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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Fellow Legionnaires:

I would like to thank Tom Quick for the great job he did the past year. Congratulations to the new officers and old ones, and I hope we all work together to make the following year a good one, also.

The Hanger Dance was a great success. There were three WWII planes, a staff car, 6 x 6, Jeeps, ambulance and costumes from the 40s.

I hope you had a great 4th of July and the rest of this year will be great!

—Don Walterman, Commander
Cell 254-2047, Hm 285-0281
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Dates to remember:

August 19 - Executive Board Meeting at 7 PM

August 21 - State Fair

August 22 - 28 – National Convention

A sad note, Bev Jardina from the La Crescent Unit has passed. Bev had always been a very vibrant part of the Auxiliary with the many offices that she held. Please keep her family in your thoughts during this time. A side note, her daughter-in-law, Michelle Weaver, is our new incoming 1st District President.

I want to thank all of Unit 92's members for their help with the convention. This was a big undertaking and you all did our Unit and Post proud! Thanks to all for supporting our military, past, present and future.

—Sharon Kingsley, Auxiliary President Unit #92

AUXILIARY NEWS

This letter is coming on the heels of the State Convention! Whew! Good job to be done with and a good job done by all. We sure saw a lot of hustle and fast thinking on the feet, when we needed it. We must have done something right because Rochester is hosting the 2016 & 2018 State Conventions! It is an honor and a privilege to work with so many great people in both our State Units and Posts and also our community.

Our new Department President is Chris Ronning from Osseo, Unit # 172. Our new Department Commander is Peggy Moon from St. Joseph.

We sold Carroll's Corn and Gingerbread House cookies that looked like flags as a fund raiser and they came in handy for the musical extravaganza and the parade.

Now, those who have not had enough convention fun, they will be heading to Charlotte, NC in August for the National Convention!



BAR NOTES

I got a late start on this article so this is written after the State Convention that we just had! Wow, what a turn out! I think it could have been better if the streets and parking lot next to us weren't being repaved. That was tough, but the shuttle drivers did a fantastic job getting people in/out of the lot.

I want to thank everyone who helped (volunteered). So, for the drivers Dean, Ray, Jim, George, Dave, Denny, and Chuck...Thank you!!

Kitchen help was all about Carol Johnson. You are the most amazing help! Thank you!!! I also want to thank Carol Plantin for helping. Words cannot express how much I appreciate all you do.

Also, a special thank you to Reid Oberle! None of this could have been done without you. You are an amazing person and so helpful for me! Wish you would help in 2016. Yes, we have the State Convention in 2016!!

If I forgot these three gentlemen for cooking the most amazing chicken, I would be in big trouble. Thank you to Mike Ketchum, Matt O'Neill and KC Tottingham. The chicken was fantastic!!

For our next cook out we will be doing steak. Stop in and find out when!! Check the monthly calendar for bands and happenings!

As always. Go Gophers!

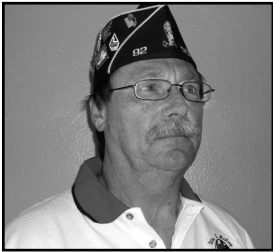
—Todd Ihrke, Bar Manager



Miss Poppy, Olivia Ott riding in the Rochesterfest Parade

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40/8 NEWS

Hello Voyageurs:

We will be in a parade on August 9th in Chatfield leaving South Side Motors at 11:45 AM. Voyageurs dues are \$20 payable to Voiture 327 40&8. Please send to Richard Skillestad, Box 161, Eyota, MN 55934. The next promenade is August 12th at 6 PM, with potluck and installation of officers.

Yours Truly,


—Richard Skillestad, 40 & 8 Correspondent



VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICAN MEETING

Greetings! Our next meeting will be on Monday, August 25th, at 7 PM, at the Legion. Check us out, we have a pretty good time, and your spouses, kids or a friend are more than welcome. Also, Tom Novotne always has something good to eat. If you cannot join us at this meeting look for more notices in the Bugle. For more information call Joe P. Brown at (507) 990-1347, or go to the web at www.vva.org.

