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Onalaska American Legion

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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 Veterans Day and THANK YOU to all Veterans for your

service! Follow up information from previous newsletter, there will be a "Veteran's Day" Veterans Appreciation Luncheon on Saturday November 8th from 11: am - 3:00 pm at Post 336. Food, refreshments, and live entertainment will be provided; Veteran's immediate family members are welcome to attend.

Entertainment by the La Crosse District Pipes and Drums at 12:45, followed by the Dacapo band.

As Commander, It is with great reluctance and apprehension of a serious nature that I must take Convalescent Leave for an extended amount of time. Until my return, in my absence, please refer all Post and Membership concerns to our 1st Vice Howard Horman Jr. or Adjutant and Past Commander, Jim Binash.

And a Happy Thanksgiving to all!!



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 ...

Membership renewals continue to gradually be processed as they arrive. 68% of the renewal goal has been met for 2026. Please support your Post by renewing now or before years end.

Thank you to those that have taken advantage of the "Earlybird" as we continue marching forward to 2026. If you haven't renewed your 2026 Membership, **please support your Post** by doing so prior to Veterans Day, November 11th and take advantage of the 'Earlybird', only a few days left, and as always, **Thank You** for your invaluable support!

— HOWARD L HORMAN JR., 1ST VICE/ MEMBERSHIP

Greetings from Post 336 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)

LYNN BORCHERT (House Chair)

RICH COTA (Chaplain)

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Breakfast Buffets

— Please mark your calendars —

**November 16, December 14, January 18, 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.



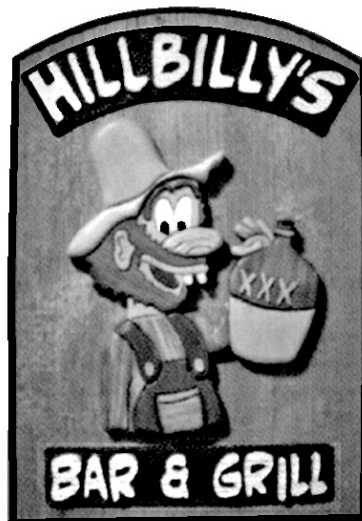
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Hello Legion Family!

Thanks to all who joined us and contributed to bingo, karaoke, music, packer potlucks, and our Halloween Bash this month! It wouldn't be the same otherwise. We hope to continue and start new traditions this November. We will open at 4PM on Thanksgiving and will be starting the wonderful new tradition of Friendsgiving at the Legion. Enjoy the dishes brought to share, spiced wine (Wassail), but most importantly the comradery and memories.

Also, please take a look at our calendar, I-Board, and Marquee every month for upcoming events and opportunities. There are many. To make these amazing events and services happen, we need volunteers. Please see the sign-up sheets in both entries. We look forward to new faces and thank you so much to those of you who have helped and continue to help make this Legion as amazing as it has been over the years! We can't and wouldn't be able to provide the services we do without you.

Happy Holidays and Thank You,
– **Christine Liethen, Bar Manager**

From the 2nd Vice

Hello to All,

Happy Thanksgiving!

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

Welcome new members, we salute you!



PRESENT HAPPENINGS

- Our Cub Scout Pack 69's annual popcorn fund raiser is happening right now. POC: Cub Master Joe Kress 608-387-0563 or Assistant Cub Master Justin Pitz 608-385-1821.
- Our Boy Scout Troop 68's annual Christmas wreath/swag fund raiser is also happening now. POC: Troop Master Jon Thometz 608-498-8215.

PAST HAPPENINGS

The Friends of the NRA held their 2nd annual Chili Cook off on Sunday 5 October. It was well attended and thank you to all who came out to sample 8 different chili's and pick the winners.



- 1st place:** Curt Hickok (USA) and received the \$100 gift card
- 2nd place:** Amber Hatcher-de Zeeuw
- 3rd place:** Chad Johnson (USA) - not present
- 50/50 winner** Tom Sweeney (US Navy Ret - holding sign) but chose to donate \$260.00 back to the cause.



Cub Scout Pack 69 sold popcorn at the SAL breakfast on Sunday 19 October. Thank you to all who bought popcorn.

CURRENT HAPPENINGS

- Please support LHS and OHS Winter sports programs: basketball, swimming, hockey, gymnastics.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

- Pla-Mor Lanes
- Children's Museum
- Dahl Auto Museum
- High Roller-Skating Center
- Coulee Region Log Rolling

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

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/>.

