

LEGIONVILLE CAMPOREE – September 10 & 11, 2010

The annual Legionville Camporee was held on September 10th, 11th and 12th on the shores of North Long Lake, Brainerd, Minnesota. There was a nice representation of Legion and Auxiliary members from Post 102 that attended the rally on Saturday. The rally had an Hawaiian theme and was led by 10th District Commander Darrel Redepenning, 10th District Commander.

Prior to the rally there was a memorial service for John Cox. At the ceremony a set of flags was donated to Legionville in his honor.

The weather was nice for the rally but the evenings proved to be cold and very wet for the pork and chili feed attendees and campers Cliff and Cathy Newman.

Attendees saw a few changes in Legionville this year as the barn in which we previously gathered for entertainment and activities was closed due to unsafe conditions so alternate meeting places had to be used. The barn will have to be torn down and a new one built, when funds are available.

Legionville School Patrol Training Center Inc. was established by The Minnesota American Legion for the purpose of training Minnesota young people in the correct school patrol procedures. Legionville is seeking funds to upgrade this wonderful facility. The plan is to make this a year round facility that can be used for other activities besides the school patrol.



Pictured Back Row: Donna Redepenning, Paul Conyer, Bud Redepenning, Cliff Newman, Sam Orr, Sandy Phillips, Sue Nunnelee. **Center Row:** Jolene Connoy, Betty Redepenning, Cathy Newman, Karen Orr. **Front Row:** Darlene Thell, Darrel Redepenning and Larry Phillips. **Not Pictured** is Reva and Rick Oelschlager.

Plan On Attending: The Joint Meeting October 5th w/Boys & Girls Staters and The Veterans Day Dinner November 13th.

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ADJUTANT'S NOTES

by Gary Munkholm

Don't forget to sign up for Early Bird Dinner on October 21 posted above the club house sign in roster. Fadi Awajjane is Chairman of the event.

Veteran's Dinner this year will be on November 13 and the event is chaired by Gary Reimann.

The changes needed in our Constitution and By-Laws will be presented at the next General Meeting and have already gone from the By-Laws committee to the Executive Committee.

A reminder to everyone that we have a Joint Legion Family meeting on October 5th and this will involve arriving earlier than usual for Post members. Our sponsored Boys and Girls Staters will be introduced at this meeting.

The trophies and awards in the hallway came from our old trophy cases and are free for the taking.


Commander Wolford presented the Departments outstanding Children and Youth Program award to the general membership at last months meeting. The award was presented to Edward B. Cutter Post 102 at the recent Department Convention held in Rochester.

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

Donation to Bell Center Special Education Dept.	\$ 200
Lincoln Elementary Adopt a School Program	150
Baseball team pants & socks	220
Anoka High School Scholarships	5,500
Color Guard Uniforms	350
Assist needy Veterans or Family	1,500
Emergency money	500

OFFICIAL NOTICE


Changes to the Edward B. Cutter Post 102 Constitution and By-Laws will be voted on by the general membership on Tuesday, November 5, 2010 and changes presented to the general membership on Tuesday, October 5, 2010. The major changes involve identifying the members of the House and Entertainment Committee, renaming the finance committee to the budget committee, the Chaplain and Sergeant at Arms to be added to the Executive Committee, and recognizing the Sons of the American Legion and the American Legion Riders as part of the Edward B. Cutter Post 102 Legion family.



Post 102 extends sincere sympathy to the family of

NICKOLAS MEYER

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





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Halloween Parade

Sat. October 30th




Junior Auxiliary will be selling food and beverages again to anyone who wants a bite to eat.

This is the Juniors only fund raiser - please stop by and help them out.



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Commander's Column Ron Wolford

With pride, I speak of our Legion Post.

There are problems and concerns that face everyone in life and the way we face those problems defines what kind a person we are and will become in our lives. This post has had its share of problems. Yet, I have seen our Legion people step up to the plate and hit home run after home run. We are family, and though we may fuss and quibble, we sure can pull together.

