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## American Legion Post 102 – September/October Newsletter

American Legion Post 102 / Aux / SAL Calendar				September 2021		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 4:00pm Car Show & SAL Prime Rib Dinner	2 <b>V-J Day (Victory over Japan)</b>	3 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	4
5 4:00pm Bar Bingo	6 <b>Labor Day Rosh Hashanah Begins (at nightfall)</b>	7 6:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm General Meetings	8 <b>Rosh Hashanah Ends (at nightfall)</b> 7:00pm ALR Meeting	9 7:00pm Historical Committee	10 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	11 <b>Patriot Day</b>
12 4:00pm Bar Bingo	13	14 6:30pm Bar Bingo	15 <b>Yom Kippur Begins (at nightfall)</b> 5:00pm SAL Steak Dinner	16 <b>Yom Kippur Ends (at nightfall)</b>	17 <b>POW/MIA Day</b> 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	18 <b>USAF Birthday</b>
19 4:00pm Bar Bingo	20	21 6:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm H&E Meeting	22 <b>September Equinox</b>	23	24 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	25
26 4:00pm Bar Bingo	27	28 6:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm Executive Meeting	29	30		

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10 4:00pm Bar Bingo	11 <b>Columbus Day Boston Marathon</b>	12 6:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm Newsletter Meeting	13 <b>USN Birthday</b> 7:00pm ALR Meeting 7:00pm 'Early Bird' Dinner	14	15 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	16
17 4:00pm Bar Bingo	18 6:15pm - 8:45pm Halloween Bingo	19 6:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm H&E Meeting	20 5:00pm SAL Steak Dinner	21 Fall Conference in Mahnommen, MN (Hosted by Detroit Lakes Legion)	22 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo Fall Conference in Mahnommen, MN	23 7:00pm Halloween Night Parade Fall Conference in Mahnommen, MN
24 4:00pm Bar Bingo	25 6:15pm - 8:45pm Halloween Bingo	26 6:30pm Bar Bingo 7:00pm Executive Meeting	27 <b>Navy Day</b>	28	29 1:15pm kid's Parade 5:00pm Meat Raffle 7:00pm Bar Bingo	30 1:00pm Halloween Grand Parade
31 <b>Halloween</b> 8:00am-1:00pm Halloween Breakfast at Post 4:00pm Bar Bingo						

**We are Now Open 2pm -10pm, 7 days a week**

### CONGRATULATIONS MN CENTERSHOTS POST 102!!!

Allison Buessler, Minnesota Centershots Post 102 received the highest score in the Precision discipline for the State of Minnesota and is considered the State Champion in The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports National Postal Tournament. Team Minnesota Centershots Post 102 received the highest score in the Precision discipline for the State of Minnesota and is considered the Team State Champion in The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports National Postal Tournament.

#### **Chaplain's Corner**

Philippians 4:6 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Be brave in these days of trial, pray often and in earnest, and rest each evening with God's assurances of his safe keeping.

**God Bless - Post Chaplain - Edward B. Cutter Post #102**

<p>Please read the attached flier for the Anoka Veterans Memorial “<b>Walk of Honor</b>” Engraved Granite Paver Campaign in celebrating all who served our country  <a href="https://www.ci.anoka.mn.us/">https://www.ci.anoka.mn.us/</a></p>	<p>To help Post #102 save money on postage, please send your <b>new</b> email address to  <a href="http://www.anokalegion.org/">http://www.anokalegion.org/</a></p>	<p>Take advantage of your Veteran’s health benefits by registering on the VA’s HealthVet website at  <a href="https://militarybenefits.info/my-healthvet/">https://militarybenefits.info/my-healthvet/</a></p>	<p><b>Veteran’s Crisis Line</b>  <b>1 (800) 273-8255</b></p>
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**Historian Comments**

On August 25th, 1919 our American Legion Post #102 was chartered by the National Executive Committee of the American Legion with 22 founding members. Since then, our post has had periodic success in documenting its activities, with the last few years being poorly documented.

I’ve been asked to connect with the Historical Committee to resume the process of investigating, documenting, and archiving previous and current historical information and artifacts. I’ll be contacting the committee, but we need more members on this committee to get caught up with the task.

The first meeting for the historical committee is Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm. Since Tuesday Evenings are filled with other Post meetings, let’s have this committee meeting every month on the Thursday after our Tuesday General meetings.

