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WILL THEN BE**

SUNDAY at 4:00 PM


TUESDAY at 6:30 PM

FRIDAY at 7:00 PM

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The 93rd
Birthday
of The American Legion



March 10, 2012
Commander's Hall
Post 102
6:00 P.M Social
7:00 Dinner
Cost \$10.00 Donation



Dinner open to all Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion Members and Guests.

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*Happy Valentine's
Day* ♥

ADJUTANT'S NOTES

by Gary Munkholm

A hearty welcome to the newest members of Anoka Post 102: David Hjelle sponsored by Bill Golden, Chuck Tobritzhofer sponsored by Milt Webster, Robert Points sponsored by Cliff Newman, and Brandon LeNoue sponsored by Byron LeNoue.

We hope to see you at future meetings and join us in fellowship during other times of the week.

Many thanks to everyone who helped with the 10th District Mid Winter Conference. We received many compliments and thanks for hosting it at our Clubhouse.

The General membership approved the purchase of a 54" flat screen TV for the club room to replace the one sitting in the corner next to the patio door.

We still need 55 members to renew their dues to meet this years goal. Don't forget that you can pay your dues on line and then you won't have to use a stamp to mail it in. **Your voice with membership** is important to our National leaders when it comes to making sure our fellow comrades are assisted to the fullest with Veteran's Benefits.

The General Membership supported Gambling Manager Paul Adler's decision to move Bar Bingo from Thursday night to Tuesday night with a 6:30 pm starting time.

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

Member recognition at New Years Day Brunch	\$550
New Years Day Brunch misc. supplies	\$100
Donation to support Special Olympics	\$200
Donation to Three River District Boy Scouts	\$350
St. Cloud VAMC entertainment costs	\$80
Boys State expenses for 3 boys	\$825
Post 102 for Utility expenses	\$2,100
Assist needy Veterans or Family	\$1,500
Emergency money	\$500

IN FEBRUARY

TUESDAYS

Burger Special

THURSDAYS

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

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SPECIALS

Feb 3 ~ Chicken Cordon Bleu \$8.00 with Rice Pilaf, Veg & Roll

Feb 10 ~ Liver and Onions \$8.00 with Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Veg & Roll

Feb 17 ~ Tuna Casserole with Veg & Roll \$7.00

Feb 24 Fish Fry with Baked Potato, Veg & Roll \$8.00

Sante Fe Chicken Salad \$7.00

Valentines Day Special-Tuesday Feb 14th

Dinner for Two \$25.00

Top Sirloin and Broiled Shrimp with Twice Baked Potato, Veg, Roll & Dessert

Starting Friday February 24th and every Friday during Lent Fish Fry

The Legion Grill will be opening on Tuesdays starting Feb 7th!

Tax included on all the above.

INFORMATION

Herewith is pertinent info about the **Honor Flight for WWII veterans** and terminally ill veterans from other wars. It's a "one day" trip "to and from" Wash., D.C. mostly to view the WWII Memorial. This is all FREE for the Veterans – however if the Veteran requires a Guardian or an Attendant - then there is a \$500 charge for that person. They have two flights going this year (unfortunately both are filled) but are taking reservations for the 2013 flights. For more information you can contact Dick Raatz at 763-561-9263. Application Forms are available at the Legion.

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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Commander's Column

Fadi A. Awaijane

Greetings fellow Legionnaires,

Once again Post 102 Past Commanders New Year Brunch was held for members and their guests, thanks to all the Past Commanders who helped. Also, I would like to thank the Auxiliary for putting together their Bake sale. And thank you to all of the Post 102 Legion Family for everything they did to help make the New Year's Day Brunch successful.

January 7th was the tenth District Mid-Winter Conference hosted by our Post, it was great seeing all of you at the Conference. I'd like to thank the Mid-Winter Conference Chairmen Cliff Newman and Sandy Philips for putting together the Conference. The American Legion Riders Post 102 received an Award from National for the American Legion Legacy Run, thanks Legion Riders, great job! Again, thanks to the Post 102 Legion Family for putting together a great Mid-Winter Conference.

I want to remind those of you who haven't renewed your Membership to please do so, because of your support The American Legion can remain strong and ever watchful over the support and treatment of our Veterans. I hope to see you at the next Membership Meeting.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

**S.A.L. Squadron 102 - Anoka, MN
annual
"MEET YOUR MEMBERS"
GALA
Daytona 500
Sunday, Feb. 26, 2012 – 12:00 Noon**

10th District Mid-Winter Conference January 7, 2012

Anoka Post 102 hosted the Mid-Winter Conference for the 10th District American Legion. 150 American Legion family members attended the joint morning session. All the programs the American Legion promote are reported on either in the joint session in the morning or in the afternoon sessions of each American Legion family group.

Learning how these programs help the families as well as the deployed veterans, makes one's heart swell with pride.

The lunch was prepared and served by the Post 102 Auxiliary. "Great Job Ladies." They also helped set up and run the Silent Auction. Thank you to the Post 102 family members that helped setup on Friday evening, Saturday morning and clean up Saturday afternoon.

