

# The Bugle



William T. McCoy Post #92 American Legion Family Newsletter

May 2022

## COMMANDERS COMMENTS

It's almost May, as I write this, and I am still looking for a sustained spring, or better, something that resembles spring weather. Even with cold and windy weather, I am especially mindful this a month to have an attitude of gratitude as, regardless of the conditions of the present, we have so much to be grateful for.



At the present, I am grateful for the abundance of quality health care available to us here in Rochester, MN. Recently, I was ill and had wonderful response and treatment by the Olmsted Medical Center. When they weren't able to answer all the questions that needed to be answered they were able to refer me to The Mayo Clinic. There are so many people that have to travel great distances to come here or to other providers elsewhere to have their medical needs met. So when the traffic or parking downtown is troublesome, be grateful with me.

As I am winding down my term as your Commander of Wm T. McCoy Post 92, I am grateful for this opportunity to have served this membership and this organization. Even though I had hoped to have accomplished so much more, I am still grateful for what we have advanced together. Looking back to my original goal sheet, together, I think we did a pretty good job completing or addressing much of the list and I am grateful. I am obliged to the membership that has been so communicative and supportive. I am thankful and appreciative for the members of the Executive Committee that conducted the business of the legion throughout the year and worked for the good of the Legion, even in disagreement. We are veterans that still serve.

I am grateful for the friendships that have developed during my time with the Legion, but most of all, I am grateful for my family that supported and encouraged me with this endeavor.

"O beautiful for heroes proved  
In liberating strife,  
Who more than self their country loved  
And mercy more than life!  
America! America!  
May God thy gold refine,  
Till all success be nobleness,  
And every gain divine!"

~ Katharine Lee Bates, circa 1895

Yours in Service,

Jeffrey Van Galder  
Commander, American Legion Wm. T. McCoy Post 92



## POST #92 ELECTIONS ARE HERE!

**Member participation is needed!**

**Post 92 elections will be held during our regularly scheduled Membership Meeting on May 17, 2022, at 6:00PM.** Your attendance and participation are encouraged for this critical annual evolution for Post 92. The following open positions will be on the ballots.

Visit Post #92 if interested and/or email letter of intent of running to:  
[officemanager@rochestermnlegion.org](mailto:officemanager@rochestermnlegion.org).

- ⇒ **POST COMMANDER** (Elected)
- ⇒ **1st VICE COMMANDER** (Elected)
- ⇒ **2nd VICE COMMANDER** (Elected)
- ⇒ **POST ADJUTANT** (Appointed)
- ⇒ **JUDGE ADVOCATE** (Appointed)
- ⇒ **FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER** (Elected)
- ⇒ **POST HISTORIAN** (Appointed)
- ⇒ **POST CHAPLAIN** (Appointed)
- ⇒ **SERVICE OFFICER** (Appointed)
- ⇒ **SERGEANT-AT-ARMS** (Elected)
  - ◇ Terms for above: July 1, 2022—June 30, 2023
- ⇒ **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DIRECTOR**  
(Two Positions; Elected)
  - ◇ Terms for above: July 1, 2022—June 30, 2025



## 2021 - 2022 OFFICERS

### WILLIAM T. MCCOY POST #92

ELECTIONS: MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR JULY 1ST - JUNE 30TH

Commander.....Jeffrey Van Galder  
 1st Vice-Commander.....C Gilmore  
 2nd Vice-Commander.....**Open Position**  
 Adjutant.....Lee Freeman  
 Finance Officer.....Jay R. Anderson  
 Chaplain.....Lee Freeman  
 Historian.....**Open Position**  
 Sgt-at-Arms.....Bill Born  
 Service Officer.....Clark Montgomery  
 Judge Advocate.....R.J. Oelslager  
 Past Commander.....R.J. Oelslager  
 Executive Committee Directors:  
 Term Ends 2022.....Roger Vangness, Charles O'Connell  
 Term Ends 2023.....Reid Oberle, Tony Loecher  
 Term Ends 2024.....Steve Leqve, Gary Schoenfelder  
 Gambling Manager.....Roger Vangness  
 Club Manager.....Tony Loecher  
 Office Manager.....Lee Freeman

### AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT #92

ELECTIONS: MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR AUGUST 1ST - JULY 31ST

President.....Sharon Kingsley  
 1st Vice-President.....**Open Position**  
 2nd Vice-President.....Shirley Oberle  
 Secretary.....Sharon Kingsley  
 Chaplain.....Donna Fritsch  
 Historian.....Evelyn Lyke  
 Sgt-at-Arms.....Shirley Oberle  
 Treasurer.....Sharon Kingsley  
 Junior Past President.....Sue Lee  
 Executive Committee.....Mary Oviatt, Evelyn Lyke

### SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SQUADRON #92

ELECTIONS: MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR JULY 1ST - JUNE 30TH

Commander.....Ben Schellhammer  
 1st Vice Commander.....Jim Behr  
 2nd Vice Commander.....**Open Position**  
 Treasurer/Finance.....Joe P. Brown Sr.  
 Membership.....Brad Oberle  
 Adjutant.....Brad Oberle  
 Historian.....**Open Position**  
 Chaplain.....**Open Position**  
 Sgt-at-Arms.....Ryker Wellner

### AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER #92

ELECTIONS: MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR JULY 1ST - JUNE 30TH

President.....  
 Vice President.....  
 Secretary.....  
 Treasurer.....  
 Sgt-at-Arms.....  
 Historian/Chaplain.....



Dale H. Schwartz  
04-06-2022



Steven L. Larson  
04-13-2022



Earl A. Krippner  
04-14-2022



**FROM THE LEGION 92  
CLUB MANAGER**

Howdy, folks!

WOW. Time flies. It's already May. Although, you'd think it was still winter. Hopefully we'll see some warm weather soon.

As I stated last month, the patio tent is up, but we aren't quite ready for outdoor seating. The temps are still a little chilly, plus we need to get the area cleaned up. We'll have the patio set up by the 2nd weekend in May.

We've heard from many members that the grass area on the west side of the club needs to be cleaned up. We agree. However, we have purposely held off on picking up the trash as we are trying to be supportive of the scout troops that Post 92 sponsors. They like having projects that they can assist us with. On the evening of May 17th, there will be a scout troop at the club to do some cleanup.

One of the troops we sponsor has a scout working towards becoming an Eagle Scout. His project will be to facilitate the addition of a relaxation area in the grassy area on the west side. The area will include a fire ring with a seating area and several benches. This will be a project that will last most of the summer. Once completed, it will be a great addition to our club. We can hardly wait to enjoy a few cocktails on a cool fall evening while seated around a campfire.

May 18th will be our first of five Bike Nights this year. You really need to come and check it out. There will be a lot of people and a lot of great looking motorcycles. You don't need to be a biker to enjoy the evening. It is an amazing experience.

Every Friday night, we have music at the Legion 92 Club. Join us for Fish Fry and stay for the entertainment.  
 May 6: Denny and Anne  
 May 13: Teddy and Johnny  
 May 20: DJ Biggie Ben  
 May 27: Big Mike Little

May is the American Legion Auxiliary Poppy month. The Post 92 club will be helping our Unit 92 Auxiliary by collecting donations at the club. If you'd like a poppy, stop by the club and ask for one from your bartender or server. All we ask is for a small donation to the Unit 92 Poppy Fund.

I always hear people tell me we should get volunteers for this or that, but rarely do people come to me and say they want to help with something specific. So here is your chance. I'm looking for volunteers to help with a variety of things in and around the club. Specifically, I'd like to create a list of people willing to help bus tables, help wash dishes, do some janitorial duties, or outside cleaning/maintenance. Please contact me and let me know what you'd be willing to help with and when you're available.

