



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Commanders Message:

November & December are some of the busiest times of the year for Post 116. Youth Government Day, Veteran's Day Ceremonies, Our Post's Chicken Q, Night at the Races at the Tomah VA, The Army-Navy Game Party, Packing candy for the kids in Coon Valley, visiting shut ins, and assisting Santa and the Coon Valley Fire Department at Coon Valley Elementary School Christmas visit inclusively involve many members volunteering their time and efforts.

Thank you, to all the Post 116 members who help make these projects successful.

If YOU aren't involved with any of the above there is still time to find a project for you. Call me direct at 608-632-1538, or better yet attend the next regular meeting. We'll find a project that's RIGHT for you.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Winter Conference in Appleton January 16-19 two months from now. UW-Madison's forensic studies department will host a session on the tools & techniques used to ID American MIA soldiers from all wars. When possible UW sends groups to sites of engagement around the world in search of MIA evidence. A recent article noted nationally about 200 MIA's remains are identified and reunited with their families each year. How many of those from our very own University of Wisconsin?

Once again, a shout out for Tango Alpha Lima, the American Legion podcast. New episodes released every Tuesday morning and all 270 available at your discretion. Tango Alpha Lima features stories of inspiration, information and other useful stuff for veterans. If you are not sure how to view or listen to the podcast ask your 4th grade grandkid for help or follow instructions at legion.org/tangoalphalima.

Post 116 Commander,
Mike Callan

November Newsletter

2024- 2025

Last Bugle:

Larry Lichtie

Bud McCormick

John Runice

Roger Strangstalien

Everette Olson



BUCKET DRAWING

October Member-
ship drawing Jon
Koula. Not Present.

Next membership
meeting drawing
will be for 40
bucks.

50/50
Not Done



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Membership Totals to Date

2025 Paid Membership - 134

2024 Membership Goal- 176

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Or pay on MyLegion.org !



Message from S.A.L. Commander:

The SAL will be serving lunch at the November meeting on the 20th. We will have a meeting afterwards. I want to thank everyone that helped and participated at the beanbag event last Saturday.

Cal Manske

Post 116 SAL Commander

Message from Auxiliary President:

Greetings! 2025 membership is upon us. Please remember to pay your annual dues. It remains \$34 for adults and \$5.25 for juniors. If you have questions please reach out to Gloria Freitag, membership chair. We are always looking for new members! If you know anyone who would like to join please reach out or bring them along to a meeting. Our December meeting will be a holiday potluck. It will be on December 4th at 6pm at the Legion hall. We look forward to having some good food and spending some holiday cheer. We hope to see you!

Sincerely,

Kelly Callan

Auxiliary President

Post Announcement:

November 21st is Tomah VA Night at the Races. That means anyone can go help, spend time and have some fun with veterans at the VA hospital. We will have video horse races that the veterans can pick a winner. We pay for horses that placed first, second, and third place. This is a night you will enjoy. Let Steve Nelson know you want to go (608-330-1103) or just show up at 5pm at the legion hall, Thursday, November 21st.

Also, see the attached sheet for items we can bring to this event that evening! Contact Steve Nelson to get these donated items from you!

Calendar:

November 14 Bingo 5:00pm

November 20 Regular Meeting, 7:00pm meal, 7:30pm meeting

November 21 Night at the Races Tomah

December 2 Legion Exec Meeting, 6:30pm

December 12 Bingo

December 14 Army-Navy Game Watch at the Legion 2pm

December 18 Regular Meeting, 7:00pm meal, 7:30pm meeting, pack candy for kids

December 19 Visit shut-ins, Santa visit to Coon Valley Elementary

January 16-19 Winter WI American Legion Conference in Appleton



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