



Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

Onalaska American Legion

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**Commander, Finance Officer,
and 6 Legion Members**

Building Committee:

**Commander, and 3 Legion
Members**

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 Mother's Day!! The second of three readings was tabled at the previous meeting on April 14th, 2025, due to overhead projector technical issues. Next reading will be attempted at the May 12th, 2025, Membership Meeting at 7p.m. Recommended revisions can be found on the American Legion Struck-Klandrud Post 336-Onalaska website: <https://onalaskapost336.org/> using the upper left dropdown tab to **"By-Laws Proposed Revisions 2024"** for the membership to review. Members who cannot attend Membership Meetings can email their input to onalaskalegion@gmail.com .

Post 336 Members interested in running for an Executive Officer, House Committee (2 open), and Building Committee (5 open) positions can do so on the sign-up sheets posted at both entrances. Nominations and elections will be conducted at the May meeting. The installation of elected Post Officers will be in June.

Memorial Day, May 26th, 2025, a Day of Remembrance for those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in Service to our Nation, is approaching fast. Plans are under way for a parade which will begin at 0930 am departing from Post 336 to the Onalaska Cemetery for a ceremony at 1000 am. Anyone interested in being a part of the parade, please feel free to contact the Commander.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS: Post 336 needs Building Committee and Honor Guard members. For any members interested in volunteering, please contact the Commander or 1st Vice Howard Horman Jr.

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

Service Officers Report

~ **SICK CALL** ~

Lee Strozinsky,

Gary Skogen, Roderick Ostrem,

John Miller, Rich Cota

~ **TAPS** ~

Paul Peak, Jeff Nemisch, Gary Mracek



Membership 50+ Milestones

Last/First Name(years)

Allen, Ron (56)	Kortebein, Michael (61)
Bean, Richard (54)	Kowal, James (54)
Borchert, Lynnette (50)	Lafleur, David (52)
Braund, Rodney (56)	McWain, Gile (66)
Briggs, Keith (62)	Newberry, Jr, Clarence (59)
Brueggen, Stanley (53)	Platz, Larry (51)
Christianson, Michael (56)	Roraff Sr, Philip (69)
Cota, Richard (58)	Rose, Daniel (54)
Cox, Daniel (50)	Running, Jr, Maurice (58)
Czeiska, Siegfried (52)	Schultz, James (53)
Devine, Donald (54)	Sherman, Ronald (55)
Erdman, David (50)	Sjolander, Carl (52)
Gehri, Dale (53)	Skogen, David (60)
Harebo, Elwood (61)	Skogen, Gary (60)
Helgerson, Rolf (59)	Thompson, Larry (54)
Hoff, Lloyd (56)	Thomson, Clare (58)
Horman Sr., Howard (59)	Walinski, George (63)
Johnson, Warren (54)	Weber, Stephen (53)

From the 1st Vice . . .

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!!!
Membership is moving along as we have topped 97%. Reminder, if you have not paid your 2025 dues please do so soon as some members have been put on a grace period and risk being expire. Also, please check your continuous years as we have had some discrepancies with some of the membership.

Thank you.

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



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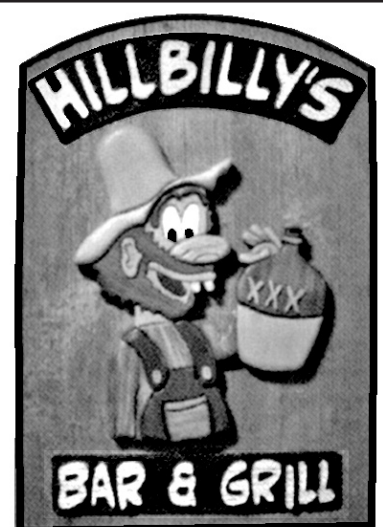
A tradition continues

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.

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From the 2nd Vice . . .

Hello to All,

They say April showers will bring May flowers.
Happy birthday to all our Legion members who have a birthday the month of May!
Welcome new members, we salute you!

PAST HAPPENINGS

Vietnam Veterans Welcome Home Celebration on Saturday 29 March 2025 was attended by our Boy and Girl Scouts, Naval Sea Cadets and Civil Air Patrol (CAP).



GIRL SCOUT TROOP 7276

Cookie sales are wrapping up and thanks to community support (including the Legion and Auxiliary) we are making a sizable donation to the VA hospital and Mosher Veterans Home.



SCOUTING

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.

REMINDERS

Remember to support our local schools in all their spring sports activities.

SAVE THE DATES!

- The Camp Decorah Ranger Corp is doing a Sporting Clays fundraiser for Camp Decorah on 30 May 2025 at Woods and Meadows in Warrens, WI. They are looking for teams to join them. They are also doing a 5 gun raffle selling 100 tickets at \$100 each. The POC is Joel Thole, 608-385-4453.
- Onalaska Community Day on Saturday 2 August 2025. Family events 10:00am — 2:00pm. Bands Saturday night. More information to follow the next few months.