If you have not been by the post lately, you are in for a surprise. The deck is moving right along and the main bee in charge is that buzzing guy Paul Adler. Be sure to tell him thank you for his efforts.

I could spend my whole column thanking one person after another. Let me end my column with this quote from Harry S. Truman, It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit.



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

Tony Bezenar

I'd like to send thanks out to Post #102's Son's of the American Legion for their outstanding efforts organizing and cooking the spaghetti dinner for the MN Legacy Run Kick-off. The MN Legacy run was able to collect and donate \$23,000 to the Legacy Scholarship Fund at the National Convention in Milwaukee. I would also like to thank all who participated in the ALR Pancake Breakfast. Your assistance was truly appreciated and I think both events were a success.

As this year's president of the American Legion Riders, I was pleased to see so many of our small group participating in so many of the rides and parades this summer. We have a great group of people and welcome those who would like to join the American Legion Riders.

Please feel free to attend one of our meetings; they are on the third Wednesday of each month. Maybe we'll see you there.

Legion Golf Tournament - Sat., Sept. 11th

Two of our Post members were outstanding: Carl Hedstrom shot a low gross score of 78, way under his age which is very hard to do. The low score in the Peoria division of 67 was shot by Howard Zunker, which is way below his age - 66 golfers entered the tournament.

Thanks to Anoka Legion, Anoka Sons of the Legion, National Guard and Dahlhimer Dist. for all the prizes. Catering Central again did a Great job with the food.

Thanks to Greenhaven Golf Course for all their help, to Club Manager Denise, Liz Abeln and co-chairman Larry Kitt.

Jerry Abeln



S.A.L. NEWS Commander Allen Amundson

A big thank you to all those who helped with the Legacy Run Kickoff dinner and a special thanks to the Legion Riders for allowing us to participate.

I was privileged, along with Charlie Heemer, to attend the National Convention in Milwaukee, WI. It was my first National Convention and I found it very interesting, informative and educational. There were 864 delegates representing 50 states as well as France and Puerto Rico. Our new National Commander is David Dew from Texas. S.A.L. Raised a half million dollars for the Child Welfare Foundation this year and continues to be the leading contributor by far.

I must say the highlight for me occurred prior to the convention on the way to Milwaukee. Shortly after pulling onto the freeway, after stopping for gas, we spotted some motorcycles in the left lane. Pulling alongside, we soon realized they were American Legion Riders. The 'some' turned out to be about 400 cycles on the main Run from Indianapolis and stretched for miles. It was truly an awe inspiring experience.

Our Post and S.A.L. Early Bird Dinner is Thursday, October 21. If your 2011 dues are paid, you may attend the dinner (at no charge). If you wish to attend, a signup sheet is located in the Club. Also, Halloween is not far away and we plan on having a float again this year. Any member desiring to ride on the float should contact me, or one of the other officers.

Just a reminder - Our WED Dinner Specials are Country-Fried Steak on the 1st Wed. and Prime Rib on the 3rd Wed.

Until next month... "Lets Make A Difference"

Additions to our SAL Wednesday Dinner Specials include:

1st Wednesday each month
Country Fried Steak ~ \$8.00

3rd Wednesday each month
Prime Rib ~ \$9.50

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.

Anyone else wanting to use the equipment will have to have a member of the Post 102 family serve as their sponsor.



President's Column

Darlene Thell

Hello Auxiliary Members,

I was there on Friday, August 20 for the Legion Riders kick off party, for their first annual MN Legacy Run. The dinner was wonderful, and so was the breakfast served before the Riders took off on Saturday morning. The American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund was created to help ensure children who have lost a parent at war, receive the education they need and deserve.

Thank you to Cathy and Cliff Newman for working the American Legion Dept. Veterans booth at the State Fair, letting the public know the American Legion takes care of our Veterans, serves our communities, supports Legionville School Safety Patrol, Boys/Girls State, Oratorical etc.

