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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

What a great summer! The first thing I want to say is "THANK YOU" to everyone who volunteered to assist with any/all the activities at the Post, we could not do what we do for veterans and their families without your time and talents. Two events I want to highlight are, the Brat Fry Extravaganza on August 21st where we raised \$7,500. All the money raised was donated to Diane MacDonald to support the great work of the Old Glory Honor Flight which takes veterans to Washington DC to see the monuments built in their honor.

The other fundraiser was an impromptu collection at our September meeting and then again at the Jimmy Buffett tribute where we raised \$2000 for a local Navy veteran who lost his house and belongings to a fire while he was working. If you didn't get a chance to donate but would like to, please contact the Post or Club and we'll ensure Austin receives your donation.

October's membership meeting (Oct 7th) is a special meeting where we honor all American Legion Post 38 family members that have passed away over the previous year. Please join us if you can as we hold a special service to honor those family members.

We have lots of events planned at the Post so get involved where you can. Between the events committee and Jill we have a full schedule of fun activities includes; Oktoberfest, Past Commanders Dinner, Halloween Party, Veterans day weekend meat raffle, Veterans Day activities, Army Navy game, Appleton Christmas Parade, Cash raffle, and breakfast with Santa.

Enjoy the upcoming holidays, be safe while you travel, and appreciate the people in your life! Don't forget to check in on your fellow veterans to see how they are doing.

Thank You for your service.

Jan D. Hoffman

Commander, Appleton American Legion Post 38

COMMUNICATION Check out our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/appletonpost38>) and our website ([Johnston-Blessman Post 38 \(appleton38.org\)](http://Johnston-Blessman Post 38 (appleton38.org))).

AUXILIARY FACEBOOK PAGE NEWS:

In 2023 Unit 38 began a new Facebook page titled American Legion Auxiliary Unit 38-Appleton WI (American Legion Auxiliary Unit 38-Appleton WI Facebook).

This platform will serve to create awareness and communicate our events and achievements to members and the general public. This page will share posts from other organizations we follow such as WI Veterans Village, Blue Star Mothers, Legion Post 38, ALA Ninth District, and other Units throughout NE WI.

Here are a few ways you can help us with this page: Like the page and posts, share the page and posts to help create awareness, Share your own post ideas at least 1 week in advance of an event. Email your post ideas or news/upcoming events to appletonalaunit38@yahoo.com. *Please include links, pictures, and specific message verbiage.

Page administrators are Cathy Wilbur, Tammie Domek & Rose Heinz. Thank you for your support with this new project!

POST MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

From the Adjutant and Membership Committee

Post 38 members, it is time to renew your membership for 2025. Our dues for 2025 increased to \$60 due to an increase in National dues. You have many options for renewing your membership; you can mail your dues to Post 38; you can stop in at Club 38 bar/restaurant and drop off your dues; you can attend a meeting and pay your dues; or you can renew online as well. If you renew online, you have an option to renew your membership for up to three

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years, this is the only option for a multi-year renewal.

Don't let your benefits expire or lose your consecutive years membership.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Dave Baumann (davebaumann80@outlook.com), Jan Hoffman (hoffmanjand@gmail.com), Jarrod Coulter (jarrod.coulter@live.com), or call 920-450-9545.

To renew online go to <https://mylegion.org>. Also, **we approved covering the renewal cost for members with over 50 years continuous service and 5 years of continuous membership at Post 38. If you fall under that category, please do not send in your renewal if you get a notice.** If you have renewed already, you are paid in the system so you shouldn't get another notice. The new website is a little slow to process the memberships, **so if you get a renewal in the mail please check to make sure you haven't already paid before sending in another check.** You can call or email the 1st Vice or Adjutant if you aren't sure.

A benefit of American Legion membership is a FREE \$5000 accidental death insurance policy through the Legionnaire Insurance Trust (LIT). If membership expires, so does this benefit. Once you pay your dues you would need to re-sign up to receive this insurance. So please don't let this happen to you. If you have questions or need help, please contact the Commander, 1st Vice, or Adjutant.