Cliff Newman & Sandy Phillips
Mid-Winter Chairpersons



Cost \$10.00

\$5.00 returned at Casino

Bus Leaves Anoka Legion 10:00 a.m.

5 Hour Stay at Casino

Pre-paid Reservation required

First Come Basis



Fundraiser for Anoka Auxiliary Unit 102





President's Column

Norah Wyman

Dearest Auxiliary Members,

Well we once again hosted Mid Winter at the Post. Thanks to all the hard work of so many of you. Membership Rallies and other activities for Veterans and our troops keep us busy. Winter is here and Spring is approaching....that makes me feel warmer and happy.

Watch the calendar for the Birthday Dinner in March! Hope to see many of you there but hope to see some of you at our February meeting !

Thanks for all you do.

Auxiliary Past President's Fundraiser

Again this year, the Past President's Parley had their only fundraiser, the New Years Day 2012 Bake Sale. It was a nice success, raising \$192.75 from the baked goods, and \$55 so far from the money donations. I'm hoping more Past Presidents will send me a money donation for our Parley Fund. It would be very much appreciated and needed! We pay out well over \$350 a year for expenses and donations.



I would like to say "THANK YOU" to everyone that bought our baked goods and hopefully enjoyed them. Also, the 11 Past Presidents who baked the goodies for the sale: Karen Orr, Sue Nunnelee, Kathy Zwerdling, Cathy Newman, Norah Wyman, Barb Fechner, Liz Abeln, Nancy Bever, Sandy Phillips, Donna Redepenning and Barb Ridge. We so far have 5 Past Presidents that made a money donation: Claribel Berghorst, Betty Redepenning, Lynette Pavin, Betty Erickson and Lenora Root. Pictured above are the Past Presidents that helped the day of the Bake Sale – "THANK YOU" ladies.

Again, if you would like to help the Parley Fund, please make the check out to Anoka Legion Auxiliary, and send to me. Thank you.

Barb Ridge
2708 Pine Ridge Dr., Anoka, MN 55303



In Memoriam MARY BELLE CAMERON

Mary, a 39 year Auxiliary member, was born November 8, 1919 in Pierpont, South Dakota and passed away December 31, 2011 in Anoka. Mary served as Unit President 1989-90 with Commander Gil Dullinger.

Edward B. Cutter Unit 102 extends its sympathy to brother Ralph and Jean Cameron, and sister Betty (age 90). A memorial to the Auxiliary Girls State Program was sent by the Unit.

In Memoriam PAT (DOUGLASS) JOHNSON

Pat, a 9 year Auxiliary member, was born April 30, 1929 in Crookston, Minnesota and passed away December 20, 2011 in Anoka. Husband Jerry (Gerald) was a Post 102 Commander 1951-52 serving with President Violet Swanson.

Edward B. Cutter Unit 102 extends its sympathy to daughters Sally and Jenny and families. A memorial to the Auxiliary Girls State Program was sent by the Unit.



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PAST PRESIDENT'S PARLEY HEALTH CARE SCHOLARSHIP

Up to Ten (10) \$1,000 scholarships awarded for one year to members of the American Legion Auxiliary, Dept. of Minnesota. Must be used for continuing her education beyond high school, in vocational or post secondary education to commence or further her education in the health care or post secondary education field.

Must be an Auxiliary member for 3 years.

Contact Barb Ridge
763-421-2451 before March 1st, 2012

JAN'S JOTTINGS

by Jan Reiter

The regular meeting of Edward B. Cutter American Legion Auxiliary was held on Tuesday, January 3, 2012. The meeting was opened by President Norah Wyman and the December 6, 2011 minutes were approved. Treasurers Report by Jeanene Hays was read and placed on file for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Girl's State: Kathy Zwerdling stated that the Girl State program has a new logo.

Home Service: Lynette Pavin reminded everyone that they should save commemorative, express mail, foreign and air mail stamps, picture postcards and S&H stamps. Trim stamps to 1/4 of an inch around the entire stamp and leave the stamps on the postcard.

Junior Activities: Department Jr. Conference will be April 14th at the Wendigo Lodge in Grand Rapids.

Memorial: Kathy reported that two members passed away, Pat Johnson, a 9 year member, and Past President, Mary Cameron, a 39 year member.

National Security: Cathy Newman got a thank you card from Shawn Wicks, a soldier that was sent a box.

Past President's: Barb Ridge reported that the Past President's bake sale made a profit of \$247.75. January 17th will be their sewing bee at 1:00 pm.

VA&R: Cathy Newman reported we will be sewing something for the VA.

Lenora Root thanked everyone who sent cards and visited her during her recovery.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Auxiliary Membership 32 senior members not yet renewed.

National office is sending dues notices in January (if you have paid your 2012 dues - disregard). BUT if you are one of the 32 contacted by your fellow Unit member (messages count) OR if you're not sure IF you have paid - send your dues (1826 Cressy Ave., Anoka 55303) or call me 763-421-4562. **Thank you to those members who did respond!**

If you feel that you are not personally involved - YOU ARE - by funding 24 programs and activities for veterans and those serving now: VA Hospitals, Vets Home Camps, Stand Downs (homeless vets), Armed Forces Service Center (intl. airport), Unit mailings to troops overseas, etc., etc. **YOU DO THAT through your membership dues!!**

Please continue to pay your dues (\$20) and thank you.

