

American Legion Post 102 – September/October 2019 Newsletter

Please read the accompanied flier for the Anoka Veterans Memorial “Walk of Honor” Engraved Granite Paver Campaign in celebrating all who served our country

To help Post #102 save money on postage, please send your **new** email address to <http://www.anokalegion.org/>

A Big thanks to our new SAL, Aux, and Post Officers who will dedicate many years to our Post #102 and its members, and also generously contribute to this newsletter.

Donations from Gambling approved by the General Membership during the last 2 months:

American Legion School awards	\$2,000	Anoka County meals on wheels	\$200	Anoka County Transit	\$200
American Legion Foundation Fund	\$500	High School Scholarships	\$5,500	American Legion Legacy Scholarship	\$400
Sponsor Anoka Rotary 5K event	\$250	DAR Fisher House	\$250	North Suburban Concert Band	\$400
Center Point Energy (Gas Costs)	\$2,500	Emergency Money	\$500	Gold Star Family	\$100
Water and light costs	\$4,000	U.S. Treasury (Tax and Wagering)	\$1,750	Assist Needy Veterans and Families	\$1500
MN. Revenue tax on gambling	\$16,500				

Chaplain’s Corner

“For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses” **(Matthew 6: 14-15)**. If you think a person has wronged you, consider their actions are innocent of intentional harm. Show them the patience and grace that you wish to receive yourself.

God Bless, Bill Sutherland



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Post Commander’s Comments

To Honor all the remaining WWII Veterans of Edward B Cutter Post 102 of American Legion Post #102 we have a volunteer, Bruce Dynes who will take professional photos that will be displayed at the post the month of November and at the Annual Veterans Day dinner to be held at our post on Saturday, November 9th. At present we have 28 WWII members in our post!

We have scheduled Wednesday, September, 11 and Thursday, September, 12 from 1 – 5pm each day to take the photos at the Post. Our Post will provide a meal to the WWII Veteran and one guest at our annual Veterans Day celebration held at our post. This year the date for this event will be Saturday, November 9th at 6pm to meet other Veterans with dinner to be held at 7pm.

Two Medicare education seminars are scheduled for the Legion hall. The first is Sept. 26th at 1800 and the second one is Oct 10th at 1800. This is NOT a sales forum – it is education only and questions and answers. I have attended these in the past and our very informative!

Our post will be having a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Saturday, September 28 from 4 - 8pm with a band, “BACKALLY” who will be playing from 8 – midnight. Please come out and support this event, all funds will be used to help fund the parking lot replacement. Our post “Early Bird Dinner” will be held on Thursday, October 17, meet and great at 6pm with dinner at 7pm. Please pay your dues early to attend this free dinner for members only.

It’s almost that time of year again, Halloween! This year the Grand Day parade will be held Saturday, October 26. We always need lots of HELP both setting up the float, in the bar and the grounds.

New this year we will be hosting the annually Halloween Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 27 from 8AM-12:30PM. This will be a new event for our post as it has been an annual event hosted by the Kiwanis for the last 59 years. Please step up and volunteer to help.

Doug Hookom, Commander - Edward B. Cutter Post#102

Post Adjutant’s Comments

A hearty welcome to the newest member of Anoka Post 102 US Army Veteran of the Vietnam War Darryl Smithwick sponsored by Jim Hays, US Marine Veteran of the Vietnam War Bob Lindgren sponsored by Frank Menter, US Air Force Veteran of the Gulf War Todd Arnold sponsored by Gary Munkholm, and Todd Shoemaker sponsored by Terry Hansen. We hope to see you at future meetings and join us in fellowship during other times of the week.

All should be receiving your next year’s dues notice. A reminder that you can pay your dues on line via the National Legion web site, mail them in, or just drop them off with one of the bar tenders. Be sure to pay your dues before October 17th to attend the free Early Bird Dinner. 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.

Many thanks to all of the Anoka American Legion family who attended the Anoka County Fair opening ceremonies.

Our Post received the following awards at the recent Department Convention held in Willmar: Hanson Education Trophy, Father L.J. Fortin Trophy (religious), Lindell Community Service Bell, Frank J. Ring Boy Scout Trophy, Levi M. Hall School Patrol Trophy, Americanism Trophy, and the Lloyd Grossnickle Award.