A reminder to members, THE LIT (Legionnaire Insurance Trust) is a membership benefit, but it is not automatic. THE LIT is \$5000 of Accidental Death insurance at no cost to the member and \$1000 if not on Legion business. Members need to apply to be eligible. Go to wilegion.org and scroll down to the bottom of the page, hit the button and follow the prompt. If there was a break in your continuous years of service in the Legion, you will need to re-register. If a member takes advantage of THE LIT, be forewarned the insurance company will send out information periodically about insurance available for purchase. You are not under any obligation to purchase. Likely you will receive another renewal notice from National in the meantime.

Eliminate the yearly hassle of remembering to renew your American Legion membership by taking advantage of the new multi-year membership available to current and potential members. Legionnaires needing to renew for 2024 or veterans joining the organization for the first time can lock-in a three-year membership by visiting legion.org/renew or legion.org/join.

--Multi-year membership sign-up is only available on the national American Legion website.

--Renew now with a three-year membership by visiting legion.org/renew.

--Payment for the three-year membership will be upfront.

--There is not a discounted rate with the three-year membership.

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

We had a busy summer. The state convention involved members making raffle baskets, working the raffle and registration tables, and attending convention sessions. Your volunteerism was appreciated. We continue helping at the weekly brat fry and your baked goods help with our fund raising.

Please check out the calendar of events scheduled at the club. We will have lunch at the club on Veteran's Day, there are Packer Game specials; we will march in the Christmas parade and Santa will be at the club again this year. We can help make these events fun and successful with our volunteer time and socialization. When details are finalized, we will email the information.

Please forward your tracking sheets to me. Your volunteer hours are appreciated and should be recognized.

We are collecting 2025 dues. Please consider inviting friends and family to join. We can help with the application and eligibility process.

Check out other Auxiliary news in the reporter.

Continue to contribute and visit our FaceBook page ([American Legion Auxiliary Unit 38-Appleton WI Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/American-Legion-Auxiliary-Unit-38-Appleton-WI)).

We are now collecting dues for our 2024 membership year. Consider adding your children and grandchildren as junior members. Contact Marian Brown if you have any questions. Just a reminder we do not have a regular meeting in December.

Linda Breitzman

President, Unit 38

Auxiliary Membership

We have only a few members that haven't renewed yet for the 2024 year, we have until December 31st to get their membership in before they lose their continuous years.

We have a great start for the 2025 year; 47 members already paid their dues, this includes our Paid Up For Life members, putting us at 42%. Thanks to the members that have already paid. For the Unit to be eligible for Department awards this year, we must have all our 2025 officers' membership paid.

Just a reminder that Senior Dues are \$36.00 and Junior Dues are \$7.00 for the 2025 Membership Year. You can send your dues anytime to me. Remember, you can sign up for "PAID UP FOR LIFE" (PUFL) Membership. You can get the information on the Department website or questions can be addressed to me and I can help you, just contact me at the information below.

Remember, Unit 38 meets on the 3rd Monday afternoon of every month at 4:30pm for social and 5pm for the meeting at the Post. Please join us for the meeting. Guests are always welcomed.

Next meeting is Monday October 21, 2024 at 4:30pm.

Since last reporter we have 4 new members. Delores (Lori) Beach, Deborah (Debi) Gasper, Cynthia Hoffman, and Rose Schmidkofer. We would like to welcome them to Unit 38.

We also lost 46 year member Joan Hawkins on June 16th.

We have several mentions of continuous memberships for the year: Membership Year 2024.

