

The Bugle



William T. McCoy Post #92 American Legion Family Newsletter

October 2022

COMMANDERS COMMENTS

Family,

When the American Legion began in March of 1919, the founding members realized that the United States was ill prepared in assisting those veterans returning from WWI. Especially those that were wounded or now unemployed. The American Legion advocated for millions of veterans within its first 100 years and helped all Americans become more mindful of the sacrifices each veteran and their family had contributed to this country.



Four pillars of the American Legion were established,

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation,

National Security,
Americanism and
Children & Youth.

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation-

- The American Legion formed a network of Service Officers that now exceed 3,500.
- Campaigned to put veterans' services under one authority currently known as the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Continually lobbies Congress to protect veterans' benefits, VA hospitals, training programs and services. -
- Developed programs and produced studies that led to the research and diagnosis of PTSD.
- The Legion proved that there was a service-connected exposure to Agent Orange and atomic radiation caused diseases and demanded government accountability.
- We also drafted and pushed for passage of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, the original GI Bill.
- And achieved the Veterans Preference Hiring for federal jobs.

Did you also know that the American Legion backed legislation in 1920 to install the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, pushed for 24-hour guarding of the tomb and purchased lights for the shrine?

How about how the Legion raised over \$1.2 million in 1982 to build the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, more than any other organization, and more than \$3 million for the construction of the National World War II

Memorial in 2004? Being a member of the American Legion is so much more than just holding up card and saying, "I belong." We are a family. We have a voice. We have a vote. Imagine what the world would look like if the American Legion did not exist. Would Congress still have protected us? Would the rest of the nation even care? We can all do more.

"If you do what you've always done, you'll get what you've always gotten."

– Tony Robbins

Semper Fidelis,
Gilmore
Commander

AUXILIARY UNIT #92

October is a fun filled month with projects inside and out. Hope you can enjoy. Our unit met in September to work on events that will happen in the upcoming year. We have members visiting shut-ins, planning Veteran and Halloween safety programs. We will observe Poppy Days on May 5-6. We have encouraged members to come up with ideas and spearhead the project. If you should be interested in working on something to support Veterans or our Community, please reach out to see what we can do to help.



We will be having the scholarship and Girl State programs this year. I will remind you of this as we get close to the application deadline. I want to thank Lori Kingsley for joining Unit #92 this year. She is a member through her father William who served in WWII, and he is currently a member of Post #92. This gave Lori a chance to be in the August drawing for the Legion/Jax gift card and she won! Congratulations. I want to thank the unit officers for helping this year. We do have meetings again in January, April, and June. These are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Legion Office, unless notified otherwise. All members are welcome. Thank you for your support with this great organization. Looking forward to a great year. Stay safe.

Sharon Kingsley - President
507-206-1885
auxiliarypresident@rochesternlegion.org



2022 - 2023 OFFICERS

WILLIAM T. MCCOY POST #92

ELECTIONS: MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MEMBERSHIP & FISCAL YEAR JULY 1ST - JUNE 30TH

Commander.....	Gilmore
1st Vice-Commander.....	Open Position
2nd Vice-Commander.....	Open Position
Adjutant.....	Lee Freeman
Finance Officer.....	Jay R. Anderson
Chaplain.....	Open Position
Historian.....	Open Position
Sgt-at-Arms.....	Bill Born
Service Officer.....	Clark Montgomery
Judge Advocate.....	R.J. Oelslager
Past Commander.....	Jeffrey Van Galder
Executive Committee Directors:	
Term Ends 2023.....	Reid Oberle, Tony Loecher
Term Ends 2024.....	Steve Leqve, Gary Schoenfelder
Term Ends 2025.....	Roger Vangness, Roger 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.....	Carol Johnson
Secretary.....	Chris Higgins
Chaplain.....	Donna Fritsch
Historian.....	Evelyn Lyke
Sgt-at-Arms.....	Shirley Oberle
Treasurer.....	Sharon Kingsley
Junior Past President.....	Sue Lee
Executive Committee.....	Shirley Oberle, Mary Oviatt
Past President.....	Sue Lee

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.....	



