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American Legion Post #102 –January/February 2022 Newsletter

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Post Chaplain’s Corner

Luke 23:43 – “And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, today shalt thou be with me in paradise.”

We have lost a friend and colleague in Gary Munkholm, and he was a very important part of our lives. In Gary’s honor, we will continue to enjoy and participate in life as God intended for us to live. Courageously rallying with a cry to “Duty, Honor, Country” (General Douglas MacArthur).
God Bless,

Post Chaplain, Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2021-2022

Post Adjutant’s Comments

Our Comrade, Gary Munkholm, is deeply missed: his untimely death left incredibly huge shoes to fill. Having temporarily stepped in to help cover the adjutant position, I am finding there is much to learn. I ask for your patience and support as I learn this new multifaceted role. While it may take me a bit longer to complete some of the adjutant responsibilities, I promise to give you all my best effort.

A hearty welcome to the newest member of Anoka Post 102: US Army Veteran Ken Bailey sponsored by Jared Sturgill. We hope to see you at future meetings and join us in fellowship during other times of the week.

July 1st started a new fiscal year for the Legion and you will be receiving 2022 dues reminders until you renew your membership with Post. A reminder that you can pay your dues on line via the National Legion web site, mail them in to the Post, or just drop them off with one of the bartenders.

In the short time since becoming our new Club Manager, John Waldvogel has created a new exciting vibe here in our facility. The kitchen is open and we have had successful evenings with live music and karaoke! Members will get a 50% discount on a meal prior to or following our General Membership Meetings so make sure you try one of the great burgers or other basket choices. Be sure to frequently check out our post webpage for updates so you don’t miss out on the exciting opportunities unfolding at the Post!

Lori Allert, Adjutant, Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2021-2022

Post Commander’s Comments

Happy New Year! I hope you all had happy and safe holidays. We had a very busy November and December. Our Veterans Day dinner was successful with guest speaker Chad Malmberg. We then learned the devastating news of our adjutant Gary Munkholm’s passing (obituary included). Heading into Thanksgiving we started Karaoke. It was a fantastic hit and we are going to continue it every Thursday and Saturday night, 7pm until close. We enjoyed an acoustic band in early December and filled the post with music, laughter and friendship. Starting the new year, we have our New Year’s Day Brunch starting at 9AM. On January 8th we have our Mid-Winter Conference starting at 9am with Registration beginning at 8am. Our kitchen is now open. We are currently serving Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 2pm until 9pm. We are offering a variety of appetizers, burgers and chicken or fish baskets. Stop by and check it out. Also, don’t forget, we have our SAL Prime Rib dinners on the 1st Wednesday of each month, and our SAL Steak Dinners on the 3rd Wednesday. Check the attached calendar for actual dates.

Jared Sturgill, Post #102 Commander, Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2021-2022

Gambling manager, Rick Oelschlager, presented the following list of donations during the last 2 months which were approved by the General Membership:

Anoka County Holiday Lights	\$200	Eagle Scout of the Year	\$100	Center Point gas costs	\$2,500
Christmas Committee	\$300	Compass Program Bell Ctr	\$200	US tax on wagering	\$2,000
River Trail Learning Ctr	\$200	Quilts of Valor	\$250	Emergency funds	\$1000
St. Cloud VA Health Care Holiday Party	\$200	Ft. Snelling Memorial Rifle Squad	\$150	MN Revenue gambling tax	\$17,300
Mpls VA Health Care Holiday Party	\$200	City water and light costs	\$6,000	Assist needy Vets/Families	\$3,000
Mpls VA Health Care Holiday Party	\$200	Armed Forces Service Ctr	\$150	Ft. Snelling Natl Cemetery	\$100
Midwest Outdoors Unlimited	\$200	Mn Military Family Foundation	\$100	Anoka HS Girls Basketball	\$200

SAL Commander’s Comments

Greetings!

We, the SAL team, hope that everyone had a safe and joyful holiday season. Let's be thankful for all we have, especially through these difficult times.

We would also like to welcome our new club manager John Waldvogel. John began his duties on November 1st, and is doing a great job! The club is now serving quality food every day. Please come out and support the club, and discover all the new events and specials that John is instituting for our enjoyment!!

We continue to offer our Wednesday night steak fry on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Serving runs from 5:30-7:00pm. We continue to offer our famous Prime Rib dinner special on the 1st Wednesday of each month, and a "chef's choice" special, along with our regular menu on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please join us for a great meal and fellowship.

Upcoming events:

January 8 - Mid-Winter Conference - Hosted by our Post 102

Registration begins at 7:30am. Meeting begins at 10:00am.

