American Legion — Anoka
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May/Jun 2026 Newsletter

New Veteran's Crisis Line 988, Choose option #1

Post Commander's Comments

As we enter the months of May and June, we are reminded of both reflection and renewal. Memorial Day stands at the heart of the Spring season—a solemn time when we gather as a community to honor the men and women who gave their lives in service to our nation. I encourage all members, families, and community residents to join us for our Memorial Day ceremony at Veterans Park. Your presence helps ensure that their sacrifices are never forgotten. This newsletter also marks my first full year serving as Commander of Post #102. It has been an honor to serve alongside such dedicated veterans and supporters. Together, we have continued the proud traditions of the American Legion while strengthening our role in the community. I would also like to take this time to thank everyone involved with our discussions with the City of Anoka, to help ensure that as much money as possible stays with our charitable organizations, Veterans and youth. It was a job well done.

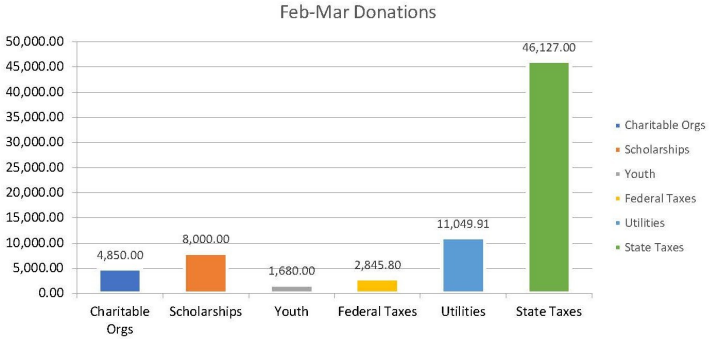
Looking ahead, I encourage everyone to stay involved—whether through events, volunteer efforts, or simply stopping by the Post. The strength of our organization comes from each of you.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to seeing you at Veterans Park on Memorial Day.

Semper Fidelis,
Zak Menter – Commander – Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2025-2026

GAMBLING STATISTICS

Based on the most recent audited months available at the time of publishing.



MEMBERSHIP RATES FOR 2025-2026:

AMERICAN LEGION: $50 ** AUXILIARY: $40 ($10 FOR JUNIORS)

SAL: $25 ($15 IF DUAL MEMBER) ** AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS: $50

Membership can be renewed or applied for at the Post. Any staff or member can assist you.

Club hours	Kitchen Hours
Mon-Thu—11am-11pm	Mon-Fri—11am-9pm
Friday—11am-11pm	Sat-Sun —9am-9pm
Saturday—9am—1am	
Sunday— 9am-11pm	

Post Adjutant's Comments

July 1, 2026 begins the new Legion year so next year membership will be due starting July 1. As a post we always lose between 15 – 30 members each year due to death. We also lose around 20 or so due to individuals feeling that the dues paid does not offset what they get for their dues.
We offer a free "Early Bird Dinner" in mid-October to all who pay early. Also is the free dinner at our annual Veterans Day event in November which includes the spouse.
Saturdays from 0900-1700 hours members buy your first beer, drink or soda and the second is free.
As a Veteran your membership in the American Legion is very important to us and our National Commander when he addresses Congress or the White House to help solve Veteran problems.
Always look at your membership with the American Legion as another way of showing our leaders that we care about how Veterans are being taken care of.
You can pay your dues on line at "mylegion.org", mail to the Post @ 400 West Main or drop them off at the bar.

Please welcome our newest members to Post 102:

Jeffrey M. Piper – Marines **Fletcher Klick – Army** **Matthew J. Gustafson - Marines**
Joseph A. Fisher - Navy **Del Westman - Army**

New Transfers to our Post:

Charles E. Rice – Army **Martin L. Pahl - Army**

We hope to see you at our General Membership meetings the first Tuesday of every month and at the Post for fellowship throughout the month.

Edward B. Cutter Post 102 - Post Adjutant – Doug Hookom

Auxiliary President's Comments

This will be my last article, soon the reins will be passed onto a new leadership team. I'd like to thank everyone for the last three years serving as your President. Learned and explored new events with amazing people, created new friendships. Thank you, thank you. A lot of events are happening, join us.
General membership meeting May 5 (Annual Potluck Dinner 6pm, bring a dish to share) Memorial service at 7:15 pm. Celebrate Mother's Day on May 10th with all you can eat Mother's Day Brunch at the Post, 9am - 1pm. $20. 10th District Family Picnic May 16, Train Park, Sandstone, MN, 11am. Brats and Hotdogs provided, bring a dish or dessert to share and a lawn chair. Games and activities suitable for all ages. 103rd Annual 10th District Convention May 30, Buffalo Community Center, 114 Commerce Circle,Buffalo MN, 9am. National Poppy Day is May 22. Memorial Day May 25th services at Riverfront Memorial Park 10am. June 2 membership meeting, new member orientation. Girls State 2026 June 14-19 at Bethel University. Fathers Day June 21. Department Testimonial June 27, New Prague American Legion, 5pm Social, Dinner 6pm. Department Convention Wilmar July 9-11.

