



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commanders Message:

Greetings Coon Valley American Legion Family

James "Jimmy" Torgerson of Viroqua and a current member of Post 116 passed away since our last newsletter. Services were held at Skogdalen Lutheran Church on Monday, April 30. Military rites were conducted by Post 116. Thanks to Dan Hofslie and the squad members that were in attendance. Once again, we received many compliments on a fine performance.

May is election of Post Officers. Our April meeting was cancelled because of a blizzard, so we were unable to have a nominating committee report. Nominations and election will take place at the May meeting. Preparations are underway for our annual Memorial Day Program. I am always amazed at how many pieces of the puzzle have to go together to make a successful event, and how everybody pitches in to pull it off. Thanks to every one of you. Our guest speaker this year is Rev. Adolf Quast of Coon Valley.

If your name is on the work schedule for our annual chicken Q on June 10, please help us out. If you are not on the schedule, but you can work, please give me a call.

Frank Mathison, Commander Post 116

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 12th	Freedom Honor Flight (5:00am arrival, flight leaves at 7:00am, return flight around 10:00pm)
May 16th	Tomah VA Fishing Tournament (Volunteers are helpful to assist the Veteran Residents)
May 17th (Thursday)	Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm meal, 8:00pm Meeting - Officer Elections Lunch Committee: Ken & Don Kammel
May 17th	SAL Regular Squadron Meeting at 8:00pm
May 19th	Legion Clean Up Day 8:00am to 11:00am
May 23rd	Vernon County Meeting in Chaseburg - 7:30pm meal, 8:00pm meeting - Wednesday
May 28th	Memorial Day Program
June 4th	Executive Committee Meeting 6:30pm
June 6th	Auxiliary Meeting, Potluck at 6:00pm, Meeting at 6:30pm
June 10th	Coon Valley Legion Chicken Q
June 16th	Legion Riders District 7 Legacy Scholarship Ride
June 20th	Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm Meal, 8:00pm Meeting - Installation of Officers Lunch Committee: Steve Vance & ??
June 20th	SAL Regular Squadron Meeting at 8:00pm
July 2nd	Executive Committee Meeting 6:30pm
July 11th - 15th	Department Convention at the Oshkosh Convention Center, Oshkosh, WI
July 18th	Regular Post Meeting, meal at 7:30pm, meeting at 8:00pm Lunch Committee: Cox, Hoff, Cary & Banta
July 20-24	American Legion Regional Baseball Tournament in Coon Valley Village Park
July 21st	SAL Brewer Bus Trip, Brewers vs Dodgers, 6:10pm game time
July 28th	Coon Creek Trout Fest
August 6th	Executive Committee Meeting 6:30pm
August 6th	Vernon County Meeting - Westby - Meal at 7:30pm, Meeting at 8pm
August 15th	Post Everlasting Ceremony, 7:00pm with meal following with family and friends Lunch Committee: Rod and Deb Ofte Regular Post Meeting at 8pm only if necessary

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Last Bugle:

James Hammes

Norman Oliver

Leon Minor

Howard Moilien

Steven Kapanke*

James Torgerson

* Not a Post 116 member



BUCKET DRAWING

April \$20

Not Held Due To
Meeting
Cancellation

May Drawing
Will Be \$30

50/50

April

Not Held Due To
Meeting
Cancellation



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Membership Totals to Date

2018 Paid Membership - 185

2018 Membership Goal-195

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Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello Everyone,

Hello Everyone,

Well the weather has finally changed and I am sure everyone is busy with outdoor activities. Our next meeting will be on May 17th (Thursday) at 8 pm. Items to discuss will be Memorial Day activities, youth baseball and our annual Brewers game bus trip. All SAL members are encouraged to march in the Memorial Day parade. Contact me for details. The Brewers game is scheduled for July 21st with a 6:10 game start. Contact me or Brad Role for details.

Cal Manske
S.A.L. Commander



Message from the Auxiliary:

We are happy to announce that Alia Henrichsen is our 2018 Badger Girls State representative. Her parents are Karl Henrichsen and Angela Aspeslet.

Poppies have been placed in several Coon Valley businesses. We hope you will wear a poppy to honor the fallen and support the living who have worn our nation's uniform.

Please join us on Memorial Day, Monday, May 28, for the parade, program and lunch prepared and served by our Auxiliary members. If you are bringing a cake, please bring it to the Legion Hall by 10 am.

Next meeting - Wednesday, June 6 - potluck 6 pm - meeting 6:30 pm.

Ellie Brye, Secretary

Details, Details, Details....

- Cleaning Day and the Legion will be May 19th from 8:00am - 11:00am. Come help make our Post look its best for Memorial Day! Many hands make light work!
- We have tickets for the cash raffle for the building fund. Help out our building fundraising efforts by getting some tickets to sell to your friends. See Mike Miller for those tickets!
- The 100th Department Convention is coming up in July at the Oshkosh Convention Center and we need delegates. If you have never been to Convention, consider being a delegate!

