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Commander's Report



Greetings Legion Family,
The fish fry goes on as Steve Hauger came back until camping season in April. It is hard to get a cook for just one night so if you have any suggestions please pass it on to me. We need to keep it steady to keep our customers coming back.

Please help out the SAL by purchasing their great Amish candy. They have three kinds and they are all delicious. They took out all the calories of course!! Very addictive as they melt in your mouth and you can't keep your hands out of the bag.

Our Post raffle is winding down and NOV. 13th at our

dinner is the drawing. The lucky winners will be announced at that time. Proceeds will go for Post expenses and other good causes. Good luck to all who purchased tickets!

Please mark your calendars for Dec. 11 for our prime rib dinner (second Tuesday). The Post is requiring a PREPAY for the dinner. Hopefully we can keep it reasonable like somewhere between 15 – 18 dollars depending the cost of the meat.

If you know of anyone who did not get their name on the black granite wall at the Memorial Park let the Post know. This is a no cost for this.

Have a safe Thanksgiving if we don't see you before.

Thank you volunteers,
Commander Sonny

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Monthly Post Meeting Schedule

Legion
2nd Monday
7:00 pm

Auxiliary
1st Monday
6:30 pm

Sons of the American Legion
2nd Wednesday
7:00 pm

Meetings are held at the Post.

All members are encouraged to attend.



Hall Rentals

Call

Polly Stout
608.513.5378

(Between 8am – 9pm)

Or email:

buddycatsonny@yahoo.com



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov.9th – Dean's Blue Country 6:00-9:00 pm
 Nov.10th – Marine Corps Birthday (1775)
 Nov.10th – Swiss Steak Dinner (AED Fundraiser) 4:00-7:00 pm
 Nov.11th – Veterans Day
 Nov.13th – Legion Dinner 6:30 pm
 Nov.14th – Euchre Card Party 1:00 pm
 Nov.18th – Breakfast – 7:30-11:30am
 Nov.22nd – THANKSGIVING
 Nov.23rd – Frank James & Jackie Marie 6:00-9:00 pm
 Nov.25th – Country Jam w/Mikey Fuss 2:00-6:00 pm
 Dec.8th – Ugly Christmas Sweater Night with All-Star Karaoke
 7:00-11:00 pm **Ugly Christmas Sweater not required to attend
 Dec.9th – Breakfast with Santa (SAL)
 Dec.11th – Legion Dinner 6:30 pm **MUST PREPAY/REGISTER**
 Dec.14th – Dean's Blue Country 6:00-9:00 pm

For Upcoming Legion Entertainment, call the Post at 608.205.9090 for a recorded message or go to post59.us and click on the Upcoming Events tab.

As always, there is no cover charge for Legion Entertainment

EVENT PRICING

Post Dinner: 6:30pm

\$11.00

Breakfast: 7:30-11:30am

\$8.00 Adults/\$4.00 Children under 10

AMERICAN LEGION BAR

803 NORTH PAGE STREET – STOUGHTON, WI

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Bar Open to Serve You: Wednesday – Sunday
 (Monday & Tuesday CLOSED)

- Wednesday: **Open at 3:00pm**
- Thursday: **Open at 3:00pm**
- Friday: **3:00-10:00pm or later**
- Saturday: **Noon-10:00pm or later**
- Sunday: **11:30am-6:00pm or later**

WEDNESDAY IS LADIES NIGHT

\$.50 off any Ladies Drinks

THURSDAY IS THIRSTY THURSDAY

Bud Light or Miller Light Taps
 12oz.- \$1.00 / 16oz.- \$1.50

FRIDAY IS OUR FISH FRY

5:00 – 8:00pm
 Which includes salad bar

SATURDAY – MEAT RAFFLE

2:00 pm

Euchre Card Party

Come join us every 2nd Wednesday of each month (through May 2019) at 1:00 pm to play euchre!

All men & women are welcome to play. You do not need to be a member to play.