Welcome New Members!!
Courtney Dickey

Jean LaBorde – Auxiliary President – Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2025-2026

Legion Rider Director Comments

Riders Up!

We brought the traveling trophy back to Anoka from Lino Lakes back in April.

Join us in May and June for upcoming rides.

May 9th —Magnus Veterans Foundation Ride—registration @ 8am and kickstands up @ 10am—$30 rider / $20 passenger (dinner included)

June 20th —Disabled Outdoorsmen Ride—kickstands up @ 11am (more details to come)

For God and Country, we ride! See you there.

John Waldvogel, Director - Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2025-2026

Club Manager Comments

Warmer weather is nearby!

Stop by the Post for some of our current ongoing events!

Cribbage Games! - every Sunday at 11:00 A.M.

All members of the Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL are encouraged to attend the monthly membership meetings.

- **May Meeting: Tuesday, May 5, at 7:00 PM**
- **June Meeting: Tuesday, June 2, at 7:00 PM**

John Waldvogel, Club Manager—Edward B. Cutter Post #102

May 2026

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Apr 26	27	28	29	30	May 1 BLOOD DRIVE (downstairs) 7:00pm Bird Dogs 7:00pm BAR BINGO	2 7:00pm Betty Danger and Axel
3 4:00pm BAR BINGO	4	5 Cinco de Mayo 6:30pm BAR BINGO 7:00pm General Membership	6 6:00pm Anoka Legion Riders General Membership meeting	7 7:00pm Karaoke	8 7:00pm Tailspin 7:00pm BAR BINGO	9
10 Mother's Day 9:00am Mother's Day brunch 4:00pm BAR BINGO	11	12 6:30pm BAR BINGO	13	14 7:00pm Karaoke	15 7:00pm BAR BINGO	16 6:30pm Undercover Band
17 4:00pm BAR BINGO	18	19 5:00pm H&E Meeting 6:30pm BAR BINGO	20	21 7:00pm Karaoke	22 7:00pm Betty Danger, Axel and John 7:00pm BAR BINGO	23
24 4:00pm BAR BINGO	25 Memorial Day 10:00am Memorial Day at Riverfront Memorial Park	26 6:30pm BAR BINGO 7:00pm Executive Board Meeting	27	28 7:00pm Karaoke	29 7:00pm BAR BINGO 7:30pm My Famous Friends	30 7:00pm Kurt Bearinger
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May 31	Jun 1	2 6:30pm BAR BINGO 7:00pm General Membership meeting	3 4:00pm Car & Bike Show 6:00pm Anoka Legion Riders General Membership	4 7:00pm Karaoke	5 BLOOD DRIVE (downstairs) 7:00pm BAR BINGO	6 7:00pm Betty Danger and Axel
7 4:00pm BAR BINGO	8	9 6:30pm BAR BINGO	10	11 6:00pm Installation of Officers in Commander Hall 7:00pm Karaoke	12 7:00pm BAR BINGO	13 7:00pm Terrence, the One Man band
14 Flag Day 4:00pm BAR BINGO	15	16 6:30pm BAR BINGO	17	18 7:00pm Karaoke	19 Juneteenth 7:00pm BAR BINGO	20
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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TWIN CITIES, MN

Frequent Events and Leagues at the Post

Bar Bingo:
- **Sundays, Tuesdays, and Fridays**

Cornhole (Bags)—Legion bags:
- **Monday evenings**

Karaoke:
- **Thursdays 7pm-11pm**

Cribbage Games:
- **Sundays 11am**

Scheduled Monthly Meetings/Events at the Post

First Tuesday:
- **7:00pm - Post, SAL, and Auxiliary General Mtgs**

First Friday:
- **Blood Drive (Downstairs)**

First Wednesday:
- **6:00pm - ALR General Mtg**

Second from last Tuesday:
- **5:00pm - H&E Mtg**

Last Tuesday:
- **7:00pm - Executive Board Mtg**

Post Chaplain's Corner

God blesses those who obey him;

Proverbs 16:20

**The Lord grants wisdom!
His every word is a treasure of knowledge and understanding, for wisdom and truth will enter the very center of your being, filling your life with joy.**

Proverbs 2:16-10

Sam Orr, Chaplain

In Memoriam

Edward B. Cutter Post #102

Extends its sympathy to all Families and Friends.

Name	Years of Membership	Branch of Service	Legion Post	War Era	DoD
Chester R. Tollefson	78	Army	102	WWII	23 Mar 2026
Richard Coyle	77	Navy	102	Vietnam	27 Feb 2026