



COON VALLEY AMERICAN LEGION POST 116



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Hello Veterans!

We are having a great start of the year, legion functions have had good success with workers and patrons. We took donations up to Tomah VA.. They were thankful and was a good thing to do with Chaseburg legion. The new rifles finally got delivered to legion and we will be using them on Memorial Day. The 100 year history books are for sale at legion pick up at next meeting. We will start serving meals on meeting night, some months are open so if you would like to show off your culinary skills sign up. Thank you for making the Palm Sunday breakfast a great success. We are working on the work schedule and getting ready for the chicken-que June 13th. We are also planning on doing Post Everlasting at August meeting.

Mike Miller

Commander Post 116

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| April 21st | Regular Meeting Night, 6pm cocktails, 6:30pm meal. Meeting follows... |
| May 3rd | Exec Meeting at 6:30pm |
| May 31st | Memorial Day, Cemetery visits meet at Legion at 6:30am, Program at Legion grounds at 11am. |
| June 13th | Legion Chicken Q |

April Newsletter

2020 - 2021
Last Bugle:

Don Kammel
Jack Fletcher
Merlin Lenser
Lee Rudie



BUCKET DRAWING

No winner!
Next Month meet-
ing \$100

50/50
No Drawing!



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Membership Totals to Date

2021 Paid Membership - 164
2021 Membership Goal- 173

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Message from S.A.L. Commander:

Hello everyone,
Meeting next Wednesday, April 21st at 7pm! We will discuss youth baseball and Brewer baseball bus trip!

Cal Manske
S.A.L. Commander



Message from the Auxiliary:

Hello everyone!
Spring is in the air and it's nice to be outside again! Memorial Day is coming up and we decided that we will be placing poppies in businesses this year. Although we won't be serving a meal, I hope you can all make it to the Memorial Day program. We decided that we will be assisting the Legion with the Chicken Que this year. We don't have an official work schedule, but if you would like to work please contact me or one of the officers. Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 5th at 6:00pm, and we won't be having a potluck. Please remember to bring your masks. I look forward to seeing you at our May meeting!

Thanks,
Maddie Grethel
President

Veterans News:

Did you know Gulf War-era veterans now account for the largest share of all U.S. veterans, having surpassed Vietnam-era veterans in 2016, according to the VA's 2018 population model estimates?

VA estimates for 2021 indicate there are 5.9 million American veterans who served during the Vietnam era and 7.8 million who served in the Gulf War era, which spans from August 1990 through the present.

Did you know the share of the U.S. population with military experience is declining? In 2018, about 7% of U.S. adults were veterans, down from 18% in 1980, according to the Census Bureau. This drop coincides with decreases in active duty service members. Over the past half-century, the number of people on active duty has dropped significantly, from 3.5 million in 1968, during the military draft era, to about 1.4 million (or less than 1% of all U.S. adults) in today's all-volunteer force.

Did you know currently, about nine-in-ten veterans (89%) are men, while about one-in-ten (11%) are women, according to the VA's 2021 population model estimates? By 2046, the share of female veterans is expected to increase to about 18%. The number of female veterans is also projected to increase slightly, from around 2 million in 2021 to approximately 2.2 million in 2046. The number of male veterans, on the other hand, is projected to drop from about 17 million in 2021 to around 10.3 million in 2046.

Post News:

*Legion jackets are in, please get yours ASAP! Your cost is \$75.

**Please look at the CV Business Association website for locals events! Website is CoonValley.org. Contact Geoff Lenser, at 452-3663, to add events to this site.

***Covid Shots have been available at the new LaCrosse VA Clinic, Valley View Mall. Call them for appointments and questions at 608-784-3886.

****Memorial Day will be cemetery visits and program. The program will be at 11 am, outside on our legion grounds. Main speaker Frank Mathison. No parade.

*****100 Year History Book are for sale at the Legion post for \$40.

*****Get ready for Legion baseball this summer! Calendar drawing tickets will be sold starting in May, Roger Mathison is making these tickets up and look for him for a ticket! Each ticket is being sold for \$20. This will be done in the month of July.

2020-2021 Memberships are due now! Pay online (mylegion.org) mail it to legion enclosed mailing address, or come to legion meeting night, thanks!



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