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### COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Greetings and Salutations American Legion Family, Time sure flies when you're having fun. Another month has gone by and summer is almost over.



For those that weren't aware, on August 22, the National Legacy Scholarship Ride passed through Rochester on their way to the 100th American Legion National Convention. About 260+ motorcycles stopped at Soldiers Field Veterans Memorial for a short break and a wreath laying ceremony. Of significance, Denise Rohan, the first female American Legion National Commander, was in attendance. She presented the Post with a plaque for hosting their stop. Post #92 provided water, cookies, and ice cream sandwiches for all the Riders. By the way, the wreath has been at the Post since that day. It still looks fantastic. You should check it out.

I thank those who helped with a working party at the new Post on August 25. We accomplished quite a bit. We could use more help on September 8. Please consider helping out from 9am - noon.

Post #92 is struggling as an organization. Membership has dropped by 30% in the last 15 years. As members of the American Legion Family, we all get very busy in our lives. Sometimes, we forget what we are and what we do. Almost everyone we know will say "I support veterans." How, exactly? Is it just a sticker on a car? Ask yourself, "what do I do to support veterans?" If you can't think of specific examples of what you are doing, then consider helping us. We, as the American Legion Family, are a prime example of an organization that helps veterans. Not only that, we help children, we help other charitable organizations and we promote Americanism. Help may be volunteering to do some work. Help may be sitting at a table during an event. Help may be being a member of the Honor Guard. Help may be coming in and spending a little time or money at the Post. Help may be getting involved with our programs (Boy Scouts, Girls State, Boys State, Baseball, Riders, S.A.L., etc.) **"STILL SERVING AMERICA"** is one of our ethos. Veterans make immense sacrifices when serving our nation. If we are still serving America, then that requires sacrifices, too. The #1 sacrifice we can make is our time for the American Legion Family. It isn't a sacrifice to help when it's only convenient. A sacrifice is to help when it means changing plans, fitting time into a busy schedule, attending a meeting when you don't feel like it, or even cancelling those weekend plans. Sacrifice is skipping a routine event with immediate family to help our American Legion Family. We are a family. Family isn't just a word. Family is a feeling. If we are to

survive as a family, all of us need to rededicate ourselves to our AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY.

Have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend.

—Tony Loecher, Commander

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### AUXILIARY UNIT 92

Hello, Family!

Fall is hinting at its arrival, and I am kind of enjoying less humidity and cooler evenings. Lots of things are happening with our Unit as we get back to a more regular schedule.



The Executive Committee met in August and put together our budget and revised the Standing Rules. It is a long, but satisfying process to discuss how we proceed, and where we spend our funds. These will be approved in September.

The new fiscal year will officially start with our first Unit Meeting on September 18th at 7:00 pm at the current Club. We'll talk about our established programs and events, and also brainstorm some fundraising ideas. My intent is to get family members involved in at least one activity a month to benefit a charity of our choice.

The move to our new location is in the works, and we need your help! There is packing, moving, planning, transporting, feeding, and all sorts of ways we could use your time and talent. Please, please reach out to me and let me know you'd like to help. We need you, and we'd love to work with you.

I'm super excited about this new year, and hope you are, too!

In the spirit of Service Not Self,

—Sue Lee, President Auxiliary Unit 92

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[auxiliarypresident@rochestermnlegion.org](mailto:auxiliarypresident@rochestermnlegion.org)

### ATTENDANCE DRAWING

American Legion Post #92 members who attend our monthly membership meeting are eligible for a chance at winning \$599. That's right...\$599!!! You need to show up to see how. Our next regular membership meeting will be at 7PM on September 18th. There are only two rules: 1) you must be current on your dues, and 2) you must stay for the whole meeting. We'll see you at the September meeting. Good Luck!