******REMINDER:** NO PARKING AFTER 2:00AM ON SATURDAY AUGUST 2nd, 2025. ANY VEHICLES LEFT AFTER 2:00AM WILL BE TOWED AT OWNERS EXPENSE.***

— **Dirk de Zeeuw**
2nd Vice

News from 3rd Vice / Historian G'Day Mates!

Being a Marine, I use the term Semper Fi (Latin for Always Faithful) on a regular basis. I wondered about all the other branches, so to be fair this is what I found out. Army; (This We'll Defend) adopted by the Continental Army in 1778. Navy no official motto but (Non sibi sed patriae) Latin for Not self but country and Honor, Courage, Commitment was found. Air Force is Aim High, Fly, Fight, Win adopted 2010. Coast Guard is Semper Paratus, Latin for Always Ready 1922. All indicate their dedication and love of country.

Funny how when I get a new brick order, some ask where do the bricks go? The bricks are on our area of the cemetery near 12th Avenue South and Hickory Street. Stop by and take a look around, you may be surprised by the names found there.

Finally, Happy Birthday to my Marine Corp, 250 years of serving our nation!

Semper Fi!
Bob Muth-Historian

Your Post 336 Honor Guard

Looking for new volunteers to join the Honor Guard, if interested or need information, the interim POC is **Charles Nick** at **608-519-2513**

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

Breakfast buffets: The last 2025 SAL Breakfast of the season will be - May 11 Mother's Day from 7:30am – 11:00am. Cost: \$12 per person age 11 & over, \$7 age 5-10, Free under 5, \$10 Veterans. April guests at our breakfast were 221. Thank you for helping us reach over the 200 mark before the end of the season! These breakfasts are normally held on the third Sunday of the month (September to May) unless they are moved to coincide with a holiday (like Easter or Mother's Day). Proceeds continue to enhance our community including military and Legion families. We couldn't accomplish our tasks without our SAL and Auxiliary volunteers who are the backbone of our organizations. We sincerely appreciate each and every one of our gracious volunteers who provide their time and talents.

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

Sgt. at Arms:
Sam Van Riper



Volunteers – We are in need of additional volunteers to help out for our breakfasts. Clean-up crew members are always appreciated. Please let Ben Zimmer know if you are able to help out during that time or other dates from September to May. Many hands make light work.

Memberships – Get your dues paid up and help our Legion reach 100% in memberships! If you are behind on dues, please get them caught up so you retain your years of membership. Thank you to all of our members who have renewed in the last few months. It sincerely helps our Legion and the State achieve their goals.

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. April Memorial Brick winner: Gary Blanchard. Please follow up with Bob Muth and let him know it was from the SAL drawing for your brick.

Month of May – National Military Appreciation month; Military Spouse Appreciation Day, May 10; Children of Fallen Patriots Day, May 13; Armed Forces Day, May 20; Memorial Day, May 26.

Wishing everyone a Happy May Day and Remember our military and their families who have served or continue to serve our country.

**We'll be seeing you around the Legion!
Ben, Neil, Ralph, Rich, Dan, Kent, & Sam**

Meet Your Honor Guard

Neale Horman has served on the Honor Guard for many years and is our senior member. After graduating from Onalaska HS in 1960, he enlisted in the Army. He married Sheryl in 1968 and graduated from UW-L in 1971. Neale and Sheryl have three adult children. They were honored as Persons of the Year in 2007 by the Onalaska Area



Historical Society. Neale also served P336 as a 2nd Vice Commander and served Onalaska as an alderman. Thank you Neale for your service to our country, Post 336, and to Onalaska. We are honored to serve with you on the P336 Honor Guard.

If you know of anyone who would like to advertise in the Newsletter, please send an email to onalaskalegion@gmail.com.

**Be a Bar Fly for a day ...
YOUR BIRTHDAY!!**

Here's how it works:
All Birthday Guests enjoy a free drink and entree on their birthday. Sign ups must be done at least one month prior to your birthday. Bring your friends, but only the Birthday Guest redeems the FREEBIES!

See you soon!



~ Auxiliary ~

Welcome Auxiliary Members!

Happy Birthday to all of our members celebrating a birthday this month!



We also want to wish all of our mothers a very HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!

Our next Auxiliary meeting will be Wednesday, May 14 at 7 p.m.

At our May 14th meeting, we will be having ELECTION OF OFFICERS!! Nominations for all offices will be accepted at this meeting. If you have any questions regarding a particular office, please ask one of our current officers, as they would be happy to give you any information needed.

National Poppy Day is Friday, May 23. Our Auxiliary members will be at the Onalaska Festival for Poppy Distribution Friday 23rd AND Saturday 24th, 10:00- 2:00. Please stop by to show your support for our Veterans!!

Presidents' and Past Presidents' scholarship applications are available at Onalaska Post 336.

Our Memorial Day service will be Monday, May 26 at Onalaska Cemetery.

The Auxiliary will be sponsoring two Junior girls from Onalaska High School and two from Onalaska Luther for Badger Girls State Girls in June.

