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## COMMANDER'S COMMENTS



Fellow Legionnaires,  
Greetings,

Hope you are all staying warm and thinking Spring!! Hopefully this cold weather will dissipate soon and Spring will be just around the corner! As I am writing this, The American Legion Fishing Contest on February 21st is coming up and I am hoping there is a good turn out as in years past, they have some nice prizes there.

We had a First District Mid-Winter Meeting in La Crescent on January 17th and it was reported we were at 86% of our goal!! Please remember to send in your dues and to invite someone to join the American Legion and share what great comradery we have here at Post 92! And thanks for being a fellow Legionnaire!

Eagle Cancer Telethon took place at the beginning of this year and it was wonderful to see that the Post 92 Legion, the Unit 92 Auxiliary, the SAL, and the Riders were all generous in their gifts to the Telethon. Thanks to all for supporting this worthy cause within our community.

—Don Walterman, Commander  
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e-mail [DonWalterman616@gmail.com](mailto:DonWalterman616@gmail.com)

## AUXILIARY NEWS



Hello all!! I think we all will agree that it is time to MARCH into SPRING!! We have been so busy this year and we still have lots to do with our Unit and our Veterans. I am so proud of Unit #92 and their ability to keep up with all of our fundraising and sponsored programs.

March is Community Service Month. Many of us are active in our communities and I can only stress the importance in maintaining that status. We are a community of people with skills, knowledge, and various degrees of abilities. If we each do one activity each month for our community it would keep us in the know of what is going on as well as keep our lives stronger, healthier, and more nurturing. We all are involved with the past, present and future and I know many of you have paved a great path for our community and youth to follow. Keep up the good work.

We had a great response to our Annual Mosher Home delivery of snacks, baked goods, and other supplies. Tammy, Gladys and Gail all went on the historic trip to La Crescent, MN to deliver these items on February 14. They were well received and greatly appreciated. We

have taken the Veterans down there under our wing and send them Christmas and Birthday cards as well. Our First District President Michelle Weaver is working on raising money for a walk-in freezer for her yearly project. Thanks, Ladies, for making the trip again this year.

Dates to remember in March:

- 2 – National President's Dinner in Plainview at 5 PM
- 6 – Unit #92 Fish Fry
- 6 – Past Commander/President Fish Fry, Austin Post 91 at 5 -7 PM
- 8 – Daylight Savings Time
- 17 – St. Pat's Day – Kiss a Veteran
- 17 – Unit meeting at 7 PM
- 20 – First Day of Spring
- 28 – Area Three Rally Spring Grove, Post 249 at 3 PM
- 29 – Palm Sunday

- April:
- 11 – First District Commander's Testimonial, Post 384 Dodge Center at 6 PM
  - 18 – First District President's Testimonial, Post 9 Winona at 6 PM

Remember, we have scholarships and Girls and Boys State information at the Schools.

Thanks for all you do.....and.....THINK SPRING!

—Sharon Kingsley, Auxiliary President Unit #92

## BAR NOTES

Dear Bugle Readers,

We had a nice turn out for the Super Bowl Game this year and a delicious Potluck.

Thanks to all who participated!

There will be a Bag Piper here from 3 PM – 5 PM on St. Patrick's Day as well as Green Beer! Remember we are all a little Irish on St. Patty's Day! Stop in and join the party!

There will be a Jam Session on March 21st at 3 PM with the Chubs, since everyone enjoyed this event so much in the past.

We will have another Pool Tournament on March 21st. Sign up is at 9 AM at the Post.

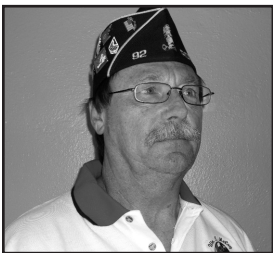
Thanks for supporting the events at the bar!

As always, Go Gophers!

—Todd Ihrke, Bar Manager

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**STAYING IN TOUCH**

A reminder to all, that if a Veteran passes and family has no Pastor or spiritual advisor please feel free to contact our Chaplain Jerry Barnhart for assistance. 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](http://www.post92.org).

**Sympathy cards have been sent to the families of the following**  
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**CLUB HOURS**.....Monday - Thursday 10 am to 10 pm, Friday - Saturday 10 am to Midnight, Sunday 12 noon to 7 pm


