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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Brian Gramentz, Commander

I stopped down to the Legion today, and the Comrades of Valor were getting ready for a funeral. It reminded me of the many members of the Legion family that work to support the programs we have that assist veteran's, their family, and the community. A lot of time goes into preparation, the event and then the clean-up afterwards. A big "Thank you" to our dedicated volunteers for all their efforts!

Fun quiz: How long did the 100-years war between France and England last? (Answer below)

I also want to thank Thomas Ulrich for repairing the two Broaster baskets! The baskets have been heated up/cooled down many times, repaired once and now needed additional repair. The kitchen paid for the metal and Tom donated his labor. The Broasters are back up and running just in time for Pork Chops on October 30, from 5-7 pm. That is called a shameless plug...

Steve Fosness, District 2 Commander has identified the Believet Canine Service Partners project (www.believet.org) and funding goal of \$30,000 for the upcoming 2021-2022 year. This program provides highly skilled service dogs, free of charge, to disabled veterans. He has asked for financial donations from the 81 Posts/Aux./SAL found within in District 2.

Reminder: The Legion has a container by the back door to collect unserviceable American Flags. We will inspect and prepare for dignified disposal as the American Legion flag ceremony dictates. (Answer: 116 years)

Veteran's Day is fast approaching and that means the countdown to Christmas will start. We will have a busy 60 days coming up! Be safe and enjoy a stress-less holiday season!

Brian Gramentz, Commander

CLUBROOM HAPPENINGS - Abby Dubois

Autumn days are here again! What a great time of year! We are looking forward to a great November, here at The Club. Veteran's Day, we will serve SOS for breakfast, as usual. The Early Bird Lunch was rescheduled for the 14th. We are hosting a Holiday Shopping Expo on the 20th. The Auxiliary will be hosting Education Appreciation nights and a Veteran's lunch. Karaoke is still making people rockstars for 3-4 minutes at a time. And.....Let's not forget THANKS-GIVING!

The Dining Room, Lambrecht Room, and Legion Meeting Room are all available to rent for your special event. Let us know how we can accommodate you.

If you know any vendors interested in booking a table for the Holiday Shopping Expo, they can call us and ask a bartender, or watch for the registration information in our media outlets.

I would like to remind everyone, the Early Bird Lunch is free for members. Spouses/family/friends who are not members, are welcome for only \$5. Sign up by calling or stopping in, so we know how many to serve.

Please check the media for updates and details. Our active Facebook page is New Ulm Legion. We also have ads on KNUJ, in The Journal, and will start in The Shopper. Happy Days, All! See you soon!

S.A.L NEWS S.A.L Squadron #132, Scott Ries, Commander
Greetings New Ulm Legion Family!

As I type this article, we are approaching our major event of the year that is organized by our New Ulm Sons of American Legion....The Halloween Community Treat Night.

Lots of preparation has gone into the event, bagging was held on Oct. 24th, and a Walk Through event was held as planned on the 31st. In our next article we will be able to list many of the volunteers from the entire Legion family that gave us a hand in making this happen.

Dues have been sent out by Don Grams. Many have sent in payment, and we encourage all others to send in payments soon. And also, we encourage the entire Legion family to extend SAL memberships to friends and relatives! Your SAL just hit its 50th birthday and is proud to sponsor Halloween treat night, Flag Etiquette to all 7th graders in New Ulm...and to other groups, along with supporting many other Legion functions...like Color Guard, Comrades of Valor, Fish Fry, and more.

Our meetings are the 2nd Monday of the month at 7 pm at the Legion. Come and join us.

SAL--we stand for the Flag and Patriotism

Commander Scot Ries

Membership Services—Roger Hoffmann

There were 13 people for 2021 that didn't pay their dues. Had they done so, we would have made over our quota of 535 by 2 members. If everybody would try to get 1 Veteran to join, we would double our membership.