By the end of May, we will send out an email blast requesting your orders for some Post 92 SWAG (clothing, hats, etc.) We will also have an order sheet at the club.

Until next month...I'll close with a quote from one of my favorite movies.

"May the wind always be at your back and the sun upon your face. And may the wings of destiny carry you aloft to dance with the stars."

-Tony Loecher, Club Manager  
 Phone: 507-516-6389  
 Email: clubmanager@rochesternlegion.org

**AUXILIARY UNIT #92**

May is a busy month for all and the Bugle is a great way to keep you up to date. There was a vote to add another person to our list of scholarship winners. I pleased to announce that Jacob Osmundson will be receiving the Community Scholarship. Congratulations Jacob and best wishes on your future. So glad we can help.

Thank you, Carol J and Julie E, for organizing and continuing your efforts for the raising funds for our scholarship programs. We all appreciate it. On May 21st the First District Convention will held at Albert Lea Unit 56. This a one-day event that will elect new officers, award trophies and plaques for this year's accomplishments and much more. If you have not gone, I suggest you register to see what it is all about. The members of the Memorial Association have been busy preparing for this year's Memorial Day program which is at 10:30 at the Veterans Memorial on May 30th. There will be a short procession from Edison School to the memorial just before the program. Construction in town has altered our route.

At our last meeting we picked a winner for our monthly drawing. Congratulations to Jackie Bock as our March \$25.00 gift card to Jac's/Legion. Thank you, Jackie, for you 32 years of support of this great organization and our community and Veterans! You will see Poppies this month! We will be distributing them in the club and out in the public. If you have one – wear it in solidarity. We will be working with the restaurant to get the poppies into the public so come in and purchase a meal/drink and donate to get a poppy. Thank you, Tony!

Girl State will be commencing on June 18-22. We have two people going and we hope to hear from them at a joint meeting with the Legion at our June 24th membership meeting being held at the Legion Club (not office). Our meeting will start at 6 pm and we will finish our business after we meet with the Boy and Girl Staters to hear about their experiences. We do have election of officers at this meeting and may other items to discuss. We are nearing the end of our year. If you have not gotten you 21-22 membership dues, please get them to us to continue your years of service. We need you. Your membership is your voice at our state and national level.  
 Thank you All!!

Sharon Kingsley  
 Secretary Auxiliary Unit 92

**CHAPLAINS CORNER**

Greetings American Legion Family. We enter the month of May and as we do so, that brings several events such as Post #92 elections, honoring those fallen on Memorial Day, National Day of Prayer, Mother's Day to name a few. And when one considers what it requires for us to help honor and celebrate all these events, one element comes to mind: Unity.

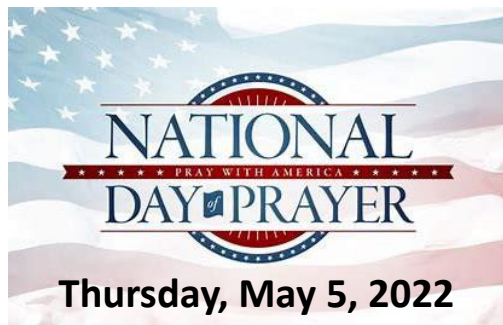


We just celebrated Easter where we remember the death and resurrection of our risen Lord, Jesus, the Christ. With that victory came victory over sin and death for all those who believe. After Jesus' resurrection and ascension into heaven was born the early church. As the early church formed, discord was found among some believers. The Apostle Paul wrote various letters to some of these early churches to resolve disagreements and bring unity. Specifically, Paul wrote to the Church of Corinth located at that time in the City of Corinth, west of Athens and in Southern Greece. The Apostle Paul starts one of these letters in 1 Corinthians in the Bible addressing the need for unity by stating, "I appeal to you brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought." (1 Cor. 1:10 NIV).

