

American Legion Post 102 – November/December 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/	<h3 style="margin: 0;">Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!</h3>
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Donations from Gambling approved by the General Membership during the last 2 months:

Department Pheasant Fund	\$100	Department Commanders Fund	\$100	Assist Needy Veterans and Families	\$1500
District Commanders Fund	\$100	Anoka Hope for Youth	\$300	MN. Revenue tax on gambling	\$6,500
Membership recognition dinner	\$1,200	2 nd half property tax	\$10,000	U.S. Treasury (Tax and Wagering)	\$1,500
Center Point Energy (Gas Costs)	\$2,000	Emergency Money	\$500	Water and light costs	\$5,000

Chaplain's Corner

John 3:16,17 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Include God as part of your family this Christmas Season.

God Bless and Merry Christmas to Everyone, Bill Sutherland



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Sal Commander's Comments

The Summer months have gone by, and we had the best celebration in Anoka's "The Halloween Capital of the world Grand Day Parade". Once again, the SAL sponsored a float in the Grand Day Parade. As past years SAL members were welcome to ride the float. The Grand Day Parade was on Saturday Oct 26th, starting at the Anoka American Legion. On Sunday Oct 27th 2019, the Anoka Legion hosted the Halloween Pancake Breakfast. This is the first year the Anoka Legion had taken on this Breakfast. Many SAL Members assisted the Legion with this task. SAL Members attended the Camp-o-Ree at Legionville and the 10th District Rally. Dept SAL cooked for Camp-o-Ree. The Legion lost a member with the passing of Milton Webster. Final Honors provided by Anoka Vietnam Veterans # 470. Milton was Honor for his Military Service in the Air Force and Army. The Early Bird dinner was held on Oct 17, 2019 at the Post. All SAL Members that have paid their 2020 dues were welcome to attend. The Wednesday night Steak Dinners are doing great. We have an assorted Menu with weekly specials. Dinners are served from 5:30 to 7:00 pm, come on in and have a great meal.

SAL Commander Tony Arellano

American Legion Post #102 / Aux / SAL Calendar				November 2019		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	2
3 Daylight Savings Time Ends (Turn Clocks Back) Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	4	5 Election Day Monthly Mtgs 7:00pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm	6 Legion Prime Rib Dinner 5:30pm	7	8 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	9 Annual Veteran's Day Dinner 6:00pm
10 Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	11 Veteran's Day Apples for Education 7:00pm Veteran's Day Event – Anoka High School 9:48-10:33 am	12 Bar Bingo 6:30pm	13 SAL Dinner 5-7pm Bingo at Twin River 2:15pm	14	15 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	16 District Veteran's Celebration at Milaca 12:00pm
17 Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	18	19 H&E Mtg 7:00pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm	20 SAL Dinner 5-7pm	21 Great American Smoke out	22 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	23
24 Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	25	26 Exec Mtg 7:00pm Bar Bingo 6:30pm	27	28 Thanksgiving Post #102 Club Closed Happy Thanksgiving!	29 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	30

Post Commander's Comments

I want to personally thank the 43 individuals who came out to support our dinner fundraiser on Saturday, September 28 all funds will be used to finish paying for the parking lot replacement. In addition, I want to Thank All of the following businesses and individuals who contributed financially or in helping with the garage sale, or dinner. Without them our parking lot replacement would not have been possible:

Anoka Legion Post #102, Anoka Legion Gambling, Anoka Auxiliary, Anoka S.A.L., Anoka Legion Garage sale, Anoka Kiwanis, Anoka Lions, Coon Rapids Legion Post #334, Denny Young Properties, Old Tyme Threshers, PSD, R&D Electric, Vietnam Veterans of America, Gerald Abeln, Aaron Bahe, Tom & Nancy Blaska, Wayne & Ruby Budde, Dennis Cooper-Deb Kuehn, Jean Fields family, Paul Finnegan, Terry Haugen, Doug & Darlene Hookom, Terry Homberger, Rick Oelschlager, Bud & Betty Redepenning, Darrel & Donna Redepenning, David & Karin Small, Louis Steinke Family, Ray & Carol Turnquist, Ron Wolford.

