American Legion — Anoka
Edward B. Cutter Post #102
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https://www.anokalegion.org

Mar/Apr 2024 Newsletter

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

Post Commander's Comments

Lengthening daylight and stronger sunrays always make me eager for spring blooms –especially Dutch tulips – and all the Spring/Summer activities that will soon follow. Our Post 102 Legion Riders are back in action! After a couple years of inactivity, the Riders are now an active Legion Family component. The Riders have several rides and events planned this year including a "Meet-and-Greet" at our Post on Saturday, 30 March beginning at 5:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining, please attend the event and/or reach out to our club manager, John Waldvogel, who is also the Legion Rider director.

Friday Fish Fry is back for Lent!! All-you-can-eat hand-battered fish for just $17.00! If you haven't yet tried it, you are missing out – it's DELICIOUS!!

The annual Minnesota Veterans Day On The Hill rally will be held at the capitol in St. Paul on Wednesday, 17 April 2023. The Osseo and Anoka Legion posts will have bus transportation to and from the capitol. If you are interested in riding the bus, you must reserve a seat by signing up at the bar. The rally is your opportunity to make sure your legislators know your needs and concerns. Hope to see you there!

Lori Allert -Commander - Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2023-2024

Jan/Feb Lawful Gambling Donations

Total Donations = $16,350

Special Olympics MN, Veterans on the Lake, MN Veterans Home Silver Bay, AL Foundation MN Veteran Assist, Boy Scout Troop 233, MN AL Foundation Boys State, Rise Inc, ARC of MN, Anoka Middle School, MN Natl Guard Youth Camp, Anoka Kids Safety Camp, MN Military Museum, Anoka Scholarships, Believet

Utilities	approx.	$8,000
Taxes	approx.	$33,000

MEMBERSHIP RATES FOR 2023-2024:

AMERICAN LEGION: $40

AUXILIARY: $35 / $10 FOR JUNIORS

SAL: $25 (OR $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.

NEW HOURS FOR 2024

Club hours	Kitchen Hours
Mon-Wed—11am-11pm	Mon-Wed—11am-9pm
Thursday—9am-11pm	Thursday—9am-9pm
Fri-Sat—9am—1am	Fri-Sat—9am-10pm
Sunday 9am-11pm	Sunday—9am-9pm

To help Post #102 save money on postage, please send your new email address to http://www.anokalegion.org/.

Post Adjutant's Comments

As of Feb. 7, 2024 our post is at 90% of our goal – 70 members short. You can pay your dues on line at "mylegion.org", mail to our post at 400 West Main, Anoka, MN 55303 or drop them off with our bartenders.

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.

Please welcome our newest members to Post 102:

Lonnie S. Sundrall – Army
Cody W. Schulte – Army
Christopher McQueny – Air Force
Bradley S. O'Dell – Marines
Phillip M. Ausen – Army
Cory R. Howland – Army
Debra Beckenback – Marines
Denny Jorgenson – Army
Wayne W. Dukowitz – Air Force

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

Is it spring? A big HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our March and April members! Please join us for our monthly general meetings on March 5th (White Elephant auction) and April 2nd. Congratulations to the Outstanding January Member's of the Month Cathy Neuman and Jan Rieter, and Outstanding February Member of the Month Karen Orr . Thank you Cathy, Jan, Karen, Donna, Lynette and myself. We all stuffed and sewed 20 heart pillows on January 17th, Cathy and Cliff finished 10 more at home. Then they delivered them to The Minneapolis Veterans Hospital. Great job everyone! We are in need of stuffing, if anyone has old pillows, furniture cushions or finds anything like these at garage sales or Goodwill (reasonably priced) please remove the stuffing, place it in a bag, and bring it to the post. This year the American Legion is celebrating its 105th and the Auxiliary will be celebrating 104th birthdays. The Auxiliary will be hosting the annual Birthday Dinner on Saturday, March 9th. Social hour @ 6:00 pm Dinner/Program @ 7:00 pm. Special guests Minnesota Commander Paul Hassing and Minnesota Auxiliary President Sharon Cross. Pot Roast, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Vegetable, Roll and Birthday Cake.

Donations paid out in January/February: Department and National Auxiliary Fund, $200.00.