Preston A. McKeon
09-12-2022



Donald D. Anderson
09-15-2022



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09-25-2022




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FROM THE LEGION 92 CLUB MANAGER

Howdy, folks!

Brrrrrr. Fall has arrived. I guess it's October after all. I'm not ready for winter to come rearing its ugly head.



Just a quick recap of the summer. 1. We saw increased use of our amazing patio. Having the big tent, an east facing patio, and natural vegetation and wildlife to look at makes for a relaxing experience. Many people have commented that we have the best patio in town. 2. September brought us to the end of Steel Horse Militia Bike Nights at The Legion. We are fortunate SHM chose us to host Bike Nights. This series of events has brought us considerable positive exposure to a ton of people all while raising money every month for a person in need or local charitable organizations. Plus, we obviously generate some much-needed revenue.

Beli Jones is a Boy Scout in Troop 186, and Post 92 is their troop charter organization. Beli is working toward his Eagle Scout Award by spearheading the construction of a Relaxation Area in the grassy area behind our Legion Club. The Relaxation Area consists of a fire pit surrounded by pavers and a seating area. The fire pit will be used for Flag Retirement Ceremonies, as well as for relaxing evenings sitting by a fire with our patrons. Beli needs to raise considerable funds for this project. Please consider donating to Beli's project, and toward his dream of becoming an Eagle Scout. Once completed, this fire pit/Relaxation Area will add another resource to our awesome club. Donations are accepted at the bar. We can even include a donation on your tab. If you want to donate using a credit card, you can call the bar and we can submit the donation over the phone.

Football season has kicked off (pun intended). We have game day food and drink specials for all MN Vikings and MN Gophers games, as well as some of the other games. Specials include discounted appetizers, some new appetizers, as well as discounted draft beer and some bottle beer specials. We are also having a Bloody Mary bar before each the Vikings games in October. Come in and pick your mix, add your own mixers, and top it off with your choice of a variety of condiments.

October has some great live entertainment. This month's lineup includes some new acts. The 7th, we'll have Kid Dakota in the house. DJ Biggie Ben will have the place rocking two nights in a row, the 14th and 15th. Saturday night, 15th is an open birthday party for Whitey (Justin Theel) and Heather Preiss Crawford.

All are welcome to join the fun. The 21st brings us the Rockin' Hep Cats from Dodge Center. This is a three piece band playing all your rockabilly favorites. Closing out October is a regular face at The Legion... Mr. Ron Bublitz will be here on the 28th.

Buck Off Mondays is slowly gaining traction. All day, every Monday: \$1 off all beer- bottles and drafts.

We now offer a Weekday Lunch Loyalty Card. Come in for lunch during the week between 11 AM and 2 PM, show your card and receive a free fountain pop with your meal. For each meal purchased, get your card stamped. Receive 8 stamps on your card and the 9th meal is FREE!

Why haven't you renewed your membership yet? We've been renewing Post 92 American Legion Family memberships since July 1st. Stop in and renew your Legion, Auxiliary, or SAL membership at the club and receive a free drink. Once you renew, you'll receive a Member Benefit Card in the mail. That card entitles you to discounts and free food at the Legion 92 Club that add up to over a \$150 value.

The new BOGO Dog Tags are hitting the streets. If you would like a bunch to hand out to friends, family, or business acquaintances, please see the Club Manager. This dog tag will help us attract people to The Legion 92 Club who have never been here before. Remember, we reserve the right to not honor the BOGO dog tag if you are a "Legion Regular" trying to use it.

Please stop in to YOUR Legion 92 Club and spend some of your hard-earned money at a place that makes a difference. JAC's at The Legion 92 has an exceptional menu at reasonable prices. When you support JAC's, you are also supporting the Legion Club, so we both prosper. We need people supporting both of us to ensure we can continue to thrive and be a staple in our community for the next 100 years.

