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Onalaska American Legion

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“Legs for Lou”

Please join us in our 2nd annual 5K Walk which is being held in memory of Sandy Nelson, who had Lou Gehrig's disease. She lost her battle with this disease on May 13 of this year. (Sandy was a retiree of the Onalaska School District...a member of St. Patrick's Church...and an Onalaska American Legion Auxiliary member) This event is being held as part of the Onalaska Legion Community Days, August 26-28, 2011.

The 5K Walk will be held on Sunday, August 28 at 8:00 a.m. beginning at the Onalaska American Legion, 731 Sand lake Road. Registration/sign in will be at 7:00 a.m. The fee is \$15.00, which includes a t-shirt - refreshments will be provided.

All proceeds will benefit the ALS Wisconsin Association Chapter in helping ALS patients who cannot afford assistive devices etc.

This is a **'fun/not timed'** event and we encourage anyone interested to participate. Tell your friends ... and bring your families. Everyone is welcome.

There will be no pre-registration...just come the morning of the event.

REMEMBER ... REGISTRATION IS AT 7:00 A.M. and the WALK BEGINS AT 8:00 A.M. Sunday, August 28

If anyone has any questions, please call either Mary Powers 385-8306 or Kristen Bradstreet (Sandy's daughter) at 780-4812.

We hope to have a great turn-out because ALS Association needs all of our support.

“Walk to Defeat ALS- Because You Can”

**LEGION COMMUNITY DAYS
AUGUST 26-27-28, 2011**

SORRY!

My apology to the Terry Eggen family for misspelling his name in the July Newsletter article on the 2011 Terry Eggen Scholarship Award Winner.

Bill Jaekel - Newsletter Editor

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Legionnaires, Auxiliary, S.A.L., and Friends

GREETINGS TO ALL FROM THE COMMANDER:

Holy Hot Flash!! How 'bout those scorchers last month? Humidity right up there made for a heavy, muggy day. I thought August had the "dog days of summer", guess not. The Building Committee start time has been changed from 5:30pm to 5:00PM. Meeting will still be held on the 4th Tuesday of each month unless otherwise notified.

Over the last few years we have been receiving numerous health care items, ie, wheel chairs, walkers, commodes, etc. that are available to anyone who has a need. This list also includes an electric wheel chair & 3 wheel scooters. These items are quite expensive but do no one any good sitting in the Legion storage. These are not toys. They can be loaned to anyone who has a legitimate need. There will be no cost, but hopefully when returned they will be in good condition to loan to another deserving individual. To apply for any item, call the Legion or stop and drop off the following information; name, telephone number and required equipment. We will gladly respond to your request.

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LEGION COMMUNITY DAYS (LCD). A LCD brochure is enclosed for your information. Come and enjoy the weekend with your friends, family and fellow Legionnaires at the Post. Mark your calendar, 26-28 August 2011. See you there.

More parades in August. We will have our M1 tank and Global Electric Motorcar (GEM) in the following parades; Holmen Kornfest, August 20th, 11am, Onalaska Legion Community Days, August 27th, 11am. If you have an urge to walk the parade for the Legion, call Mike Fries or Jim Nelson.

FYI - Military Retiree Appreciation Day (RAD) will be at Fort McCoy on Friday, September 9, 2011 in building 905. Registration 7:00AM, posting colors and prayer 7:45AM, program starts promptly at 8:00AM.

RAD is free, preregistration required. Information call 800-452-0923 or email at bill.g.walters@us.army.mil.

I'm looking for someone who does woodworking for a hobby. There are a few projects that are waiting for someone to take an interest in. If you have a little time and the interest, give me a call. It would really be appreciated. We are also looking for some help with the Fish Frys. Mike Fries has been at the helm for a long time and it would be a good idea to give him a break. Anyone interested, give him a call. He will stay with it but needs someone to assist.

A year ago we initiated a plan to expand the post to include some storage and maintenance area. That effort has been on hold due to the expense and the economic situation we have been experiencing. I assure you that we are financially stable. However we also are keenly aware that the economy does not favor any large investments at this time. Don't forget to check the calendar. A lot is happening at the Legion. Stop in, it's nice and cool; enjoy August at your Legion post. God Bless our troops, their families and our veterans. God Bless America.

Jim Nelson, Commander

Did you know? The largest airborne assault. Contrary to popular belief, the largest airborne assault by paratroopers and gliders in WWII did not take place on D-Day, June 6, 1944. It occurred three months later on September 17, when three Allied divisions, totaling 34,000 troops, landed by glider and parachute at Arnhem, the Netherlands. The operation required 2800 planes and 1600 gliders. So now you know.

Membership

Hello 2012 membership program. We are at it again, with some 40% plus of renewals already. Please keep them coming either via mail or drop off at the club.

