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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

As fall approaches (and winter soon to follow) I look back at the year and I am SO grateful for all the volunteers we have had for various functions. Brat Fry is doing great. Corn Roast went off without any issues. And the paperwork is almost finalized for setting up a scholarship fund with the Fox Valley.

Our Raffle will be started, with a twist. There will be 3 winners this year, so get your tickets and good luck to you all.

Membership is in full swing and if you haven't been on the "new and improved" MyLegion.org | The American Legion please do. Make sure you can get on, and your information is up to date. Lots of emails get kicked back as undeliverable. If you don't have an account on there yet it's easy to set up and makes things a lot easier for everyone.

With our new budget being approved in June we have raised our drawing at the meetings to \$50. So come to the meetings and see who gets the lucky draw.

I look forward to serving you over the next year.

Thank You for your service.

Dave Baumann

Commander, Appleton American Legion Post 38

Scholarship Winners

Katie Cashman Fox Valley Lutheran
Jade Worden Appleton West
Rosie Cobb Valley New School (Family Legacy winner)

POST MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

From the Adjutant and Membership Committee

If you have renewed already, you are paid in the system so you shouldn't get another notice. I haven't sent new cards out yet because we are in the process of getting a bulk mailing stamp to reduce costs. I hope to be able to get them out soon. Please be patient.

DATES TO REMEMBER

October

4	Post Membership Meeting (Post Ever.)	7:00PM
11	House & Events Committee Meeting	5:30PM
13	Outagamie County Council Meeting Location Post 38	7:00PM
18	Auxiliary Meeting	4:30PM
25	Executive Committee Meeting	6:30PM
31	Halloween	

November

1	Post 38 Membership Meeting (Awards)	7:00PM
8	House & Events Committee Meeting	5:30PM
10	Outagamie County Council Meeting Location Post 38	7:00PM
15	Auxiliary Meeting	4:30PM
25	Thanksgiving	
29	Executive Committee Meeting	6:30PM

December

6	Post 38 Membership Meeting	7:00PM
10	Reporter Articles Due	
11	Army-Navy Game	2:00PM
13	House & Events Committee Meeting	5:30PM
25	Christmas	
27	Executive Committee Meeting	6:30PM
31	New Years Eve Dinner Raffle Drawing	4:00PM 7:00PM

Membership renewals and the renewal processes

Membership renewals are generated at the National level, not at Post level. These renewals are addressed to your Post of record, which will be Post 38. When you get these renewal notices (you will begin to receive these in early July), you can renew online through the mylegion.org site or you can submit your renewal form in the envelope provided. I would discourage just dropping into Club 38 to renew. If you attend a Post meeting and wish to renew, that can be done at that time. Please be certain to have your renewal notice or membership card with you. AGAIN, I would discourage dropping off your membership payment for renewal at Club 38. The Club and Post are separate entities. If you renew online, you can print out your membership card at that time as well.

As to your membership renewal and renewal notices . . .

Membership in The American Legion is based on a calendar-year from January 1st to December 31st. When a member pays their dues, they are paid up for that upcoming membership year. They will also receive twelve monthly subscriptions to The American Legion Magazine.

The renewal process begins in July for the upcoming membership year. Renewal notices are sent out in July, October, January, March and May. When a member renews, they are removed from future renewal notices for that year. There are times when a member pays their dues, but they still receive a renewal notice. If dues are paid to the local post, it takes a little longer for national to be notified about the renewal and the member may receive another renewal notice. If this occurs, please check with your local post to ensure they have received your dues.

When you send in your renewal, there is a process and also a lag time from when we, at the Post level, receive your payment and get this processed to when National receives the data and processes your renewal. We tend to see many resubmissions of payments, and this requires more research and to confirm you have already paid. PLEASE make note of when you submitted your payment as most likely you will receive another renewal notice from National in the meantime. Please do not duplicate your payments.

If you have an active email address, we would appreciate if you made note of this as we are trying to save costs and email you the newsletter and meeting minutes. Also please note any changes to your contact information, especially your address. If you are a PUFL, National and Department will list you as inactive if they receive undeliverable mail sent to you. This is NOT the Post doing this!

If you have any questions, please let us know.

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Fall,

I want to "Thank" all the Auxiliary Ladies and Legion Family who helped in some shape or form for the Corn Roast held at the Post in August. Your hard work and effort were greatly appreciated. These events help raise financial support for projects such as the needed items for the Post/Club along with the many programs that the Legion Family does all year long.

The Auxiliary has a new membership goal 2022 year, so please send in your renewals to Marian Brown, Membership Chairman.

