in good health. As many of you know, I have sent out an email stating that we will be sending newsletters via email now. For those of you that do not have an email address on file, you will be getting a hard copy still. I encourage you to provide an email to us, because eventually we will no longer be sending them through the mail. This includes SAL and Auxiliary. Not only will we be saving money, but if we have learned anything with this virus crisis, the less non-essential mail to be handled the less likely the spread. Please email your name and email to [onalaskalegion@gmail.com](mailto:onalaskalegion@gmail.com) As always, there will be some copies at the Legion, once we reopen, and you can also read it on our website at [www.onalaskapost336.org](http://www.onalaskapost336.org)

As far as membership renewals, we are sitting around the 91% and would love to get in the last few.

**Thank you all and stay safe.**

**– Al Cagle, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander**

## ~ AUXILIARY ~

### Welcome Auxiliary Members!



Ladies, mark your calendar! Our May meeting will be Wed, May 13th at 7pm. (Depending on circumstances. Watch Facebook for updates.)

Our Past Commanders and Past Presidents Banquet scheduled for April 22nd has been postponed. Details will follow.

Our new Miss Poppy for 2020 is Hannah Mahlum. Her installation will take place at our May meeting (depending on shelter in place changes). Congratulations, Hannah!

Our Poppy Distribution Day is scheduled at Festival foods, Onalaska on Saturday, May 23rd (depending on the Corona situation).

Memorial Day Service will be held at Onalaska Cemetery, (weather/shelter in place situation permitting), on Monday, May 25th.

Onalaska Community Days staff are looking for folks to help out with Bingo on June 19th and 20th. Give it some thought and more information will follow as time gets closer.

*Here's a little good news!*

**Dues will remain the same for 2021 at seniors \$30 and juniors \$6.**

Schedule changes will be posted on Facebook on the Legion page.

Without our volunteers and their willingness to help at functions, we would not be successful! Thank you for supporting our organization, our Veterans and their families!

Stay healthy and happy and we'll see you around Post 336!

– **Shirley Berberich,**  
**President / Membership Chairman**

## Auxiliary:

President:

**Shirley Berberich**  
(783-3892)

1st Vice:

**Shirley Berberich**

2nd Vice:

**Keri Steinfeldt**

Treasurer:

**Sue Kelley**

Secretary:

**Sara Cagle**

Chaplain:

**Mary Powers**

Sergeant at Arms:

**Mary Powers,**

**Liz Reekers**

Member at Large:

**Sunshine Chairwoman:**

**Liz Reekers**

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† William LaSage † Harlan Melcher †

..... Non-Members .....

### ~ **SICK CALL** ~

**Willy Fernholz**



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608-397-9548**

## THE ONALASKA LEGION MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Greetings,

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Keri Steinfeldt, Chair

*hello Spring*



***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 the Legion post and leave a message for the Commander: 783-3300



## S.A.L. News

Is it Spring yet? There's not much to report considering just about everything has been cancelled or placed on hold until further notice. We had the DNR Hunter Safety course scheduled for April 4th but due to not having more than 10 people in close proximity, that may be rescheduled for a later date. As we receive more information, we'll let you know.

The Legion Youth Park/playground is closed until we receive notice from the Governor's office to allow playgrounds and parks to re-open.

We look forward to this nasty coronavirus pandemic to be over already. Fortunately, most of us have not seen this type chaos in the world as we are experiencing today. We sincerely hope everyone is staying home and staying healthy. We miss our Legion family, but also understand the seriousness of this illness around the world. Please continue to pray for our veterans, all our families, our deployed military, and the entire world to bring this disease under control. Remember, we're all in this together.

Sadly, our next Buffet breakfast on May 10th is cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic. After we hear more from the Governors office, there may be an opportunity to schedule one this summer. We'll keep you updated.

We currently have 1 picnic table & 2 benches available as a memorial for a loved one. If you would like to purchase one as a memorial, please contact Chris Carlson or Kent Stephen. These benches are enjoyed by a vast number of people while watching baseball games or enjoying the Legion Youth park.