**BAR - HAPPY HOURS** .....Monday - Friday 11 am to 6 pm, Saturday 10 am to 1 pm

**KITCHEN HOURS** .....**CLOSED EXCEPT AS NOTED ON CALENDAR**

# MARCH

# 2015



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>	KWVC Breakfast at Legion Clubroom 8 AM	Executive Committee Mtg. 7 PM	Burger Nite 5-7:30 PM  Karaoke by The Chubs 6-10 PM		Fish Fry 5-7:30 PM  Encore Karaoke 6:30-10 PM	Encore Karaoke/DJ 5-10 PM
<b>8</b>	KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM  MN Nice Meets 7 PM	Promenade 7 PM	Burger Nite 5-7:30 PM  Karaoke by GL the Great 6-10 PM	Legion Riders 7 PM  SAL 7 PM	Fish Fry 5-7:30 PM  Determined 6:30-10:30 PM	Kitchen Open 11-4 for Bingo  BINGO 1-?? PM
<b>15</b>	KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM	Post Screening Comm Mtg. 6 PM Post Mtg. 7 PM Auxiliary Mtg. 7 PM   Happy St. Patrick's Day	Burger Nite 5-7:30 PM  Karaoke by Kickback 6-10 PM		SAL Fish/Chicken Fry 5-7:30 PM  Colt 45 6:30-10 PM	Pool Tournament 9 AM  Jam Session with Colt 45 3-7 PM
<b>22</b>	KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM  Vietnam Vets Mtg. 7 PM at Legion	Marine Corps League 7 PM	Burger Nite 5-7:30 PM  Karaoke by GL the Great 6-10 PM	PTSD SUPPORT GROUP 6:30-8 PM	Fish Fry 5-7:30 PM  The Chubs 6:30-10 PM	Kitchen Open 11-4 for Bingo  BINGO 1-?? PM
<b>29</b>						

**PULL TAB BOOTH OPEN DAILY**

**SCRATCH TAB MACHINE**

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

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

## GAMBLING EXPENSES

Gambling report month of January 2015

Roger K. Vangness, Gambling Manager

American Legion Post 92 Rochester MN Lic. B-00254

ALLOWABLE EXPENSE	AMOUNT
PAYROLL	\$5,904.66
FEDERAL PAYROLL TAX	\$1,839.78
MN PAYROLL TAX	\$382.00
US TREASURY UNEMPLOYMENT	\$66.40
MINNESOTA UC FUND	\$1,188.00
COMBINED RECEIPT TAX	\$12,681.00
ACCOUNTING SERVICES	\$560.00
OFFICE SUPPLY	\$253.47
REPAIR AND EQUIPMENT	\$585.00
UTILITIES	\$177.75
JANITOR SERVICE	\$275.00
PULL TABS	\$4,126.48
MEAT TRAYS	\$2,120.00
SHORT BANKS (games pulled)	\$249.00
<b>TOTAL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$30,408.54</b>

LAWFUL PURPOSE	AMOUNT
MN ENERGY RESOURCES	\$717.00
ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES	\$1,998.00
US TREASURY (form 730)	\$432.32
EAGLES FIFTH DISTRICT CANCER TELETHON	\$1,000.00
ROCHESTER YOUTH BASEBALL	\$2,000.00
ROCHESTER A'S BASEBALL	\$5,000.00
ROCHESTER EAGLES BASEBALL	\$5,000.00
ROCHESTER PATROITS BASEBALL	\$5,000.00
ROCHESTER REDHAWKS BASEBALL	\$5,000.00
PINE ISLAND TRAP TEAM	\$300.00
MN AMERICAN LEGION FOUNDATION (63)	\$100.00
MN AMERICAN LEGION FOUNDATION (78)	\$100.00
MN NINTH DISTRICT BAND	\$100.00
COLOR GUARD FUNERALS AND MILEAGE	\$4,380.11
YE OLDE BUTCHER SHOPPE OF ROCHESTER (Membership Dinner)	\$2,000.18
STATE OF MINNESOTA (Gambling fee and license)	\$600.00
<b>TOTAL LAWFUL PURPOSE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$33,727.61</b>

**TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2015**

**\$64,136.15**

## KOREAN WAR VETERANS CLUB

By Ken Thamert, Adjutant

On Monday, February 23rd and the following Monday March 2nd, 2015 we will be meeting at the American Legion Post 92 for breakfast and our weekly KWVC meetings. Grandma's Kitchen will be doing some remodeling in the facility so thanks to the Legion we will be able to hold our Monday morning breakfast meetings. We will meet at the same time as usual.

The American Legion served us lunch at 11 AM on February 18th, 2015. They have been doing this for us each month and we thank them for doing so.

During our breakfast on February 9th, 2015 we discussed the possibility of providing an honor guard to serve at funerals that will take place at the new Veterans cemetery in Preston, MN. A number of Veteran organizations have been approached with this idea and if arranged, each group would share in attending these funerals.

On Saturday, February 28th, 2015 two of our KWVC members will be speakers at the Scott Hosier Veterans Roundtable. **Ross McInroy** and **Don Zeller** will be speaking about their Air Force Experiences concerning the B36 Peacemaker Heavy Bomber. We thank the large number of our Korean Veterans who show up at the Veteran Roundtables the 3rd Monday of each month at Autumn Ridge Church. Each February there are 2 roundtables – thus the 2nd one is taking place on Saturday, February 28th.

No new members to report this past month but we do invite Veterans who served anywhere in the world from June 1950 to January 31st, 1955 to join us. Just come to any Monday morning breakfast (7:45 AM) to have breakfast with us and see what we are all about.

We thank you for your service to your country and for enriching our group!!

For information about joining the Korean War Veterans Club contact – Don Lloyd, Interim Commander, (507) 206-3405 or Ken Thamert, Interim Adjutant, (507) 289-0836

—Ken Thamert, Interim Adjutant, (KWVC)

## JUST A REMINDER TO LEGION MEMBERS, AUXILIARY, SAL, AND RIDERS:

Please notify the office 507-252-1659 when you donate blood. We are keeping track for a report that goes to the American Legion Department.