This fall the Auxiliary will be doing the "In The Know" workshops again throughout the state instead of the Department and District Fall Conferences. Unit 38 will be hosting the one held in Appleton on October 2nd.

At our Unit we are collecting the school supplies again along with items for a "Blessing" box to be distributed to Wilson Middle School. Questions on this can be directed to Jennifer Klemp at 450-3860. We collect notebooks, pencils, markers, glue, crayons, material, yarn and many more items, a full list is available from the Auxiliary.

Please notify us of any Auxiliary member who has surgery or illness, contact Lori Bishop at 419-0235, Rose Heinz 734-7570, or myself at 739-4283. Also, any Auxiliary member in a Nursing Home.

Don't forget our unit meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month at 4:30pm at the Post. Also, mark that we have no meeting in December, due to the holiday, along with no meeting in January 2020.

Outagamie County Council meetings are held throughout the county. The next County Council meeting will be on Tuesday November 16th at Appleton, ask at the unit meeting for more information.

Happy and Safe Holidays, with many of God's blessings.

May God Bless each of you and your families.

God Bless America,

Marian Brown

President, Unit 38

AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

Members of Unit 38, we have several members that have not renewed yet for the 2021 membership year. If you have not done so yet please do so or contact me. We collect 2021 dues until December 31, 2021.

For the Unit to be eligible for Department awards this year, we must have all our officers 2022 membership paid. Currently we are at a good start, so we need everyone's help to get to our goal. We have 26 members paid so far, this includes our Paid Up For Life members.

Remember that you must pay your 2021 dues prior to paying the 2022 dues. Questions can be addressed to me, just contact me at the information below.

Legion members please submit your spouse, daughters, granddaughters, your stepdaughters, and step granddaughters' membership. If you have not paid your dues, please renew as they support our Auxiliary Programs. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Send Membership to: Marian Brown 1312 South Casaloma Drive Appleton, WI 54914, Phone 920-739-4283. Or you can pay directly to Dept.

Thank You to the ladies that have already paid.

Remember, Unit 38 meets on the 3rd Monday afternoon of every month at 4:30 P.M at the Post. Please join us for the meeting. Guests are always welcomed.

Next meeting is Monday October 18, 2021 at 4:30pm.

Since last reporter we have 2 new members. We would like to welcome Cathy Wilber and Diane Finster to Unit 38.

Just want to "Thank" everyone who helped in any way for the Corn Roast, this generates funds to help support the Legion's projects.

Marian Brown

Membership Chairman
Unit 38 Appleton

THANK YOU AUXILIARY & LEGION FAMILY

Thanks to all who volunteered to help the Auxiliary run the basket raffle and the 50/50 raffle during the Legion's Annual Corn Roast. We appreciate the fact that you were willing to help for a few hours. As a result, the Auxiliary made some much-needed financial funds to help support our programs that support our Veterans, their families and our community. Thanks again.
Rose Heinz & Ruth Eiden

APPLETON LEGION BASEBALL

We wrapped up the Legion Baseball season hosting the State Region 4 AAA Regional Tournament July 21st - 23rd. Our Senior Varsity had a 7 - 9 regular season and 1 - 2 in Regionals. Our Junior Varsity had a 14 - 2 regular season and 3 - 2 in Regionals. We didn't make it to the State Tournament, unfortunately, but we were plenty competitive! The season went by quickly this summer.

We have started our Fall Ball season. We are fielding two teams this fall with 10 teams in the Fall Ball league. We'll have games at Don Hawkins Field every Tuesday and Thursday, beginning at 5 PM. Games run through October 21st.

Come on out and enjoy the cooler weather and some baseball. You can find our Fall Ball [schedule](#) on our website.

Registration for the 2022 Legion Baseball season is open; you can find information on our website.

Appleton Legion Baseball currently runs two teams during the summer:

- Junior Varsity Team (17 & under)
- Senior Varsity Team (19 & under)

Appleton Legion Baseball is open to all athletes between the ages of 13 and 19, who currently attend or will be



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attending Appleton North, Appleton West, or Appleton Xavier High School.

We thank the Post for passing the baton to us to run concessions for Flag Day, Olds Car Show, and the Corn Roast. Working together lessens the workload for all.

Make sure you check out our website at www.appletonlegionbaseball.org, where you'll find our [schedule](#) and more, and follow us on [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#).

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS, DISTRICT 9



Summer is over! :-)

We had a busy 2021 riding season.

We displayed our Nation's Colors in 14 parades or events so far, with 6 more to go beginning with the Labor Day weekend. Our presentations of Challenge Coins to thank Veterans for their service are very visible to the public along the parade route. A highlight of the season was our lead escort of the Paulie & Perry's Patriots Ride (ATV / UTV) which raised \$12,500 for Old Glory Honor Flight.