—Reid Oberle, Adjutant

**2018 - 2019 OFFICERS  
WM. T. MCCOY POST 92**

**MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR JULY 1ST - JUNE 30TH**

Past Commander ..... Joe Brown  
 Commander..... Tony Loecher  
 1st Vice-Commander..... Joe Brown  
 2nd Vice-Commander .....  
 Adjutant ..... Reid Oberle  
 Finance Officer..... Jay R. Anderson  
 Chaplain ..... Bob Gorman  
 Historian .....  
 Sgt-at-Arms ..... Bill Born  
 Service Officer..... Ashley Laganieri  
 Judge Advocate..... R.J. Oelslager  
 Executive Committee ..... Lou Behrens, Phil Johnson,  
 Mark Maloney III, George Petersen,  
 Gary Schoenfelder, & Roger Vangness  
 Gambling Manager..... Roger Vangness  
 Club Manager.....  
 Office Manager..... Tony Loecher

**AUXILIARY UNIT 92**

**MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR AUGUST 1ST - JULY 31ST**

Junior Past President ..... Shirley Oberle  
 President ..... Sue Lee  
 1st Vice-President ..... Chris Higgins  
 2nd Vice-President..... Mary Oviatt  
 Secretary ..... Evelyn Lyke  
 Chaplain ..... Lucy Phelps  
 Historian ..... Evelyn Lyke  
 Sgt-at-Arms ..... Shirley Oberle  
 Treasurer..... Tammy Grendahl  
 Executive Committee ..... Carol Johnson, Evelyn Lyke

**SAL SQUADRON 92**

**MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR JULY 1ST - JUNE 30TH**

Commander..... Don Vavra  
 1st Vice Commander..... Mike Hillestad  
 2nd Vice Commander..... Jim Behr  
 Treasurer/Finance ..... Morey Meyer  
 Membership..... Dave Bilderback  
 Adjutant ..... Morey Meyer  
 Historian ..... Gary A. Rupp  
 Chaplain ..... Joe Brown  
 Sgt-at-Arms ..... Chuck Oviatt

**ALR CHAPTER 92**

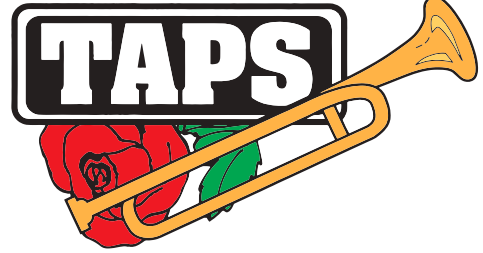
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Sympathy cards have been sent to the families  
 of the following  
 No more shall they come through our post door...



James F. Ward, Sr.  
 (02-19-2018)



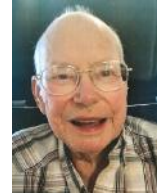
Larry D. Scrabeck  
 (03-09-2018)



Erland J. Boelter  
 (07-25-2018)



Richard J. Sonsalla  
 (07-25-2018)



Lloyd D. Long  
 (08-20-2018)

**POST 92 HONOR GUARD RENDERED MILITARY  
 HONORS TO THE FOLLOWING VETERANS WHO  
 WERE NOT MEMBERS OF POST 92:**



Rev. Dr.  
 Warren H. Diskerud  
 (08-05-2018)



Dale L. Fagerlind  
 (08-08-2018)



"Doc"  
 William R. Fuqua  
 (08-08-2018)



"Jerry"  
 Gerald Louis Rahman  
 (08-17-2018)



John F. Philo  
 (03-17-2018)



"Jerry"  
 Harold Thompson  
 (08-23-2018)

# POST 92 CLUB HOURS

CLUB HOURS.....Monday - Thursday 10 am to 11 pm, Friday - Saturday 10 am to Midnight, Sunday 12 noon to 7:00 pm