With football season in full swing, I'll close with my own quote, "Just one time before I die, I'd like to see the Vikings win the Super Bowl."

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



DONATE TO OUR RELAXATION AREA

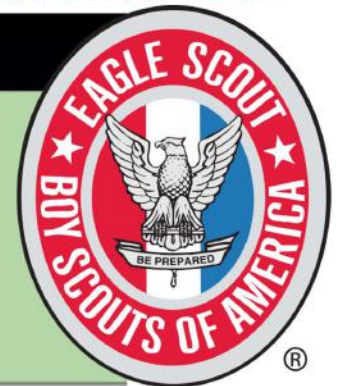
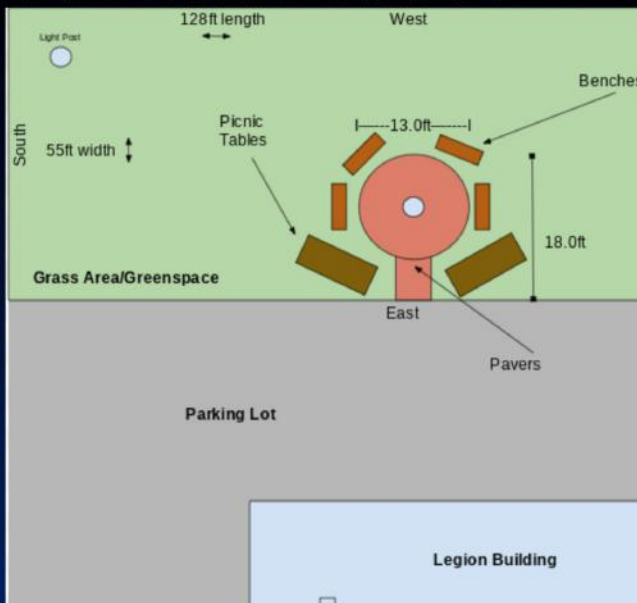
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Donations accepted at the bar. We can even include a donation on your tab.

RELAXATION AREA

Boy Scout Eagle Project

- Fire ring - 36 inches
 - allows for Flag Retirement
- Pavers on access path and around fire ring
- 2 - Wheelchair access Picnic Tables
- 4 - Benches
- Gravel underlay
- 4-6 months completion time
- \$3,500 - \$5,000



OLMSTED CO. VETERAN SERVICES

The Olmsted County Veteran Service office will meet with veterans by appointment ONLY. To make an appointment, please visit 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.

Our nation's missing personnel:



WWII.....	72,280
Korean War.....	7,527
Vietnam War.....	1,582
Cold War.....	126
Gulf Wars.....	5
El Dorado Canyon.....	1
	81,521

As of 09-23-22, more than 81,500 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.).

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

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October 2022



Legion 92 Club Hours: Mon - Thu: 11AM - 11PM / Fri & Sat: 11AM - 12AM / Sun: 11AM - 8PM
 JAC's at The Legion 92 Hours: Mon - Sat: 11AM - 9PM / Sun: 11AM - 7PM