5 Years: Stephanie Barker, Wendy Weir, Clara Timm – Jr. Member

10 Years: Allyson Gerhardt, Cindy Theabo

15 Years: Phyliss Duquette, Shirley Frank, Elizabeth Griesser, Debra Toll, Stephanie Wilber, Ramona Wroblewski

25 Years: Mary Ann Swick

30 Years: Trinity Froehlich

35 Years: Robyn Koshak, Janice Larson

45 Years: Linda Breitzman, Grace Gebhart, Mabel Olson

50 Years: Gwen Schwandt

60 Years: Julie Haas

70 Years: Mary Hamlin

Congratulations to our members for the service they provide for our veterans, military, and their families.

For the 2025 Membership Year we have Jade Wood graduated from a Junior to a Senior Member.

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 920-810-0737.

Marian Brown

Membership Chairman, Unit 38 Appleton

COMMUNITY SERVICE/EDUCATION

Unit 38 Auxiliary members have been donating items for the Appleton Area School District grades 4-12. If you can help us out, we are currently collecting large backpacks, pencil boxes & zipper pouches, colored pencils, and markers. Dry erase markers, highlighters, sharpies, and pens. Loose leaf paper (wide-ruled & college ruled). They also need spiral notebooks both wide and college ruled. Thanks goes to Christine Harder and Legionnaire and Auxiliary member who donated 6 backpacks.

Rose Heinz

BADGER GIRLS STATE: June 16-21, 2024

This year the Auxiliary was able to send 8 young ladies from 4 High Schools in Appleton. Here is a list of the contributors and delegates:

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| American Legion Auxiliary | Roseanne Dane-Appleton West High School |
| American Legion Auxiliary | Elsa Thiel-Xavier High School |
| American Legion Post 38 | Jade Wood-Appleton North High School |
| FVL Alumni Association | Grace Peters-Xavier High School |
| Grand Chute Lions | Gabriella Stammer-Xavier High School |
| VFW Auxiliary Post 2778 | Morgan Breed-Appleton West High School |
| Wisconsin Safety | Lilly Bornemann-Appleton East High School |
| Wisconsin Safety | Audrey Loritz-Appleton East High School |

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CONGRATULATIONS to the delegates who represented their schools. I want to express a very special "Thank You" to all the contributors for their support of this outstanding program of Americanism, Youth, and Government. I also want to thank Jade Wood, a Unit 38 junior member, who agreed to speak at the Auxiliary's meeting in August. She talked about what it was like to run for office at Badger Girls State. She also won the talent show contest. She plans to compete again in the Legion's Oratorical contest. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors. As a side note, I was an overnight counselor for 2 nights this past session. I also helped direct the girls to their rooms on Sunday. I also helped in the BGS office and worked in the BGS Store. It was a laid back assignment and it gave me the opportunity to interact with a few of the girls. I would highly recommend this awesome experience. Rose Heinz, Badger Girls State Chairman-Unit 38-Appleton

BLUE STAR BANNER FOR THOSE DEPLOYED IN THE ARMED FORCES:

I attended a few meetings of the Blue Star Mothers Chapter 1. Their meetings are held at the Veterans' Village in Appleton. The Unit has now distributed the following Blue Star Banners: Debby Burich whose son Brian is in the Air Force; Diane Schmidt for her son, Daniel who is serving in the Army and Daphne Prator whose son Zachery is also in the Army. We also gave a 2 Star Blue Banner to Jean Thyssen who has two sons Tyler and Kyle who are both in the WI Army National Guard.

Thanks to Jill Nagel, the Legion's Club manager we gave Blue Star Banners to Theresa Holman and her husband Joe, whose son Hunter is in the Navy; to Stacy whose son Lance Corporal Tyler Bungert is currently in the Marines.

We also gave a banner to Charlie Muinde whose daughter Kayla is currently in the Air Force. We also gave one the Kayla's grandmother, Laura Muinde. Thank you, Jill, for the referrals.

Again, if you know of any family whose loved one is currently in a branch of service and who does not have a banner, please reach out to me.

