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### COMMANDER'S CORNER

*Brian Krosch Commander*

Hello Legion Family.

It has been a very challenging year with the virus forcing us to close reopen and close again.

I just want to say first of all Happy New Year! Hopefully 2021 it is a lot better than 2020 but then again anything would be better than 2020. But anyways, you should know the post is closed until the governor says we can reopen again so as of now no bingo or any activities. We are serving meals on Saturday's they are posted in your newsletter. I want to take the time for thanking the volunteers for all the hard work they are doing a great job helping Post 132 so thank you all so much you know who you are. I hope and pray everyone is safe and sound. Tina myself and our son had covid, not a fun thing to

go thru and I know a lot of our members also have had it. I pray you all get well and stay well.

There really is not a lot to put in here this time around except that the floor on the bar side is going to be happen soon so there will be a new floor there unsure when the project will start but soon. Also we are going to keep having Executive Board meetings every month unless it's just too unsafe. So just a reminder no Legion meeting or any Legion Family member meetings are taking place just the Executive board for the Legion so have a Happy New Year. I hope you get to be with family and friends. be safe. Hope see you all soon. Take care, be safe and be healthy.

**CLUBROOM HAPPENINGS** - Denise Palmer  
Greetings from The Club! Club activities are suspended until we can be open again, safely.

Stay Safe!

Pay attention 101996572 to local media and Facebook for updates.

**Membership Services—Roger Hoffmann**

I have 495 paid members of our goal of 535. That's 93%. 25 of them are new members. There are 44 members that haven't paid yet. It would be nice if everybody would have their dues paid by Dec.31st.

Thank you.

Roger

*Newsletter deadline is the 18th of each month. Get information to Vida Bacon by that date for the following month. Bring your article to the club, or e-mail it to [vbpic@newulmtel.net](mailto:vbpic@newulmtel.net)*

**Membership number for January**

Find the winning membership number somewhere in the newsletter. If the number matches yours, a pair of Pork Chop dinners can be yours, if you claim your prize between January 1&20.

*Because we will not be able to hold our usual Memorial Service this month, we have included a list of the Legion Family members who we remember from 2020.*

**Taps, 2020**

Deceased members for 2020

Legion:

- 1) Bruce A Pfaff 75, Born Sept. 30th, 1944. Died Jan. 14th, 2020. 37 cont. yrs.
- 2) Earl Kurtzweg 88, born Sept 24th, 1931. Died Jan. 25th, 2020. 50 cont. yrs. Honorary life.
- 3) Michael H. Grausam 74, born Jan. 4th, 1946. Died Feb. 20th, 2020. 24 cont. yrs.
- 4) Vernon A. Mack 98, born Dec. 11th, 1921. Died Feb. 27th, 2020. 33 cont. yrs.
- 5) Howard G. Olson 87, born Jan. 5th, 1933. Died March 14th, 2020. 27 cont. yrs.
- 6) Walter "Wally" Zobel 70, born April 11th, 1949. Died April 2nd, 2020. 29 cont. yrs.
- 7) Frank H. Hoffmann Jr. 85, born May 11th, 1934. Died April 5th, 2020. 38 cont. yrs.
- 8) Donald F. Portner 92, born July 14, 1927. Died April 12th, 2020. 19 cont. yrs.
- 9) LeRoy F. Kramer 89, born Dec. 25th, 1930. Died April 20th, 2020. 21 cont. yrs.
- 10) Dennis A Franta 81, born Oct. 9th, 1938. Died May 30th, 2020. 19 cont. yrs.
- 11) Lowell R. Mathiowetz 72, born Nov. 5th, 1947. Died Aug. 30th, 2020. 5 cont. yrs.
- 12) Joseph L. Platz "Joe" 87, born Oct. 22nd, 1932. Died Sept. 8th, 2020. 47 cont. yrs. Honorary life member.
- 13) Arthur R. Fox 93, born June 15th, 1927. Died Sept. 9th, 2020. 23 cont. yrs. Honorary life member.
- 14) Eldor Ed. Schlumpberger 90, born Sept. 20th, 1929. Died Sept. 14th, 2020. 31 cont. yrs. Honorary life member.
- 15) George L. Glotzbach 89, born August 4th, 1931. Died Sept. 15th, 2020. 17 cont. yrs.
- 16) Carl Enck 70, born November 22, 1949. Died October 16, 2020
- 17) Robert Brand 89, born November 24, 1930. Died October 16, 2020
- 18) Leo Wilfahrt 94, born April 24, 1926. Died October 31, 2020
- 19) Richard Roesch 93, born May 18, 1927. Died November 2, 2020
- 20) Roger Julien 85, born September 10, 1935. Died November 24, 2020
- 21) Leo J. Sturm 87, born March 28, 1933. Died November 28, 2020