Does this mean we will always agree with one another? Of course not. But with God's help, we can come to understand each other's differences and resolve conflict with the love of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. You may have heard the phrase, united we stand divided we fall. Well, that phrase originated from Jesus when He addressed the critical religious leaders of His time when He said, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be ruined, and every city or household divided against itself will not stand." (Matthew 12:25 NIV).

The American Legion Family and Post #92 has, and I believe will continue to, come together to make a difference in the lives of veterans, their families, and the community. When differences arise, seek to understand the other so that maybe you also can be understood. I close with the Apostle Paul's closing comments to the Church of Corinth, "Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you." (2 Cor. 13:11 NIV).

- Lee Freeman, Chaplain  
Email: chaplain@rochestermnlegion.org



Commander Jeff Van Galder (left), William T. McCoy Post #92, Rochester, MN presents a donation to Craig Ugland (right) for the SE Minnesota Military Hockey Scholarship.

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**BINGO** at The LEGION  
Monthly 2nd & 4th Saturdays Starts: 1:00pm  
Regular Games: \$1 for 2 plays  
\$1000 BLACKOUT Game: \$2 for 2 plays  
public welcome food available  
Wm. T. McCoy POST 92 ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA Still Serving America



Our nation's missing personnel:

WWII.....	72,344
Korean War.....	7,544
Vietnam War.....	1,584
Cold War.....	126
Gulf Wars.....	5
El Dorado Canyon.....	1
	<b>81,604</b>

As of 04-12-22, more than 81,600 Americans remain missing from WWII, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Cold War, and the Gulf Wars/other conflicts. 75% of the losses are located in the Indo-Pacific, and over 41,000 of the missing are presumed lost at sea (i.e. ship losses, known aircraft water losses, etc.).

# May 2022



Legion 92 Club Hours: Mon - Thu: 11am - 11pm / Fri & Sat: 11am - 12am / Sun: 11am - 8pm

JAC's at The Legion 92 Hours: Sun & Mon: 11am - 7pm / Tue & Wed: 11am - 8pm / Thu - Sat: 11am - 9pm

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	R.E.D. FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <b>NATIONAL LOYALTY DAY</b> SILVER STAR SERVICE BANNER DAY HONORING AMERICANS WHO SAVED, INJURED, AND HELD SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS.	2 <b>EVERY MONDAY NIGHT</b> 5:00 PM JAC'S Signature Burgers STOPE-MONDAY	3 <b>EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT</b> 5:00 PM JAC'S STEAK NIGHT	4 TIME TO CELEBRATE! <b>NATIONAL ORANGE JUICE DAY!</b>	5 <b>PINCO de Mayo</b>	6 Music @ 7pm <b>DENNY &amp; ANNE</b> NATIONAL MILITARY SPOUSES DAY NATIONAL BEVERAGE DAY	7 RUN FOR THE ROSES <b>2022 KENTUCKY DERBY</b>
8 Happy Mother's Day	9 NATIONAL Mercato Day	10 SAL Mtg 6pm The Legion 92 Club <b>national shrimp day</b>	11 <b>EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT</b> 5:00 PM JAC'S WING WEDNESDAY	12 <b>EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT</b> 5:00 PM JAC'S \$1 OFF WRAPS	13 Music @ 7pm <b>TEDDY &amp; JOHNNY</b> <b>CHILDREN OF FALLEN PATRIOTS DAY</b> MAY 13	14 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS <b>Stamp Out Hunger FOOD DRIVE</b> 1:00 PM <b>BINGO</b>
15 POLICE OFFICER'S MEMORIAL DAY	16 Mimosa Day	17 Post 92 Mtg 6pm The Legion 92 Club	18 5 - 9 pm STEEL HORNS BELLEFON <b>BIKE NIGHT</b>	19	20 Music @ 7pm <b>DJ BIGGIE BEN</b>	21 HAPPYNATIONAL WAITSTAFFDAY! HAPPY ARMED FORCES DAY
22 <b>EVERY SUNDAY</b> \$2.99 KIDS MEAL Sundays	23	24 <b>Happy Brother's Day</b> Cheers, Bro!	25 it's National Wine Day	26	27 Music @ 7pm <b>BIG MIKE LITTLE</b> NATIONAL POPPY DAY	28 <b>HAPPY NATIONAL BURGER DAY</b> 1:00 PM <b>BINGO</b>
29	30 HOLIDAY HOURS 11 am - 7 pm MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER AND HONOR	31 <b>MAY IS POPPY MONTH</b> BE GENEROUS AND SUPPORT OUR UNIT 92 AUXILIARY <b>HONOR AMERICA'S VETERANS</b> Wear a poppy with pride. AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY	31 <b>EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT</b> 5:00 PM FISH FRY NIGHT	31 <b>EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT</b> 5:00 PM JAC'S PRIME RIB NIGHT		