Thank you to all who attended the National Convention August 30 - Sept. 2, 2010.

National Convention August 30 - Sept. 2, 2010 Milwaukee, Wisc.

Attended:

Sue Nunnelee - Alternative
Donna Redepinning, Reva Oeschalger, Doris Nunnlee, Mary Ann Voit

Highlights:

- Color Guard Contest - Saturday
- National Parade - Sunday (Carried Unit American Flag)
- Opening Session - Monday
- Woman Of The Year Luncheon - Tuesday L. Tammy Duckworth
- States Dinner - Wednesday night
- Installation of New National Officers on Thursday
Kris Nelson - Brainerd installed as National Vice President

National Awards

Public Relations, Unit Emphasis Award
Anoka 102 - Darlene Thell - Chairman
Best Dept. History in the Northwest Division -
Sue Nunnelee - Dept. of MN Historian
Certificate of Participation - Milestones Over the Years
Anoka Unit 102 - Karen Orr - Unit Historian

Next Years National Convention Will Be Held In Minneapolis

I attended Legionville on the weekend of Sept. 10-11. Our Anoka Post was well represented. Thank you to all that attended. We had many guests including Dept. Pres. Darlene Wondra and Commander Tom Lannon, plus last years' Dept. Pres. and Commander Marsha Bible and Al Davis. I turned in 17 memberships to make a total of 100 renewals to date. Please turn in your membership renewal to Betty Erickson as soon as possible. Reaching membership goals at our Rallies is so important to our Auxiliary. Thank You. Also, please turn in your volunteer hours before our monthly meeting. Community Service and all other volunteer hours are very important because the American Legion

Auxiliary uses those hours to report to Congress what our members do as volunteers.

Help us influence Congress about the importance of our volunteer hours. It helps to keep the American Legion Auxiliary a non profit organization. Volunteer driver, Blood Drives, Toys For Joy Armory Christmas Project, ACBC Food Shelf, Hospital, Church (these hours do count now) Nursing Homes, Helping Shut In's, and Senior Centers are some of the volunteer areas. Please turn in your hours to our Community Service Chairperson Ann Larson at 763-208-8095, or myself at 763-753-3064 or drop off your hours at our Post in Anoka. So many of you do volunteer and may not know how important those hours are to our Auxiliary. Thank you.

Hope to see many of you at our Oct. 5 Joint Meeting with the Boys and Girls Staters, and also at our Oct. 7 Early Bird Dinner/Silent Auction, and Initiation of new members. Please drop off or bring Silent Auction items.

God Bless The American Legion

Auxiliary Early Bird Dinner & Silent Auction Initiation Ceremony Continuous Year Pins Presentation Senior and Junior Members Thursday, October 7, 2010

The dinner and silent auction, initiation ceremony and continuous year pins presentation will be held Thursday, October 7, members should arrive by 6:00 pm, dinner is served promptly at 6:30 pm.

Silent Auction items that members have brought in the past included: crafts, home canned pickles or jams, fresh homemade cookies, bars, cakes; collectable, knick-knacks, books puzzles, patriotic items, seasonal Halloween, Christmas and Easter items, or just good stuff! Bidding will start at \$1.00 and please be generous, the **money raised will be used for the Netha Feist Scholarship Fund (\$250) with the remainder to Legionville.**

Initiation of new members will be held AND if you have never received your Auxiliary pin at an initiation, please mention that when you check in that evening.

Those 33 members receiving continuous year pins from 20 to 55 years who have already paid have been reminded, others will be as soon as their dues are paid.

Juniors are invited to attend. ALL members – junior and senior, MUST have their dues paid by October 5 and reservations MUST be made to be able to attend!!!