Please share with people you might know that we will continue with distributing the banners. Tell them to contact me @ 920-850-1941. Thanks to your loved ones for sacrificing their time and energy to protect and serve thru their military service.

Rose Heinz, Unit 38 Secretary

Blessing Box

Community service is part of the focus of the American Legion Auxiliary. Our auxiliary continues to collect items for the "Blessing Box" located at Wilson Middle School in Appleton. This box is similar to the "Little Free Library" boxes around town, except the "Blessing Box" houses every day essential items for families in need. Families, students, and community members in need can visit the box at any time of day and obtain what they need. The box has been in place since 2018 and has been used frequently.

Hygiene items most needed include shampoo/conditioner, deodorants (male and female), Q-tips, band aids, men's 3-n-1 (shampoo, conditioner and body wash), bars of soap, laundry detergent, baby shampoo, body wash, lotion, dish soap and paper products. All of these items can be found at local dollar stores.

Any donations for the Blessing Box can be brought to the Auxiliary Unit meeting. If you prefer, I would be happy to pick up donations as well. Monetary donations are also welcome. Checks can be made out to Wilson Middle School. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Jennifer Klemp at jklemp31@gmail.com or 920-450-3860.

Thank you for making a difference for our local families!

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

APPLETON LEGION BASEBALL

Our regular season and tournament play ended with a Senior Varsity (19U) record of 9-13 and a Junior Varsity (17U) record of 11-9.

Neither advanced past the Regional tournaments.

We hosted both a 17U and a Class AAA 19U Regional tournament. It was a busy time for all of us and our volunteers, as it went for 9 straight days and 20 games!

The First Lady of Appleton Legion Baseball, Joan Hawkins, passed away in June. She will be missed. The annual "Pizza for a Home Run" awards will continue in her memory.

Alumni Day at the ballpark honored the State Championship teams from 1944, 1979 and 1994. We also surprised many, including the recipients, honoring Don "Hawk"

Hawkins (19) and Dave "Mers" Emmers (44) by retiring their jerseys. Their jerseys are now hanging on the Wall of



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Champions.

The 7th Annual Appleton Oldsmobile Car Show was held in the parking lot due to rain puddles in the park. The baseball concession stand had a great day and the car show had a turnout second only to last years 70 cars.

The Northern Wisconsin Volkswagen Club All VW Show was held on the park grass, avoiding the soft spots. The Post's Boy Scouts provided concessions as a fundraiser. A very nice day!

Our Annual Baseball Award banquet was held at Post 38 and went well.

Thanks to all who volunteered to serve and clean-up.

Concession stand tips are donated to the Miracle League of the Fox Valley. With all the extra games we had due to Lawrence, WIAA Tournament, 14U, and Legion Regionals, the bucket got stuffed. We made a donation of \$1000, our biggest ever!

Fall Ball began on Tuesday Sept 3rd and will continue through Oct 3rd, with games on Mondays and Thursdays. Come see Appleton, Neenah, Oshkosh West and Oshkosh North play!

We thank you for your continued support of Appleton Legion Baseball.

Appleton Legion's baseball program began in 1926 and is one of the oldest continuing programs in the nation.

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](#).

Paul Heit

Secretary / Board Member
Maintenance / Concessions
Appleton Legion Baseball
N2149 Municipal Dr
Greenville, WI 54942
920-757-1118

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS, DISTRICT 9



It has been a busy summer for the Riders!

Our schedule was a repeat of 2023, with two additions:

We attended a bike presentation by [Hogs for Heroes](#) in Mountain. Hogs for Heroes presents H-D bikes to Wisconsin Veterans in need to help heal their mental and physical wounds. They've gifted 50 bikes so far, 10 this year alone!

District 9 member George Vander Zanden passed. We escorted his cremains from Green Bay to King for burial services. We took the scenic route and were joined by many of his family and friends on the ride. We met many who we had only previously heard stories about.