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 Composite 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>.

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.

SAVE THE DATE

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

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

– **Dirk de Zeeuw, 2nd Vice**



S.A.L. News

BREAKFAST BUFFETS: Our next breakfast is October 19th from 7:30 – 11:00. Please mark your calendars for upcoming breakfasts....
November 16, December 14, January 18, 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, and Legion.

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.

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.

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 2025, please get in touch with Ben Zimmer or Neil Merritt.

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 NOVEMBER.... National Veterans & Military Family month; Warrior Care Month; Marine Corps Birthday November 10; Veterans Day November 11.

*Wishing everyone a grateful Thanksgiving.
See you at the Legion,
– Ben, Neil, Ralph, Rich, Dan, Kent, & Sam*

S.A.L. Officers

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Ben Zimmer

1st Vice: Neil Merritt

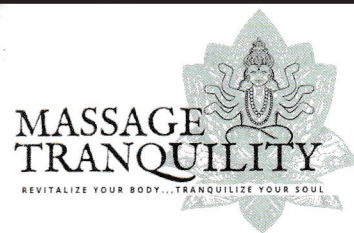
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3rd Vice: Rich Musolf

Adjutant: Dan Ferries,
Jean Lunde

Finance: Kent Stephan

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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



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~ Auxiliary ~

Welcome Auxiliary Members!

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

Our next Auxiliary meeting will be November 12th, at 7:00p.m.

As the season of gratitude unfolds, I want to take a moment to say how truly thankful I am for you. Your support, trust, and connection mean the world to me, and I am honored to be part of your American Legion Family.

This Thanksgiving, I hope your days are filled with love, laughter, and cherished moments with those who matter most. Whether you're gathering around the table or celebrating in your own special way, may your holiday be as wonderful as you are.

Membership is off to a great start for 2026, thank you to all that have paid early for 2026. If you need to update your address please reach out to Shirley Bierberch.

District 7 President, Jesse Elmhorst will be joining us at the November meeting, would love to see you all in attendance. The PAST Presidents meeting was postponed to directly after our November membership meeting, if you are a past president, I encourage you to join us.

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.

We are always seeking volunteers and your generous donation of time helps keep our Legion Strong! Please check at the bar for opportunities and thank you for supporting our organization, our Veterans, and their families

Wishing you all a blessed Thanksgiving with friends and family and looking forward to seeing you at the post!

Kim Roraff, President.



Auxiliary:

President:

Kim Roraff

1st Vice:

Shirley Berberich

2nd Vice:

Bobbi Garves

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Mary Powers

Treasurer:

Sue Kelley

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Sally Schultz,

Patty Maestas

Historian:

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Delores Kenyon

Chaplain:

Arleen Nelson

Sunshine Chairwoman:

Liz Reekers

Membership 50+ Milestones

Last/First Name(years)