We held our State Quarterly meeting in August at Camp American Legion and got to meet the new camp director. We'll be back to Camp on September 18th for our annual State ride to Camp, lunch and presentation of checks. Always a good time!

Membership in the American Legion Riders is open to anyone in the Legion Family with a motorcycle of 500cc and larger with a desire for fellowship with fellow riders.

Check us out at www.alrawis.org and on [Facebook](#). Come and join us!

Paul Heit

American Legion Riders Association of Wisconsin District 9 President

SCARLET GUARD and HONOR GUARD

Both the Scarlet Guard and the Honor Guard are looking for new members. For the Scarlet Guard contact Eric Stadler at estadler@trustwf.com, and for the Honor Guard contact Rick Eisenach at rickeisenach@gmail.com.

Honor Guard has been very busy with lots of funerals, so more members will help in spreading out the commitments.

The Scarlet Guard has also been very busy with posting colors at football games, and on 9/11 marched for the ceremony in downtown Appleton.



Chaplain's Corner

Take Time and Do Not Be a Stumbling Block

Now is the time. Today, not tomorrow, not later. To follow God and trust His plan for me. For me to step out of His way. For me not to be a stumbling block to His plans for me and for this world. I am to help make the straight paths to Him. Mark 1:3, Isaiah 40:3, John 1:23

Take Time

Take time to think ~ it is the source of power.

Take time to read ~ it is the foundation of wisdom.

Take time to play ~ it is the secret of staying young.

Take time to be quiet ~ It is the moment to seek God.

Take time to be aware ~ it is the opportunity to help others.

Take time to love and be loved ~ it is God's greatest gift.

Take time to laugh ~ it is the music of the soul.

Take time to be friendly ~ it is the road to happiness.

Take time to dream ~ it is what the future is made of.

**Take time to pray ~ it is the greatest power on earth.
Take time to reflect and you will see and hear Him.**

May the Lord bless and keep you. May His grace be upon you. May His peace dwell within you and shine forth.
Chaplin Lori J. Bishop Unit 38
September 2021

Cemetery Plots

Some of you may not know that we have dedicated plots for American Legion Post 38 members at Riverside Cemetery (41 plots) and St. Joe's Cemetery (39 plots). It is next to a much larger GAR (Grand Army of the Republic) section that is for all veterans. Cost for the plot is \$250, and that goes back to the post.

For a couple years Riverside has been asking us to return some of the plots back so they can use them for the GAR. They are running out, and nobody has used one of our plots since 1992, although a few of them have been reserved.

It was discussed that maybe we needed to reach out to our members and inform them that we have these, and if you want one maybe start thinking about preplanning and reserving a spot. You can call Debbie Debruin at Riverside (920-733-5629) or Frank Groh at St. Joe's (920-733-1631).

If you want more information, you can also email me (davebaumann80@outlook.com) and I can give you some more particulars. We are trying to see if we have any interest in these or if we should return some of them for use by any Veteran. We haven't had an overwhelming response to we may have to revisit returning some plots.

Squadron 38 News & Notes

Congratulations to Al Watry on being re-elected a Detachment Vice Commander.

We had a busy summer as members of our Squadron participated in American Legion Baseball, American Legion Riders, Boys and Girls state, and Post 38 Honor Guard events. We also helped with the annual corn roast and assisted with carrying flags in the 911 memorial ceremony.

2022 membership renewal notices were sent out earlier in September. Reminder to send in your renewal and help our Squadron achieve 100% membership.

The 50th National SAL Convention will be held in Milwaukee August 26-28, 2022. More information will be released in the next few months. This is a great opportunity to participate and find out what happens at a National Convention while helping Wisconsin celebrate this milestone event.

Club 38 Manager's Message

Currently we are open for food and drink on Tuesday, Wednesday (Bar open at 2 Kitchen at 4), Friday (Bar open at 11 Food served 11am - 8pm) Saturday Bar open 11am No food) and Sunday (Bar open at 11 Broaster Chicken and BBQ Ribs served 11am - 3pm) Plan to join us soon. We will continue to provide To-Go as well as dine in opportunities.

We added an all you can eat Spaghetti Supper on Wednesdays, after the Brat Fry ends. Spaghetti will be available starting at 4pm. We also moved our daily Specials back to Tuesdays. A new menu is also in the works.

We now have gift cards available for purchase. You can help Club 38 by purchasing gift cards for gifts or for yourself. **Another way you can help us is as a volunteer in the kitchen on Friday nights or perhaps you know someone looking for work in the hospitality industry.** Send them in to see me. To get the Club back up to full service we need more employees and/or volunteers.

