



# THE BUGLE



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## COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Hello Veterans,

What a great Veteran's Day. Now I have to start on thank yous. Remember to thank the Marine Corps League for posting the colors and our own Color Guard for all they did on Veteran's Day, including delivering all the fruit baskets to the veterans in nursing homes. Great Job! Thanks to John Brownell for manning the table at the Round Table Event. Thank you to all who did so much and more over to all Vets everywhere. A Great Big Thank you!



The reaction from the letter we sent out has been great. Some gifts of money have been received, but more than that, we are seeing some new faces at the events we put on. To my embarrassment, I forgot to sign the letter we sent out and I hope everyone will forgive me for my goof-up.

We had an Apple for the Teacher event put on by the Legion Post 92, the Auxiliary and the 40&8.

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. The holidays are such a great time to be with family and friends. Christmas is about here. Let's each wish each other a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2014.

**Following the District's example, as of January, 2014 we will no longer mail out copies of our newsletter, the Bugle. We will have hard copies available at the Post. It will also be available online at [www.post92.org](http://www.post92.org) (under the newsletter heading on the left) or Deb will send out copies via your e-mail. Please call her at 252-1659 or e-mail at [officemanager@americanlegion92.com](mailto:officemanager@americanlegion92.com) with your e-mail address.**

Keep a prayer in your hearts for those who are in harm's way.

—Tom Quick, Commander  
Cell 269-6729 or hm 289-6987  
[quicksand62@gmail.com](mailto:quicksand62@gmail.com)

## MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Marines & FMF Corpsman,  
No meeting for December. If you have any questions, you can reach me at 507-254-6069 or at [commandant@ThorMCL.org](mailto:commandant@ThorMCL.org)



Semper Fi

—Commandant Gilmore - Marine Corps League  
Thor Detachment #606  
507-254-6069 - [commandant@ThorMCL.org](mailto:commandant@ThorMCL.org)

## AUXILIARY NEWS

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!! We are definitely in the middle of the hustle and bustle of shopping, dinners and parties. Hope you are enjoying.



Veteran's Day was a day of remembering, honoring and saying "Thank You" to our Veterans. Our unit distributed 158 fruit baskets to area veterans and shut-ins. Many that I visited with spoke of the draft, the Depression Era, the Wars, no jobs, and leaving the home or farm for the first time. What a game changer in a person's life!! Most of the Veterans spoke of these past events as if they happened last week. A 'Big' thank you to Gladys Stephans and Evie Lyke for organizing this event and another to Silver Lake Foods for making the lovely fruit baskets.

Tonight we will be bagging apples for teachers for Education Week. Thanks to Evie Lyke for getting this project together and another thank you to SeKapps Orchard for supplying the apples.

I have not heard yet how the Fall conference went but Shirley Oberle will give us a report at the next meeting. Shirley did pick up some Unit Guides, so if anyone is interested in having one, please call me at 507-288-1411.

1st District Mid Winter Conference is in Houston on January 4th, 2014 and a silent auction with proceeds being split between the Auxiliary Emergency and Junior Activities Funds. If you should have an item for the silent auction and cannot attend the conference, please let me know and I will see that it gets there.

Our Bazaar, Craft and Bake Sale was a great success again this year. Thanks to Todd, Sandy, and Bridget Bubendorf for making this year's event so much fun and run smoothly.

December is Veteran Affairs and Rehabilitation month. Any hours spent driving, shopping, shoveling etc. for our veterans should be logged for our Department. So they have a good accountability of activities our unit does, please let us know of your services rendered.

Dates to remember:

- December 4 – Past Comm. & Presidents Dinner at OCB
- December 6 – Fish Fry
- December 7 – Pearl Harbor
- December 15 – 1st District Christmas party  
@ Austin Post #91 at 1 PM

### No Auxiliary Mtg. in December

Thanks to all who helped with our many projects we held this last month and for those who came to support our efforts!

Have a safe and warm Holiday Season and get ready for a NEW YEAR! Bless you and your loved ones.