Annual Veterans Day dinner will be held at our post on Saturday, November 9th. Ticket are \$20 and available at the Pull-Tab booth. On the menu this year is Chicken Parmesan.

Please don't forget the Annual Veteran's Day Ceremony at the Anoka High School. This is a great event put on by the school and if you have never been to one, you don't know what you are missing. This year's ceremony will be held on Monday, November 11, **NEW TIME from 9:48-10:33 am!** Please note the time change!

Our annual Wild Game Lunch will be held on Saturday, December 14 at Noon. Still could use some additional venison or other wild game for this event. To date I have 20 pheasants, 3 turkeys and 1 whole venison for the feed – need more!

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

In Memoriam

Name	Years of Membership	Org	Era	Branch	Date of Death	Name	Years of Membership	Org	Era	Branch	Date of Death
Gerald Gardinier	22 yr	#102	Vietnam	-	3/31/19	Milt Webster	11 yr	#102	Korea	-	5/19
Daryl E. Fields	7 yr	#102	Vietnam	USA	6/29/19	Thomas J. Knotz	35 yr	#102	Vietnam	-	8/3/19
David Conger	65 yr	#102	WWII	-	7/19	Harold T. Burley	63 yr	#102	Korea	-	10/8/19
Donald J. Davis	50 yr	#102	WWII	USA	10/1/19						

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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8 Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	9	10 Bar Bingo 6:30pm	11 SAL Dinner 5-7pm Bingo at Twin River 2:15pm	12	13 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	14 District Holiday Party at St. Louis Park 12:00pm Wild Game Dinner 12:00pm
15 Iraq War Declared Over 2011 Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	16	17 Bar Bingo 6:30pm	18 SAL Dinner 5-7pm	19	20 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	21
22 Winter Begins Chanukah Begins at Sunset Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	23 H&E Mtg 7:00pm	24 Christmas Eve Post #102 Club Closes 5:00pm	25 Christmas Day Post #102 Club Closed Merry Christmas!	26 First Day of Kwanzaa	27 Grill Cook 5-8pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm	28 Operation Enduring Freedom Ends 2014
29 Bar Bingo 4:00pm Post Breakfast 8-11:30am	30 Exec Mtg 7:00pm	31 News Year's Eve	1/1/2020 New Year's Day Member's Brunch & Past President's Bake Sale 9:00am			1/4/2020 Midwinter Conference 8:00am

Post Adjutant's Comments

A hearty welcome to the newest member of Anoka Post 102 US Navy Gulf War Veteran Dylan McMaster sponsored by Doug Hookom. We hope to see you at future meetings and join us in fellowship during other times of the week.

All should have received 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. 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 Ray Turnquist and the car show committee for another great summer for Wednesday car shows.

Our Post received a Certificate Award from National for supporting the National WWII Memorial.

Post Adjutant Gary Munkholm

Auxiliary President's Comments

By the time you receive this newspaper, several events will have occurred. Unit's Early Bird Dinner was held on Oct. 14. The silent auction raised funds for our scholarship and Legionville. Year pins were presented and initiation was held by the past Presidents.

Thank you's go to: Sandy A. – Membership Chairman and Early Bird Chairman; and Jan R. and Cathy N. for creating another wonderful dinner.

Halloween food sales are always busy. Thanks, Sue, for all your work setting this up. I know you always have coffee for anyone who drinks it (me). Riding in the Grand Day Parade on the American Legion Float is always an honor.

Fall Conference occurs at the same time as Halloween. Thank you, Donna, for attending.

We have many events occurring the next two months. If you would like to volunteer helping at these events, please join us. Info will be given at our next meeting.

Lynette Pavin, Auxiliary President