—Joe Brown



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GAMBLING EXPENSES

Gambling report month of June 2014
 American Legion Post 92
 Roger K. Vangness, Gambling Manager
 Post 92 Rochester MN Lic. B-00254

ALLOWABLE EXPENSE	AMOUNT
PAYROLL	\$5,538.56
FEDERAL PAYROLL TAX	\$1,999.68
MN PAYROLL TAX	\$404.00
US TREASURY UNEMPLOYMENT	\$0.00
MINNESOTA UC FUND	\$0.00
COMBINED RECEIPT TAX	\$14,879.00
ADVERTISING	\$455.00
LEGAL SERVICE	\$360.00
OFFICE SUPPLY	\$1,422.75
REPAIR AND EQUIPMENT	\$454.17
UTILITIES	\$213.64
JANITOR SERVICE	\$275.00
INVESTIGATION FEES	\$250.00
PULL TABS	\$3,223.80
PADDLE WHEEL	\$0.00
MEAT TRAYS	\$740.00
SHORT BANKS (games pulled)	\$1,225.00
TOTAL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES	\$31,440.60

LAWFUL PURPOSE	AMOUNT
MN ENERGY RESOURCES	\$642.00
ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES	\$1,832.00
US TREASURY (form 730)	\$525.61
US TREASURY (form 11C)	\$50.00
VETERANS IN DISTRESS (3)	\$783.00
DISONS CLEANERS	\$16.41
SCHWICKETS TECTA SERVICES (down payment)	\$8,273.82
SCHOLARSHIP	\$500.00
SUGAR LOAF CHARTER SERVICES 2 BUSES	\$1,230.00
TOTAL LAWFUL PURPOSE EXPENSES	\$13,852.84

**TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE
 MONTH OF JUNE 2014** **\$45,293.44**

KOREAN WAR VETERANS CLUB

On Wednesday, July 16th, 2014 our Korean War Club members were served lunch at the American Legion Post 92 at 11 AM. This has become a real "hit" with our members and wives as we appreciate the time together.

Then on Friday, July 18th, the American Legion 2014 State Convention Parade took place and many of our men rode on our trailer in the parade. With regards to parades, one of our members Sandy Smith recently went to **Rochester Ford** and asked if they would consider pulling

our trailer in parades. Thanks to their management for honoring Veterans as they immediately agreed to do so. **Todd Pisarski**, a 24 year Veteran himself, has agreed to be our driver and did the driving in the Stewartville parade on July 4th. He was polishing the large Ford vehicle right up to the minute the parade started. Todd is a Sales Consultant at Rochester Ford and is part of the Ford team with Sterling Mestad – a charter member of our club. The Stewartville, Pine Island and Chatfield parades were all fantastic and the people within those towns should be so proud of their efforts. I only wish every Veteran could feel the pride we feel in having served our country and being honored for doing so by the people attending the parades.

Several of our members or their wives are having health problems at this time and we thank **Don Wendt**, Chaplain of our KWVC, and **Jerry Barnhart**, a Korean Vet and Chaplain of the American Legion Post 92, for their long time commitment to our health and spiritual needs.

Although this pertains to last month's event, on June 26th, 2014 Holy Spirit Church in Rochester put on a Korean lunch for Veterans. The church now sponsors a Korean Culture Camp, which is in its 21st year teaching Korean adoptees and Korean American children about their Korean culture. Many of us saw these same kind of children in Korea, but under very adverse conditions. We thank the church for the luncheon and for their care of children.

Three new members to report this past month:

HAROLD L. CHRISTENSEN served in the US Navy from 1949 to 1953

RICHARD J. SONSALLA served in the US Army from 1953 to 1955

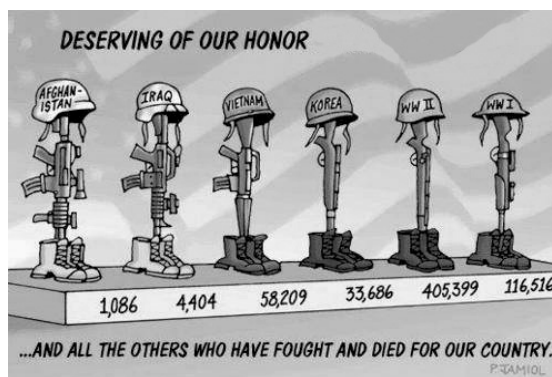
And **NORMAN P. MATHEWS** served in the US Army from 1954 to 1957

We thank you for joining our club and look forward to spending breakfasts with you each Monday morning at Grandma's Kitchen.

To all of you Veterans who served anywhere in the world from 1950 to 1955, please consider joining our Korean War Veterans Club. Just come to Grandma's Kitchen restaurant any Monday morning about 7:45 AM to have breakfast with us and see what we are all about. A fantastic group of men!

For information about joining the Korean War Veterans Club contact Cyril (Cy) Kubista, Commander, (507) 254-4911 or Ken Thamert, Adjutant, (507) 289-0836.