Gary Munkholm, Post Adjutant = Edward B. Cutter Post#102

American Legion Post #102 / Aux / SAL Calendar				September 2019		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Operation New Dawn Began 2010	2 Labor Day Japan Surrenders WWII 1945	3 Monthly Mtgs 7pm Aux Potluck 6pm Bar Bingo 6:30PM	4 Legion Prime Rib dinner 5:30 PM Car Show (Last show of the summer) 4-8 pm	5	6 Grill Cook 5-8PM Meat Raffle 5:30 Bar Bingo 7PM	7 Post Breakfast 8-11:30am
8 Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4PM	9	10 Bar Bingo 6:30PM	11 Patriot Day Bingo at Twin River 2:15pm SAL Dinner 5-7pm	12	13 Grill Cook 5-8PM Meat Raffle 5:30 Bar Bingo 7PM	14 Post Breakfast 8-11:30am
15 Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4PM Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	16	17 Bar Bingo 6:30PM H&E Mtg 7pm	18 SAL Dinner 5-7pm	19	20 POW/MIA Recognition Day Grill Cook 5-8PM Meat Raffle 5:30 Bar Bingo 7PM	21 Post Breakfast 8-11:30am
22 Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4PM Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	23 Autumn Begins	24 Bar Bingo 6:30PM Exec Mtg	25 SAL Dinner 5-7pm	26	27 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30 Bar Bingo 7pm	28 Post Breakfast 8-11:30am Spaghetti Dinner 4-8pm Band "Backally" 8pm-Midnight
29 Rosh Hashanah Begins Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4PM Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	30					

In Memoriam

Gerald Gardinier	22 yr	#102	Vietnam	3/31/2019	Daryl E. Fields	7 yr	#102	Vietnam	6/29/2019
Milt Webster	11 yr	#102	Korea	5/2019	Thomas J. Knotz	35 yr	#102	Vietnam	8/3/2019
David Conger	65 yr	#102	WWII	7/2019					

Edward B. Cutter Post #102 Extends its sympathy to all families and friends. Bibles are provided by the Post to deceased Post #102 member's families.

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6 Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4PM Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	7 Operation Enduring Freedom Began 2001 Sign up due for Aux Early Bird Dinner	8 Yom Kippur Begins Bar Bingo 6:30PM	9 SAL Dinner 5-7pm Bingo at Twin River 2:15pm	10	11 Grill Cook 5-8PM Meat Raffle 5:30 Bar Bingo 7PM	12 Post Breakfast 8-11:30am
13 Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4PM Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	14 Columbus Day *VA Outpatient Clinics Closed* Aux Early Bird Dinner 6:30 PM	15 Bar Bingo 6:30PM	16 SAL Dinner 5-7pm	17 Post Early Bird Dinner 6-9 PM	18 Grill Cook 5-8PM Meat Raffle 5:30 Bar Bingo 7PM	19 Post Breakfast 8-11:30am
20 Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4PM Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	21	22 H&E Mtg 7PM Bar Bingo 6:30PM	23 SAL Dinner 5-7pm	24 United Nations Day	25 Grill Cook 5-8PM Meat Raffle 5:30 Bar Bingo 7PM	26 Halloween Parade Setup 9am - 2pm
27 Grill Cook 5-8PM Bar Bingo 4 PM Halloween Breakfast 8 am -2:30 pm	28	29 Exec Mtg Bar Bingo 6:30PM	30 SAL Dinner 5-7pm	31 Halloween		

Auxiliary President's Comments

Summer is starting to wind down. Really! Where did it go?

Over the summer Unit #102 members were involved in several events: June had installation of new officers, July started with the flag raising at the Anoka County Government Center, and we had another flag raising at the start of the Anoka County Fair.

In August we will celebrate Post #102's 100th Birthday, and participate in the 10th district's members' picnic in North Branch. Thank you everyone in advance who participates in this event.

September will have the start of our monthly meetings. Other activities will be announced. We will discuss in October the Early Bird Dinner and Silent Action, Halloween Parade Fundraiser, and the (new) Pancake Breakfast.

Aux Early Bird Dinner is on Monday, October 14, at 6:30. The cut-off date for signing up for it is October 7.

We are always looking for new ideas and volunteers. Talk to me at the Post or call me at 763-421-1840

Lynette Pavin, Auxiliary President - Edward B. Cutter Post#102