

# COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



#### March 2010

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## **Commander's Message:**

On Thursday March 18 our Post will have an informal meeting at 7:00pm and the Vernon County meeting following. We will be having our service award winners attend, please come and show your support. Thanks to the Auxiliary for catering the meal for the American Legion birthday.

Let's keep in mind the events coming up in the next couple of months, the Palm Sunday Breakfast and the Fundraiser for Westby Legion Baseball. We need your help to make them successful. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

> Mike Miller Commander Post 116

March 18th	Informal Post Meeting - 7:00pm
	Vernon County Meeting - 8:00pm, Guests: State Commander Endres and all of our Posts Service Award winners.
	Lunch Committee: Auxiliary - Thanks!!
March 27th	Vernon County Banquet - Westby (held at VFW)
March 28th	Palm Sunday Breakfast - See work schedule
April 5th	Executive Meeting - 6;30pm
April 18th	Westby American Legion Baseball Team Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by Post 116
April 19th	Auxiliary Meeting - 7:00pm - Pot Luck
April 21	Regular Post Meeting - 7:30pm
	Lunch Committee: Roger Starkey and Chuck Lind
April 26th	Vernon County Meeting - Ontario
May 3rd	Executive Meeting - 6;30pm
May 19th	Regular Post Meeting - 7:30pm
	Lunch Committee: K. Kammel and R. Roesler
May 26th	Vernon County Meeting - Chaseburg
May 31st	Memorial Day - Main Speaker: 7th District 1st Vice Commander Randy Lenser

## March Newsletter

2009-2010 Last Bugle

Julian Rundhaugen Archie Brye \* Peter McCormick Ernest Nelson Rolf Dauve\* Tony Jorgenson



BUCKET DRAWING Don Salter Not Present

March Drawing will be: \$90.00

50/50 -DRAWING Michele Kammel

\* The Legions portion of the drawing is put towards the building fund



Commander: Mike Miller (608) 452-3787 Adjutant: Charles Nelson (608) 452-3018

Membership Totals to Date

2010 Paid Membership - 222

2010 Membership Goal - 222

Post 116 Newsletter is published monthly as a service to our members. If you wish to submit an article for a future edition, please contact: Charles Nelson (608) 452-3018 for more information.

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#### From the Adjutant's Desk:

- We continue to make progress on raising money to go towards our **Building Fund**. We will be taking estimates and will be deciding on proceeding with either a shingle style **roof** or a metal **roof** very soon.
- Veteran's Display Wall: We are <u>still</u> looking for information on the following members on active duty: Jim Beck, Rolv Ihle, Travis Engh, Barry Grimsled, Austin Holen, Sam Knutson, Mark LeJuene, Tony Manske, Kyle Muller, Matt Semke, Betsy Stafslien, Eric Stafslien, Richard Switzer, and Ed Glass. Let us know basic information, rank, where stationed, length of time at station, etc. The map is up at the Legion and we just need people to forward us the information. Please call <u>Commander Miller at 608-452-3787</u> with information.
- If anyone has names to be added to the **Veterans Memorial** we need the names soon to get them included before Memorial Day. Contact John Thurk at 788-7330.
- Thank-you's were received from the parents of new member Andy Hoff and the Village of Coon Valley for the new Flags Post 116 donated for Main Street.



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

Well, spring is right around the corner and it couldn't have come soon enough – at least for me. As we look forward to our Spring and Summer activities we are first reminded that it is time to renew our memberships and get our Squadron to 100%as soon as possible. If you haven't paid your 2010 dues please

do so promptly. The SAL Squadron will be hosting a Bean Bag Toss tournament at the Legion on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> just prior to the Legion Baseball Spaghetti Dinner and Fundraiser. Should be a fun and busy day at the Legion. Also, don't forget to circle August 8<sup>th</sup> as the date of our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Bus Trip to see the Brewers take on the Astros at Miller Park with the Legion All-Star Game directly following. If you wish to help out at any of these events call me our send an email to sal116@coonvalleywi.com. Think

spring!