The Riders' Statewide fundraising motorcycle ride, the "Cruise for a Cause, Stu's Cruise – 24", began in Superior on June 28th and arrived over 600 miles later in Orfordville on June 30th. Proceeds of over \$62,000 will benefit the Wisconsin American Legion Troop and Family Support Fund & the Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary Homeless Women Veterans Grant Fund (HWVGF).

As noted in the Wisconsin Legionnaire, District 1, with support from many, held a "No Next Of Kin" Ride for the Unclaimed Veterans Cremated Remains Fund (Terrence Sund Fund) at Department. They raised over \$20,000.

District 9 has escorted NNOK cremains from Green Bay to King in past years in support of this Department program.

Saturday Sept 14th was the annual ride to Camp American Legion. This fundraising event totaled over \$32,000 which was designated for re-staining of the main lodge exterior.

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

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

Paul Heit

American Legion Riders Association of Wisconsin District 9 Director

paul.heit@att.net

SCARLET GUARD and HONOR GUARD



Both the Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard and the Post 38 Honor Guard are looking for new members.

The Post 38 Honor Guard is the unit that has the privilege to render military honors (rifle volleys, the playing of "Taps", and the presentation of the Flag and/or shell casings to the families) for our fallen comrades. To join this unit contact Joe Jackson at jackson.j4511@gmail.com or 920.422.2715. Members of the American Legion, Auxiliary, and/or Sons of the American Legion are welcome to join.



The Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard is a showcase unit representing the whole American Legion family of organizations. Our mission is to honor the colors and promote patriotism throughout the Fox Cities region.

Missions we support include presenting the colors at various community events, school programs, and sports events, marching in local parades, and posting and retrieving the colors for various ceremonies. Membership is free and the uniform is provided with exception of the jacket and footwear.

- We will be presenting the colors at many high school varsity football games in the Fox Cities this fall.
- We will be leading the Appleton North High School Homecoming Parade on September 25, 2024, and the Appleton East High School Homecoming Parade on October 4, 2024. All veterans as well as members of any American Legion Post, any American Legion Auxiliary Unit, or any Sons of the American Legion Squadron are welcome to march with us as one large American Legion family contingent. If you are interested in marching in these parades, please contact Eric Stadler at 920.450.6907 or estadler@trustwf.com for more information.
- We will serve as the color guard for the Fox Valley Veterans Council's annual Outagamie County Veterans Day Program on Monday, November 11, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.
- We will be participating in Veterans Day programs at a few local schools.
- We have been asked to participate in a ribbon cutting ceremony event at the Wisconsin Veterans Village in Appleton on Monday, November 11, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.
- The 54th Downtown Appleton Christmas Parade is scheduled for Tuesday, November 26, 2024. All veterans as well as members of any American Legion Post, any American Legion Auxiliary Unit, or any Sons of the American Legion Squadron are welcome to march with us as one large American Legion family contingent. If you are interested in marching in this parade, please contact Eric Stadler at 920.450.6907 or estadler@trustwf.com.
- Our next meeting is on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Anyone interested in joining is welcome to attend.

New members are always welcome. Marching in parades is not mandatory. There are many missions we have that are not strenuous. Membership is open to members of any American Legion Post, any American Legion Auxiliary Unit, and any Sons of the American Legion Squadron. Contact Eric Stadler for information at 920.450.6907 or email estadler@trustwf.com.

Follow and Like the Scarlet Guard Color Guard page on Facebook.

Eric Stadler, Chairperson
 Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard
 920.450.6907 * estadler@trustwf.com

Post 38
 Appleton American Legion

Veterans Day Meat Raffle & Party

Sat., Nov. 9, 2024 • 1:00 pm

American Legion Post 38
 (3220 W. College Ave., Appleton)

Piles of Prizes including Booze, Beer & Meat!

