



American Legion — Anoka
Edward B. Cutter Post #102
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Jul/Aug 2025 Newsletter



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

Post Commander's Comments

Hello Friends & Legionnaires,

It is an honor to be entrusted by my fellow Legionnaires as the new Commander of Anoka Post 102 for 2025–2026.

This post holds a special place in my heart and in my family's history. My great-grandfather served as Commander from 1965 to 1966—exactly 60 years before my own election. Though my grandfather never held the title of Commander, he was deeply involved with the post for many years, handling everything from medical equipment to maintenance and much more. Now, as the first Marine in the family, I'll do my best to fill the big shoes of those who came before me—and I might even lay off the crayons for a bit.

I'm incredibly grateful for the guidance and leadership I've received from our post officers, members, and patrons. I look forward to working with all of you to continue making our post the best it can be—for our Veterans, families, and friends.

The American Legion stands as a pillar of veteran strength and unity across the nation. But like all things, it is not immune to the passage of time. As conflicts lessen and our older members move on, our numbers decline. Attracting a new generation of young veterans has become one of our greatest challenges.

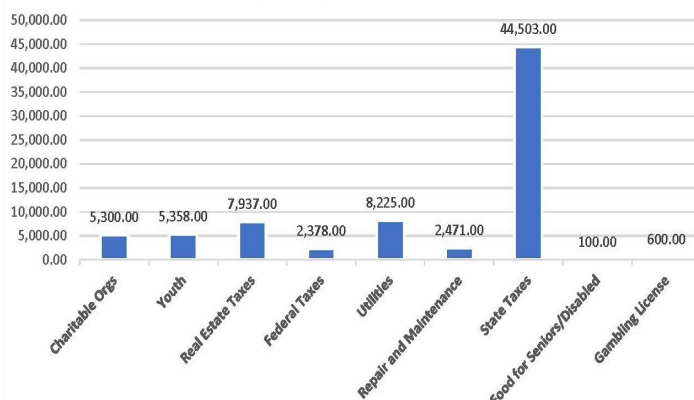
As a young, 30-year-old Commander, it is my mission to change that. I aim to connect with my generation, encourage their involvement, and help ensure this great organization thrives for many generations to come.

Semper Fidelis.

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

GAMBLING STATISTICS

April-May 2025 Donations



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.

HOURS FOR 2025

Club hours

Mon-Thu—11am-11pm
Friday—11am-11pm
Saturday—9am—1am
Sunday— 9am-11pm

Kitchen Hours

Mon-Fri—11am-9pm
Sat-Sun —9am-9pm

Post Adjutant's Comments

At the General Membership meeting on June 3rd, the members elected the following officers for the 2025-2026 Legion year: Commander Zak Menter, 1st Vice Commander Tim McLaughlin, 2nd Vice Commander Chris Gilbertson, 3rd Vice Commander Mark Kvamme, Finance Officer Chris Gilbertson, Chaplin Sam Orr, Sergeant-at-Arms Gary Reimann, Historian Amy Brady and Executive Committee at-large members, Bob Wilkerson, Jared Sturgill. Appointed were Judge Advocate: Darrel Redepinning and Adjutant: Doug Hookom.

July kicks off the membership drive for 2025/2026. You can expect mailings reminding you of this. "Early Birds" who renew before October are invited to a free "Early Bird Members Meal" at the Post on Oct. 16th at 5pm. You will need to sign-up at the Legion beginning Oct. 1. Don't miss out – register early!

Saturday from 0900-1700 hours members buy your first beer, drink or soda and the second is free.

Please welcome our newest members to Post 102:

No members to report.

New Transfers to our Post:

Roger E. Clem – Navy Thomas A. Mulhern - 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.

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



Auxiliary President's Comments

"Hooray for the red, white and blue..." The 4th of July is fast approaching, take a moment to reflect on what the day means to you and your family. Enjoy and stay safe. The 10th District Conference was held on Saturday, June 7th in Buffalo. We as a unit received the following awards: Hurley Community Service Award, Dr Jody Hassing Education Award, Coleman History Award, Laura Blue Legislative Award, Kottom Past Presidents Parley Award, Ellefson Poppy Award. I'm so proud of our unit for all you did to win these awards. Cathy Newman took 1st place in the Poppy centerpiece competition. Upcoming events - Car/Bike Show - SAL Prime Rib dinner at the Post July 2nd 5:00 pm; Flag raising ceremony at the Anoka County Government Center July 4th 7:30 am; Department Convention July 9th-12th in Wilmar; July 9th Twin Rivers Senior Care Center Bingo 1:30 pm; Opening day flag raising ceremony Anoka County Fairgrounds July 22nd 11:30 am; Car/Bike Show - SAL Prime Rib dinner at the Post August 6th 5:00 pm. Enjoy your summer, see you in September...

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

Legion Rider Director Comments

Riding season is here! Join us for our upcoming rides, Disabled Outdoorsman on July 12th, Pit Squad Rescue Ride on August 9th and our 3rd Annual Raise the Roof ride on August 23rd. Please keep an eye on the Post 102 Calendar and Facebook for upcoming events. Please come out and support us.

John Waldvogel, Director - Edward B. Cutter Post #102, 2024-2025

Club Manager Comments

Stop on in for a bite to eat, play some darts, test your luck with pull tabs, check out one of our new pinball machines, try some Karaoke or just meet up with friends or family and enjoy some time together. Check our social media for upcoming events. Give the Legion a call if you have catering or event planning needs. We are happy to help and proceeds from our catering and event planning help us stay in business, and that helps our community and veterans in need.

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

July 2025

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

NON-PROFIT ORG.
US POSTAGE PAID
PERMIT #4190
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

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Scheduled Monthly Meetings/Events at the Post

First Tuesday:

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

First Friday:

- Blood Drive (Downstairs)

First & Third Wednesday:

- 6:00pm - ALR General Mtg

Second from last Tuesday:

- 5:00pm - H&E Mtg

Last Tuesday:

- 7:00pm - Executive Board Mtg

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Post Chaplain's Corner

Hear my voice O God, in my prayer: Preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

The righteous shall be glad in the Lord, and shall trust in Him; and all the upright in heart shall glory.

PSALM 64

Verse 1 and 10

Sam Orr, Post 102 Chaplain



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In Memoriam

Edward B. Cutter Post #102

Extends its sympathy to all Families and Friends.

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Name	Years of Membership	Branch of Service	Legion Post	War Era	DoD