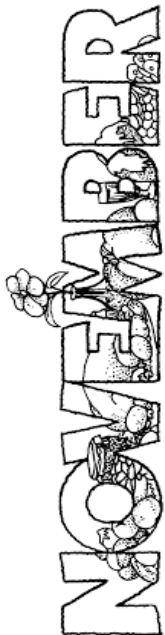
CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

"O Heavenly Father:

We thank Thee for food and remember the hungry. We thank Thee for health and remember the sick. We thank Thee for friends and remember the friendless. We thank Thee for freedom and remember the enslaved. May these remembrances stir us to service. That Thy gifts to us may be used for others.

Amen." - "Dear Abby" Columnist

Auxiliary Members: If you know of anyone who is hospitalized, or in need, please contact Linda Swangstu at 608.873.9428.





Sons of the American Legion Report

The Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 59 have a very busy two months planned this November and December.

As the annual Amish candy sale continues to go full speed, we find ourselves planning the Swiss Steak Dinner for Saturday, November 10th, assisting with the "Raise the Flag" effort on Sunday November 11th (Veterans Day), Preparing for the Toys for Tots Campaign, decorating the tree and the dining and entertainment area of the bar, and looking forward with anticipation to our Breakfast with Santa scheduled for Sunday December 9th.

The Swiss Steak dinner will hopefully help fund our plans to provide the Post with an onsite defibrillator.

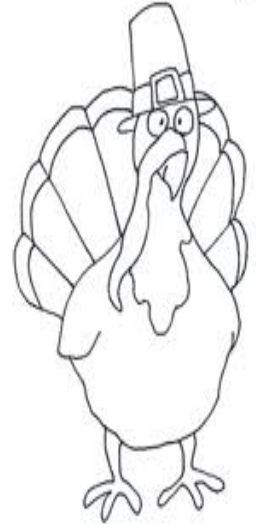
We enjoy and take pride in our involvement with the "Raise the Flag" program, Veterans Day will be the final day of 2018 that we help plant flags at our friends and neighbor's homes and businesses in and around the Stoughton area.

The Toys for Tots collection sites will be at the dining room of the Otis Sampson American Legion Post 59, next door at Stoughton Collision Center, 140 West St. Stoughton, and at Crown Flooring, 2421 S. Stoughton Rd. Madison.

Info on these events and more can always be found on the Post 59 website: <https://www.post59.us/> and our presence can also be found on Facebook. We have a new member of our SAL Squadron; Bob Crowfoot of Madison has joined our ranks and is excited to be involved with the various activities we have planned. See you all soon.

Bob Hocking, Sq. 59 Commander

*Happy
Thanksgiving*



**The Stoughton
American Legion Post 59
is a Toys for Tots Drop
off Location**

803 North Page Street - Stoughton

Please Donate a New, Unwrapped Toy

AMERICAN LEGION BAR
803 N. Page St., Stoughton, WI

Attention

All Stoughton and surrounding area residents who have friends or relatives in the Armed Forces presently stationed in the United States or in other countries that won't be able to come home for Christmas. The American Legion Post 59 Stoughton is sending Christmas service packages **FREE OF CHARGE** to all service men and women who qualify.

We need names and addresses of the soldiers as soon as you can. The sooner the better so we can get packages put together and in the mail. (No later than Nov. 24th)

Donations of money or items for the packages will be accepted at the American Legion Post 59 in Stoughton. P.O. Box 16, Stoughton, WI 53589 (608) 205-9090

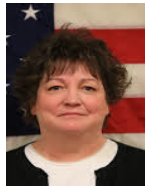
You can call Bob Lloyd at (608) 873-5926 or Sonny Swangstu at 873-9428 to leave your names and addresses or for more information.

Let's send our soldiers some Christmas Spirit from Wisconsin so they know we're thinking of them, proud of them and can thank them for their service.

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Auxiliary News



2018-2019

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608.279.4847

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Greetings ~

Four American Legion Auxiliary dignitaries attended the October Legion dinner. The dignitaries, Department President Char Kiesling, 3rd District President Jenni Syftestad, Dane County President Lu Hodgson along with 3rd District Secretary Shannon Curchill attended the dinner to officially present our auxiliary with the *National President's Award of Excellence*. There were several auxiliary members in attendance to receive and be recognized with this great honor. Prior to the presentation, President Kiesling talked about her theme of "Kindling the Flame" and her special project *Wreaths Across America* (WAA). The purpose of the project is to fundraise monies to purchase wreaths to be placed on approximately 23,000 graves at three Veterans Memorial Cemeteries in Wisconsin: Spooner (northern area), King (central area) and Union Grove (southern area). Each wreath costs \$15 and by donating the cost of two wreaths a third one will be donated for free.