Betty Erickson - Chairman



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.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wife | <input type="checkbox"/> Great-Granddaughter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sister | <input type="checkbox"/> Self |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter (step-relative also apply) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Granddaughter | |

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



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www.anokalegion.org

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Let us know and we will remove your name from the mailing list for the newspaper.

Try it once and see if this will work for you!

You will be surprised to see how much information there is on the web site and how nice it is to see colored photos.

FEBRUARY 2012

12 - 18 National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>FLAG DISPLAY DAYS</p> 	<p>February 12th Lincoln's Birthday</p> <p>February 20th Presidents Day</p>	<p>BAR BINGO EVERY TUESDAY 6:30 PM STARTING FEBRUARY 7th</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Prime Rib \$10.00</p>	<p>SEE MENU ON PAGE 2 FOR TUES. THURS. & FRI. MENU</p> <p>Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p> <p>Ground Hog Day</p>	<p>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p> <p>Four Chaplain's Day</p>	<p><i>Feb. 23, 1921:</i> <i>Ladies organize and</i> <i>elect officers in</i> <i>Anoka for the</i> <i>American Legion</i> <i>Auxiliary</i></p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p> <p>Four Chaplain's Day</p>	<p><i>90 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 14, 1922:</i> <i>Anoka has new</i> <i>Auto-Camp sites -</i> <i>100</i> <i>like it in MN.</i></p>	<p>Post General Mem. 7:30 pm S.A.L. Mtg. 7:00 pm Auxiliary Mtg. 7:00 pm VA Shower</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Country Fried Steak \$8.00 Aux. Twin Rivers Bingo 2:15 pm</p>	<p><i>50 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 1962:</i> <i>New Anoka County</i> <i>Courthouse</i> <i>cornerstone laid.</i></p>	<p>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Dept. Rally Brainerd 2:00 pm</p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p>	<p><i>90 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 22, 1922:</i> <i>Grand Mask Ball</i> <i>sponsored by</i> <i>Anoka</i> <i>American Legion</i></p>	<p>NEWSPAPER Meeting 7:00 pm</p> <p>Valentines Day Special Dinner for Two \$25.00 Top Sirloin & Broiled Shrimp with Twice Baked Potato, Veg, Roll & Dessert</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Prime Rib \$10.00</p>	<p><i>80 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 2, 1932:</i> <i>"Whoopee John"</i> <i>plays at Old Mill:</i> <i>Gents 50¢</i> <i>Ladies 25¢</i></p>	<p>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>SAL Rally Anoka 2:00 pm</p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p>	<p><i>70 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 21, 1942:</i> <i>Boy Scouts</i> <i>take over city.</i> <i>Joe Kovar is Mayor</i></p> <p>Presidents Day</p>	<p>House & Ent. Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Shrimp \$8.00 Steak & Shrimp Combo \$11.00 Ash Wednesday</p>	<p><i>80 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 7, 1932:</i> <i>Anoka County</i> <i>Symphony presents</i> <i>first concert at</i> <i>Green Theater.</i></p>	<p>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Bar Bingo 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Aux. Bus to Turtle Lake Leave Post 10:00 AM</p>
<p>Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 4:00 pm</p> <p>SAL Meet the Members Party 12:00 noon</p>	<p><i>50 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 1962:</i> <i>Elks meet at</i> <i>Anoka City Hall</i> <i>for organizational</i> <i>meeting.</i></p>	<p>Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>SAL Dinners 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Shrimp \$8.00 Steak & Shrimp Combo \$11.00</p>	<p><i>70 yrs ago</i> <i>Feb. 11, 1942:</i> <i>Sugar will be rationed -</i> <i>each person gets</i> <i>12 oz. per week.</i></p>	 <p>1st Friday each month Red Cross Bloodmobile at Post 7 AM - 1 PM</p>	<p><i>February</i> <i>19-25</i> <i>School</i> <i>Patrol</i> <i>Week</i></p>
<p>Coming in March</p> <p>All Fridays Fish Fry 3 Dept. Rally - Osseo 10 Birthday Dinner 11 Daylight Savings Begins 15-17 93rd Anniversary of the Paris Caucus</p>	<p>17 MN Wild Legion Family Day 24 10th Dist. Cmdr. "Stumpy" Testimonial - Osseo</p>	<p>National Commanders MN Tour</p> <p>Feb. 6: Fairbault – Winona – Austin Feb. 7: Blue Earth – Marshall – Morris Feb. 8: Sauk Centre – Litchfield – Montgomery Feb. 9: Pine Island – Zimmerman and Chanhassen</p>	<p>Every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday Grill Open 5:00 – 8:30 pm Anoka Legion Riders Chapter 102 Meeting 7:00 PM Post Clubrooms 3rd Wednesday of every month.</p>			