The "early bird" renewal program is in full swing. Don't forget to stop at the bar for your annual free drink for "early bird" membership. Simply present your membership card to the bartender, once initialed, you get your card right back, and then enjoy your drink.

We have quite a few new members and transferred in members. Please give a hearty welcome and "thank you" to John Olson, Robert Beyer, Daniel Lefebvre, Bernard Sauer, Tim Olson, Walter Haag, and Ed Harm. Hope to see you all at the Post.

Thank you for all your participation. See you at the club.

Ralph Amundsen, 1st Vice commander

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LEGION BASEBALL NEWS NOTES



THE 18 & UNDER REGIONAL TOURNAMENT is still in progress at press time. The 8 team tournament, hosted by Onalaska Legion Baseball, began on Thursday, July 21 with the final games to be played Monday, July 25. To advance to the final day of play, Onalaska beat arch-rival Holmen on Sunday evening by a score of 3 - 1 on a walk and suicide squeeze in the top of the first inning. The 14 - 18 Onalaska Legion team faces the La Crosse North Stars (French Island Legion/Logan H.S.) at 3:00 Monday 7/25 with the winner playing Holmen at 5:30 for the title and the ability to advance to the State AA Legion Championship Tournament in Tomah July 29 - August 2. These are exciting times for youth baseball and lots of great action can be had right at the Onalaska Legion baseball field!

THE 16 & UNDER ONALASKA LEGION BASEBALL TEAM finished a promising season with a 21 win - 8 loss record. They were narrowly defeated by Holmen by a 4 - 3 score in the Regional Tournament Championship game July 16. The 6 team double elimination 16 & Under Regional Championship Tournament was hosted by Onalaska Legion Baseball July 13 - 16.


TERRY AND LORI SCHAEFER are moving from Onalaska to warmer climes. Long-time Legion Baseball supporters, they will surely be missed. On behalf of the Onalaska Legion & Onalaska Legion Baseball, we extend our gratitude for the years of service and wish the best for the years ahead.

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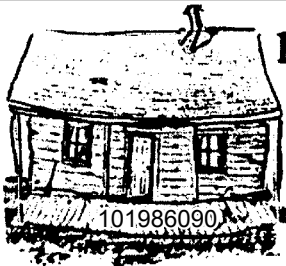
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Auxiliary

Hello Ladies,

Another month has gone by and it was a hot one!! We don't have a meeting in July, so there isn't too much to report on for this newsletter. The following ladies attended the State Convention in Appleton: Elaine Schickowski, Wilma Dettinger, Colleen Kujak, Jeanette Thach, and I. We will give our report at the August meeting. Anyone interested in volunteering at Legion Community Days please sign up at the bar in the book. We also will need help in running the bingo in the hall that is run by the Auxiliary. The next meeting will be August 10, 2011 starting at 7:00PM. The serving committee will be: Elaine Schickowski – Chairperson 608-317-7097, Sonja Kerr, Marie Turk, Jean Sparks, and Jeanette Thach. The Legion Family picnic will be September 18, 2011, starting at 11:00AM and we will eat around 1:00PM. Mark your calendars for this fun event!!!

See you at the Post.

Yours Truly, Sue Kelley, Auxiliary President

Service Officers Report

~ SICK CALL ~

LYLE CARLSON – ROBERT RUDER

~ LAST BUGLE ~

JOHN ENGSTAD

Vern Reekers – Service Officer



Vets Picnic

The Veterans Picnic, held on July 11, 2011 was attended by 53 Veterans from Mosher Home, Eagle Crest, Onalaska On Main, Onalaska Terrace, Onalaska Care Center and 12 Legion members volunteered their service. Thank You!!

Vern Reekers – Service Officer



In the July Service Officers Report, I incorrectly reported the "Sick Call" and "Last Bugle" names. Following is the correction:

- Sick Call -

Willard Christensen
Roger Saley

- Last Bugle -

Lorin R. Bright
Paul Thomas Jr.

My apologies to all! Bill Jaekel, Newsletter Editor

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To each and every one who serves, we say "thank you."



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Legion Baseball Collecting Cans

The Baseball Committee of our Legion Post 336 has a site in the parking lot to collect aluminum cans to raise money for our Legion Baseball. All are encouraged to donate their aluminum cans to this most worthy cause!

