



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commander's Message:

As the temperature warms up, so do our activities in the coming months. We will be asking and needing help for Memorial Day on May 25th, the Chicken-Q on June 14th, and the Mid-west Scenic Bicycle Tour on June 15th & 16th.

Please help out with the upcoming events and also don't forget about our TV Raffle; please ensure you turn in your tickets by June 14th.

Also Remember elections will be held at this months meeting and we will be asking for delegates to attend the State Convention in Milwaukee.

As always, I thank everyone for what they do each and every day to make our Post great!

Charles Nelson
Commander Post 116

May 20th	Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm
May 25th	Lunch Committee: Rich Roesler and Ken Kammel
May 27th	Memorial Day - Guest Speaker - Miles Wilkins
May 27th	Vernon County Meeting - Chaseburg
June 1st	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30pm
June 3rd	Auxiliary Meeting, 7:00pm (Notice New Time!)
June 9th	Vernon County Meeting - Genoa "Catfish Fry"
June 14th	Coon Valley American Legion Chicken-Q
June 15th & 16th	Midwest Scenic Bike Tour
June 17th	Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm (Installation of Officers)
	Lunch Committee: Newly Elected Officers
July 6th	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30pm
July 8th	Auxiliary Meeting, 7:00pm
July 15th	Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm
	Lunch Committee: Orlin Clark & Evelyn Williams
July 22-26	Wisconsin Department Convention - Wyndham Hotel, Milwaukee
August 16th	S.A.L Annual Bus Trip to the Milwaukee Brewers/Legion All-Star Game



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Membership Totals to Date

2009 Paid Membership - 222
2009 Membership Goal - 222

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From the Adjutant's Desk:

Memorial Day (May 26th) Miles Wilkins will be the main speaker for the ceremony. If you have a uniform please plan on helping with the ceremonies at the cemeteries.

The schedule for the cemeteries on Memorial Day is:

Kothe – 7:30, Mormon Coulee – 7:45, North Ridge –8:15, Esofea – 9:30, & Coon Valley – 10:00. We plan on adding the St. Joseph cemetery prior to the North Ridge cemetery.

If you don't have a uniform we still need help setting up for the day's events/program; we will meet at the Legion Hall at 0800.



Message from Auxiliary President Annette Ihle:

Our next meeting is Wednesday June 3rd; We are changing the time from 7:30 to 7:00 p.m. we will be having pot luck.

Memorial Day: We need workers in the hall to help setup for lunch; Please be at the hall between 8:30-9:00 am

Chicken Fry —Work Schedule:

Saturday June 13th

9:00 am - Clean & wrap potatoes
Annette Ihle, Audrey Nelson, Jan Raasch, Jan Ihle, Joyce Temp

Sunday June 14th

5:00 am Elizabeth Hellwig, Virginia Nerison
8:00-10:00 am Olive Rudie, Ann Olson, Pat Kammel, Annette Ihle
10:00-1:00 pm Ellie Brye, Joyce Temp, Hazel Cornell, Gloria Frietag, Lenore Henley, Mary Elsen, Kathy Baker, Julie Nelson, Geraldine Nestingen
1:00-4:00 pm Audrey Nelson, Evelyn Dahlen, Judy Hofslie, Kathy Nichols, Sylvia Thurk
4:00-7:00 pm Sue Frydenlund, Jan Raasch, Rhonda Dalton, Phyllis Galstad, Pauline Aspen-son
7:00-Closing Jan Ihle, Annette Ihle

**If you can't work your shift please find someone to take your place.*

Scouts will be going around town for Poppy sales on May 21st, please support them by buying a Poppy.

**BUCKET
DRAWING**

Jeffrey Olson
Not Present

May

Drawing will
be: \$100.00

50/50 - \$53
DRAWING
Gary Grethel



Message from S.A.L. Commander Brad Role:

This month we will be electing new officers; **please attend otherwise you may be nominated and elected!** Also we need to discuss our work schedule for the Chicken-Q and also discuss this year's Brewer's Bus trip.

Legion & S.A.L CHICKEN-Q WORK SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 14, 2009

Chicken Fryers (also need to assist with hauling the food into the kitchen):

6am-10am

Don Kammel
Mike Miller
Dennis Kammel
Jeff Hanson
Tom Elsen
Ron Miller
Ken Kammel
John Thurk
Bill Mathison

10am-2pm

Carl Holte
Michele Kammel
Gordon Hellwig
Ardell Olson
Charles Nelson
Brad Role
Jack Fletcher
Reuben Starch
Richard Brye

Bartenders:

10am-1pm

Mike Miller

1pm-4pm

Gary Grethel

4pm-7pm

Charles Nelson

7pm-close

Rod Ofte

Food Tickets:

10am-1pm

Dick Nestingen

1pm-3pm

Elnor Haugen

3pm-5pm

Frank Baker

Snack Stand at Ball Park:

9am-1pm

Mary Schmidt
John Brzazowske
Orlin Clark
Tom Sharratt
Jim Padesky
Herbert Cornell
Allen Berger
Dan Elsen
Wally Cox

1pm-4pm

Troy Nelson
Rich Roessler
Art Hendrickson
Patrick Bakkum
Steven Mader
Jim Onshus
David Moilien
Gerald Dunnum
John Elsen

4pm-7pm

Roger Starkey
Richard Reget
Frank Mathison
Paul Nichols
Don Salter
Eric Rude
Larry Torgerson
Ron Hoff
Jim Hammes

7pm-close

Frank Mathison
Dan Hofslie
Darin Berg
Brian Berg
Chad Hofslie
Ken Berg
Stuart Peterson
Scott Berg
Jim Elsen

***If you are listed on this work schedule and you are not able to participate this year, it would be very helpful if you could find a re-placement. We can always use extra bodies, so if you are not on the schedule and would like to participate, just show up and you'll be put to work.**

Gary J. Grethel
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****Reminder**** Election of Officers takes place at our May meeting each year. Anyone interested in running for an office should contact the Elections Committee or let your wishes be known at the May meeting.

The officers we elect are: Commander; 1st Vice Commander (Membership chairman); 2nd Vice Commander (Children & Youth chairman); 3rd Vice Commander (Americanism chairman); Chaplain; Historian; Sergeant-at-Arms; Service Officer; and Finance Officer.

Brewer Tickets Available For Veterans

For the fourth consecutive season, the Milwaukee Brewers (Major League Baseball Team) will honor members of the United States Armed Forces through Stars and Stripes Sundays. Milwaukee Brewers offers two free tickets to Veterans every Sunday.

The Brewers offer two FREE Terrace Level tickets to active and retired military personnel. The offer applies to all branches of the military service.

Prior to the playing of the National Anthem, "Shout Outs" from troops stationed in Iraq will be showcased on the scoreboard during each Stars and Stripes Sunday. On one Sunday of each month, the Brewers and the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) recognize returning Veterans in the "Mission Welcome Home" project. The Wisconsin DVA will identify a branch of the military and its representatives for honor at Miller Park.