<p>Hosted by: Willie and Eric</p> 	<p>Russ Reiser playing between giveaways</p> 	<p>Bob Evans & The Alimony Blues Band 4 pm - ?</p> 
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Meat products provided by: 

Proceeds to benefit the Appleton American Legion Post 38 

Chaplain's Corner

*There is One That Never Changes
Seasons change, and people come and go.
But not the love God has for you.
Sunrise to sunset, through the night til morning light.
Unlike changing seasons and people leaving,
God is here for you.*

Give thanks!

God is near you.

Is your heart troubled, broken, hurting? Call out to Him.

*God will hear your cry, shouts of anger, complaints;
even your whisper, whimper, and pleading He hears.*

*No matter where you are, in your prayer closet, at the kitchen table,
in the car, hunting stand, fishing boat, corporate office, garden,
farm field, in America, or serving far from home, God is near you.*

He is never changing, always wanting, and waiting to hear from you.

Seek Him! Knock or pound at His door! Ask of Him what you will.

He is waiting to hear from you.

He has an everlasting love for you and a purpose that only you can fill.

Reach out to Him. He has answers for you. Ones you may not expect.

*Rest assured, you may not understand or like the answers He
provides, but they are for your eternal good.*

Seasons will change, and people will come and go

God's love for you never changes.

You are wrapped in His love.

He is the One Who never changes and never will. Amen

Lori J. Bishop
Unit 38 Chaplain

Cemetery Plots

Some of you may not know that we have dedicated plots for American Legion Post 38 members at Riverside Cemetery (12 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.

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.

Squadron 38 News & Notes

Just a couple notes this month regarding the Squadron and upcoming activities:

I would like to start this communication with a huge THANK YOU for everyone who has been supporting/helping with the Legion 38 Family Activities. A LOT of great things are going and we are making a difference in our community. I know I will miss something if I try to list out all the activities/events, so I will just say THANK YOU.

Our yearly Membership Drive has started. There has been a great initial response, we are already at 35% of our 2024/2025 Goal of 115 Members. Please consider sending in your renewal when you can. If you did not receive the packet (Letter, Accomplishments list, Member Data Card, and an envelope for sending back you



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POST EVERLASTING

- 06-07-24 Jeff Wierichs
- 06-16-24 Norman Frenzel
- 06-22-24 Lloyd Femal
- 07-22-24 John Prothero
- 07-24-24 Peter Ziebell
- 08-14-24 Dick Herrigan
- 08-23-24 Donald Houdek
- 08-24-24 Hobert Crouch
- 08-27-24 William Remter
- 09-11-24 Vincent Berg

Visiting and Volunteers:

Need Volunteers

Recuperating at home or in a

Nursing Care Facility/Hospital:

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

Bob Johnson, Chaplain Post 38

E-mail: rjohnson4116@gmail.com

Phone # 1-920-454-0842

**Thank You
Veterans!**

The American Legion – Post 38

VETERANS HELPING VETERANS

CASH RAFFLE

\$5.00 each – 5 for \$20.00

MUTIPLE PRIZES – Equal to 25%, 15%, 10% of Ticket Sales

Drawing held 4:00pm – December 15, 2024

You need not be present to win

Drawing at The American Legion Post 38 Building

3220 W. College Ave, Appleton WI 54914

and an envelope for sending back you

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membership) please let me know. I have had 3 returned due to having old addresses; I will try to reach out to these members individually. Also, please share all we are doing with your family and friends. In many ways we are a secret to our community, we need to be more visible to our Communities, Veterans, Active Military, and their families. This will help ensure we are meeting the needs in our communities.

One of the ways we can be visible are through the Legion Riders, Scarlet Guard and Funeral Honors Guard. Both groups are always looking for more people to help with Flag Presentations and Funeral Honors, please consider joining them.

There are many, many programs our Legion 38 family is a part of which also takes volunteers to run. There are a whole variety of examples, including Badger Boys, Legion Baseball, Scouting, Camp American Legion, Oratorical, Visitations of the Sick/Hospitalized, Building/Grounds, House Committee, and the Events Committee. Please contact me or Jan Hoffman (Post Commander) if you would like to get more involved. We can work with you to help find a program which aligns with your personal passions!!

