

# COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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# Commander's Message:

We have allot of functions going on until the end of the year, we are going to need help making them a success. The pork dinner is Nov. 5th, we are asking members to bring desserts for the meal. Veterans Day at the school and the Night at the Races at Tomah VA is on Nov.11, we need volunteers for both events. The December raffle tickets will be passed out at this month's meeting, please help sell them. Our first payment on the roof is in January. Thanks to the people who attended Freedom Honor Flight, Cancer Walk in Chasburg, sitting at the legion booth on Sunday at the Vernon County Fair, and the 7th district conference in Onlaska. Remember the County meeting in Stoddard on Oct19th.

Mike Miller Commander Post 116

October 19th Vernon County Meeting - Stoddard

October 20th Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm

**Lunch Committee: Fishin' Crew** 

October 30th 1st Annual SAL Halloween Party - Cash Bar - Costume Party - Music

November 1st Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30pm

November 3rd 46th Annual Vernon County Youth Government Day - Wednesday

November 3rd Auxiliary Meeting, 7:00pm

November 5th Pork Feed and Family Fun Night - Friday

November 8th S.A.L. Regular Meeting, 7:00pm

November 11th Veteran's Day Programs - Coon Valley Elementary and Westby High School

November 17th Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm

Lunch Committee: S.A.L.

November 18th Night at the Races - Tomah VA - meet at hall by 5pm

December 1st Auxiliary Meeting, 7:00pm

December 6th Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30pm

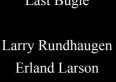
December 13th S.A.L. Regular Meeting, 7:00pm

December 15th Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm - Need volunteers to serve lunch!!

# **OCTOBER** Newsletter

2010-2011 Last Bugle

Erland Larson Frank Baker





BUCKET **DRAWING** 

**Betsy Stafslien Not Present** 

October **Drawing will be:** \$40.00

> 50/50 -**DRAWING Dave Verse** \$32

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



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#### Membership Totals to Date

2011 Paid Membership - 155

2011 Membership Goal - 223

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# From the Adjutant's Desk:

- The 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Vernon County American Legion Youth Government Day is Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. High School students from Kickapoo, Westby, DeSoto, Brookwood, Hillsboro, La Farge, and Viroqua have been invited to participate. Judge Michael Rosborough will assist the Vernon County Legion. Students will view circuit court proceedings starting at 9:15 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. at the Viroqua Legion. Guest speakers at the luncheon this yaer include: Judge Michael Rosborough, Vernon County Sheriff Gene Cary, and District Attorney Tim Gaskell. These County Officials will talk briefly about their duties. Our very own Gary Gilbertson is the Coordinator for the Vernon County Legion.
- Ledegar Roofing came back with a quote of roughly \$7,000 to place ice break around the entire Legion Hall. This needs to be discussed further.





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

Greetings from the SAL! I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and enjoying the fall season. I'd like to thank those who participated with the SAL team at the Chaseburg Cancer Run/Walk on October 2. We are planning on hosting a Halloween Costume Party at the Legion Hall on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. This is an adult event with an

open cash bar, music/karaoke, and a costume contest. I will be calling on our membership body to help out in some way to make this event a success. We are also planning on hosting a bean bag tournament sometime later this fall and having a weekly bean bag league early next year. If you want to help out at any of these events, please get in touch with me. We need our entire membership body to get involved with some of these events and keep our squadron active. You may even have some fun! Please remember that our squadron will be serving at the November Legion Meeting in November. Take care and enjoy this beautiful fall season.



# Message from Auxiliary President Annette:

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 3rd at 7pm. Pot Luck! Let's have a good turnout!

We will be making plans for our Christmas Party. Decide where we want to go and exchange gifts. That will be on December 1st.

Remember the Legion Pork Feed will be on Friday, November 5.

If you know names of any shut-ins or service members, please let the Auxiliary know.

#### **Membership**

Let's work on getting the remaining memberships paid and turned in before December 31st. I would like to thank everyone who has already paid there dues for the year. For those members who have not paid your dues, members of the Post will be coming door to door in the next couple of months to meet with you and see if you are willing to pay your membership. We will have your membership card with us.

### Pork Dinner and Family Fun Night, Friday November 5

John Thurk and Ken Kammel are Chairman

No advance tickets will be sold this year. Meal: pork loin, mashed potatoes, gravy, cole slaw, etc. Price will be decided at the October regular meeting. The Co-Chairmen are planning on preparing enough for 200 dinners. Cookies, bars, and cakes are needed by the members. Please drop them off anytime from 3pm to 5pm on Friday afternoon at the Legion.

#### December Raffle, Saturday December 4

Gary Grethel and Michele Kammel are Chairman.

Gary has the tickets ready to sell, they will be handed out at the October meeting and need to be turned in at the November meeting to be eligible for the Early Bird prize. We will be discussing potential changes to our meal at the October regular meeting. We plan to have a couple of walk around raffle prizes once again this year. Look for the work schedule in next months newsletter.

Please remember that the Legion's stance is neutral concerning political fundraising and other political events.

# Night at the Races – Thursday, November 18

We will plan to serve the Tomah VA residents the same meal as we did last year. Meet at the Legion no later than 5pm to carpool.

#### **Dent Bent & Beyond**

Rod Ofte has set up a Coon Valley American Legion account at the Dent Bent & Beyond store in Coon Valley. What this means to the Legion family is that if you have any good quality items lying around your home that you no longer need, and you would like to get rid of them as a <u>donation</u> to the Coon Valley Legion, you can bring them to the Dent Bent & Beyond store, and they will be sold with 70% of the profit going to the Coon Valley Legion. A check will be issued to the Legion at the end of each month. When you bring in the items you can agree on a suggested sale price. Items should be in good condition. Such things as tools, furniture, good condition clothing, door hardware, etc. may be accepted. If you have any questions please contact Rod Ofte at 451-2861 or the Dent Bent & Beyond store at 452-3333.

#### **Coon Valley American Legion Jackets**

The Coon Valley American Legion Jackets have finally come in and they are available for sale. Please come to the meeting and purchase one if you wish.

#### **Trout Unlimited Event**

There has been some preliminary discussions concerning an event that Trout Unlimited is planning for the Village Park this upcoming June. We will keep you informed as we learn more.



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**Work Schedule for Pork Feed on November 5th:** 

Bartenders:3:00pm Jim Schmidt7:00pmRod OfteTipboards:5:00pm Dan Hofslien7:00pmRon HoffCashier:4:45pm Charles Lind7:00pmGary Hess

Cooks: 3:00pm Don Kammel, John Thurk, Ken Kammel

**Kitchen Servers:** 5:00pm Don Salter 7:00pm Frank Mathison

Charles Servais

Rich Roesler

Ron Miller

Ty Mathison

Irv Shattuck

**Dining Room:** 5:00pm Dennis Miller 7:00pm Paul Nichols

Dick Reget Steve Mader
Carl Holte Reuben Starch
Dennis Kammel Wally Cox

Cleanup: Charles Nelson, Gary Grethel, Michele Kammel, Michael Miller

If you aren't on the list and are able to work please contact Co-Chairmen John Thurk or Don Kammel.