—Sharon Kingsley, Auxiliary President Unit #92

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**40/8 NEWS**



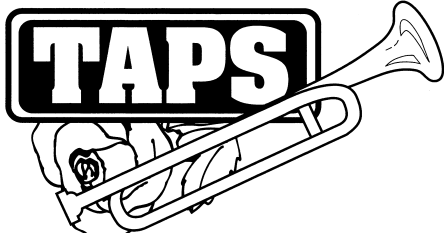
Hello Voyageurs:  
 Pay your dues of \$20 to Richard Skillestad, Box 161, Eyota, MN 55934. The Christmas Party is on for Sunday, December 15th at the Byron American Legion with Social at 4 PM and Dinner at 5 PM. It's \$10 each before the party. Call Chuck Kruger at 259-8003 or Richard Skillestad at 250-5329 to make arrangements. We need a count for Byron to know how much to fix.

New Year's Day Pancake Breakfast will be 8 AM-12 PM. The breakfast will be in Rochester Post 92 only. We will definitely need workers.

—Richard Skillestad, 40 & 8 Correspondent

**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 AND SICK CALLS [www.post92.org](http://www.post92.org).



**Sympathy cards have been sent to the families of the following**

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**CLUB HOURS** .....Monday - Saturday 10 am to 12 midnight, Sunday 12 noon to 7 pm

**BAR - HAPPY HOURS** .....Monday - Friday 10 am to 8 pm, Saturday 10 am to 1 pm

**KITCHEN HOURS** .....Monday - Friday for Lunch 11 am to 2 pm, BINGO Saturday 11 am to 4 pm

# DECEMBER

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</i>	<b>3</b> Meatloaf <i>Executive Committee Mtg. 7 PM</i>	<b>4</b> Buffet <i>Burger Nite 5-7 PM</i> <i>Bam Karaoke 6-10 PM</i>	<b>5</b> Pork Chops	<b>6</b> Beef Dinner <i>Fish Fry Dinner 5-7:30 PM</i> <i>Sisters &amp; Company 6:30-10 PM</i>	<b>7</b> <i>Cribbage at Noon</i> <i>Legion Rider's Breakfast 6-9:30 AM</i>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</i>	<b>10</b> Pork Loin <i>Promenade 7 PM</i> <i>Rendezvous 7 PM</i> <i>40 &amp; 8 Screening Comm Mtg. 6 PM</i>	<b>11</b> Buffet <i>Burger Nite 5-7 PM</i> <i>Karaoke 6-10 PM</i>	<b>12</b> Chicken Dinner <i>SAL 7 PM</i> <i>Legion Riders 7 PM</i>	<b>13</b> Soup & Sandwich <i>Fish Fry Dinner 5-7:30 PM</i> <i>Country Ladds 6-10 PM</i>	<b>14</b> <i>Cribbage at Noon</i> <i>Kitchen Open Christmas Party 6:30 PM</i> <i>BINGO 1-?? PM</i>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</i>	<b>17</b> Pot Roast <i>Post Screening Comm Mtg. 6 PM</i> <i>Post Mtg. 7 PM</i> <i>NO - Auxiliary Mtg.</i>	<b>18</b> Buffet <i>Burger Nite 5-7 PM</i> <i>GL Karaoke 6:30-10 PM</i>	<b>19</b> Turkey Dinner <i>Purple Heart 7 PM</i>	<b>20</b> Beef Tips <i>Fish Fry Dinner 5-7:30 PM</i> <i>Sisters &amp; Company 6:30-10 PM</i>	<b>21</b> <i>Cribbage at Noon</i>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</i>	<b>24</b> KITCHEN CLOSED <i>Tom &amp; Jerry's 11 AM Until Gone</i> <b>BAR CLOSSES 4 PM</b> <i>Christmas Eve</i>	<b>25</b> CLOSED MERRY CHRISTMAS  <i>Merry Christmas</i>	<b>26</b> Cook's Choice	<b>27</b> Cook's Choice <i>Karaoke 6-10 PM</i>	<b>28</b> <i>Cribbage at Noon</i> <i>Kitchen Open</i> <i>BINGO 1-?? PM</i>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</i> <i>Vietnam Vet Mtg. 7 PM</i>	<b>31</b> <i>New Year's Eve (Drink Specials)</i>	<b>1</b> HAPPY NEW YEAR! 			

