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2015 State Fair Legion Booth - 10th District Day

The following Edward B. Cutter Post 102 Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL members manned the Legion Booth for 10th District Day at the Minnesota State Fair. (standing) L>R: SAL NECman, Allen Amundson; SAL Squadron 102 Cmdr., Tim Dahlheimer; Unit 102 Pres., Cathy Newman, Past Post 102 Cmdr., Cliff Newman; Past 10th District Pres., Sandy Phillips.
(seated- from Coon Rapids Post): Past SAL Nat'l Vice Cmdr., Dennis Blue and Past 10th District Pres., Laura Blue.
(Not pictured): Past Post 102 Cmdr., Fadi Awaijane and Post 102 member Howie Jewell.

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Adjutant's Notes

by Gary Munkholm

A hearty welcome to the newest member of Anoka Post 102, Ron Klar sponsored by Sam Orr. We hope to see you at future meetings and join us in fellowship during other times of the week.

Last month's General Membership meeting voted to start General Membership meetings at 7 pm from now on.

If you haven't noticed, the club voted to spend up to $1,000 to replace the missing plastic light covers in our ceiling fixtures. As they get older they get brittle and break when replacing bulbs.

A reminder that you can pay your dues online via the National Legion website, mail them in, or just drop them off with the bartender. Don't let your reminder notice for this years dues go unnoticed. Get your dues in and qualify for the free Early Bird dinner on October 15.

Many thanks to Cliff Newman and Dan Soland for replacing the counter-top in the upstairs ladies bathroom by the Commanders Hall. They hope to have the mens counter-tops replaced before the Halloween parade.
Many thanks to Frank Menter for making 25 new flagpoles for our Memorial Day flag display along Main Street.

Last month the General Membership voted to close the club Monday nights at 7 pm after football season, and return to regular hours the first Monday in April. This is a cost effective measure because of the low attendance at the club on Monday nights.

Gambling manager, Paul Adler, presented the following list of donations for last month, which were approved by the General Membership:

a.	Anoka Halloween sponsor donation	$500
b.	Donation for VSO transportation costs	$200
c.	Coloring books for elementary schools	$250
d.	Donation to Anoka Middle School Special Ed	$200
e.	Donation to River Trail Learning Center	$200
f.	McDonough K-9 Dog Training for Vets	$200
g.	Water and Light costs	$1,900
h.	Natural gas costs	$200
i.	U.S. Treasury for tax on wagering	$300
j.	Assist needy Veterans & Families	$1,500
k.	Emergency Money	$500

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Waterfowl for Warriors...2015

Waterfowl for Warriors is simple. It's a nice way to say thank you to our Nation's heroes by providing them an opportunity to enjoy the outdoors.
WHERE: Anoka Nature Preserve- Along the beautiful Rum River NW of Bunker Lake Blvd & 7th Ave NW in Anoka.
WHEN: Sep 5th & 17th for early goose season and Oct 10th & 24th for regular season. Hunting is from 1/2 hour before sunrise till noon.
WHO: Veterans will be the hunters. Volunteers will provide everything needed to create memories of a quality hunt. Volunteers are needed and welcome. To Register for a hunt or more information, please contact: Scott Wahl at 763-300-5306 or swahl551@comcast.net .

IN OCTOBER

Every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
Grill Open 5:00 – 8:30 pm

TUESDAYS

1/4 lb. Burger Basket – $6.00

THURSDAYS

BBQ Ribs ~ Texas Toast ~ Cole Slaw ~ Potato
Full Rack $15.00 Half Rack $13.00

FRIDAYS

2nd - Taco Salad - $8.50

9th - Italian Meatball Sandwich
~ w/Fries, Tots or Coleslaw - $9.00

16th - Roast Turkey, Sage Stuffing
~ w/Mashed Potato, Gravy, Veg, Roll, Butter - $10.00

23rd - Chili Dog ~ w/Fries or Tots - $7.00

30th - Bleu Cheese Burger
~ w/Fries, Tots or Coleslaw - $8.50

Tax included on all the above.
CATERING CENTRAL

POST HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT

Call Frank Menter 763-237-4375 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.