Call

Betty Erickson 421-4562

Darlene Thell 753-3064

or the pull tab booth at the Post 421-0883

JAN'S JOTTINGS

by Jan Reiter

The regular meeting of Edward B. Cutter American Legion Auxiliary was held on Tuesday September 7, 2010.

President Darlene asked for approval of her selected chairmen. A motion was made to approve these chairmanships. Seconded and carried.

Americanism: The Unit was asked if 2 kindergarten classes could have enough small flags for the students that have memorized the pledge of allegiance. We do have enough and they will be given to them. If there are any businesses that have flags flying, Deb would like to know so she can hand out Flag Flying Certificates to that business.

Education: November is Education month.

Girls State: Kathy Zwerdling stated that the Department is raising the cost of Girls State from \$250 to \$300. She also read a thank you card from Janine Schug (last year's Girl stater). They will be here at the October meeting to talk about their time at Girls State.

Junior's Activities: Sue Nunnelee said we still don't have an active group of juniors but she is willing to take care of one if there are some juniors interested in starting an active group.

National Security: Cathy Newman reported that this year the unit will be sending items to the troops

Poppy: There will be a poppy contest at Fall Conference in Waite Park using the President's theme of "Vision and voices for Veterans".

Fund Raising: Next Casino overnigher will be October 15 & 16 at Jackpot Junction.

Standing Rules: New Standing rules were handed out by Sandy Phillips.

Membership: Donna Redepenning, 10th District membership chairman, reported that her theme is "Sail away with membership" and that they hope to have 54% by Sept. 24.

Unfinished Business: A motion was made by Betty Redepenning to go to the Adult Day Care Bingo on September 28 with \$50. Approved.

Auxiliary Membership

The 2011 dues notices arrived in September – finally!

If you were among those 100 already paid, disregard that notice and thank you all. I will be looking for that second and third 100 of you to mail or stop at the pulltab booth – thank YOU!

Of the 33 ladies to receive continuous year pins, only 9 have paid at this time, the remaining 24 members are greatly needed.

We are able to use 11 previously awarded pins (returned by members to the Unit) for those honored this year. This really helps the Unit with that cost and anyone with year pins they no longer need – please bring them to the Early Bird Dinner.

Dues Are Due Now!

Betty Erickson, Chairman

Past President's Parley Meeting September 13, 2010

There were 15 Past Presidents attending our meeting to discuss our agenda for the coming 2010-2011 year. Only 4 Past Presidents didn't wear their Auxiliary and Past Presidents Pins, so we made only \$4 that nite for our fund.

Our Past Presidents Parley fund has paid the dues for 3 Gold Star Mothers, and 6 Nursing and Home Care members in the amount of \$108, which leaves our fund as of 9/7/10 in the amount of \$605.28. There are about 11 Past Presidents members who have not paid their dues yet of \$23, so it would be nice if we could get you to send in your dues to Betty Erickson as soon as possible.

The Past Presidents will be having **Initiation** of any new members to our Auxiliary, the nite of the Early Bird Dinner on Thursday, October 7th, 2010.

Again this year, we decided to have a combined **Christmas Dinner** at the Legion Post for the Past Presidents, Past Post Commanders and the Past SAL Commanders and their guest, on Wednesday, December 15, 2010, Social 6:00 to 7:00, eat at 7:00. Set aside the date, and more on this later.

We voted again to have the **News Years Day Brunch Bake Sale**. This is our major fundraiser for the year. So all the help we can get for baked goods donated for the cause would be great! If any Past President is leaving for vacation or down south for the winter, and would like to make a donation, please send to me, Barb Ridge, at 2708 Pine Ridge Dr., Anoka, MN 55303, much appreciated, and thank you.

The date for our **Sewing Bee** for the Vets Hospitals Residents this year is Tuesday afternoon, January 18th, 2011 at 1:00 pm in the upper hall. If anybody has some material they would like to donate for this, please call Jan Reiter at 763-427-3733, or Cathy Newman at 763-757-2034.