**PULL TABS - ELECTRONIC TABS - SCRATCH TAB MACHINE - ELECTRONIC BINGO  
MN CHARTIABLE GAMBLING LICENSE: 00254-003**

**SAL SQUADRON #92**

Please welcome our 3 newest members Mike Fabel, Donald "Skip" Pickett, and Larry Johnson. Mike joined under his Dad, John Fabel, who served in the U S Army during WWII. Donald has transferred his membership to our Squadron 92 and has been a S.A.L. member for 19 continuous years. Larry has also transferred his membership to Squadron 92 and has been a member of the S.A.L. for 36 continuous years.



Our current membership stands at 77. By being a member of the S.A.L. Squadron 92 and joining as a direct descendant of a loved one who served our country in the Armed Forces during the Great Wars, you are honoring their service. Also, your SAL 92 membership card is good at all American Legion Clubs and allows you to enter those Legion Clubs that are for members only. Therefore, carry your card with you when you travel.

Elections will be held at our next meeting on Tuesday, May 10th at 6pm at the American Legion Post 92, 915 21st Ave SE. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6pm.

If your membership card is for 2021, it is past due. Membership dues are: \$24 for a Regular membership, \$13 for a Dual membership for those who are both a Legion and SAL member, and \$13 for a Junior membership for those under 18. You may pay your dues at our Post 92 Club, or just show up at one of our meetings.

Hope to see you all at the meeting.

Take care and thank you for your service to the American Legion. For God and Country.

For God and Country.

Joe P Brown Sr  
SAL Squadron 92 Advisor and a Dual Member  
Email: [Brown49tex@charter.net](mailto:Brown49tex@charter.net)  
Phone Cell: (507) 990-1347

**MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM 2022  
ROCHESTER, MN**

On Monday May 30, 2022, the Memorial Day Program will start at 10:00 AM with a procession from the tennis courts at Soldiers Field and proceed to the Soldiers Field Veterans Memorial. The Program at Soldiers Field Veterans Memorial will start at 10:30 AM. At the conclusion of the Program, the veteran organizations will be honoring the dead whose remains are buried at sea at the Center Street Bridge by the Civic Center at noon. If you would like to be in the Procession, you are more than welcome to do so, just show up. All groups or individuals who will be in the Procession need to be at the tennis courts at Soldiers Field at 9:30AM. After the services at the Center St Bridge, there will be services at the local cemeteries as listed below:

Contact Information for questions:  
Joe P Brown Sr.  
President Rochester Veterans Memorial Association  
Email: [Brown49tex@charter.net](mailto:Brown49tex@charter.net)  
Phone Cell: (507) 990-1347

**2022 POST #92 AMERICANISM  
SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**

This year, Wm. T. McCoy Post #92 awarded three Americanism Scholarships to aspiring college students. The awardees included:

- ◆ Hans Xu, Century High School
- ◆ Phoenix Krzykowski, John Marshall High School
- ◆ Faith Monson, Schaeffer Academy (presentation to be made later in May 2022)



Commander Jeff Van Galder presents Phoenix Krzykowski (top left) and Hans Xu (top right) their Americanism Scholarship Certificates. Adjutant Lee Freeman and Commander Van Galder (bottom) present the awardees to the Post #92 membership.