# SEPTEMBER 2018 \*ALL EVENTS AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b><u>KITCHEN IS CLOSED</u> for the upcoming Post move. Until we get into the new Post, we'll no longer have Wednesday Burger Night, Friday Dinners, or a full menu during BINGO. We apologize for any inconvenience.</b></p>			<p><b>September is National Americana Month and National Suicide Prevention Month</b></p> <p><b>Suicide Prevention Week: September 9-15</b></p>			<p>Weekly Cash Drawing at 5 PM</p> <p><b>1</b></p>
<p>V-J Day (1945)</p> <p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>LABOR DAY</b></p> <p>Club Hours 10 AM-7 PM</p> <p>Potluck 1 PM</p> <p>Raffle Drawing 3 PM</p> <p>NO Gulf War Veteran Mtg.</p> <p><b>3</b></p>	<p>Executive Committee Mtg. 7 PM</p> <p><b>4</b></p>	<p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Karaoke Hooked on Music 6-10 PM</p> <p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>NATIONAL BEER LOVER'S DAY</b></p> <p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Live Entertainment Jukebox Cruisen 7-11 PM</p> <p><b>7</b></p>	<p>NEW POST WORKING PARTY 9 AM-12 PM</p> <p>BINGO 1 PM</p> <p>Weekly Cash Drawing 5 PM</p> <p>Karaoke Good Vibrations 5:30-9:30 PM</p> <p><b>8</b></p>
<p>VIKINGS VIP CLUB 49ers @ Vikings 12 PM Potluck Luncheon</p> <p><b>9</b></p>	<p>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</p> <p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>PATRIOT DAY</b></p> <p><b>NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE</b></p> <p>40/8 NO Rendezous &amp; NO Promenade</p> <p>Screening Committee Mtg 6 PM</p> <p>Legion Mtg. 7 PM</p> <p>Auxiliary Mtg. 7 PM</p> <p><b>11</b></p>	<p>S.A.L. FORMED (1932)</p> <p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Karaoke Good Vibrations 6-10 PM</p> <p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>UNCLE SAM'S BIRTHDAY (1766)</b></p> <p>S.A.L. Mtg 6 PM</p> <p>Marine Corps League Auxiliary Mtg 7 PM</p> <p>Legion Riders Mtg 7 PM</p> <p><b>13</b></p>	<p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Live Entertainment The Vintage Tones 7-11 PM</p> <p><b>14</b></p>	<p>Weekly Cash Drawing at 5 PM</p> <p><b>15</b></p>
<p>VIKINGS VIP CLUB Vikings @ Green Bay 12 PM</p> <p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>US CONSTITUTION SIGNED (1787)</b></p> <p><b>CITIZENSHIP DAY</b></p> <p>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</p> <p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>US AIR FORCE BIRTHDAY (1947)</b></p> <p>Screening Committee Mtg 6 PM</p> <p>Legion Mtg. 7 PM</p> <p>Auxiliary Mtg. 7 PM</p> <p><b>18</b></p>	<p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Karaoke by Hooked on Music 6-10 PM</p> <p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY</b></p> <p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Live Entertainment Sisters and Company 7-11 PM</p> <p><b>21</b></p>	<p>BINGO 1 PM</p> <p>Weekly Cash Drawing 5 PM</p> <p>Karaoke by Hooked on Music 5:30-9:30 PM</p> <p><b>22</b></p>
<p><b>23</b></p> <p>VIKINGS VIP CLUB Bills @ Vikings 12 PM Potluck Luncheon</p> <p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>GOLD STAR MOTHER'S DAY</b></p> <p>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen 8 AM</p> <p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Karaoke by Good Vibrations 6-10 PM</p> <p><b>26</b></p>	<p>VIKINGS VIP CLUB Vikings @ Rams 12 PM</p> <p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>NATIONAL DRINK BEER DAY</b></p> <p>Meat Trays 4:30-7:30 PM</p> <p>Live Entertainment The Country Ladds 7-11 PM</p> <p><b>28</b></p>	<p>VFW ESTABLISHED (1899)</p> <p>Weekly Cash Drawing 5 PM</p> <p><b>29</b></p>

**PULL TABS - ELECTRONIC TABS - SCRATCH TAB MACHINE AVAILABLE DAILY**

## GAMBLING EXPENSES

Gambling report month of July 2018  
 Roger K. Vangness, Gambling Manager

American Legion Post 92 Rochester MN Lic. B-00254

<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$47,830.95</b>
<b>MEAT TRAYS ON INVENTORY</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>ALLOWABLE EXPENSE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>