Another point of interest, includes our **Spring Luncheon** with our Gold Star Mothers in May or June 2011, place and date, etc. will be decided later.

We also approved to donate \$100 to the **Dept. Past President's Parley Health Care Scholarship**, which applications for this are available thru our Auxiliary, and \$100 to our **Girl's State Program**.

Our **Sunshine Chairman** is Nancy Bever. If you know a Past President who is ill or in the hospital, please call Nancy at 763-862-2289, to send a card.

Kathy Zwerdling and Barb Ridge
Past Presidents Parley Co-Chairs

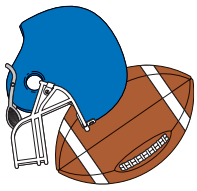

Auxiliary Overnite Bus Trip JACKPOT CASINO

October 15-16

Only the first 50 to sign up
get to go!

Call Carol 427-0185 or
Barb 427-4346 for info.

OCTOBER 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p>	<p>MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL Come on in - see whats happening!</p>	 <p>Ghosts of Anoka Walking Tours Oct. 2-7-21-23 7:30 pm "Monuments to Life" Cemetary Tours 10/5 - Oakwood, Anoka 10/7 Lino Lakes - 10/9 Oak Grove Call the History Center - 763-421-0600</p>				<p>100 years ago October, 1910 The undefeated 1910 Anoka High School football team played against Elk River, Cleveland, North St. Paul, Princeton and Stillwater with scores ranging from 68-0 to 3-2.</p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p>	<p>70 years ago October 3, 1940: "Teen Town Hall" recreation center in the City Hall, now open to the public.</p>	<p>Joint Meeting 7 pm w/Boys & Girls Staters General Membership S.A.L. & Auxiliary Meetings to follow Aux. Early Bird Cutoff</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 and Country Fried Steak \$8.00</p>	<p>Aux. Early Bird Dinner Silent Auction Initiation Year Pins 6:00 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>70 years ago October 2, 1940: Lions Club organized in Anoka</p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p>	<p>90 years ago October 26, 1920: Raymond P. Parker (Charter Member) elected Commander of Post 102. Columbus Day (observed)</p>	<p>NEWSPAPER MEETING 7:00 pm</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Steak Chicken, or Stuffed Shrimp \$7.50 Steak & Shrimp Combo \$10.00 Aux. Twin Rivers Bingo 2:30 pm</p>	<p>Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Light Up the Night Parade 7:00 pm</p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p>	<p>80 years ago October 14, 1930: Willard E. Lorenz elected Commander of Post 102</p>	<p>House & Ent. Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Pumpkin Bowl 7 pm Park Center at Anoka SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 and Prime Rib \$9.50 Legion Riders 7 pm</p>	<p>Post Early Bird Dinner 7:00 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Lifeline Screening 9 am - 5 pm Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Halloween 5K Run 12:50 pm Grande Day Parade 1:00 pm Jr. Aux. Fund Raiser upper hall</p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p>	<p>70 years ago October, 1940: Guy Spencer elected Cmdr. of Post 102 (presented an Honored Life Member Nov. 12, 1977 at a Veterans Day Dinner).</p>	<p>Anoka Halloween Bingo 6:30 - 9:30 Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Stuffed Shrimp \$7.50 Steak & Shrimp Combo \$10.00</p>	<p>Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Halloween Kids Parade 1:15 pm Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Flag Display Days 12th - Columbus Day 27th - Navy Day</p>
<p>51st Annual Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am - 12:30 pm Everyone Welcome Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm 31</p>	<p>Coming in November 2 Election Day - VOTE 2 Meetings Post/SAL/Auxiliary 7 Daylight Savings Ends (fall back) 10 Aux. Twin Rivers Bingo</p>		<p>13 Veterans Day Dinner 20 Holiday Rally - Delano 25 Thanksgiving TBA American Education Week</p>		<p>1st Friday each month Red Cross Bloodmobile at Post 7 AM - 1 PM</p>	