

County Day

April 19th, 22 students and chaperones had an informal glimpse of the Anoka County Government Center. The students were from Anoka, Blaine and Andover High Schools. They are all in their junior year and are candidates to be selected to attend Boys and Girls State.



The morning began with a welcome from County Administrator, Jerry Soma. He then introduced 4 of the County Commissioners: Dan Erhart, Rhonda Sivarajah, Matt Look and Andy Westerberg. Also speaking were County Attorney Tony Palumbo and Sgt. Tim Day of the Anoka County Sheriff's Department. The students were also given a tour of 911 Central Communications Department and the jail.

Following the tour, the students had lunch at the Anoka Legion. We were honored to have The American Legion 10th District Commander Bill Stump and 10th District President Laura Blue with us for the tour. A big **Thank You** to all that helped make this day a success.

Kathy Zwerdling
County Day Coordinator

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ADJUTANT'S NOTES

by Gary Munkholm

A hearty welcome to the newest members of Anoka Post 102 Daniel Soland sponsored by Paul Adler and newly transfer member James Hartley. We hope to see you at future meetings and join us in fellowship during other times of the week.

Our Post has made our membership goal this year thanks to the many of you reading this newsletter that helped recruit new members and get our present members to renew their dues.

Many thanks to Commander Awaijane, Cliff Newman, and Ron Wolford for helping out at Operation Integration at Anoka Tech early in May. Returning military service members must attend three Integration events after returning home from deployment. Personnel from the VA, State, County, VFW, and American Legion are present to answer questions and offer small workgroup sessions to the returning Veterans.

At our last General Membership meeting guest speakers Pat, a Gold Star parent, and Minnesota Chapter Director Mike LaBelle gave us a presentation on the National Campaign of Remembrance.

Gambling manager Paul Adler presented the following list of donations which were approved by the general membership:

- Anoka High School scholarships\$2,000
- Donation to Andover Senior Party Association \$200
- Donation to Legion Hospital Association \$200
- Post 102 for 1st Half Anoka County property tax\$11,611
- Post 102 for Utility expenses\$1,500
- Tax on Wagering to the U.S. Treasury \$450
- Assist needy Veterans or Family\$1,500
- Emergency money \$500

POST HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT

Call Frank Menter 763-421-7277 for an appointment to pick up any equipment:

Only members of our Post, Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion and their respective families will be allowed use of our hospital equipment.

Edward B. Cutter Post 102

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Post 102 extends sincere sympathy to the families of



NORMAN W. LINDMAN

Norman was a 66 year member of The American Legion and a World War II Veteran

DONALD E. PETERSON

Donald was a 33 year member of The American Legion and a World War II Veteran

IN JUNE

Every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
 Grill Open 5:00 – 8:30 pm



TUESDAYS

5th & 19th

1/4 lb. Burger Basket – \$5.00



12th & 26th

1/4 Baked Chicken – \$7.00



THURSDAYS

BBQ Ribs ~ Texas Toast ~ Cole Slaw ~ Potato
 Full Rack \$12.00 Half Rack \$10.00



FRIDAY

1st

Fish Fry \$8.00

8th

Liver & Onions \$8.00

15th

Patty Melt \$7.00

on Pumpernickel Bread, grilled onions & cheese with Fries or Tots

22nd

Taco Salad \$7.00

29th

Chicken Stir Fry \$8.00 with Egg Roll and Rice

Tax included on all the above.



Commander's Column

Fadi A. Awaijane

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

First of all I'd like to thank and congratulate our Post Members for their hard work and for meeting our membership goal this year, keep up the good work! Memorial day observance is on May 28th, our guest speaker will be Brig. General Kevin S Geredes.

June looks like it's going to be a normal month, as we expect all the activities at the Club are on schedule.

I had the opportunity to represent Anoka Legion Post 102 at the Anoka High School Scholarship Awards Program on Wednesday May 9th 2012. I had the honor of presenting Scholarships to ten deserving students.