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	R.E.D. FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	EVERY MONDAY NIGHT 5:00 PM 	EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT 5:00 PM 	EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT 5:00 PM 	EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT 5:00 PM 	EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT 5:00 PM 	EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT 5:00 PM
2 CLUB HOURS 8 AM - 8 PM Bloody Mary Bar 8 AM - 12 PM SKOL NATION SUNDAY OCT 2 8:30 AM	3 Buck Off Monday \$1 off all beer \$1 off all burgers Rams at 49ers 7:15 PM	4 NATIONAL VODKA DAY	5 National Do Something Nice Day!	6	7 Music @ 7 PM Kid Dakota	8 NATIONAL HEROES DAY 1:00 PM BINGO Purdue at Gophers 11:00 AM
9 Bloody Mary Bar 11 AM - 3 PM SKOL NATION SUNDAY OCT 9 12:00 PM	10 Buck Off Monday Raiders at Chiefs 7:15 PM	11 NATIONAL SAUSAGE PIZZA DAY SAL Squadron 92 Meeting 6 PM	12 NATIONAL TAKE YOUR PARENTS TO LUNCH DAY	13 HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S. NAVY <small>October 23</small>	14 Music @ 7 PM DJ Biggie Ben	15 Music @ 7 PM DJ Biggie Ben NATIONAL CHEESE CURD DAY Gophers at Illinois 11:00 AM
16 Bloody Mary Bar 11 AM - 3 PM SKOL NATION SUNDAY OCT 16 12:00 PM	17 Buck Off Monday Broncos at Chargers 7:15 PM	18 Post 92 Membership Meeting 6 PM	19 Korean War Veterans Club Luncheon 11:30 AM	20	21 Music @ 7 PM Rockin' Hep Cats	22 1:00 PM BINGO Gophers at Penn State 6:30 PM
23	24 Buck Off Monday \$1 off all beer \$1 off all burgers Bears at Patriots 7:15 PM	25 national GREASY FOOD day	26 NATIONAL DAY OF THE DEPLOYED <small>To all those that serve. Thank you for making the world.</small>	27 NAVY DAY national AMERICAN BEER day	28 NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS DAY Music @ 7 PM Ron Bublitz	29 Rutgers at Gophers TBD
30 Bloody Mary Bar 11 AM - 3 PM SKOL NATION SUNDAY OCT 30 12:00 PM	31 Buck Off Monday HALLOWEEN Bengals at Browns 7:15 PM	WM. T. MCCOY POST 92 MEMBERSHIP DINNER Monday, November 14, 2022 - Social Hour: 4:00PM - Dinner: 5:00PM All paid 2023 American Legion Post 92, Auxiliary Unit 92, and SAL Squadron 92 members eligible FREE for member and one guest. RSVP no later than November 7th. LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE				
PULL TABS - ELECTRONIC TABS - SCRATCH TAB MACHINE - ELECTRONIC BINGO MN CHARTIABLE GAMBLING LICENSE: 00254-003						

SAL SQUADRON #92



Greetings from "A Band of Brothers"

Please welcome our newest member, Tony A Bluske, who is eligible to be a Son because of his Grandad, Otto Bluske. Tony's Grandad served our country from 1922-1926.

When you renew your membership, you will also receive a discount punch card coupon good at the Post 92 Club. July 1st was the start of the 2023 membership year, and you may pay your 2023 dues at the Legion Club 915 21st Ave SE. 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.

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.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 11th at 6pm at the American Legion Post 92, 915 21st Ave SE. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6pm.

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

For God and Country.

Joe P Brown Sr
SAL Squadron 92 Advisor and a Dual Member
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Phone Cell: (507) 990-1347

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

MEAT RAFFLE

IT'S 4 LAUGH
P R O D U C T I O N S

SO IN COMPUTING COMPOUND INTEREST, WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR?

ARTILLERY.

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To the Major, it was pretty much the solution to every problem.

If you have a favorite joke you would like to submit for consideration, please email to officemanager@rochestermnlegion.org.

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AMERICAN LEGION

2022 Fall Conference Official Registration

Mail to:
 Al Davis
 PO Box 166
 Princeton, MN 55371

Registration sliding fee:
 Registration received by Oct. 14: \$15
 Registration received after Oct. 14: \$18
 Registration at the door: \$25

Only the pre-registered will receive a booklet.

Registration fees are for each person attending, except for Junior SAL and Junior Auxiliary members. Please copy and send a separate form for each person attending. Everyone must pay the registration fee.

Checks only; credit cards not accepted. Please indicate "Fall Conference" on the memo line. Please make checks payable to:
Minnesota American Legion Convention Corp.