**PULL TAB BOOTH OPEN DAILY**

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Sunday .....1 pm to ?? Available Time.....When Club is Open

Monday - Saturday .....11 am to Closing

## GAMBLING EXPENSES

Gambling report month of October 2013  
 American Legion Post 92  
 Roger K. Vangness, Gambling Manager  
 Post 92 Rochester MN Lic. B-00254

ALLOWABLE EXPENSE	AMOUNT
PAYROLL	\$5,719.14
FEDERAL PAYROLL TAX	\$1,708.78
MN PAYROLL TAX	\$358.00
US TREASURY UNEMPLOYMENT	\$60.59
MINNESOTA UC FUND	\$1,393.00
COMBINED RECEIPT TAX	\$3,625.00
ADVERTISEMENT	\$160.00
LEGAL SERVICE	\$425.00
OFFICE SUPPLY	\$494.06
UTILITIES	\$245.61
JANITOR SERVICE	\$275.00
PULL TABS	\$3,719.06
BINGO BALLS	\$140.12
MEAT TRAYS	\$360.00
SHORT BANKS (games pulled)	\$922.00
<b>TOTAL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$19,605.36</b>

LAWFUL PURPOSE	AMOUNT
MN ENERGY RESOURCES	\$642.00
ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES	\$1,832.00
US TREASURY (form 730)	\$430.42
VETERANS IN DISTRESS (3)	\$450.00
MAYO HIGH SCHOOL (Band)	\$1,100.00
PLUMBING & HEATING DRAIN CLEANER	\$250.00
DAVE ARCH	\$86.22
ST CLOUD VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS	\$200.00
MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOC	\$300.00
SALVATION ARMY	\$500.00
CHRISTMAS ANONYMOUS	\$300.00
<b>TOTAL LAWFUL PURPOSE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$6,090.64</b>

**TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE  
 MONTH OF OCTOBER 2013** **\$25,696.00**

## KOREAN WAR VETERANS CLUB

A very good turn-out at our Annual Fall Dinner meeting on October 20th, 2013 with 125 people attending. Once again, we owe so much to Joe and Chris Powers plus the entire crew at Canadian Honker for the arrangement and food they made available to us.

We recognize that our wives are so important to our success and this year **Du Wayne Besaw**, a charter member who lives in Oshkosh WI, provided a personalized pink ribbon lanyard for every lady attending. Another member, **Warren Potter** – our member photographer, is responsible for the majority of the pictures that are in the 8 scrapbooks of our Korean War Club history and recently Warren gave this adjutant a large quantity of pictures he took at the

annual meeting. He didn't ask for any credit but did indicate having taken over 300 pictures and then spending over three hours choosing the best before giving me 114 to use. While the same officers and directors were re-elected, it's the actions of so many members like Du Wayne and Warren that make ours such a great Veterans club.

On Veterans Day, November 11th, 2013, many of us went to the **Hy-Vee Food Stores** for a tasty free breakfast and then went out to the Veterans Day program held at the Rochester International Event Center where food was provided by the **Powers family (Canadian Honker)**. After the Veterans program concluded, that evening many of us went to **Applebees** restaurant for a free choice dinner. At Applebees, a special lady, Helen Kolb who is retired, but is hired back every year for this day because of her love for Veterans, greeted every Veteran as they entered the restaurant. I have since learned that over 550 people were served at Applebees that day. Again, I want to extend our deepest thank you to HyVee, the Powers family (Canadian Honker) and Applebees. God bless you for supporting our Veterans!

Here in Rochester, partaking in the events held on Veterans Day included members of the Red Bull 34th Infantry Division Band, Colonel Eric Kerska, Brigadier General Craig Barqfrede, and five of us involved in doing the Veterans Roundtable honoring all Veterans that evening. The Colonel and Brigadier General would be the main speakers at the Round Table that evening along with student Kelly Erpelding, the 1st place 2012 American Legion High School oratorical contest winner. All the speakers did a wonderful job and we enjoyed their talks.

A special part of the evening program was the presentation of the Colors by four members of our Korean War Veterans Club. Color Guard Commander Frank Churchward along with Del Ollhoff, Les Griebenow, and Merlyn Jeche did a magnificent job of presenting and retiring the Colors that evening.

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)

## BAR NOTES

Dear Bugle Readers,

Happy Holidays to all. Hope everyone is safe and has a Happy New Year.

We are having a Legion Riders Breakfast on Saturday, December 7th, 6 - 9:30 AM.

On December 14th the Christmas Party is happening at 6:30 PM for those who were here last year. A great time was had and tell everyone to come and enjoy.

We will be open Christmas Eve Day 10 AM - 4 PM with Tom & Jerry's served! **We are closed Christmas Day.**

Please check out our Facebook page for events!!

As Always... Go Gophers!!!