<u>Please join us at these upcoming events:</u>

March is Women's History and Community Service Month

10th District Family Testimonial March 9th Social 5:00 pm Dinner/Program 6:00 pm Osseo American Legion
Birthday Dinner March 9th Social 6:00 pm Dinner/Program 7:00 pm Sign up at the bar by MARCH 1st $15.00
Twin Rivers Bingo March 13th 1:00 pm
April Unit Meeting April 2nd 7:00 pm
Twin Rivers Bingo April 10th 1:00 pm
Past District Commander/President Dinner April 14th Social 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm St Michael American Legion
Unit reports due April 15th to District
Veterans on the Hill St Paul Capital April 17th 10:00 am
Coon Rapids Unit 334 Annual Luncheon/Style Show/Silent Auction April 20th 11:00 am $18.00
Department President Testimonial April 27th Melrose American Legion Social 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm $30 RSVP deadline April 21st
American Legion Family day April 27th
Happy Spring and have a blessed Easter everyone!

Please welcome our newest member—Virginia Wickland!

Jean LaBorde – Auxiliary President – Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2023-2024

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 *7:00pm* BAR BINGO *7:00pm* Tailspin BLOOD DRIVE (downstairs)	**2** *8:00pm* Thomas and James
3 *4:00pm* BAR BINGO	**4**	**5** *6:30pm* BAR BINGO *7:00pm* General Membership meeting	**6**	**7** *7:00pm* Karaoke	**8** *7:00pm* BAR BINGO -CANCELED *7:00pm* Wayne Renn band	**9** *6:00pm* Post Birthday Dinner *7:00pm* Twilight Zone
10 Daylight Saving Time begins *4:00pm* BAR BINGO	**11**	**12** *6:30pm* BAR BINGO	**13**	**14** *7:00pm* Karaoke	**15** *7:00pm* BAR BINGO *7:00pm* Hitchville	**16** *8:00pm* My famous friends
17 *4:00pm* BAR BINGO	**18**	**19** *5:00pm* H&E Meeting *6:30pm* BAR BINGO	**20**	**21** *7:00pm* Karaoke	**22** *7:00pm* BAR BINGO *7:30pm* Vinyl destination	**23** *7:00pm* Blind Driver
24 *4:00pm* BAR BINGO	**25**	**26** *6:30pm* BAR BINGO *7:00pm* Executive Board Meeting	**27**	**28** *7:00pm* Karaoke	**29** *7:00pm* BAR BINGO *8:00pm* Dust and Bones	**30** *4:00pm* Anoka Legion Riders Meet & Greet
31 Easter Sunday *4:00pm* BAR BINGO						

April 2024

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	1	**2** *6:30pm* BAR BINGO *7:00pm* General Membership meeting	**3**	**4** *7:00pm* Karaoke	**5** *7:00pm* BAR BINGO *8:00pm* My famous friends BLOOD DRIVE (downstairs)	**6** *7:30pm* Vinyl destination
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14 *4:00pm* BAR BINGO	**15** Tax Returns due	**16** *6:30pm* BAR BINGO	**17**	**18** *7:00pm* Karaoke	**19** *7:00pm* BAR BINGO	**20**
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TWIN CITIES, MN

Frequent Events and Leagues at the Post

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

Cornhole (Bags)—Winter League:
- **Mondays**

Karaoke:
- **Thursdays**

Scheduled Monthly Meetings/Events at the Post

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

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

Second Wednesday:
- **7:00pm - ALR Mtg (coming soon)**

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

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

Post Chaplain's Corner

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouth, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

Ephesians 4:29

Happy Birthday to our Auxiliary

Our Post 102 Auxiliary was organized in 1920, prior to the National organization being formed. We had a temporary charter, and was officially recognized by National with a charter date of March 15, 1924.

In Memoriam

Edward B. Cutter Post #102

Extends its sympathy to all Families and Friends.

Name	Years of Member-ship	Branch of Service	Legion Post	War Era	DoD
Nelson, Jr., Leonard	53	Army	102	Vietnam	Oct. 2022
Johnson, Orville	14	USAF	102	Vietnam	Jan. 05, 2024
Tenquist, Floyd	13	Army	102	Vietnam	Sept. 22, 2023
Paulsen, Ken "Casey"	22	Army	102	Vietnam	Jan. 20, 2024
Kovar, Peter G.	43	Army	102	Vietnam	May 11, 2023
Wilber, Donald	26	Army	102	Vietnam	Jan. 24, 2024
Cooke, Donald R.	12	Army	102	Korean	Feb. 20, 2024