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Proposed American Legion Honor Guard Drill Team For La Crosse County

My fellow Legionaries, not too long ago I was talking to some of our older gentlemen about the things we (Legion Posts) use to do, things like having Drill Teams. I said to myself "self, that sounds like a good idea, why don't we do that again". Now I have the approval from the County to organize a Drill Team Division of the Honor guard at the County level to represent the American Legion posts of La Crosse County. What I am now looking for are volunteers for the Drill Team. Over the next few months I will be trying to get the word out to our fellow Legionaries who would have the ability to be on this team. Look for information in Post Newsletters, Websites (if applicable), and Fliers in the Legion Clubs and I will be going to Post meetings. I am currently trying to set up a time, date and place for a meeting for anyone interested in becoming a member. The purpose of this meeting will be to see if we have enough people interested to field a team and answer any question that someone might have. If you don't have the ability to be on the team, please help spread the word. Look for more announcements soon. Thank You.

*La Crosse County American Legion
Sergeant at Arms
Kevin B. Scholze*

Mission Statement: The Drill Team will promote the American Legion mission by showcasing military precision, discipline and professionalism in public and private venues. We will serve as official ambassadors for the American Legion Posts of La Crosse County.

Vision: To inspire our fellow Veterans to join or become active in the American Legion by reminding our comrades of their military heritage and demonstrating the Honor of the American Legion. It is also our hope that by presenting an inspiring image of the American Legion to the public we will help promote goodwill for our organization, its endeavors and for all Veterans and their issues.

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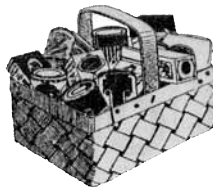
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August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Jacees Meeting 7:00PM	2 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM	3	4 Tacos 11:00AM - 2:00PM <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM	5 Stoney Ridge Band 7:30 - 11:30PM	6 Wedding Dining Hall Wrestling Show Activity Center
7 Bar party	8 Executive Meeting 6:00PM Membership Meeting 7:00PM	9 NARVE Mtg. 10:00AM <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM	10 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00PM	11 Tacos 11:00AM - 2:00PM <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM <u>Irishfest Toast</u> 5:00:PM	12 Karaoke Plus 7:30 - 11:30PM Birthday Party Dining Hall	13 Wedding Dining Hall
14 Schaefer Anniversary/Farwell Dining Hall	15 BLET Div 3 Meeting Jacees Meeting 7:00PM	16 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM	17	18 Tacos 11:00AM - 2:00PM <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM <u>40 ET 8 Steak Fry</u> Dining Hall	19 Time & 1/2 Band 7:30 - 11:30PM Wedding Domomg Ja,;	20 Wedding Dining Hall
21	22	23 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM <u>Building Comm. Mtg</u> 5:00PM <u>House Comm. Mtg.</u> 6:00PM <u>Quilt Banquet - Hall</u>	24	25 Tacos 11:00AM - 2:00PM <u>Burger Night</u> 4:30 - 8:00PM <u>La Crosse County</u> Auxiliary Pic	26 <u>Legion Community Days</u> - Music, Fun, Food no button requi <u>Studebaker 7</u> 7:30 - 11:30PM <u>Fireworks, Baseball</u> 10:00AM	27 <u>Legion Community Days</u> - Music, Fun, Food no button requi <u>Parade</u> 11:00AM <u>Flashback</u> 7:30 - 11q:30PM
28 <u>Legion Community</u> Days Music, Fun, Food no button required	29	30 <u>Wings & Shrimp</u> 4:30 - 7:00PM	31			

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Come early and stay late for all the great events scheduled for your enjoyment. Great bands, great food, best in beverages, great camaraderie, with great people, our neighbors and members. So until September 8 at the best Club in Wisconsin when the Pit Bull hollers, enjoy the summer.

Jerry, Les and the Pit Bull

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LEGION COMMUNITY DAYS

The 2011 version of Legion Community Days is set and ready to go. We had a great meeting on July 21st and worked out the final details. One of the neat things for the exciting weekend, which will include fireworks, good food, music, bingo, parade, softball, Texas Hold'Em, euchre and so much more, is on Saturday during the Onalaska Fire Department fun day safety day the kids water fight. The kids will do battle just like the big boys at fire department festivals around. Should be a lot of fun to watch. Gather your kids and grandkids and get them entered into the contest. Better bring a raincoat. Mark your calendar for the weekend of August 26 - 28 and come on over. We are still looking for a few entrants for our parade. If you know of anyone who would like to be in the lineup give me a call at 385-3476 and I will contact them.

Mike Fries

S.A.L.

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S.A.L.

Just a short note this month. If your 2011 dues are not in, please get them paid because our 2012 cards are in already. Also anyone wishing to help with Community Days, there is a signup sheet in the bar. Also anyone that would like to help with the upcoming Breakfast Buffets that start in September can contact myself, Bill Sterling, Ray Kline, Clarence Stellner or any other member, or leave a note in the mail box. I would also like to put together a cleanup crew for this season. Have a great summer.

Todd (Doc) Hagel