—Todd Ihrke, Bar Manager

## CABANE 327



The holiday season is fast approaching. Now is the time to pay your dues of \$23 if you haven't done that yet. Remember, whenever you have an opportunity, as you are socializing during the holiday season, invite your friends and acquaintances to come and join the Cabane. Tell them all about the great programs of the 40 and 8.

The annual Christmas banquet with the Voyageurs, will be December 15th, 2013 at the Byron Event Center. Social Hour 4 - 5 PM with old and new friends. Dinner at 5 PM. Appetizers will be provided by the Event Center. The Grande Presidente Arlette Hartung has been invited, so come and meet the Leader of Minnesota's Grande for 2013-2014.

Monetary donations for Christmas are being made by the Cabane to the Women's Shelter and Christmas Anonymous. We will continue to collect travel size lotions, soap, toothpaste, and other personal items during the year and again give in the spring to the Women's Shelter. The December Rendezvous has been canceled and our next meeting will be January 14th, 2014 at the Rochester American Legion Post 92.

A new password was set at Rendezvous Nationale in Phoenix, Arizona, September 2013. If you are a Cabane Dame ask Evelyn Lyke or myself for the password. It was also noted by Nationale that Pennies for POW fund to provide scholarships for descendants of POWs raised \$10,000 this past year. See what collecting the humble penny can produce - small to large.

Happy Holidays! Remember our veterans and those that are serving in the military near and far. **GOD BLESS AMERICA.**

Prayers to Dames in sickness and distress,

—Barbara Stussy, La Presidente Locale

## SAL 92 SQUADRON NEWS:



The SAL membership meetings are held the second Thursday of the month at 7 PM in the poolroom. The next meeting will be Thursday, December 12th and will probably start in the poolroom and move by the popcorn machine depending if there is pool going on that night. Also I must apologize to a few, the calendar has not been right as far as the SAL meeting nights.

Our next fish dinner night is Friday, December 20th, we will be giving a chance for all those to win a ham. We have done this the last three years and it's just trying to show the holidays spirit. We gave out the turkey last month to a lucky lady. I will not publish her name for she may not want it to be seen. And again, thanks to all our volunteers. They do a great job and we could not do this if it was not for them. So, please thank them for helping out when you see them.

We are hoping that at our next meeting we have a lot of people to show up. We have a lot on the schedule. We have bills to pay, places to talk about donations, election of SAL officers for 2014-15, and much, much more. The SAL tries to give back to the community as the Legion does, but with a little different flare.

The SAL is just 19 people short of our goal already this year, so if you haven't paid dues yet, please do it. It would be nice to get over this hurdle early in the year.

Again, thanks to all of you who support the Legion. It is great to see everyone out having a good time.

—Dave Bilderback, 92 Squadron Commander

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### **LOUD PIPES NEWS FROM 92 RIDERS**

I think it's official, the riding season is over. Let's hope for an early spring in 2014.



On November 16th, the Riders hosted the first of three breakfast fundraisers in support of the Eagles Cancer Telethon. Even though the turnout wasn't what we had hoped for, we still had enough people show up to cover our costs and make some money. For those that came, we Thank You. We really do appreciate your support. I also want to say Thank You to the Riders who helped with the breakfast.

Our next breakfast is set for Saturday, December 7th from 6 - 9:30 AM. We'll be serving scrambled eggs, sausage, coffee, OJ, and all you can eat pancakes. Cost is \$7 per person and 100% of the proceeds will be donated to the Eagles Cancer Telethon. The bar will also be serving \$2.00 mimosas, bloody marys, and screwdrivers. Please come down and show your support.

At our November meeting, the Riders held officer elections. Our officers remain largely unchanged for next year. The 2014 officers are:

President – Paul Martin

Vice President – Tony Loecher

Sergeant-at-Arms – Gilmore

Road Captain – Bill Farnsworth  
Secretary – Bill Farnsworth  
Treasurer – Tony Loecher  
Chaplain – Jean Loecher  
Historian – Bob Grinhaus

We also voted to have Roger Tottingham as our official Tailgunner.

A reminder to all Legion Riders members, please get your 2014 membership dues submitted. You can put your dues in an envelope with your name on it and place in the mailbox by the entrance at the Post Club.

If you are interested in joining the 92 Riders, come check us out at our regular monthly meeting held on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Our next meeting is Thursday, December 12th, 2013 at 7 PM at the Post 92 Club.

—Tony Loecher, Vice President 507-358-6389

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**Merry  
Christmas**