Patrick “Chunk” Vevea, SAL Commander, Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2021-2022

American Legion Post 102 / Aux / SAL Calendar				January 2022		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					12/31/2021 New Year's Eve 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill	1/1/2022 New Year's Day 9:00am New Year's Day Brunch 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
2 4:00pm Bar Bingo 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill	3 6:30pm Bar Bingo 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill	4 7:00pm General Mtgs 7:00pm Dart League	5 5:00pm SAL Prime Rib Dinner	6 Epiphany 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Free Legion Family Member Meal 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	7 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	8 9:00am 10th District Mid-Winter Conf - Registration at 8AM 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
9 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	10 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo	11 7:00pm Dart League	12 7:00pm ALR Meeting	13 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	14 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	15 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
16 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo	18 7:00pm H&E Mtg 7:00pm Dart League	19 5:00pm SAL Steak Dinner	20 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	21 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	22 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
23 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	24 Belly Laugh Day 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo	25 7:00pm Executive Mtg 7:00pm Dart League	26	27 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	28 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	29 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
30 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	31 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo					

American Legion Post 102 / Aux / SAL Calendar				February 2022		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
February is Black History Month		1 7:00pm General Mtgs 7:00pm Dart League	2 Groundhog Day Army Nurse Corps Birthday 5:00pm SAL Prime Rib Dinner	3 Four Chaplains Day 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Free Legion Family Member Meal 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	4 USO Birthday 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	5 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
6 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	7 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo	8 7:00pm Dart League	9 7:00pm ALR Meeting	10 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	11 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	12 Lincoln's Birthday 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
13 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	14 Valentine's Day 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo	15 7:00pm H&E Mtg 7:00pm Dart League	16 5:00pm SAL Steak Dinner	17 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	18 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	19 Coast Guard Reserve Birthday 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
20 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	21 President's Day Washington's Birthday 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo	22 7:00pm Executive Mtg 7:00pm Dart League	23	24 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Dart League	25 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	26 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 7:00pm Karaoke
27 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 4:00pm Bar Bingo	28 2:00pm-9:00pm Grill 6:30pm Bar Bingo	3/1/2022 Mardi Gras Carnival (New Orleans) 7:00pm General Mtgs 7:00pm Dart League				

Obituary of our Long-Standing Post Adjutant

Munkholm, Gary O. age 78 of Anoka. Gary was a retired band teacher, Desert Storm veteran and a retired Lt. Colonel in the US Army. He also was a recruiter for West Point Academy after retiring. Gary was a dedicated member of the Ramsey Lions, Anoka American Legion and Anoka Halloween committee. His love for music had him join the Johnny Owen Band with his father and brother when he was younger. He also was a member of the St. Paul Police Band and the North Suburban Community Band. Gary loved to keep busy and spend time on his motorcycles. He enjoyed his yearly Boundary Waters trip with his friends from teaching and cross-country skiing. Gary was a very outgoing man who got along with everyone and was loved by his huge circle of friends and family. Preceded in death by his parents, Owen & Dorothy and brother, Tom. Survived by children, Kelli (Matt) Andvik, sons, Brigon (Adam) Munkholm and Michael Munkholm, grandchildren, Mason, Max, Garrett and Braylon, sister, Jeannie (Van) Jensen, nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services Monday November 29, 2021 at 11 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10 a.m. at Thurston-Lindberg Funeral Home, 2005 Branch Avenue, Anoka. Interment Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Thurston-Lindberg Funeral Home Anoka 763-421-0220 thurston-lindberg.com.

Executive Committee, Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2021-2022

Auxiliary President's Comments

Welcome to a new year! It's been an eventful winter so far. Kathy Zwerdling reported we were able to bag and hand out 490 apples to 8 Anoka schools (with a little help from a group of visiting Boy Scouts), Sue Nunnelee and several other ladies cut and created 395 scarves for Gift Shop and Jan Reiter and Cathy Newman offered their time and services for a Gold Star mother's funeral. We have our New Year's Day Brunch coming up on Jan 1st and the 10th District Mid-Winter Conference will be held at our post on January 8th from 9am - 4pm. Registration opens at 8am. As I am still settling into this position, I want to express my sincere thanks to everyone supporting me by teaching me proper Auxiliary etiquette, helpful tips, gentle reminders (sometimes more than once) and friendly encouragement. We have an amazing group with a wide array of knowledge and character. You each offer different perspectives and ideas and I learn so much from each of you. Sincerely, thank you! Let's make 2022 a fulfilling and energized year! Please bring your ideas and thoughts to the monthly meetings.

Cari Sturgill, Auxiliary President, Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2021-2022

In Memoriam

Name	Years of Membership	Branch of Service	American Legion Post	War Era	Date of Death	Name	Years of Membership	Branch of Service	American Legion Post	War Era	Date of Death
Wayne Budde	66	USAF	#102	Korea	10/23/21	Allen H. Stull	24	USN	#102	Vietnam	12/4/21
Marvin C. Lesetmoe	32	USA	#102	Vietnam	5/2/21	Leon H. Johnson	35	USAF	#102	Vietnam	11/24/21
Gary Munkholm*	50	USA	#102	Persian Gulf	11/13/21						

*Paid Up for Life (PUFL) Member

Edward B. Cutter Post #102 Extends its sympathy to all families and friends.