Auxiliary:

- Eleanor Marti 98, Born March 31, 1921. Died March 2, 2020  
Janet Dempsey 92, Born February 15, 1928. Died April 7, 2020  
Shirley Jorgenson 90, Born June 9, 1929. Died April 22, 2020  
Joyce Drexler 84, Born September 29, 1935. Died June 5, 2020

Sons of the American Legion:

Jess Roiger 66, Born November 5, 1954. Died November 11, 2020

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## AUXILIARY NOTES - Vida Bacon - Unit #132 President

Unit 132 will not be meeting until our American Legion Club is able to reopen safely. Commander Brian and the Legion Executive Board will be meeting regularly and will keep us updated through local media and 'social-media'.

Your donations to the 'bake-less' bake sale have been received and you have responded in a tremendous way. The American Legion Auxiliary's programs are so very important to our veterans, active duty military and their families. Thank You, for your generous donations. Every donation helps, no matter how large or small.

Please keep the families of Post 132 in your prayers as we continue to deal with covid-19.

## BR. CO. VETERAN'S SERVICE NEWS —

Greg Peterson Brown County Courthouse 507-233-6636

**Rx Copayments for Vets Health Care.** As the pandemic job toll began to impact many Americans in the late spring of 2020 the VA Medical Centers (nation-wide) stopped billing for Rx medications. They will resume billing in January, and many Veterans will get a bill that has little to no explanation what it is for. If you cannot pay your bill, please see your County Veterans Service Officer who can help set up a payment plan, or request a waiver of the debt.

**Urgent Care & Emergency Room Visits** are now authorized for any Veteran who is enrolled in VA Health Care, and they can go for any reason. However, you must notify the VA of any such visit no later than 72 hours after. You must call this number: 844-724-7842 and be prepared to give our: name, SSN, date of birth, address, date at E/R, Admitted & Release dates, Chief complaint or diagnosis. This will ensure that the VA pays your bill.

**Widows who receive Dependency & Indemnity Compensation or DIC** and their military member was Retired from Service, and that military member participated in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) is now able to get both the DIC and SBP payments from the branch of service. Widows have been getting letters from the branch of service informing them of this change. The payments will be phased-in over a 3-year period at which time the widow will get full SBP and full DIC.

**Agent Orange.** The National Defense Authorization Act of 2020 was passed by Congress and is awaiting the President's signature. When signed 3 new Agent Orange diseases will be added: Bladder Cancer, Hypothyroidism, and Parkinsonism. If a Veteran has any of these, please come to submit an Intent To File at once, do not delay! Bring medical records proving a current or past diagnosis and treatment of these conditions. Widows, if your Veteran died from any of these conditions, come right away to submit your Intent to File. Once signed we will submit the claim for Veterans Compensation or Widows DIC. Adult children up to the age of 61 can use Minnesota GI Bill benefits if their parent has died from a Service Connected condition. See John or Greg to find out more.

Are you new to New Ulm? Come see us at the Courthouse and find out about your benefits.

Greg & John • 233-6636

2020--2021  
POST 132

### OFFICERS and CHAIRMEN POST OFFICERS

Commander..... Brian Krosch  
1st Vice Commander..... Roger Hoffmann  
2nd Vice Commander..... Ron Wendinger  
Adjutant..... Kim Williams  
Finance Officer..... David Janni  
Chaplain..... Bert Marth-Wohfeil  
Executive Board Members..... Sam Arsens  
David Hoffmann  
Jon Gohr • John Fritsche

### POST CHAIRMEN

Service Officer..... Andrew Achman  
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Sergeant-at-Arms..... John Fritsche  
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Color Guard..... Lester Wiltscheck  
Legion Riders..... Tim Nelson  
Baseball Chairman..... John Fischer  
Baseball Team Manager..... Kevin Fischer  
Club Manager..... Denise Palmer

### 2019-2020 AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President..... Vida Bacon  
1st Vice.....  
2nd Vice.....  
Treasurer..... Vickie Lowrie  
Secretary & Historian..... Vickie Lowrie  
Chaplain..... Tina Krosch  
Sgt.-at-Arms..... Rosie Kunz  
Exec. Committee.....

Brown Co. Vet. Serv. Officer..... Greg Peterson

### 2nd DISTRICT OFFICERS

Commander..... Brad Pagel  
Auxiliary President..... Robin Olson  
S.A.L. Commander..... Russel Lietzke

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