PAYROLL	\$5,845.79
FEDERAL PAYROLL TAX	\$1,527.08
MN PAYROLL TAX	\$359.00
US TREASURY UNEMPLOYMENT	\$84.69
MINNESOTA UC FUND	\$270.00
ADVERTISING	\$175.00
LEGAL SERVICE	\$100.00
OFFICE SUPPLY	\$854.05
UTILITIES	\$191.64
ELECTRONIC PULL TABS	\$3,506.11
PULL TABS	\$3,018.36
MEAT TRAYS	\$780.00
SHORT BANKS (games pulled)	\$133.00
<b>TOTAL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$16,844.72</b>

LAWFUL PURPOSE	AMOUNT
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MN ENERGY RESOURCES	\$426.00
ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES	\$2,496.00
US TREASURY (FORM 730)	\$690.72
COMBINED RECEIPT TAX	\$19,717.00
VETERANS IN DISTRESS (2)	\$218.39
DISON'S CLEANERS	\$81.60
NATURES BEST CLEANERS	\$8.65
MN AMERICAN LEGION FOUNDATION (COMMANDER FUND)	\$300.00
SCHOLARSHIP FUND (12) AT \$500 EA	\$6,000.00
HONOR GUARD FUNERAL & MILEAGE	\$7,399.80
KUEHN RENTAL (BOYS & GIRLS STATE)	\$1,029.75
B & C PLUMBLING AND HEATING	\$181.80
<b>TOTAL LAWFUL PURPOSE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$38,549.71</b>

**TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2018** **\$55,394.43**

**TOTAL PROFIT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2018** **(7,563.48)**

## 40/8

Hello Voyageurs;

Dues are now due. Please pay \$20, by check, to Voiture 327 and send to Richard Skillestad, Box 161 Eyota, MN 55934.

Our September Promenade has been cancelled because many members are attending the National Promenade in Louisville, KY. The next Voiture 327 Promenade will be at 6:30 PM on THURSDAY, October 11 at American Legion Post 119 in Byron. See you there.

Yours truly,

—Richard Skillestad, 40 & 8 Correspondent  
 507-250-5329



## SAL SQUADRON 92

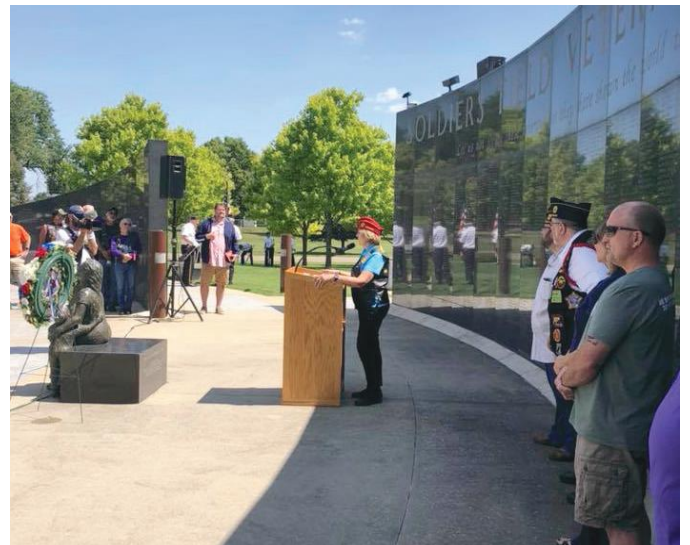
This summer flew by fast and here we are in September! The next membership meeting is September 13th at 6 PM. We have 83 paid members as of our July meeting. We are not having a Friday Dinner this month; stay tuned for more info. School has started so please be cautious out there. Please keep those in the military in your prayers.



—Don Vavra, Commander SAL Squadron 92


## GULF WAR VETERANS

Gulf War Veterans membership meetings are the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Legion meeting room. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Mark Maloney III at (507) 513-1582 or Dave Bilderback at (507) 250-1057.



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## CABANE 327

The annual potluck was held with the Voyageurs and as usual very tasty. Thank you for the good food and to those that did the cleanup.