PLEASE NOTE

The ONLINE edition may contain additional articles.

Commander Ray Turnquist

As autumn is fast approaching and summer is fading away, I want to thank everyone that has made this a great year so far.

From the bathrooms, to the new light covers, to the new TV monitors, to the outdoor grounds- the club is looking GREAT (just in time for Halloween). A big thank you to everyone. Without your constant help this would not have been possible. I am proud of this Club and all of our great members. Keep up the good work!

Please support the Wednesday night SAL dinners. They work so hard to put on a great meal.

Welcome to our new members. If you have any ideas on something you would like to see in the club, please let us know.

Don't forget that our next general membership meeting will be a joint meeting with the Auxillary. We will be honoring the Boys and Girls staters starting at 7 pm. Also, remember our Early Bird dinner on Oct 15th.

God bless America, Commander Ray

S.A.L. Commander Tim Dahlheimer

If you haven't heard, the SAL team is again serving "hot commercial sandwiches", which includes your choice of meatloaf or turkey, complete with mashed potato's and gravy, on Saturday afternoons from 1:00-3:30pm. The cost is only $6.00 and we have been receiving "rave" reviews. Stop in on Saturday and enjoy this great meal. You won't be disappointed. A special thanks to "little" Al Amundson for spearheading this project.

With the Fall season arriving quickly, we are looking ahead to another big Anoka Halloween season full of fun and frolic! As you know, the Legion is "Ground Zero" for the Grand-Day Parade as well as many other community events throughout the week. This year the big Parade is slated for Saturday, October 31st. I would like to remind all SAL members that you, and your families, are more than welcome to participate in the Parade and ride on our SAL float. It's a great way to represent our Squadron and get a "birds-eye" view of all the action along the Parade route. Just let us know and we will accommodate you. A special thanks to Tony and Sandy for providing, and decorating, their pontoon boat for this great event.

The Wednesday night steak fry continues to be our primary fundraiser for the SAL. Your support and attendance is very important to us. Please join us on Wednesday's from 5:30-7:00pm.

Until then, have a safe and joyful Fall season!

Legionville ~ *Annual Rallies and Camporee*

The annual Legionville Camporee was Sept. 10th thru the 13th and had a very busy agenda this year. Once again the Department of Minnesota decided to have the annual Harvest Rally & Dinner at Legionville along with a dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony of the new Training Center (aka new Barn). Also the 10th District had their annual membership Rally and the 6th District had their annual Fish Fry all on Saturday the 12th. The night before was the 10th Districts annual pig roast, so eating was very good this year!

The renovation of Legionville is nearly complete even with the setback of having a major storm hit the facility earlier this summer. There are still hundreds of trees down in the area but it was remarkable how much cleanup has taken place with all the volunteers coming forward to lend a hand. Even the annual deer hunt for Disabled Veterans is back on, thanks to the efforts of everyone and their chainsaws. Now that the new barn is complete, the outdoor landscaping and commemorative bricks and pavers are being placed, with the Anoka Post 102 family well represented.

The annual camporee is always the weekend after Labor Day, usually the weather is still nice, it is always a great time and is the official kick-off to the new Legion year. All the Legion Family is welcome to attend, hope to see you next year!!

Darrel Redepenning

President's Column

Cathy Newman

Welcome back to all the Auxiliary Members,

We had our first meeting last week and getting things going on the calendar already. Our Unit mailings did not come to me before the meeting. The National Convention keeps everyone at Department busy. It's over now so we can get back on track. When I get the reports, I will get them to you.

One of our members, Ashley Swanson, had her Baby August 11th, 2015. It was 6 weeks early. Congratulations to Her. I'm sure a good Junior coming up.