There are several upcoming events which volunteers are needed. They include:

- Selling Wrist Bands at Oktoberfest
- The remaining Brat Frys (occurs each Wednesday) for the rest of this year (goes through late October I believe)
- Purchasing/Selling the annual 50/50 Raffle Tickets, the winning tickets will be drawn December 15th

One focus the Legion will continue to have is “Be The One” and trying to end Veteran Suicide. Attached is a small card for your review. Being a member of a Veteran Organization does mean we are interacting with Veterans and are more likely to encounter a veteran who is struggling emotionally. This card does NOT make any of us an expert on Veteran Suicide. But it does provide a method of reaching out and possibly help someone we know/encounter to go get the help they need. The card is focused around speaking with a spouse, but I believe we all are smart and caring enough to adapt it to anyone we encounter....

Finally, please check out the Post or Club and all the activities they are having. The new Manager has a lot of great activities planned, please consider stopping by and participating!!

Thank you for being a member of this great organization. We, as the American Legion Family, are having a positive impact in our Communities, State, and Nation. And our country needs us to continue with our mission!!!

Allen J Watry

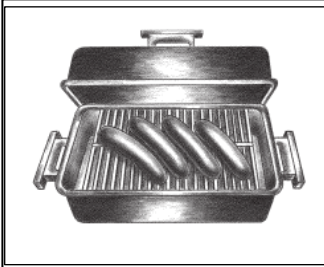
Sons of The American Legion
SAL Department Commander
Wi Squadron 38 Adjutant
awatry@mindspring.com
920-997-4629

Congratulations to Squadron 38 Adjutant Allen Watry on being re-elected at Detachment Commander for 2024-2025. Also at the state convention, newly elected National Commander Joseph Navarrete from New Mexico, and past National Vice Commander Terry Harris from Kansas spoke and managed to stop by Post 38 to enjoy the famous fish fry while taking in some Legion Baseball games.

Members of Squadron 38 have been busy this summer helping out with Badger Boys, Baseball, Scouting, Camp American Legion, Oratorical, Honor Guard, Scarlet Guard, and Legion Riders. If you're looking for a way to get involved, volunteers are needed to sell wrist bands at Oktoberfest, help sell 50/50 raffle tickets, or any of the above activities. Contact SAL Squadron Commander Bob Seide, Commander Allen Watry, or Post 38 Commander Jan Hoffman for more details.

Also, if you haven't renewed your membership yet please do so. Currently we are at 35% of our goal. Make your plans to attend the mid-winter conference in Appleton in January. More details will be coming out on how you can help.

Bob Seide



THE WEDNESDAY BRAT FRY 11AM - 2PM APRIL 5th - OCTOBER 30th.

Great turnouts! Great sales! So we need your help!
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

Club 38 Manager's Message

ATTENTION: Members of the POST 38 Family, we need you to dine more at Club 38.

We are looking for help in the kitchen. We need a line\ fry cook, and also a person to set up plates Friday night. Our Sunday menu is Broasted Chicken and burger specials. We will also have limited quantities of fish available check with your server for fish specials.

We are serving a Tuesday night AYCE buffet which changes weekly. Check the American Legion website and Facebook for updates (<https://www.facebook.com/appletonpost38>, ([Johnston-Blessman Post 38 \(appleton38.org\)](http://Johnston-Blessman Post 38 (appleton38.org).)).([Club 38 Bar & Grill](#)).

Bar Bingo is every other Thursday. Come and enjoy.

Packer game pot lucks will be held for most Packer games.

Entertainment includes: Kenny Janke 10/11, DJ Popper 10/18, Jim Panser 10/25, and Starfire 12/1 from 2-5.