You can pay your American Legion Auxiliary dues for 2021-2022 anytime. Senior dues for Unit 132 are \$30.00 and Junior dues are \$8.00. Checks should be made out to ALA Unit 132 and can be sent to:

Lynae Flatau
1724 Southridge Rd
New Ulm MN 56073

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@newulmtnet.net

Membership number for November Find the winning membership number somewhere in the newsletter.

If the number matches yours, a pair of Pork Chop dinners can be yours can be yours, if you claim your prize between November 1&20.

AUXILIARY NOTES - Karhy Hempel - Unit #132 President

Everyone that comes to a meeting or volunteer for events that the auxiliary does will have their name put in a box and at our April meeting we will have a drawing for a free meal at the legion. Also if you bring a new member or bring a member back will also have their name put in the box. The legion will be having a craft fair on November 20th. If you want to have a table contact Abbie at the legion. The auxiliary will be having their holiday fair the first Saturday in December. More information will be in our next newsletter. Next meeting will be November 8 Hope to see you there.

BR. CO. VETERAN'S SERVICE NEWS —

Greg Peterson Brown County Courthouse 507-233-6636

VA's Debt Management Center resumed sending debt notification letters on October 1, 2021. If you owe money to VA for an overpayment related to VBA benefits, here is what you need to know.

VA automatically deferred collection on VBA benefit debts created on or after April 6, 2020, through September 30, 2021, to provide relief from the COVID-19 pandemic. Benefit debts created prior to April 6, 2020, had collection deferred upon request. VA also paused all collection activity on debts under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of the Treasury until September 30, 2021.

Most VBA benefit debts are collected by the VA Debt Management Center (DMC). This includes debts for benefits, like compensation, pension and education. If VBA created a debt for you while collection was deferred, you likely received informational letters from DMC letting you know your debt existed, but you didn't need to act until after September 30 unless you chose to do so.

If you cannot repay your debt, please visit with your CVSO to request a waiver. Or, if you would prefer to make payments that are withheld from your disability compensation check, again contact your CVSO who has a speed dial line with the Debt Management Center in St. Paul. CVSOs are specially trained to help you reduce or eliminate your VA debts.

Contact numbers of your CVSOs:

Greg Peterson: 507-233-6637
John Schotzko: 507-233-6636

*If you hear of someone not getting their newsletter, please have them contact me at: vbpic@newulmtel.net
I can't make corrections if I don't know they need to be made.*

- 2021--2022
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- 2021-2022 AUXILIARY OFFICERS**
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Brown Co. Vet. Serv. Officer..... Greg Peterson

- 2nd DISTRICT OFFICERS**
- Commander..... Steve Fosness
 - Auxiliary President..... Tricia Pagel
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	1 Club Closed	2 Burgers, Chicken or Fish 5-7pm	3	4 Meal w/Dessert 5-7 pm Bingo 7 pm	5	6 Broasted Chicken 5-7 pm
7 Breakfast Buffet 10am-1pm	8 Club Closed Post. Unit, Squadron Meeting 7 pm	9 Burgers, Chicken or Fish 5-7 pm Riders Mtg. 6:30 pm	10 VFW Meeting 7 pm	11 Happy Veteran's Day Luncheon-Noon Meal w/Dessert 5-7 pm Bingo 7 pm	12	13 MADE RIGHTS 10-1 or until gone. Karaoke 7-11 pm
14 Early Bird Lunch 12-2 pm	15 Club Closed	16 Burgers, Chicken or Fish 5-7pm	17	18 Meal w/Dessert 5-7 pm Bingo 7 pm	19	20 Holiday Shopping Expo 8 am-3 pm Beef Commercials 5-7 pm
21 Breakfast Buffet 10am-1pm	22 Club Closed	23 Burgers, Chicken or Fish 5-7pm	24	25 HAPPY THANKSGIVING Club Closed	26 Karaoke 7-11 pm	27 Broasted Pork Chop 5-7 pm
28 Club Closed	29 Club Closed	30 Burgers, Chicken or Fish 5-7pm	1 DECEMBER	2	3	4 Broasted Chicken 5-7 pm


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