



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commanders Message:

Greetings Coon Valley American Legion Family:

This is my farewell column as your Post Commander. Your new commander is Steve Nelson and we all know he will do an excellent job. I had a lot of problems during my year as commander, both health wise and family wise, but your officers and volunteers stepped in and filled the gaps, and I will be forever grateful. I want to thank each and every person for the hard work they do to keep the post moving along successfully. This also includes the Auxiliary and the SAL.

We had a very successful Memorial Day and Chicken Q. Thanks to everyone who helped make these events a huge success.

As we move towards the 100th Anniversary of The American Legion, please give your new slate of officers your full support.

Frank Mathison, Commander Post 116

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 20th	Regular Post Meeting, 7:30pm Meal, 8:00pm Meeting - Installation of Officers Lunch Committee: Steve Vance & Gary Hess
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 Pancake Breakfast
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August 1st	Auxiliary Regular Meeting, Pot-Luck Meal at 6:00pm, Meeting at 6:30pm
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
August 16th	SAL Regular Meeting at 8:00pm
August 22nd	National Legacy Scholarship Run arrives at Onalaska Cemetery for Honors 4:40pm arrival
August 23rd	National Legacy Scholarship Run Departs Post 336 Onalaska at 7:30am
August 24th—30th	100th National Convention in Minneapolis, MN
September 7th	Executive Committee Meeting 6:30pm
September 11th	9/11 Memorial and Flag Retirement Ceremony at Chaseburg Post 202
September 12th	Vernon County Meeting - Hillsboro, Meal at 7:30, Meeting at 8:00

June Newsletter

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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

May \$30

Bernie Roesler
Donated back to
the Legion

June Drawing
Will Be \$10

We will draw until
we draw a member
who is present at
the meeting

50/50
Not held



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Membership Totals to Date

2018 Paid Membership - 186

2018 Membership Goal-195

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Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello Everyone,

Hello Everyone,

First I want to thank everyone who helped with the Memorial Day Parade and Program as well as the Chicken Q this past Sunday. It was a lot of activity packed into a short period of time and your efforts are appreciated.

Secondly, we will be meeting on June 20th at 8:00pm in the Legion Bar. We will be finalizing our plans for our annual Brewer bus trip on July 21st.

Cal Manske
S.A.L. Commander



Message from the Auxiliary:

This year we awarded two scholarships. Congratulations to Taylor Berra (WTC for Dental Assistant) and Lauren Berg (UW Eau Claire for Nursing).

Poppy sales exceeded our expectations and we thank the businesses who had canisters and the adult & junior members who went door to door as well as walked the parade route to sell poppies. Thanks also to everyone who worked on Memorial Day and at the Chicken Q. You are appreciated!

ALA magnetic emblems are back by popular demand. If you would like to purchase one for \$5, contact Ellie.

We will NOT be having a meeting in July. Our next meeting is Wed., Aug., 1 - potluck at 6 pm - meeting at 6:30 pm. We need maximum participation as we will be holding officer elections.

Ellie Brye, Secretary

Details, Details, Details....

- Congratulations to our Chicken Q Raffle Winner, Charles Nelson! He doesn't even know it yet because he was in Canada fishing, so we don't know if he is taking the cash or the TV.
- 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.

**Westby/Coon Valley Legion Baseball
2018 Varsity Schedule**

Date	Opponent/Location	Game Time
June 15	at West Salem (DH)	5:00 PM
June 18	at Bi State (Luther)	5:30 PM
June 21	vs La Crescent (Viroqua Tournament)	6:00 PM
June 22	vs Tomah (Viroqua Tournament)	6:00 PM
June 23	vs Onalaska (Viroqua Tournament)	5:30 PM
June 24	TBD (Viroqua Tournament)	TBD
June 25	at La Crosse Juniors (Central)	5:00 PM
June 28	PRAIRIE DU CHIEN (DH)	5:30 PM
June 29	SPARTA (Westby)	7:00 PM
July 2	vs Fennimore (at La Crescent)	3:00 PM
July 4	at Viroqua	6:30 PM
July 6	vs Prairie Du Chien (Onalaska Tournament)	1:00 PM
July 7	vs Tomah (Onalaska Tournament)	1:00 PM
July 7	vs Onalaska (Onalaska Tournament)	5:00 PM
July 8	TBD (Onalaska Tournament)	TBD
July 9	at Holmen 17s	5:00 PM
July 12	STODDARD	7:00 PM
July 15	WEST SALEM (CV)	1:30 PM
July 20-24	Regionals in Coon Valley	
July 27-Aug. 1	State Tournament in Osseo	

**Westby/Coon Valley Legion Baseball
2018 Junior Legion Schedule**

Date	Opponent/Location	Game Time
June 15-17	Wood Bat Tourney (La Crosse)	TBD
June 18	CASHTON	TBD
June 21	at Fennimore (DH)	5:00 PM
June 25	PRAIRIE DU CHIEN (DH)	4:30 PM
June 28	at La Crosse A's (Aquinas) (DH)	5:00 PM
July 4	at Viroqua	4:00 PM
July 6	LA CROSSE JUNIORS	5:00 PM
July 9	VIROQUA	6:00 PM
July 13-17	Regionals @ TBD	TBD
July 20-24	STATE TOURNAMENT @ Viroqua	

We have our annual Legion Baseball Calendar Raffle available at the Legion Hall. They are \$20 per ticket with a chance to win \$50 every day in the month of July! If your name is drawn, the ticket goes back into the bucket!



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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!

2018/2019 Post 116 Officer Elections:

As many of you know, we held officer nominations/elections at the May Regular Post Meeting. We had tremendous participation and had many people step up for the positions available. Thank you to all of the new officer elects! You have much experience in front of you and the membership will support you 100% in your position.

Following are the new officers who will be sworn in at the June meeting:

Commander: Steve Nelson

1st Vice Commander (Membership): Matt Semke

2nd Vice Commander (Children & Youth): Ryan Chambers

3rd Vice Commander (Americanism): Wes Guy

Finance Officer: Roger Mathison

Sergeant at Arms: Dan Hofslie

Historian: Francis Mathison

Chaplain: Michael Miller

Service Officer: Ronald Miller

Thank you to all of you for stepping forward to be a part of the leadership team at Post 116.

Please remember, all officers are expected to be present at the Executive Committee Meetings, which are held on the first Monday of every month at 6:30pm.