Wishing everyone a Happy Mother's Day and please remember those who have perished on Memorial Day.

***Stay healthy and God Bless!***

***Dan, Kent, Ralph, Chris, Neil, & Rich***

**Remember....next SAL breakfast buffet in May is cancelled.**

**Our regular buffets are "normally" Sept – May.**

**Veteran's Needs... Post is closed for donations.**

**Please hold on to them for when we do reopen.**

## **LOOKING FOR HONOR GUARD MEMBERS**

**Legion & SAL 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?**

**(Duty as needed, Mondays thru Fridays and also weekends)**

**We are seeking additional Honor Guard Members for our Post.**

**Contact Rich Musolf at 397-9548 for more information.**

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

Commander: Dan Ferries

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2nd Vice: Ralph Geary

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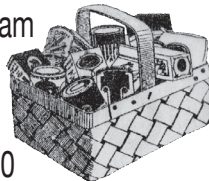
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3 Pack 69 - 5-6 pm - Hall	4	5 Bingo 6:30pm Wings & Shrimp \$5.00 Ladies Night 6:00pm	6 Pizza Night & Stick Drawing 5-8 pm	7 \$2 Taco Special-11am \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'em-7pm	8 Fish Fry, 11 2-, 5-8 pm Karaoke with Rose - 7-11 pm	9 NO CATERING Baby Shower
10 SAL Breakfast 7:30-11 am MOTHER	11 Executive Mtg-6pm Membership Mtg-7pm	12 Bingo 6:30pm Wings & Shrimp \$5.00 Ladies Night 6:00pm	13 Pizza Night & Stick Drawing 5-8 pm Auxiliary Mtg-7 pm	14 \$2 Taco Special-11am \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm Texas Hold'em-7pm- CHAMPIONSHIP	15 Fish Fry, 11 2-, 5-8 pm Ed & The Country Crew 7-11 pm Bar Party-6 pm	16 Birthday Party - 2-6 pm BAR Big Bikes/Little Tilkes - A/C
17 Weber Shower - All Day - Hall	18 Sheet Metal Workers 3:30-6:30 pm - Hall	19 Bingo 6:30pm Wings & Shrimp \$5.00 Ladies Night 6:00pm	20 Pizza Night & Stick Drawing 5-8 pm Fries Condo Mtg-7 pm - Hall BLET - 10 am - Hall	21 \$2 Taco Special-11am \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm	22 Fish Fry, 11 2-, 5-8 pm Cat & The Fiddle-7-11 pm	23 Brandt Grad Party - Hall
24 Car Show - All Day - A/C	25 Building Comm Mtg - 4:30pm House Comm Mtg - 5pm	26 Bingo 6:30pm Wings & Shrimp \$5.00 Ladies Night 6:00pm	27 Pizza Night & Stick Drawing 5-8 pm	28 \$2 Taco Special-11am \$2 Burgers 4:30-8pm	29 Fish Fry, 11 2-, 5-8 pm Vertigo-7-11 pm	30 Wedding - Kaleb and Kim All Day - Hall
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## MAY 2020 Newsletter

### Hello Members, Patrons and Friends,

I hope that this letter finds you all healthy and safe! This pandemic has taken a toll on all of us and I hope that we can get back to normal, sooner than later. We will continue to follow the guidelines of our governor and do our best to keep everyone safe from this terrible virus. Social distancing appears to be working and I hope that it continues, so we can get back to our day to day functions here at the Post. When the Post re-opens I'm sure there will be new guidelines to adhere to, so I hope that everyone is understanding that we may not be able to continue normal operations ( i.e. Bingo, Stick Drawing, Texas Holdem, etc.) When the time is right we will bring all extracurricular activities back and begin the road to normalcy. Stay safe and practice social distancing.

- Pat Paradise  
Bar Manager



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