**Bill Sutherland - Historian - Edward B. Cutter Post #102**

**Gambling manager, Rick Oelschlager, presented the following list of donations during the last 2 months which were approved by the General Membership:**

Legacy Scholarship Fund	\$400	VSO transportation funds	\$200	MN Revenue gambling tax	\$17,500
Community Band donation	\$400	Dept. Convention mileage	\$678	Assist needy Vets/Families	\$1,500
Legion Pheasant fund	\$100	Dept. Commanders Fund	\$100	US tax on wagering	\$3,000
District Commanders fund	\$100	Pull tab shredding	\$700	Emergency funds	\$500
City water and light costs	\$4,000	Center Point gas costs	\$2,500		

**SAL Wednesday Night dinners have returned 5:30pm - 7:00pm**

**The SAL will be serving twice a month - the 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month**

**The menu will include steak, chicken breast or shrimp, all will include baked potato, salad & bun**

**Adjutant’s Comments**

A hearty welcome to the newest members of Anoka Post 102 Stephan Stenzel sponsored by bartender Taylor and Gulf War veteran US Marine Chad Westring sponsored by Cliff Newman, and US Army Veteran David Vevea sponsored by Gary Munkholm We hope to see you at future meetings and join us in fellowship during other times of the week.

July 1st started a new fiscal year for the Legion and you will be receiving 2022 dues reminders until you renew your membership with Post. 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 Post and Auxiliary members who attended the annual Anoka County Fair flag rising on opening day.

Doug Hookom gave a report to the members on the Department Convention and the awards the Post received during the Convention. Frank Menter was called forward and presented a Meritorious Service award from the state as our Post Service Officer.

With the new eligibility dates passed by Congress just about all Veterans can join a Legion Post. This is a great opportunity for all of you to ask friends, neighbors, or relatives to join our Legion Post or one near them. Applications are at the bar if you need one.

**Gary Munkholm - Adjutant - Edward B. Cutter Post #102**

**Post Commander’s Comments**

I hope this finds everyone in good health and everyone had a great summer. We wrapped up the Department Convention in Morton, MN in July. We had great car shows in July and August. We invited State Patrol to join the car show in August and it was a big hit. People really enjoyed the helicopter visit. We have another car show planned for Wednesday, September 1st. Please come join us! We have our “Early Bird Dinner” on Wednesday, October 13th. Please remember to renew your membership. Thank you to everyone who has already renewed your membership. We also have Fall Conference, October 21-23rd in Mahanomen, MN. Please mark your calendars for these events. We are focusing on returning to ‘life at the Post prior to Covid’, as conditions warrant. We have brought back the meal after the general membership meeting for those who attend, we are re-starting the newsletter meetings and House and Entertainment has kicked back up. We will continue to look for ways to improve activity at the Post.

**Jared Sturgill - Commander - Edward B. Cutter Post #102**

**Auxiliary President’s Comments**

Wow, summer went by quickly! Where did it go? I hope everyone enjoyed the warm temps and sunny skies. I’ve been busy trying to get to know more of the wonderful people that make up our Auxiliary and learning as much as I can about it. In July, I attended the Department Convention in Morton and felt inspired by the outreach and assistance we accomplish in the Auxiliary. It reinforces with me the reasons we are needed in our communities. Coming up in Sept/Oct, we have our next meeting on Tuesday, September 7th. Fast approaching on October 8th-9th we have our Craft/Bake Sale. I believe we still have a few tables available so please reach out to Cathy Newman if you know anyone interested in a table at the Craft Sale. Our Early Bird dinner will be held on October 13th and finishing out the month, on Oct 21-23 we have Fall Conference in Mahanomen, MN. Please keep an eye on the calendar for any additional updates. I look forward to seeing you all!

**Cari Sturgill - Auxiliary President - Edward B. Cutter Post #102**

**SAL Commander’s Comments**

Greetings and salutations.

As your incoming Post 102 SAL Commander, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tony Arellano for his 4 years of dedicated service as your SAL commander. Thank you, Tony for a job well done, under very difficult times. I hope to carry on with the rich traditions and principles for which this Post was founded on: Patriotism Community, helpfulness, and giving back for the betterment of society. As your SAL Commander, I will strive to carry on with those rich traditions.

As most know, our SAL sponsored Wednesday Night Steak Fry Dinners are one of those rich traditions that we have offered here at the Post for over 35 years! Please join us on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month for a delicious meal, serving 5:30-7:00pm. Your support of this “all volunteer” fundraising effort is vital to our success as an active SAL Squadron. ALL proceeds go back into the community, or one of our Legion family initiatives. Please join us for a great meal and fellowship.

Have a safe Fall season, and keep the Faith!

**Patrick “Chunk” Vevea - SAL Commander - Edward B. Cutter Post #102**