Thanks!!

—Reid Oberle, Adjutant



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## 40/8 NEWS

Hello Voyageurs

Next Promenade is March 10, 2015 at 7 PM at Post 92 Clubroom. At that time we will be voting on 3 Grand Officers. If you are interested in running for any of these offices please contact me at 507-259-5329.

Yours Truly,

—Richard Skillestad, 40 & 8 Correspondent



We also tabled the motion to donate money for the RYBA, and RYFA and the Rochester Fast Pitch girls' team until next meeting. We are looking to give each group a scholarship of \$500. We haven't given to the Rochester football for a few years, but we like supporting our communities' youth programs. I am trying to get a hold of the Fast Pitch teams to work out what they need.

Again! This year in the month of June (ONLY) the SAL is going to do a membership BLITZ! Again we will make our dues \$15 for 2016 ONLY for June, and then the regular price of Membership goes back to \$21, so spread the word, the SAL is trying to help people save money for Fun things this summer!

Thank you all for making Post 92 more of a family place. Thank you all for what do for us at Post 92.

—Dave Bilderback, 92 Squadron Commander

## SAL 92 SQUADRON NEWS:

The SAL membership meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 7 PM in the Legion dining room. The next meeting will be March 12.



We had another good meeting in February, with a lot of feedback. Membership at the time of the meeting was 102 and we are shooting for 104 (GOAL) Morey and I sent out 51 letters to those who did not pay 2015 dues. I apologize that there were a few typos on the letter. I really wanted to get them done in January, to get more people on the roster for 2015.

Since these letters were sent; as of Sunday the 15th, we have already received 3 renewals. We are also making a board as we speak, like the one the Legion has for a free drink for new members signed, this may be done by the end of the month.

Highway Clean Up was another subject discussed. We have three locations to pick from; however these roads are high traffic areas. Due to the fact we are going to get youth involved (scouts, boys or girls) to encourage good work ethics, and taking care of the environment thru community service, I will go to the Legion meeting and ask for the Legion to give their road to us, in exchange for one of our choices. So, if there is a troop looking for a fundraiser please call me at (507) 250-1057 and stay tuned for the rest of the story. It is a two year commitment so we are looking to make it work for all parties involved.

## MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Marines & FMF Corpsman,

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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# VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA MEETING

Greetings our next meeting will be on Monday, March 23, at 7 pm, at the American Legion Post 92 in Rochester. In the past, we have been rotating back and forth with our meetings between the Legion and VFW. At our meeting in January, the members present voted to discontinue this rotation and voted to have the meetings at the Legion from now on.

Also at this meeting, Matt Stolle, a reporter for the Post Bulletin, attended. Matt is going to do a story on the Vietnam War and spoke to the group about interviewing

individuals and getting feedback from our group. This meeting was one of our largest with headcount of 20.

Check us out, we have a pretty good time, and your spouses, kids, or a friend are more than welcome. We now have enough members to get a charter in Rochester. All who served honorably during the Vietnam War are eligible for membership.

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](http://www.vva.org).

—Joe Brown

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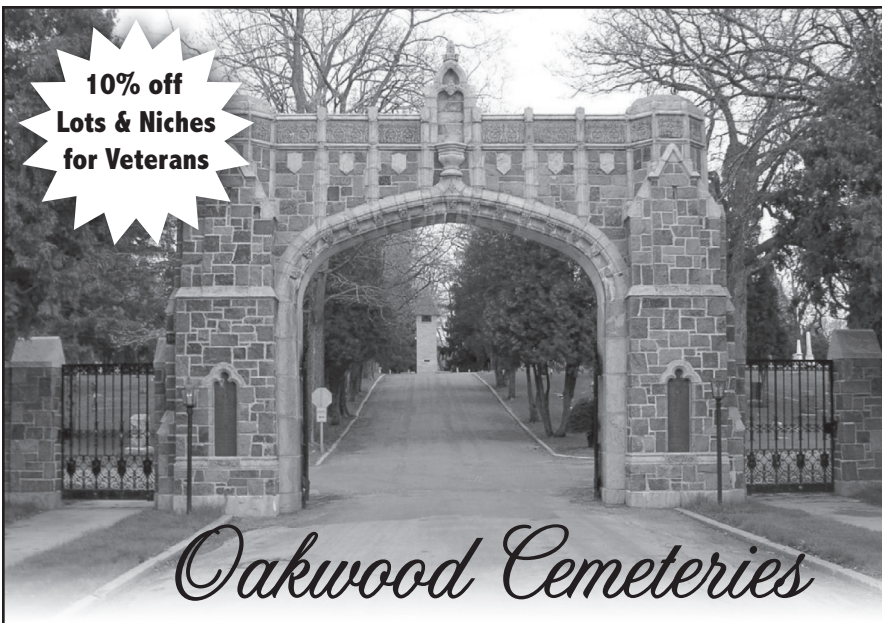
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