Conference dates:
 Oct. 27-29, 2022

Contact the hotel directly for your reservations:

Headquarters hotel:
 Best Western Plus Kelly Inn, St. Cloud
 320-253-0606

Nearby hotel:
 Courtyard by Marriott, St. Cloud
 320-654-1661

District Post Unit Squadron

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

SCOUTING



Greetings from Cub Scout Pack 186! Our Pack was lucky to have had only minimal disruption from Covid last year. Most dens were able to finish up requirements by June. We wrapped the year up by giving out awards and launching model rockets in the big field at Gamehaven; it's always a huge highlight for the boys.

We're excited to kick off a new season this coming week with our opening campfire. Several dens have added new Scouts, and we have a full schedule of activities planned to keep the boys engaged this year.

We are grateful for your ongoing support and look forward to updating you on all the fun we have this year.

Brendan and Sarah McMenomy
 Pack 186

FREE VETERANS APPRECIATION EVENT

Sponsored by the DAV Auxiliary Mayo SE Unit 28

WHEN
Sunday October 9, 2022
12pm– 3pm

WHERE
Dodge County Fairground
 62922 State Hwy 57, Kasson, MN 55944

- WHAT**
- > Enjoy a free BBQ lunch with all the sides!
 - > Informational vendors and booths
 - > Free activities for children
 - > Help make Veterans Day and Christmas cards for Veterans in the local nursing homes and Veterans Homes

REGISTRATION

<http://evite.me/3vECcsyu6c> or call 507-993-6757

Please preregister prior to Friday October 7, 2022.

If you are interested in having a booth please contact us at 507-993-6757.

POST #92 POSITIONS STILL OPEN!

The following Post #92 roles remain open and need someone to fill to help ensure the continued success of the Post:

- 1st Vice Commander
- 2nd Vice Commander
- Chaplain
- Historian

If interested call Post #92 Office at (507) 252-1659 or email: officemanager@rochestermnlegion.org.

**2022—2023 ANNUAL AMERICAN LEGION POST #92
WM. T. MCCOY MEMBERSHIP DINNER**



WHEN: November 14, 2022
SOCIAL HOUR: 4:00PM
DINNER: 5:00PM
WHERE: Post #92 Club
 915 21st Ave SE
 Rochester, MN 55904
WHO: Open to all paid-up Post #92 American Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL members

Program will include all expense paid dinner for all 2023 members of American Legion Post #92, Auxiliary Unit 92, and SAL Squadron 92 plus one guest. **As seating will be limited, members are asked to RSVP No Later Than November 7, 2022 to reserve a spot.** You can reserve your dinner spot for you and your guest (if applicable) through following means:

- CONTACT Post #92 Club at 507-282-1322
- EMAIL: officemanager@rochestermnlegion.org
- Complete FORM below and mail to: American Legion, 403 East Center St, Rochester, MN 55904.

When reserving a spot, be prepared to provide your full name, contact number, guest name (if applicable), and dinner choice for you (and guest). Dinner choices are listed on form below. Single seating will be available.

Expected guests to attend include American Legion Minnesota Department Commander Jennifer Havlick, District 1 Commander Mary Hanson, and District 1 Auxiliary President Tonia Bettermann.

If responding by mail, send form below to: American Legion, 403 East Center St. Rochester MN 55904



Member Name: _____		Contact#: _____
Guest (one only): YES: <input type="checkbox"/> NO: <input type="checkbox"/>		
DINNER CHOICES INCLUDE: (Choose one for member and one for guest)		
Member	Guest	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	STEAK: 12 oz Beef Strip Loin Steak
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORK: 8 oz Pork Ribeye w/gravy
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	CHICKEN: 7 oz Breaded Chicken Breast a la Kiev
All dinners include: Garlic mashed potatoes, California mix vegetables, dinner roll, and desert		