Our Early Bird Dinner is on Oct. 12th. Look for the article in this paper and check your calendar. We are planning on having a Sewing Bee on November 17th at 1:00pm. Every one is welcome to come and help, you don't need to know how to sew! We will find you a job to do to help us out. More neck pillows are going out to the Mpls VA Hospital tomorrow, but more are needed. The Elvis Experience is on the calender for Dec. 5th, more later.

Mark your calendar for the Anoka Halloween Night Parade on October 24, 2015. Also the Grand Day Parade on October 31st, 2015. That's about it for now. See you at our next meeting and the Auxiliary Early Bird Dinner. Check the calendar on the back of this newsletter for more things coming up.

God Bless Our Troops.
Cathy Newman, Auxiliary Unit 102 President

Auxiliary Early Bird Dinner

(Open to all members, Senior and Junior, who have paid their 2015-2016 membership dues!)

Monday, October 12, 2015
Legion Post Upper Hall
Social starts at 6:00pm and dinner at 6:30pm.

Festivities will include a free Spaghetti and Meatball dinner, initiation of new (or previously uninitiated) members, presentation of years of continuous membership pins and a silent auction.

Please bring an item or items for the silent auction that anyone would be delighted to have. This can include homemade crafts or goodies, collectibles, seasonal or patriotic items. The first $250 of the proceeds from the auction will be used for the Netha Feist Scholarship Fund. The remainder will go into our own Unit Member Emergency Fund. Please bring your "treasures" early so they can be marked and displayed to give everyone a chance to bid.

Please make your reservations by **October 6th** by calling Sue Nunnelee, 763-370-8524 or Jan Reiter, 763-427-3733 or by signing up at the Unit meeting or pull tab booth at the Post. Remember, this dinner is for members who have paid their 2015-16 membership dues. If necessary, you may bring those dues with you and pay at the dinner, but please remember to make a reservation.

This is a great night to get together with your fellow Auxiliary members. We hope to see many of you there!!!

Sue Nunnelee

2016 Auxiliary Membership

All members will receive their dues notices from National soon after September 15 - PLEASE - handle this as your Auxiliary bill - payable in 30 days!

Continuous member pins will go to:
60 years - Debra (Feist) Brantingham;
55 years - MaryLou (Craig) Sage;
50 years - Nancy Bever, Virginia Kloos, Barb Ridge;
45 years - Mary Blue, Carol Schafer;
40 years - Rita Burgeson, Linda Fenwick, Carla Turnbom;
35 years - Beth Gohman, Linda Johnson, Lori Schwanbeck (Visneski's), Karin Small, Dolores Vevea;
30 years - Julie Bever, Judy Lish, Vicki Odegard, Kelli Toikka (Bever's), Harriet Ridge;
25 years - Carol Sundeen, Renee Johnson, Diane Lovejoy, Pat Nutter;
20 years - Barb Boudouris, Lynn Casper, Cyndi & Hannah (Campbell) Droogsma, Alicia Hathaway, Lynette Pavin, Dixie Taylor, Ashley (Bever) Toikka.

Hopefully, many will be able to attend our Early Bird Dinner, Monday, October 12. Reservations **MUST BE MADE** by October 6!!

AND AGAIN, members may donate to our Unit 'Special Members Fund'; to help in paying dues for those unable to afford their ALA membership - Thank You!

(Past President Parley dues are still $3.00)

Betty Erickson, Chairman

SEWING BEE

Anyone can help make neck pillows for the VA

Tuesday, NOV 17 - 1PM

Any ??, call Jan at 427-3733

Jan's Jottings

by Jan Reiter

The regular meeting of Edward B. Cutter American Legion Auxiliary was held on Tuesday, September 1, 2015. The June 2, 2015 meeting minutes were approved with corrections. The regular Auxiliary meeting was opened by President Cathy Newman with a prayer, pledge, preamble and song. Cathy read her chairman list and a motion was made to approve her slate of chairmen. Seconded and carried. Guests were Jennifer Gates and Anne Larson. Cathy noted that our member, Ashley Swanson, had a baby girl, named Adeline, on August 11. Congratulations!