C. Merion Hicks Memorial Scholarship Miranda Lomberg
 Clarence A. Visneski Memorial Scholarship Spencer Kubat
 & Cody Miranowski
 Gerald F. Raney Memorial Scholarship Andrew Park
 Marvin L. Gilbertson Memorial Scholarship Cassandra Mark
 Myron A. Way Memorial Scholarship Amy Neidenfuer
 Theresa Erickson Memorial Nursing Scholarship Melanie Streich
 Warren C. Feist Memorial Scholarship Gianna Schiller
 American Legion School Awards Benjamin Sjodin
 & Molly Evavold

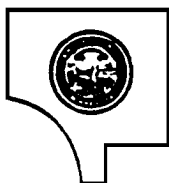
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S.A.L. NEWS Commander Bill Knight

SAL Spring Conference

Well another year gone by. It's time for nominating new Officers for 2012-2013.

At the meeting on May 7th 2012 there were nominations for the positions of Commander - No nominations (Open), Vice-Commander - Kevin Smith and Chaplain- Roland. If you would like to nominate someone you feel would make a good officer please come to the June meeting and put your vote in.

Department Convention for 2012 will be held in Morton Minnesota at Jackpot Junction so if you are interested in going you will need to get your information and reservations made early due to limited rooms available.

**The election of
 Sons of The American Legion
 Squadron 102 Officers
 for 2012-2013 will be held
 at our Annual Membership Meeting
 on Tuesday, June 5, at 7:00p.m.
 The floor will be open for nominations prior to the
 election. Please plan on attending this meeting.**



2012 Junior Legion Baseball Schedule

	Home	Visitor	
June 13	Tri-City	Anoka	7:15
June 14	Anoka	Fridley	7:30
June 15-17	Red Haddox Tournament		
June 18	Ham Lake	Anoka	7:30
June 19	Champlin	Anoka	6:15
June 20	Anoka	Andover	7:30
June 21	Osseo	Anoka	6:15
June 26	Anoka	Maple Grove	7:30
July 3	Anoka	Cooper	7:30
July 7-9	New Ulm Tournament		
July 10	Spring Lk Pk	Anoka	6:15
July 12	Anoka	Armstrong	7:30
July 14	Anoka	St. Francis	7:30
July 18	Coon rapids	Anoka	8:30
July 19	Centennial	Anoka	6:15
July 23	Bloomington Blue	Anoka	8:00
July 26-29	Dist. 10 Playoffs		
July 29-Aug. 1	State Tournament	Eden Prairie	
Aug. 9-13	Midwest Plains Regional	Dickinson, SD	
Aug. 17-21	World Series	Shelby, NC	

JAN'S JOTTINGS

by Jan Reiter

The regular meeting of Edward B. Cutter American Legion Auxiliary was held on Tuesday, May 1, 2012 following the Mother/Junior Dinner. The regular Auxiliary meeting was opened by President Norah Wyman with a prayer, pledge, preamble and the song God Bless America. The April 3, 2012 minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Americanism: Box sent around for those that did not have their auxiliary pin on. Lynette Pavin moved to purchase a flag for \$12 to be presented to the Golden Living Center. Seconded and carried.

Community Service: Sent around the book for hours of community service.

Education: Scholarship night at Anoka High School is May 9.

Fund Raising: Lenora Root thanked everyone that sold flowers and she will give the results next month.

Girl's State: Kathy Zwerdling thanked everyone who helped at County Day and for the pot luck. Only one of the Girl Staters was able to make it to the Pot Luck Dinner. The Ice Breaker for Girl & Boys Staters will be at Anoka on May 2. We will have 4 Girl Staters, 3 will be paid by Anoka and one will be paid by Lamberton Unit. The 4 are Isabella Dotzler, Karin Larson, Crystal Marshall and Nicole Wall. Kathy made a motion to send these 4 girls to Girls State. Seconded and carried.

Home Service: Lynette Pavin reminded everyone that they should save commemorative, express mail, foreign and air mail stamps, picture postcards and S&H stamps.

Junior Activities: The new Department Jr. Honorary President Grayson Roers was elected at the Jr. Dept conference in Grand Rapids on April 13th.

Leadership: Jan Reiter thanked everyone for getting their reports done on time and this year everyone did a wonderful job.

Membership: Betty Erickson reported that we have 355 members, goal is 367.

Memorial: Next month we will have our annual memorial service.

National Security: Cathy Newman said that no one is given enough notice when the troops come home so it is hard to give them a nice reception..

Unfinished Business: The nominating committee was Darlene Thell, Sandy Phillips and Carol Hathway. They reported the following:

President Darlene Thell
1st Vice President Lynette Pavin
2nd Vice President Jocelyne Awaijane
Treasurer Jeanene Hays
Sgt at Arms Carol Hathway
Executive Board Sandy Phillips and Cathy Newman

An election was held and our new officers will be the above said persons.