The second reading of proposed changes to our Standing Rules were read and approved.

Liz Reekers is our Sunshine person. Please call her at 608-783-3913 to let her know of someone ill at home or in the hospital.



Calling all volunteers!!!! Please consider joining us at one of the many functions at the Legion. Meet new people, make a difference, show your support to our organization, Veterans and their families!!

Hello SPRING!!!.??? We are anxiously awaiting warmer temperatures and adding outdoor activities!!!

Be safe ... Stay well ... See you around the Post!!!
Shirley Berberich, President/ Membership Chair
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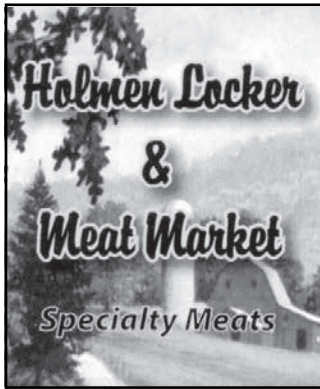
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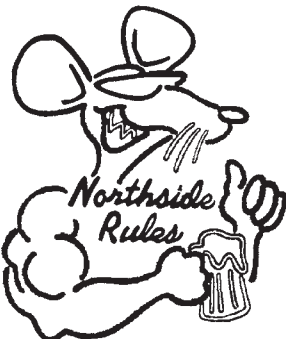
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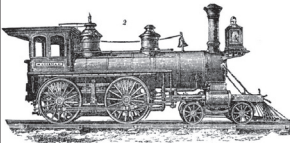
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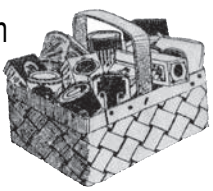
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**Meetings are every
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at the Onalaska American Legion.**

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MAY 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>4</p> <p>Troop 68 6pm-7pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Carpet Clean Broasted Chicken Special 4pm-8pm Carry the Load Event @ 5PM Pack 69 in Activity Center 5-7pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>\$3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm Blood Drive 9am-1pm BINGO 6pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Homemade Special 11-2pm Bar \$5 Pizza Special 4-8pm Vietnam Vets Breakfast/Coffee Social 10am - 11am AM Radio Mtg 5:30pm-9pm Bar Stick Drawing 6-8pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Hall Euchre Open to Public-starts @ 1pm Bar \$4 Burger Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm Excel Energy Mtg 5pm-7pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Fish Fry 11-2 pm & 4-8pm HIGH VOLTAGE 7-10pm FREE</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Bar Breakfast 9am-Noon SAL Meeting - 10am Food Pantry Postal Drive in Activity Center KARAOKE @ 7pm Legion Riders Mtg 1pm-5pm</p>
<p>11</p> <p>SAL Mother's Day Breakfast Buffet 7:30am - 11am</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Broasted Chicken Special 4pm-8pm Executive Mtg 5:30pm Post Mtg 7pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>\$3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm NARVE 10am-12pm BINGO 6pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Homemade Special 11-2pm Bar \$5 Pizza Special 4-8pm Vietnam Vets Coffee Social 10am-11am Lax County Vets Mtgs 1pm-4:30pm Bar Stick Drawing 6-8pm Auxiliary Mtg 7pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Hall Euchre Open to Public-starts @ 1pm Bar \$4 Burger Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Fish Fry 11-2 pm & 4-8pm Private event in Hall in afternoon LARRY'S DRIFTERS 7-11pm FREE</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Bar Breakfast 9am-Noon Private Events in Hall</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Troop 68 6pm-7pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Broasted Chicken Special 4pm-8pm Pack 69 5pm-7pm HC/Bc meeting 6 pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>\$3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Homemade Special 11-2pm Bar \$5 Pizza Special 4-8pm Vietnam Vets Coffee Social 10am-11am R&R 12:30pm-2pm Sheet Metal Local 18 Mtg 4pm-6pm Bar Stick Drawing 6-8pm Whispering Winds Mtg 7pm-8pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Hall Euchre Open to Public-starts @ 1pm Bar \$4 Burger Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Fish Fry 11-2 pm & 4-8pm CRUZE CONTROL 7-11pm FREE</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Bar Breakfast 9am-Noon BIG DADDY CADE in Bar 7pm-9pm Private Event in the Hall</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Memorial Day Parade 9:30am Broasted Chicken Special 4pm-8pm</p>	<p>27</p> <p>\$3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Homemade Special 11-2pm Bar \$5 Pizza Special 4-8pm Vietnam Vets Coffee Social 10am- 11am Insurance Center Medicare Mtg 12pm-6pm</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Hall Euchre Open to Public-starts @ 1pm Bar \$4 Burger Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Fish Fry 11-2 pm & 4-8pm HILLBILLY FEVER 7-11pm FREE</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Bar Breakfast 9am-Noon</p>

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2025 SAL Breakfast



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If you have neighbors or friends who aren't aware of our monthly breakfasts, please invite them to join us. Proceeds continue to enhance our community including military and Legion families.