Here is the mission statement for Club 38 Bar & Grill; We are honored to have our guests dining with us and hope to create a dining experience so enjoyable our guests cannot wait to come back. Club 38 Bar & Grill, a business owned and operated by The American Legion Post 38, uses income derived from Club 38 to support the business, The American Legion Post 38 and its programs: We ARE Veterans helping Veterans and their families

POST 38 CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

POST EVERLASTING

06-20-21	Wallace Willes
07-05-21	Calvin Stammer
07-25-21	Perry Broe
08-16-21	Grant Hoffman
08-30-21	Theodore Krause

Visiting and Volunteers:

Need Volunteers

Recuperating at home or in a Nursing Care Facility/Hospital:

Don Hawkins

PLEASE NOTIFY ME IF ANY ONE IS RECOVERING FROM SURGERY OR ANY OTHER ILLNESS'S SO I CAN GET THEM IN THE NEWSLETTER THANK YOU

Don Traynor, Chaplain Post 38

E-mail: dtray72@gmail.com

Phone # 1-920-246-9841

Thank You Veterans!

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through the Club's activities and service.

Please call or email me your questions, concerns, and suggestion so we can better serve the membership of Post 38.

Our new menu is available at www.LegionMenu.com

Mike Utech, Manager
Club 38 Bar and Grill
club38@AppletonPost38.org
920-733-9840



THE WEDNESDAY BRAT FRY 11AM - 2PM STARTED APRIL 7th.

Great turnouts! Great sales! So, we need your help!
The layout and protection are in place to include safe distancing.
Come for the day or a few hours. Wednesday, we start at 8:30, finish 3 ish
About 1-2 hour. Pickles, Onion and Sauerkraut into 1oz cups
Set up: Wednesday morning 8:30. Done before 11am
Grilling: 8:30 Back-up / Break
Brat Fry staff: 11am - 2pm

Wrapping food, taking orders, Bagging orders, Restocking / Runner, All around relief/break
Breakdown and cleanup: Inside or outside, grills, kitchen 1:30 pm, done by 3:00

Prebuy/shop: Wade would be happy to have someone who can lift 25 lbs. go with him to shop for the soda and food.

Excellent start... excellent volunteers... Thank you all so much! P.S. We do have fun!

Contact Ed 920-707-3286 or Wade 920-540-0924

Raffle tickets are available for sale. Be sure to get yours and **SELL, SELL, SELL.**

Please contact Commander Baumann or Jan Hoffman at hoffmanjand@gmail.com
for tickets. Tickets can also be picked up at Club 38.

Drawing will be at 7pm New Year's Eve at the Club, Special dining menu 4-8pm.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email _____

The American Legion - Post 38

VETERANS HELPING VETERANS

CASH RAFFLE

\$5.00 each - 5 for \$20.00

MULTIPLE PRIZES - Equal to 25%, 15%, 10% of Ticket Sales

Drawing held 7:00pm - December 31, 2021

You need not be present to win

Drawing at The American Legion Post 38 Building

3220 W College Avenue, Appleton WI 54914

Starting in 2021

SUNDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY

SUNDAY
Featuring
BROASTER CHICKEN & BBQ
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 Serving 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
 Appetizers and other items
 Also available
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Gift Cards Available

SATURDAY
BAR OPEN
 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

FRIDAY
FRIDAY FISH FRY
 Featuring new Friday menu
 Serving 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM
BAR OPEN
 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM
 Dine-In and Limited To-Go Menu



Remember to support your post at the Friday fish fry!

It's Spaghetti Night at Club 38!
All You Can Eat
Spaghetti Supper
\$8.95
 Includes Sauce, Meatballs, Garlic Bread
Complete Meal \$11.95
 Includes items above plus pick two of the items below
Garden Salad, Cup of Soup, 4 Meatballs, Glass of Wine
 These extra items are also available for \$2.00 each
Always on Wednesday
 Served 4:00PM until the Spaghetti is All Gone
REGULAR MENU ALSO AVAILABLE

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CLUB 38
 BAR AND GRILL
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In order to return to pre-pandemic staffing levels so we can be open six days a week, serving both lunch and supper, we need to increase our staff. We need short order and prep cooks, waitresses, bartenders, dish-washers, bussers and set up and cleaning crews.
 Please consider joining our staff. Let me know how many hours you'd like to work a week and I'll find a spot for you. Give me a call and let me know you're interest. 920 733-9840
 Mike Utech, Manager. Club 38 Bar & Grill, 3220 W College Avenue

We are Veterans helping Veterans and their families through the Club's activities and service.
PLEASE SUPPORT US!

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