American Legion — Anoka
Edward B. Cutter Post #102
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Jul/Aug 2026 Newsletter

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

Post Commander's Comments

Hello Legion Family,

I am truly honored to serve as the Commander of Post 102. A couple of years ago, I was surprised just to be asked to join the Executive Board — Doug Hookom can be very persuasive — and now being entrusted with this leadership role is both humbling and deeply meaningful. Thank you for this opportunity.

Since becoming more involved at the Legion, I've gained a clear understanding of how much dedication it takes to keep our Post strong. We've seen tremendous growth, especially since bringing on John Waldvogel as our Club Manager. Thank you, John, for your hard work and commitment.

My goal as Commander is simple: to continue strengthening our club so we can better support our veterans, our community, and the mission we proudly uphold. A new menu will be rolling out soon, offering great variety and something delicious for every age and appetite. Bring your family and friends — your support keeps our club thriving.

I also want to extend my gratitude to our leadership team and Executive Committee. Your service, teamwork, and patriotism are the backbone of Post 102.

Together, we will continue honoring our veterans, serving our community, and upholding the values that make our Post — and our nation — strong.

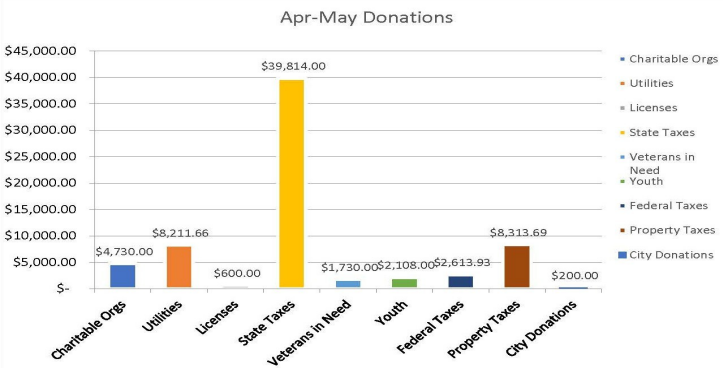
Thank you,

Chris Gilbertson, Post 102 Commander 2026-2027

LEADERSHIP	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Commander – Chris Gilbertson	Gambling Manager – Jaclyn Davidson
1st Vice Commander – Mark Kvamme	Judge Advocate – Darrel Redepenning
2nd Vice Commander – Bob Wilkerson	At-large 25-27 – Randy Dickey
3rd Vice Commander – Dale Wucher	At-large 26-28 – Cliff Newman
Adjutant – Doug Hookom	At-large 26-28 – Walter Iverson
Finance Officer – Jeff Ostendorf	Historian—Amy Brady
Chaplain – Sam Orr	Post Svc Officer—Doug Hookom
Sgt-At-Arms – Gary Reimann	Club Manager—John Waldvogel
Jr. Past Commander – Zak Menter	

CHARITABLE GAMBLING STATISTICS

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



MEMBERSHIP RATES FOR 2026-2027:

AMERICAN LEGION: $50 ** AUXILIARY: $45 ($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. All annual members will be receiving notification by mail to pay dues for the 2026 – 2027 year. Dues will be $50 which is a bargain if you attend the two free dinners we provide. That doesn't include the buy your first beer, drink or soda and the second is free on Saturdays! We offer a free "Early Bird Dinner" on Thursday, October 15th @1700 hrs. to all who pay early. Also is the free dinner at our annual Veterans Day event on Saturday, November 7th @ 1700 hrs. which includes your 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:
Jacob D. Conklin – Marines Charles A. Waugh – Coast Guard
Devin Kelly – Navy Amanda Kelly – Navy Melissa Bradley - Marines

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

Hello All

It is an honor to serve as your next Auxiliary President for 2026-2027. I have big shoes to fill, following Jean LaBorde.

I am confident as a unit we will fill those shoes! Be sure to follow us on Facebook (Anoka Legion Auxiliary) for upcoming events.

AUXILIARY	LEADERSHIP
Patsy Hall—President	Sgt-At-Arms—Cathy Newman
1st Vice President – Dawn Vevea	Jr. Past President—Jean LaBorde
2nd Vice President — Sharon Smith	Historian—Karen Orr
Secretary—Lyn Olson	Donna Redepenning—Exec Member
Treasurer—Karen Orr	Reggie Gilbertson—Exec Member
Chaplain—Diane Wolford	

Happy 4th of July to all and STAY SAFE!

Patsy Hall - Auxiliary President - Edward B. Cutter Post #102 - 2026-2027

Legion Rider Director Comments

Riders Up!

Join us in July and August for upcoming rides.

July 11th —Bikers for Bullies, Pit Squad Rescue ride

August 22nd —Memorial Ride— more details to come

****Please note: Meetings for the Legion Riders have changed to the LAST Wednesday of the month at 6pm.**

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 here!

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.

- **July Meeting: Tuesday, July 7, at 7:00 PM**
- **August Meeting: Tuesday, August 4, at 7:00 PM**

John Waldvogel, Club Manager—Edward B. Cutter

July 2026

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Jun 28	29	30	Jul 1 4:00pm Car & Bike Show 4:30pm Whiskey Strippers playing on the patio for	2 7:00pm Karaoke	3 BLOOD DRIVE (downstairs) 7:00pm BAR BINGO	4 Independence Day Legion closed
5 Legion closed	6	7 6:30pm BAR BINGO 7:00pm General Membership meeting	8 5:00pm Family movie night	9 7:00pm Karaoke	10 7:00pm Tailspin 7:00pm BAR BINGO	11 9:00am Bikers for bullies, Pit Squad Rescue ride
12 4:00pm BAR BINGO	13	14 6:30pm BAR BINGO	15	16 7:00pm Karaoke	17 7:00pm BAR BINGO	18
19 4:00pm BAR BINGO	20	21 6:00pm H&E Meeting 6:30pm BAR BINGO	22	23 7:00pm Karaoke	24 7:00pm BAR BINGO	25
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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**

Scheduled Monthly Meetings/Events at the Post

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

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

Last Wednesday:
- **6:00pm - Anoka Legion Rider General Mtg**

Second from last Tuesday:
- **6:00pm - H&E Mtg**

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

Post Chaplain's Corner

Without wise leadership, a nation is in trouble; but with good counselors there is safety.

Proverbs 11:14

Getting wisdom is the most important thing you can do! And with your wisdom, develop common sense and good judgement.

Proverbs 4:7

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
NONE REPORTED					