—Ken Thamert, Adjutant, (KWVC)



PURPLE HEART

Hello Purple Heart veterans. Our next meeting is August 21st at 6 PM at the Rochester American Legion. Hope everyone had fun at the Honkers game July 6th and thank you, Rochester Honkers, for the free tickets. If anyone would like to make a donation to Rochester Military Order of the Purple Heart, send a check to: **M.O.P.H. #7451, 315 1st Avenue NW, Rochester, MN 55901.**

We also have free lifetime membership for Purple Heart veterans. If you are a Purple Heart veteran, you can pick up an application at our next meeting on August 21st or at www.purpleheartmn.org. You will need your DD214.

Please check out and support this fundraising campaign! <https://schwans.flipgive.com/c/11307#.U8X07pBR5A0>.email

—**Commander Ryan Sabinish Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 7451, Iraq War Veteran**



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Marines & FMF Corpsman,

I would like to invite you to attend our next Marine Corps League Meeting on Tuesday, August 26th at 1900hrs. The Marine Corps League meets every 4th Tuesday of the month at the American Legion, Post 92. The Marine Corps League was started to help preserve the traditions, promote the interest and perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of the historical occasions of particular interest to Marines. Both Active Duty and Honorably Discharged Marines and FMF Corpsman, aid voluntarily and render assistance to all Marines, uniformed and civilian, as well as their widows and orphans. We are a family, a brotherhood, of both young and old that support not only each other but its community. Come join us in June and simply check us out. And afterwards we can get together and tell stories about how hard the Corps was “back in your day!”

If you have any questions, you can reach me at 507-254-6069 or at commandant@ThorMCL.org
Semper Fi

—**Commandant Gilmore, Marine Corps League Thor Detachment #606, 507-254-6069**
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SAL 92 SQUADRON NEWS:



Hoping everyone is having a safe and joyous summer. I have put a SAL roster behind the bar and included some papers in the back for any daughter to leave their name and phone number for now. I plan to run off new rosters every month and hopefully have a better control of the daughters that are interested in this combining of forces. Maybe I should back up and explain what I am talking about. What I am trying to do is make an amendment to the Legion constitution. S.A.L.A.D stands for Sons of American Legionnaires and Daughters. I know it may need to be changed name wise, but for now, this will do. The same requirements apply to the daughters as sons. By doing this it will give the daughters ownership and an added incentive to get active and make the Legion a better place. Not to mention, add numbers to not only our legion, but, nationwide, we might be talking 50 to 75 more here at our post, but the number nationwide is ????. And it would give the daughters a chance to be dual members as well.

As I have already commented, Yes, this is a new year. Our membership year is July to June. Our dues are still \$21 for members 18 years of age and older, \$10 for dual members and \$8 for under 18 years of age. We are doing well. This year we are already over 23. Which reminds me, someone paid dues at the Legion, and I am not sure who it was. They paid by check and returned the letter I sent out, so if you haven't received a card you may want to contact me (507) 250-1057. Also, if you didn't receive this letter, you may want to check out the roster behind the bar or call me to make sure our information is correct. If you have one, please give us your e-mail address. We are trying to keep our members informed as much as we can.

In case you haven't heard, the SAL is taking on the Golf Tournament, September 6th. We could use little help at the course on the day of the tournament (4) at least, and people to help in the kitchen and to help bring in desserts. Thanks to Carol Johnson, who is going to head up the kitchen for us. Dave (Smitty) and Jake Manahan are busy making arrangements to make this a great event, so if anyone wants to help or give thanks to these people, now you know who they are. Also, the proceeds will be going to vets in need, as this tournament was started for.

I want to thank all those volunteers who helped in any way to make the State conference a great event. I know those people put in a lot of effort and made it a well-organized event. Sorry, I can't name them all, but it went well, SO pat yourselves on the backs.

Hope to see you all around this summer. The SAL membership meetings will start back up in September and it is still the second Thursday of the month at 7 PM in the pool room or by the popcorn machine.

Again, thank you all for what do for us at Post 92.

—Dave Bilderback, 92 Squadron Commander

STAYING IN TOUCH

All families of The American Legion and the Korean War Veterans Club members are asked to help keep us informed of homebound and hospitalized members, and of veterans in need of medical assistance. I'm sure they would enjoy hearing from us with a card or visit. Please call Chaplain, Jerry Barnhart at 282-5704, Associate Chaplain, Bob Keith at 289-7508, Gladys Stephan (Auxiliary) at 289-6062 or the Post 92 office at 252-1659. "We care for all our veterans." CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR TAPS www.post92.org.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Evie Lyke will turn 80. Come down to the American Legion and help us celebrate on Sunday, August 24th 1-4 PM. Evie says, "No Gifts". Helping her celebrate is gift enough...!!!