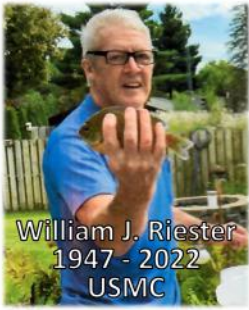


**COMMUNITY DONATIONS**

The following lawful purpose, charitable gambling donations were recently approved/distributed:

- Cpl Curtis M. Swenson Memorial Fund \$500
- Bear Creek Development Center \$500
- Scouting patches \$628

**Thank you to Honor Guard member Mike Riester for his \$1000 donation in memory of his brother.**



**A Fisherman's Prayer**

I pray that I may live to fish  
until my dying day,  
and when it comes to my last cast  
then I most humbly pray,  
when in the Lord's great landing net  
I lay peacefully asleep,  
that in His mercy  
I be judged big enough to keep.



**EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT  
5:00PM TO 7:00PM**

**MEAT RAFFLE**

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Don't forget to renew your 2022 American Legion membership! You can pay on-line (noted below) or you can come to the American Legion Club and pay in-person either by cash, check, or credit. Lastly, you can al-



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Mother's  
Day!*

**Veterans  
Services**

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P R O D U C T I O N S**

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The Olmsted County Veteran Service office will meet with veterans by appointment ONLY. To make an appointment, please visit [www.olmstedcounty.gov/veterans](http://www.olmstedcounty.gov/veterans), or call our office at 507.328.6355. Address: Olmsted County Veteran Services Office 2100 Campus Drive SE, Suite 200 Rochester, MN 55904

**MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE**

American Legion Post #92 has several wheelchairs and a walker available to those in need! If you or someone in your family could benefit from one of these, please contact the American Legion Office at (507) 252-1659 to make arrangements to picking up. This is a first come first serve offer so don't delay, call today!



"Hey, it's been great talking to you, Mom, but I really have to go."

If you have a favorite joke you would like to submit for consideration, please email to [officemanager@rochestermnlegion.org](mailto:officemanager@rochestermnlegion.org).

**HAPPINESS IS YELLING  
BINGO**



Veterans Health Identification Card



**The VHIC is issued only to Veterans who are enrolled in the VA health care system.**

Purpose of the VHIC: The VHIC is for identification and check-in at VA appointments. It cannot be used as a credit card or an insurance card, and it does not authorize or pay for care at non-VA facilities.

**Veterans ID Cards Available Through Community Based Clinics**

**Rochester VA Clinic– 3551 Commercial Drive SW, Rochester, MN 55902**

**Veterans must schedule an appointment through the VA Call Center at 612-467-1100. Clinics start at 8:15am and the last appointment is at 11:15am. DATES: July 15, September 15, November 17**

Primary Identification	Secondary Identification
Must present ONE form of Primary Identification	And ONE form of Secondary Identification
State-Issued Driver's License	Social Security Card
United States (U.S.) Passport (unexpired)	Original or certified Birth Certificate
Foreign passport with Form I-94 or Form I-94A (unexpired)	Certificate issued by US Consular Offices documenting the birth of a child on foreign soil to a US citizen. (Form FS-545, Form DS-1350, DS Form
U.S. Military card	Certification of Report of Birth issued by the Department of State (Form DS-1350)
Military ID Card	Voter's Registration Card
Military dependent's ID card	Native American Tribal Document
Foreign Passport with temporary I-551 stamp	U.S. Citizen ID Card (Form I-197)
Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card (Form I- 551)	Identification Card for Use of Resident Citizen in the United States (Form I-179)
Federal , State or local issued photo ID	Employment Authorization document issued by the Department of Homeland Security
Employment Authorization Document that contains a photograph (Form I- 766)	Canadian Driver's License
Passport from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) or the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) with Form I-94 or Form I-94A	
School ID with photograph	
VA Identification Card (VIC) or VHIC*	