#### Message from Auxiliary President Annette:

We will not have a meeting in March. But serve the Legion's County meeting on March 18. We will need help on March 17 at 9:00 in the morning to make dressing. Also, help on Thursday night.

Our next meeting will be on April, 19. Monday at 7:00pm. Pot Luck!

Also, we need to make Easter Baskets on Monday, March 29 at 9:00am. We need workers for that.

Get your dues in if you haven't already.

## <u>HDTV Raffle</u>

Michele Kammel has the tickets printed for the HDTV raffle again this year and they are available for sale. Please see Michele at the March meeting and pick up tickets to sell. There will once again be a maximum of 500 tickets sold and our profits will be placed in the building fund. Drawing at Legion Chicken-Q.

## <u>Oak Tables For Sale</u>

The oak tables will be put up for auction this Spring since there was no interest from any of the Post members.

## <u>Order Merchandise (Hats, Jackets, Shirts, Caps, etc.)</u>

Jackets: We have ordered 15 new Legion jackets (5-XL and 10-XXL) that are the same style as those that we currently wear. These should arrive in 4 to 6 weeks. If you need one, they should be available at our April or May meeting.

Baseball style hats: We will make an order for several high quality baseball style hats.

Legion Caps: We will be ordering several of the most popular sizes of the Legion caps to have on hand for our members.

## <u>Service Awards</u>

We nominated the following individuals for our Post Service Award of the Year recipients. The nominees were forwarded to Vernon County and voted on at a special meeting on Thursday, March 4 in Viroqua. Please come to the Vernon County meeting in Coon Valley on Thursday, March 18 to see who won at the County level.

Teacher of the Year: Pete Engh and Monte Dunnum

Legislater of the Year: Lee Nerison

Firefighter of the Year: Jason Hellwig

EMT of the Year: Karl Henrichsen

Law Enforcement Officer of the Year: Sergeant Nathan Campbell

Public Relations Award: Westby Times

## <u>9/11 Memorial Picture Raffle</u>

The 9/11 Memorial picture raffle was drawn at the March Executive meeting and Roger Mathison won.

## 2010 Vernon County Banquet

The 2010 Vernon County American Legion Banquet will be hosted by the Westby American Legion and will be held at the Westby VFW. I believe the cost of the meal will be \$12.50/person and your guests are invited as well. We will be asking for a list of members planning on attending at our Post meeting on March 18. If you will not make the meeting but will be attending the Banquet, please call Charles Nelson at 452-3018 and he will add your name to the list. Let's have a good turnout for this evening of fun and fellowship.

## <u> 2010 Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast - March 28</u>

Please come and help support our annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast at the Coon Valley American Legion Hall. Serving pancakes, sausage, biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, applesauce, coffee, milk, and juice, with possibly a few bloody mary's mixed in. A bake sale will be held with proceeds to Legion baseball.



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#### PALM SUNDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Work Schedule March 28th, 2010

	7:00-10:00am		10:00am-1:00pm
<b>Cooking Scrambled Eggs</b>	Roger Mathison		Steve Vance
	Charles Nelson		Rod Ofte
<b>Cooking Pancakes</b>	Chuck Lind		Ron Miller
	Ty Mathison		Dennis Kammel
Cooking Sausages	Stuart Peterson		Dennis Miller
	Dan Hofslien		James Hammes
Tables, Beverages, Coffee	Don Kammel		Michele Kammel
	Ken Kammel		Sherman Olson
	Herb Cornell		Don Salter
	Leon Minor		Jeff Hanson
	Tom Elsen		Reuben Starch
	Frank Baker		Wally Cox
	Mary Schmidt		Ron Hoff
Cashier	Frank Mathison		Ken Berg
Bartender	Jim Schmidt		Jim Schmidt
Cleanup ( 12:00 - 1:00)	Frank Mathison	Ed Glass	Gary Grethel
	Steve Mader	Tom Sharratt	Carl Holte
Jack of all trades: Commander	Michael "Fuzzy" Miller		