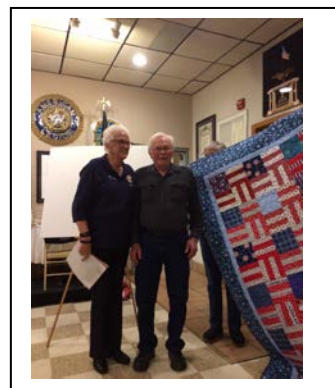
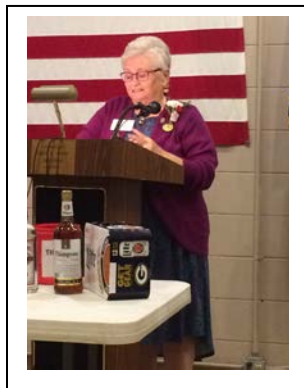
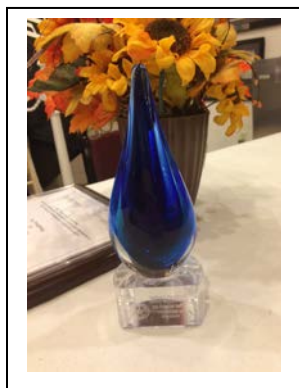
Truman Harried was presented with a veteran's quilt, recognizing his service to our country and his many years of service and volunteerism in our legion. The quilt, an auxiliary sponsored project, was made by Alice Moen.

Once again September was an active month. Elvera Phelps, Bonnie Kennedy, Linda Schmidt, Lisa Olson and I attended the ALA In The Know Conference in Verona. Our auxiliary sponsored our 5th annual chicken and biscuit dinner, serving 117 people. Elvera Phelps and I attended the ALA 3rd District Meeting which was also held in Verona.

Be sure to watch the events calendar on the legion website to get up-to-date information on scheduled events at the legion.

Again, thanks to all our members for all they do!

Cathy



10th Annual Victorian Holiday Gala and Fundraiser

Friday, November 30, 2018

6:30 – 10:00 pm

206 West Prospect Street, Stoughton, Wisconsin

Enjoy the sophisticated vintage music of Second Swing Around, a beautiful assortment of complimentary hors d'oeuvres as well as a cash bar with wine and beer. The silent auction of themed baskets is sure to be jaw-dropping, and a paddle auction with several outstanding offerings will complement the night. Funds raised go to the 2019 American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Stoughton, Oregon, and McFarland. \$5 suggested donation at the door.

Victorian Holiday Tour of Homes

Stoughton, Wisconsin

Sunday, December 2, 2018

3:00 – 7:00 pm

608 Kvalheim Drive

315 North Division Street

504 Jackson Street

516 South Page Street

Four beautifully decorated homes are mapped on a \$25 ticket available at McGlynn Pharmacy in Stoughton. Or, purchase tickets for \$30 at the door of any of the four homes on the day of the self-guided tour. Funds raised benefits the 2019 American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Stoughton, Oregon and McFarland.





Monday, November 12th
8am to 5pm

Veterans Dental Day

We are proud to host our 1st Annual Veterans Dental Day. From cleanings to exams, fillings to extractions, we will provide some free services to our Veterans as a thank you for their service. Please call our office at 608-271-0331 to schedule your appointment. Call now - space is limited!

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Veterans Crisis Line

We all can take action to help prevent suicide, but many people don't know what they can do to support the Veteran or Service member in their life who is going through a difficult time. A simple act of kindness can help someone feel less alone. Suicide prevention can start with one simple act of support: [Be There](#).

Veterans, Service members, and their loved ones can call **1-800-273-8255** and **Press 1**, send a text message to **838255**, or [chat online](#) to receive free, confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, even if they are not registered with VA or enrolled in VA health care.