Balance on Hand:	$14638.43	Poppy Fund	$ 6167.13
General Fund	$ 6725.49	Savings	$ 367.39
Past President's	$ 623.84	Funeral Fund	$ 742.67
Certificate	$2678.46	Aux. Emergency Fund	$ 330.10
Special Fund	$ 49.20		

Treasurer's Report by Jeanene Hays was read and placed on file for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Americanism: Diane Wolford made a motion to send the Americanism box around for those that were not wearing their Auxiliary pins; they have to put in $.50. Seconded and carried. Jan Reiter made a motion to donate a flag to the Girl Scout troops. Seconded and carried.

Education: Kathy Zwerdling read some thank you cards from the students that received scholarships from our unit.

Finance: The proposed budget was discussed, and changes were made to take Eagle's nest off of the Poppy List and change Veterans Rest Camp at Forest Lake and Ely to $75 a piece and to take off Scrapbook for $100. Karen Orr presented the proposed budget and made a motion to have it approved as amended. Seconded and carried.

Fund Raising: Sandy Phillips reported we will be having another Elvis Experience on December 5 with a Silent Auction and a dinner. A motion was made to have a Spring Craft/Bake Sale on March 18 & 19. Seconded and carried.

Girls State: Kathy reported next month will be a joint meeting with the Girls and Boy Staters reporting about their time at Girl and Boy Staters. She read some thank you cards from the students that went to Girls State from our unit.

Leadership: Jan Reiter has notebooks, for those chairmen that would like them, to keep track of what happens during the year, to have for the reports in April.

Membership: Betty Erickson stated we are starting a new year and our new goal is 381, 2 more than last year. Betty will be handing out continuous pins at the Early Bird Dinner and she would like you to reserve a spot for the dinner but you can pay your dues that evening. She is asking members to donate to the Units Special Member Fund. Any amount will help to pay the dues. This is for our own members, please help. When you receive your dues notice sometime this month-please send your check ASAP, before you put it down and forget it. It is due by October 12, Early Bird Dinner.

Past Presidents: Past Presidents meeting will be September 29, 7:00 pm at the Post.

Poppy: We are in need of a chairman or several chairmen to share the job...

Standing Rules: Sandy Phillips handed out a copy of the approved Standing Rules from our June meeting.

VA&R: Cathy Newman stated that Karen Orr and a friend made 72 neck pillows this summer and Cathy delivered them to the hospital and they are still in need of more of these pillows. The Past President's will try to schedule a sewing bee in November to make more of these.

Veteran for Service: The auxiliary collects commemorative, express mail, foreign and air mail stamps, picture postcards and S&H stamps. Remember to keep track of your hours of home service you do. Bingo will be September 9, 2:15 pm, at Golden Living Care Center.

Communications: Thank you cards from the Bendix family, Koenig family, Mary Ann Davis, Ann Pollard (Eagles Healing Nest)

Bills: $38.85 to Kathy Zwerdling for copier toner.
A motion was made to pay these bills. Seconded and carried.

Unfinished Business:. None

New Business: A motion was made to have the Early Bird Dinner on Oct 12, with cutoff Oct. 6, and to have initiation, presentation of pins and a silent auction, with the Auction money ($250) going toward the Neitha Feist Scholarship and the remainder going to the Unit Emergency Fund. Seconded and carried. Sue Nunnelee said social at 6pm, set up at 4pm and we will have a spaghetti dinner with dessert. Cathy reported we won 4 plagues and 11 certificates at Department Convention. They were Sue Nunnelee for Junior, Sandy Phillips and Jan Reiter for Past Presidents, Darlene Thell for Public Relations and Barb Ridge, Legislation and Liz Ablin for Aux Emerg Fund went on to National. Also the MN Riders donated $103,000 to the The American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund. Fall Conference will be at Pequot Lake on October 23-24, Veteran's Day Celebration will be November 7 and Mid-Winter at Anoka will be January 16, 2016.