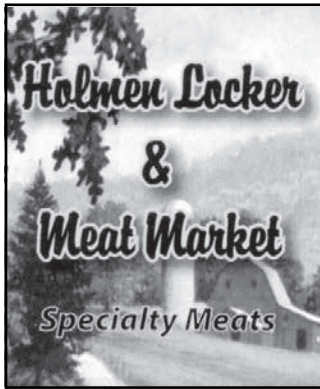
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Bean, Richard (55)	Kortebein, Michael (63)
Betz, Thomas (50)	Kowal, James (55)
Borchert, Lynnette (51)	Lafleur, David (53)
Braund, Rodney (57)	McWain, Gile (67)
Briggs, Keith (63)	Newberry, Jr, Clarence (60)
Brueggen, Stanley (54)	Olson, Wayne (50)
Christianson, Michael (57)	Page, Gerald (50)
Cota, Richard (59)	Platz, Larry (52)
Cox, Daniel (51)	Roraff Sr, Philip (70)
Czeiska, Siegfried (53)	Rose, Daniel (55)
Devine, Donald (56)	Running, Jr, Maurice (59)
Erdman, David (51)	Schultz, James (54)
Fleis, Steven (50)	Sjolander, Carl (53)
Gehri, Dale (54)	Skogen, David (61)
Guy, John R (50)	Thompson, Larry (55)
Harebo, Elwood (62)	Thomson, Clare (59)
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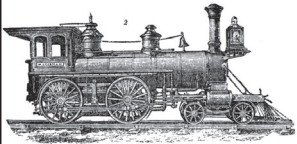
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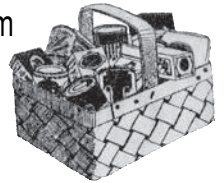
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm Lion's Club BBQ 9AM Private Party in Hall 3PM
2 Pizza & Apps 10am-8pm Packer Potluck @ 11:30am Troop 68 6pm-7pm	3 Carpet Cleaning Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm Pack 69 5pm-7pm	4 \$3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm	5 Homemade Special 11-2pm Vietnam Vets Group 10am-11am AM Radio Mtg. 5:30pm-9pm \$6 Pizza Special 4-8pm Bar Stick Drawing @ 6pm	6 Hall Euchre Open to Public @ 12:30pm Bar \$4 Burger Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm DJ Trivia @ 6pm GRAA Mtg. 6pm-9pm	7 Fish Fry 11-2 pm & 4-8pm VIP Group 10:30am-Noon JOE CODY @ 7PM	8 Open @ 10am Veteran's Day Event 11am-3pm Karaoke w/ Rose @ 7PM Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm
9 Pizza & Apps 10am-8pm Private Event in Hall 1pm-4pm	10 Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm Exec. Mtg 6pm Post Mtg 7pm Marine Corps Birthday	11 Open @ 10am Veteran's Day ... Come in for Coffee, Cake and Camaraderie Karaoke @ 7PM Pizza & Apps 11am-10pm	12 Homemade Special 11-2pm Vietnam Vets Group 10am-11am La Crosse County Vets-Open to Walk-Ins 1pm-4pm \$6 Pizza Special 4-8pm Bar Stick Drawing @ 6pm Aux. Mtg 7pm	13 Annual Euchre Diane Ryan Tournament Potluck @ 11am \$4 Burger Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm DJ Trivia @ 6pm Excel Energy Mtg. 5pm-7pm	14 Fish Fry 11-2 pm & 4-8pm LB & THE H.VOLTS @ 7PM	15 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm PFG Breakfast Mtg 7am-Noon
16 SAL Breakfast 7:30am-11am Troop 68 6pm-7pm Packer Potluck @ 11:30am Pizza & Apps 11am - 8pm	17 Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm Pack 69 5pm-7pm	18 \$3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm	19 Homemade Special 11-2pm Vietnam Vets Group 10am-11am \$6 Pizza Special 4-8pm Bar Stick Drawing @ 6pm	20 Hall Euchre Open to Public-starts @ 1pm \$4 Burger Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm DJ Trivia @ 6pm Remax Client Event 3pm-7:30pm	21 Fish Fry 11-2pm & 4-8pm BEAR CREEK BAND @ 7PM	22 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm
23 Pizza & Apps 10am-8pm Packer Potluck @ 11:30am	24 Broasted Chicken Special 11am-2pm & 4pm-8pm House Bldg. Mtg 6pm	25 \$3 Taco Special 11-2pm & 4-8pm BINGO 6pm	26 Homemade Special 11-2pm Vietnam Vets Group 10am-11am \$6 Pizza Special 4-8pm Bar Stick Drawing @ 6pm	27 Happy Thanksgiving! Open @ 4pm for Friendsgiving Potluck	28 Fish Fry 11-2pm & 4-8pm HILLBILLY FEVER @ 7PM	29 Open @ 10am Pizza & Apps 10am-10pm
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News from Historian

OoooRah!

Happy 250th Birthday to my Marine Corps which was born in Tun's Tavern in 1775. Figures it was a tavern. The birth of Jar heads, grunts, leather necks and of course U.S.M.C. Uncle Sam's Misguided Children! To my fellow Marines Semper Fidelis!

The activity center has everything in storage and Baseball can start their program of storing things. I have finished my part of decorating the Marine Corps section but there's still room and our Commander Paul said he would take care of the Army section. I'm looking still for Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard and Space Force representatives who wish to show some pride. I have put up each branch's flag. We use our building for many community activity' so tons of activities people see our pride as veterans. Brick sales and license plates have died down which is normal for this time of the year. There's still time to order bricks and I can put up license plates anytime.



Try to stop by and check out the up grade at the cemetery. The City has added a Columbarium and huge upgrade near our grounds. Some of you are looking up the word Columbarium! While there check out our Civil War and WW1 veterans plaques at the center building if you haven't had a chance. And as always, remember no matter where you go that's where you will be.

Your Historian, Bob Muth