The September Rendezvous is cancelled due to the Voyageurs cancelling. The Dames will have a Rendezvous October 11 (note a Thursday) at 6:30 at the Byron American Legion. Come and bring some ideas for the new year. Installation will be held for our new officers and the installing officer will be LuAnn Marschel, Grande Presidente, Passe.

Dues are due. Any female 18 or older with an affiliation with a veteran may join the Cabane, a fun group who accomplish much. Dues are \$23.00 dollars. Please send to Evelyn Lyke at 207 14th Ave. NE. Rochester MN 55906 or join us for a fun and productive time. As we are starting our year a month later, let us have a good attendance and many ideas to give our new Presidente elect Tracy Mulholland a flying start. Don't forget the change in date and place as we start our new year.

Prayers to Dames in sickness and distress

—Barbara Stussy,  
La Presidente Locale

## ALR "92 RIDERS"

Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 20 at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in being a Rider, please join us at this meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Loecher at 507-358-6389.



## LEGION POST SALE & MOVE UPDATE:

Plans for the new Post are coming along great. It is a slow process, but plans are almost complete. Demolition and renovations will start soon. Unfortunately, construction permits will delay our opening. As of now, we are trying to have the new Post open sometime in December. We already completed our first working party on Saturday, 08/25. Our next working party day will be Saturday, 09/08 from 9AM-noon. We are looking for any Legion Family members to come help get things done that need to happen prior to demolition. There is plenty of work we can do. We will keep it a short day. Pizza and refreshments will be served afterwards.

## CONVENTION APPRECIATION DINNER:

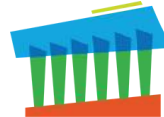
As a final thank you for helping Post #92 host the 100th Department of Minnesota Convention, all volunteers and employees are invited to a free appreciation dinner at Pizza Ranch in Stewartville on Thursday, September 27th. We have the backroom reserved specifically for us. Dinner will start at 5:30pm. If you can't make it right at that time, please come as soon as you can, but no later than 7:00pm. We hope to see all the volunteers and employees there. It was your hard work and dedication that put on a great convention.

## COMMUNITY CELEBRATION SPONSORS

THANK YOU to these sponsors for their generous donations to help us host the amazing community celebration during the 100th Department of Minnesota Convention last month. These businesses, organizations, and individuals really stepped up to the plate. The food and music were exceptional. The fireworks display was beyond belief. If you didn't take part in the festivities, then you missed out on a spectacular, fun, and entertaining evening.

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## CLUB NOTES

If you weren't aware, we closed the kitchen for our upcoming move. Some of the built-in equipment is being moved to the new Post, so time was needed for removal and cleaning, prior to installation in the new Post. We apologize for any inconvenience.

We're now selling cards for our **VIKINGS VIP CLUB** at the Post Club. Cost is \$25 per person. I suppose you're asking yourself, what is the **VIKINGS VIP CLUB**? The VIP CARD gets you 16 "2 for 1" drink purchases to be used during any Vikings game. You also get one free Jell-O shot after every Vikings touchdown. Lastly, you'll get to participate in our potlucks served during Vikings home games on Sundays when kickoff is at Noon or 3:25 PM.

Our September line-up of Friday Night LIVE ENTERTAINMENT includes:

- 7th: Jukebox Cruisen
- 14th: The Vintage Tones
- 21st: Sisters and Company
- 28th: The Country Ladds

Since the kitchen is closed until we move, there is no longer Burger Night on Wednesdays. However, we still have the usual karaoke. This month, we'll have:

- 5th: Hooked on Music
- 12th: Good Vibrations
- 19th: Hooked on Music
- 26th: Good Vibrations

Don't forget about BINGO on September 8th and 25th. Games begin at 1 PM. Since we no longer have the kitchen open, we are okay with you bringing in some snacks for your BINGO enjoyment. We continue to have pizzas available at the bar. We are thinking about offering some other goodies for you.

We are still in search of a Club Manager. If you know someone who may be interested, contact our main office at 507-252-1659.

As always...Remember; this is your club! Please come in and support it. We'd love to see you and you'll have a good time.



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