New Business: Delegates were chosen for the 10th District Convention in Clearwater: They are Donna Redepenning, Betty Redepenning, Cathy Newman, Darlene Thell, Lynette Pavin, Jocelyne Awaijane, Kathy Zwerdling, Ann Larson, Betty Erickson; Sandy Phillips and Sue Nunnelee are Delegates at Large. A motion was made to approve these delegates. Seconded and carried. A motion was made to pay for the extra 2 delegates not in the budget. Seconded and carried. There were no alternates.

President Norah's Dinner Wed., June 20 – 6:30 pm – Anoka Post

Social 6:30 pm Dinner 7:00 pm. All Unit 102 members are invited to attend.

SAL Wednesday Night Menu
Steak (8 oz) – Shrimp (5) \$8.00
Prime Rib (10 oz) \$11.00
Steak & Shrimp \$11.00

All meals include Potato, Roll & Salad

Reservations and meal choice MUST be made by Friday, June 15. Call Jan Reiter at 427-3733.

You may pay at the Aux. meeting or at the dinner – BUT if you are unable to attend after you have made your reservation and meal choice – you MUST call Jan by Friday, June 15.

You are responsible for the cost of your meal if you made a reservation and do not attend or call by the 15th.

Auxiliary 2012 Dues

Unpaid members – you still have time to pay your 2012 dues (\$20) and keep your continuous years – until July 31st of this year. Our 2013 year begins in August (with the dues raise of) \$25/senior and \$5/junior members.

Keep your years and send your (\$20) 2012 dues to me ASAP!

Betty Erickson
1826 Cressy Ave., Anoka, MN 55303

2012 PAST PRESIDENTS – GOLD STAR LUNCHEON

All Past Presidents and 50+ years members are invited to attend our annual luncheon to honor our Unit Gold Star Mothers. It will be held on Tuesday, June 12th at Tanners Restaurant, 13655 Martin St. N.W., Andover, which is off Bunker Lake Boulevard.

We will meet at Tanners Station at 11:30 a.m. and order by 12:00 noon. They accept credit cards and cash only, no checks. Please call me to make a reservation by Tuesday, June 5th or tell me at our Auxiliary meeting that night. Hope to see you there, and if you need a ride, let me know.

Past Presidents Parley Chmn.
Barb Ridge – 763-421-2451



President's Column

Norah Wyman

Hello Auxiliary Gals!

It was great to see so many at our May 1st meeting for the super POT LUCK! Great that so many sold and bought Green Valley Plant cards during the fundraiser.

We all need to hang together and be involved in every/anyway possible. I was at the Saturday and Sunday Red Bull Welcome home and it was a thriller seeing all the hugs and tears. Thoughts and prayers go out to all the families and their adjusting back into their homes.

May is busy with Scholarship night, Poppy days and Memorial Weekend activities. Hope to see many of you out and about.



In Memoriam

LORRAINE A. (BENNETT) HOSTETLER

Lorraine, a 60 year Auxiliary member, was born September 7, 1927 in Anoka and passed away May 12, 2012 in Andover. Lorraine served as Unit President 1956-57 with Commander Barney Bendix. She also made sure that her daughters, granddaughters, and great granddaughters – all 8 – were Unit 102 senior and junior members. Lorraine also served as the City of Anoka Mayor for two terms.

Edward B. Cutter Unit 102 extends its sympathy to Lorraine's family, including sister Mary Lou, brother Dick and their families. A memorial to the MN Auxiliary Girls State Program was sent by the Unit

Post Sponsored Softball Teams

Mens – Tuesday nites Ward Park – Sunny Acres (SA)

May 29	6:15 & 7:15	W1
June 5	6:15 & 7:15	SA 4
June 12	8:15 & 9:15	W1
June 19	6:15 & 7:15	SP
June 26	6:15 & 7:15	W1
July 10	8:15 & 9:15	W2
June 17	8:15 & 9:15	W2
July 24	Playoffs	

Ladies – Wednesday nites

Ward Park – Sunny Acres (SA) – Sorenson Park (SP)

May 30	9:15	W2
June 6	9:15	W2
June 13	7:15	W2
June 20	6:15	SP
June 27	8:15	W2
July 11	6:15	W2
July 18	7:15	SP
July 25	Playoffs	

Girl Staters Selected



Pictured L-R:

Nicole Wahl, Karin Larson, Izabella Dotzler and Crystal Marshall.