Lunch served by Sandy Phillips and Jan Reiter
Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.
Secretary: Jan Reiter

Joint Legion - Auxiliary- SAL Meeting

Please join us at the October 6th joint meeting to hear the Boy & Girl Staters speak about their experiences at Boys and Girls State. These students have a lot of information to share with us, so plan on attending at 7:00 p.m. The membership meetings will resume following the students speaking.

Kathy Zwerdling, Girls State Chairman

ELVIS EXPERIENCE

again coming to Post 102

December 5, 2015

Tickets go on sale Oct 15

(at Post 102 Pull-Tab Booth)

EVERY WEDNESDAY - SAL DINNERS
5:30-7:00pm

October 2015

Fall Conference - Pequot Lakes
October 23-24

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1st Friday each month Red Cross Bloodmobile at Post 7AM - 1PM	*FLAG DAYS* 3 - [HS] 12 -[FS]			Every Tue., Thur. & Fri. Grill Open 5:00-8:30 pm - Menu Pg 2 EVERY Thursday "RON'S RIBS" 1	Meat Raffle 5:30pm *Bar Bingo 7:00pm 2	*Firefighters* *Memorial Day* *Dept Membership Training* Clearwater 3
Club Open 12-10 *Bar Bingo 4:00pm 4	Legion Bingo 'Golden Living' 7:00 pm 5	Joint General Membership Mtg. Post, Aux, SAL 7:00pm Separate Mtgs. follow *Bar Bingo 6:30pm 6	*SAL Wed Dinner* 5:30-7pm *'Prime Rib'* $13.00 7	8	Meat Raffle 5:30pm *Bar Bingo 7:00pm 9	10
Club Open 12-10 *Bar Bingo 4:00pm 11	*Columbus Day* Auxiliary *'Early Bird' Dinner* Post History Mtg. 7:00pm 12	*1775 US Navy Established* Newspaper Mtg. 7:00pm 13	*Movie Night & Dinner* - 6:30pm Anoka Legion *SAL Wed Dinner* 5:30-7pm 14	Post/SAL/ALR *'Early Bird' Dinner* 15	Meat Raffle 5:30pm *Bar Bingo 7:00pm 16	*Every Saturday* SAL *'HOT COMMERCIALS'* 1-3:30pm - $6.00 Meatloaf or Turkey 17
10th District Rally Anoka Club Open 12-10 *Bar Bingo 4:00pm 18	*Halloween Bingo* Anoka Legion 6:30-9:30pm 19	*Bar Bingo 6:30pm House & Ent. Mtg. 7:00pm 20	*SAL Wed Dinner* *5:30-7pm* ALR Mtg. 7:00pm 21	22	*Fall Conference* - Oct 23-24 Pequot Lakes Meat Raffle 5:30pm *Bar Bingo 7:00pm 23	*Light Up the Night Parade* - 7:00pm 24
Club Open 12-10 *Bar Bingo 4:00pm 25	*Halloween Bingo* Anoka Legion 6:30-9:30pm 26	*Navy Day* *Bar Bingo 6:30pm Executive Board Mtg. 7:00pm 27	*SAL Wed Dinner* *5:30-7pm* 28	29	*Kid's Parade* 1:15pm Meat Raffle 5:30pm *Bar Bingo 7:00pm 30	*Halloween* Anoka *Gray Ghost 5K Run* - 12:50pm *Grand Day Parade* 1:00pm 31

STEAK - $10 | CHICKEN/FISH/SHRIMP - $9 | STEAK+SHRIMP - $13 | WALLEYE - $12

COMING IN NOVEMBER

07 Post 102 Veterans Day Dinner - Anoka
11 *Veterans Day*
14 10th District Rally - Mound
17 Unit 102 Sewing Bee - Anoka
26 *Thanksgiving Day*

EVERY SATURDAY
SAL *'HOT COMMERCIALS'* 1-3:30pm - $6.00
'MEATLOAF' or 'TURKEY'