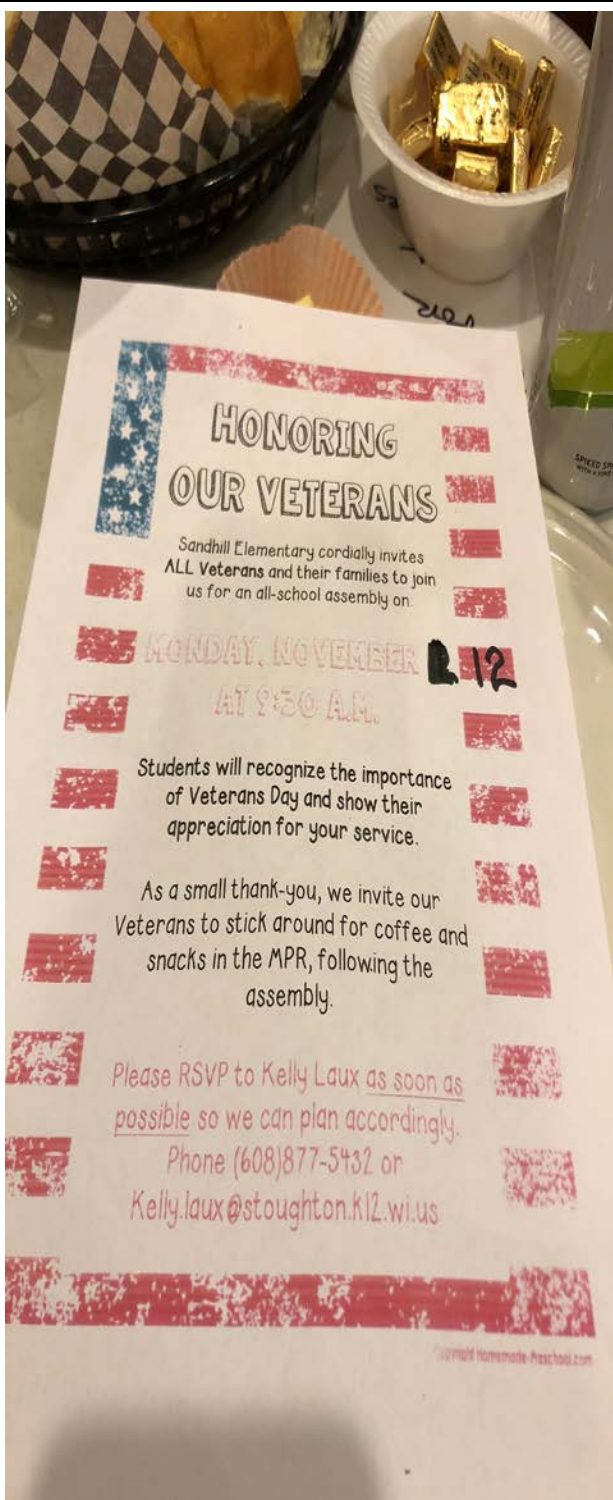
The responders at the Veterans Crisis Line are specially trained and experienced in helping Veterans of all ages and circumstances — from those coping with mental health issues that were never addressed to recent Veterans dealing with relationships or the transition back to civilian life.

Since its launch in 2007, the Veterans Crisis Line has answered nearly 2.8 million calls and initiated the dispatch of emergency services to callers in crisis nearly 74,000 times. The Veterans Crisis Line anonymous online chat service, added in 2009, has engaged in more than 332,000 chats. In November 2011, the Veterans Crisis Line introduced a text-messaging service to provide another way for Veterans to connect with confidential, round-the-clock support, and since then has responded to more than 67,000 texts.

VA is working to make sure that all Veterans and their loved ones are aware of the Veterans Crisis Line. To reach as many Veterans as possible, VA is coordinating with communities and partner groups nationwide — including community-based organizations, Veterans Service Organizations, and local health care providers — to let Veterans and their loved ones know that support is available whenever, if ever, they need it.

Act Now

- Dial **1-800-273-8255** and **Press 1** to talk to someone
- Start a confidential online chat session at www.VeteransCrisisLine.net/chat
- Send a text message to **838255** to connect to a VA responder
- Take a self-check quiz at www.VeteransCrisisLine.net/quiz
- If you or a Veteran you know is in crisis, [find a facility](#) near you
- Visit www.MilitaryCrisisLine.net if you are Active Duty, Reserve, or Guard
- Connect through chat, text, or TTY if you are [deaf or hard of hearing](#)



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