AUXILIARY UNIT 102

Edward B. Cutter Post 102, Anoka, MN
55303






You are eligible to join the Auxiliary if your veteran relative is a current member of The American Legion; or if deceased, had served during the eligibility dates of one of eight war eras.

- Mother
- Wife
- Sister
- Daughter
- Granddaughter
- Grandmother
- Great-Granddaughter
- Self
- (step-relative also apply)

**Ask any
Auxiliary Member.
They will be happy
to sign you up.**

Our Girl State candidates have been selected and approved by the Unit. They are Karin Larson, Izabella Dotzler and Crystal Marshall. A 4th girl from Anoka High School was selected and is being sponsored by Lamberton Unit 41 from the 2nd District. The girls are all juniors at Anoka High School and also attended the "Ice Breaker" that was held at Anoka on May 2nd. They will be attending our joint Legion/Auxiliary meeting in October along with the Boy Staters and will tell of their experiences.

Kathy Zwerdling
Girl State Chairman

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
CONCERTS IN THE PARK Sunday Evenings 7:00 pm George Green Park June 10 – CODA June 17 – David Harland June 24 – BZ Girls		BAR BINGO June 5-12-19-26 6:30 pm	 Flag Display Days June 14 Flag Day June 17 Fathers Day	Every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday Grill Open 5:00 – 8:30 pm Menu Page 2	Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm	 1st Friday each month Red Cross Bloodmobile at Post 7 AM - 1 PM
Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm	<i>100 years ago</i> June 4, 1912: AHS graduating class is first to wear caps and gowns.	Post General Mem. Election 7:30 pm S.A.L. Mtg. 7:00 pm Election Auxiliary Meeting Elec. Dept. Delegates	SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Prime Rib \$11.00	<i>80 years ago</i> June 11, 1932: 61 officers and men of Battery "B" are at Camp Ripley.	Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm	Members Special Now on Saturdays Noon – 5:00 pm
June 10-16 Girls State Bethel College Boys State Marshall Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm	<i>50 years ago</i> June 11, 1962: Edward "Buster" LaTuff joins Anoka Police Dept.	Past Pres./Gold Star 50+ yr. members 11:30 Tanners NEWSPAPER MTG. for July/August 7:00 pm	SAL Dinners 5:30 – 7:00 Country Fried Steak \$8.00 Aux. Twin Rivers Bingo 2:15 pm Jrs. Wanted	  Flag Day	Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm	<i>50 years ago</i> June 15, 1962: Anokan of the Week is Ralph "Buster" Talbot.
Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm Concert in the Park FATHER'S DAY  Fly your Flag	Dept. Pres. Linda Testimonial cut-off	House & Ent. Meeting 7:00 pm Bar Bingo 6:30 pm 1st Day of Summer	Pres. Norah's Dinner SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Prime Rib \$11.00 Legion Riders Mtg. 7 pm	Installation of Officers 6:30 pm	SAL Detachment Convention 22 - 24 Legionville Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm	
Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm Concert in the Park	<i>60 years ago</i> June 19, 1952: Barbara Van Hollen chosen to represent Anoka High School at 'Girls State'	Bar Bingo 6:30 pm Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm	SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Shrimp \$8.00 Steak & Shrimp Combo \$11.00	<i>70 years ago</i> June 27, 1942: Officially proclaimed "Scrap Rubber Day" in Anoka.	Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm	Dept. Pres. Linda Thompson Testimonial Coon Rapids
Coming in July						Anoka Classic Car Show Every Saturday in June 5:00 pm
3	Fireworks - Anoka HS at dusk	1,8,15,22,29	Concerts in the park	24-29	Anoka County Fair	
	Post & SAL meetings - NO Aux. meeting	11	Aux. Twin Rivers Bingo 2:15 pm	24	Fair Flag Raising - 12 noon	
4	Mayors Annual Ice Cream Social	14	Juniors Wanted		NO JULY PAPER MEETING	
	Geo. Green Park 12 - 3 pm	19-21	Riverfest 9 am – 5 pm			
	North Suburban Concert Band		Department Convention - Jackpot Casino			