Vernon County Veterans Service Office (Jim Young & Crystal Knoll) 608-637-5323

(veterans@vernoncounty.org)

https://www.facebook.com/Vernon-County-Veterans-Service-Office-244550219077062/

If PTSD has a presence in your life, there are many options, including the Veterans Crisis Hotline at

1-800-273-8255 (Press 1), your County Veterans Service Office or the VA. The Tomah VA has a Combat Veteran PTSD Residential Program for veterans to stay at the VA to receive counseling and treatment. To inquire more about this program or to sign up for this program, please contact your CVSO or the VA at 608-372-1758.

CHICKEN-Q WORK SCHEDULE

Sunday June 10th, 2018

Chicken Fryers (also need to assist with hauling food into the kitchen and clean up the pit area)

6:00am - until done - (There will be one shift this year. Please come and have a good time in the pits!)

Wesley Guy	Carl Holte	Tom Elsen	Mike Miller
Brian Janes	Gordon Hellwig	Gary Hess	Ron Miller
Brad Role	Steve Nelson		

Bartenders

10:00am - 1:30pm	1:30pm - 5:00pm
Gary Grethel	Cal Manske

Food Tickets

10:00am - 1:30pm	1:30pm - 5:00pm
Frank Mathison	Steve Vance

Tip Boards

11:am - 2:00pm
Ron Hoff

Snack Stand at Ball Park

9:30am - 1:30pm	1:30pm - 5:30pm	5:30pm - Close
Harlan Helseth	Roger Starkey	Scott Berg
Dennis Kammel	Randy Schlicht	Dan Hofslie
Don Langaard	Mike Callan	Darin Berg
Steven Mader	Richard Zube	Jim Elsen
Jeff Hanson	John Rudie	Bryan Berg
David Moilien	Knute Brye	Chad Hofslie
Mary Schmidt	Wally Cox	John Elsen
Stuart Peterson	Lee Nerison	Rolv Ihle
Lisa Kammel	Roger Anderson	Linda Berg

Auxiliary Chicken-Q Work Schedule

Saturday, June 10th

9:00am - Wrap Potatoes

Nancy & Ron Miller, Joyce Temp, Gloria Freitag (if you are interested in helping, please contact Nancy)

Sunday, June 11th:

6:00 am: Virginia Nerison, Paulene Aspenson

10:00-1:00 pm: Ellie Brye, Joyce Temp, Gloria Freitag, Mary Elsen, Nancy Miller, Rachel Berg, Liz Hellwig, Angie Nelson, Julie Nelson, and Jr Aux Members: Abby Miller, Bianca Nelson, Olivia & Hanna Nelson, Maddie, Maggie & Bella Grethel,

1:00-until food sells out: Judy Hofslie, Sylvia Thurk, Jan Ihle, Corrine Amundson, Mary Hess, Bernie Gerke, Hazel Cornell, Geraldine Nestingen, Pat Kammel, Sandy Mathison

Remember to wear red, white & blue.

IF YOU ARE ON THE SCHEDULE AND ARE NOT ABLE TO WORK YOUR SHIFT, FIND A REPLACEMENT!



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Membership Message from 1st Vice Commander Steve Nelson

This is a reminder that everyone should have 2018 Membership Card right now! If you don't have a 2018 card you need to contact me to get one or pay your membership dues now! If you don't have a 2018 membership card that means your membership dues are due now! Pay now!! I will be knocking on your door soon!

Auxiliary Memorial Day Work Schedule – Monday, May 28th

9am - 12pm	11:45 am – 2pm
Virginia Nerison	Corrine Amundson
Ellie Brye *	Sylvia Thurk
Rachel Berg*	Hazel Cornell
Becky Lind*	Mary Hess
Joyce Temp*	Judy Hofslie
Gloria Freitag*	Liz Hellwig
Bernie Gerke	Pat Kammel
Paulene Aspenson	Linda Keuser
Nancy Miller*	Sandy Mathison
Geraldine Nestingen	Angie Nelson
Mary Elsen*	Julie Nelson*

*Be at the Legion at 8:00am
Remember to wear Red, White and Blue!

Memorial Day Schedule For Honor Guard Firing at Cemeteries

7:00am - Muster up at the Legion, 7:30 - Koethe Cemetery, 7:45 - Mormon Coulee (Both Cemeteries),
8:15 - St. Joseph Ridge, 8:30 - North Ridge, 9:30 - Esofea, 10:00 Coon Valley Lutheran Church. Parade Line-up starts
at 10:00, parade will be at 10:30. Program will begin after the Westby Middle School Marching Band gets set up at the
Legion, around 11:00.