Fish Fry with Santa 12/13, and Breakfast with Santa and Army/Navy game 12/14.

Chili cookoff will be 11/17. Enter to win or come and sample.

Every day we are open there is hot beef behind the bar sandwich, chips, and a pickle for \$6.00.

Also, pizzas available as well as vegan plant-based pizza.

When we are serving food, we will have vegan and gluten free options for our guests.

Jill Nagel, Manager
Club 38 Bar and Grill
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Bar open Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Kitchen open Sunday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday

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We are Veterans helping Veterans and their families through the Club's activities and service.

PLEASE SUPPORT US!

Remember to support your post at the Friday fish fry!



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Hours

	<u>Bar</u>	<u>Kitchen</u>
Sunday	11am-5pm	11am-3pm
Monday	Closed	<u>Closed</u>
Tuesday	2pm-8pm	Buffet 4:30-7:30
Wednesday	2pm-8pm	Closed
Thursday	2pm-8pm	Closed
Friday	11am-10pm	11am-8pm
Saturday	11am-6pm*	Special Events

Jolly Bob's pizzas are available at the bar during bar hours.

We do host activities and special events that may *extend the hours of the bar.

Our banquet hall is available for rent.

A Banquet Hall menu is available to help you plan your next function. Call 920.733.9840

Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard



Join us to help honor the colors & promote patriotism in the Fox Cities. Membership is open to members of any American Legion Post, American Legion Auxiliary Unit, or Sons of the American Legion Squadron.



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October 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Brat Fry 11-2 Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8	Fish Fry 11-8	9 th District Fall Conference – Suring Bar Open 11-6
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5	Post Meeting 7pm Post Everlasting	Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Brat Fry 11-2 County Council 6:30pm Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8 Bar Bingo 4-6	Fish Fry 11-8	Bar Open 11-6
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5		House Committee Meeting 4:30pm Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Brat Fry 11-2 Bar Open 2-8	FVVC – 6:00pm Bar Open 2-8	Fish Fry 11-8	Bar Open 11-6
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5	Auxiliary Meeting 4:30pm	Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Brat Fry 11-2 Scarlet Guard Meeting 6:00 Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8 Bar Bingo 4-6	Fish Fry 11-8	Bar Open 11-6
27	28	29	30	31		
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5	Executive Meeting 6:30pm	Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Brat Fry 11-2 Bar Open 2-8 Past Commanders dinner 6pm	Halloween Bar Open 2-8		
November 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					Fish Fry 11-8	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5	Post Meeting 7pm Awards Night	Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8 Bar Bingo 4-6	Fish Fry 11-8	Veterans Day Lunch at the Club 11-3 Meat Raffle/Party 1pm
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5		House Committee Meeting 4:30pm Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	County Council 6:30pm Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8	Fish Fry 11-8	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5 Chili Cookoff	Auxiliary Meeting 4:30pm	Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Bar Open 2-8	FVVC – 6:00 Bar Open 2-8 Bar Bingo 4-6	Fish Fry 11-8	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5	Executive Meeting 6:30pm	Christmas Parade Watch Party Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Bar Open 2-8	Thanksgiving	Fish Fry 11-8	
December 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Post Meeting 7pm	Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8 Bar Bingo 4-6	Fish Fry 11-8	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5		House Committee Meeting 4:30pm Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30 Reporter Articles Due	Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8	Fish Fry 11-8 w/Santa	Breakfast with Santa Tentative (9-11am) Army-Navy Game
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5 Raffle Drawing-4pm	Auxiliary No Meeting	Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:30-7:30	County Council-No meeting Bar Open 2-8	Bar Open 2-8 Bar Bingo 4-6	Fish Fry 11-8	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5		Christmas Eve	Christmas	FVVC – 6:30 Bar Open 2-8	Fish Fry 11-8	
29	30	31				
Club Special – BBQ Ribs, Broaster Chicken 11-5	Executive Meeting 6:30pm	New Years Eve				

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