

THE AMERICAN LEGION

# Windjammer



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2024

Winona, Minnesota

## Winona Area Veterans Center



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- To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
- to maintain law and order;
- to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism;
- to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in all wars;
- to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;
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April 6, 1917 – Nov. 11, 1918

**World War II – Present**

Dec. 7, 1941 – Present\*

\* if currently serving on active duty today, you are eligible.



# THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 9 WINONA *WINDJAMMER*

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**Charles Turben**  
**Commander**

**COMMANDER'S MESSAGE**

**Windjammer**  
**March/April 2024**

Greetings to all. It looks like winter is on the way out and spring is in the air. Who am I fooling. This is Minnesota after all. It turns out that after a lot of discussion we are going to be ending the Bargo. We gave it a good try but it seems the interest just was not there. I guess we will have to go back to the drawing board. After a comment from one of our younger members I have been giving a lot of thought about where our post is headed. He said that he has noticed that when he comes into the club that it's the same people sitting in the same chairs all the time. He then asked me what it will look like in there in 15 years. I realized that I was included in that observation. I also read what a commander from a different post said about this same thing. He said that the way to show our appreciation for the past is by looking forward to the next generation. Is this the kind of post that our new veterans want to bring their families and friends to hang out and share stories about their service? A lot to think about. In April we will be adding a propane fire pit under the pergola for everyone to enjoy thanks to a generous donation from Jerry Koch. I'm sure it will be used a great deal. Make sure to check your calendars for upcoming events. There is going to be a lot of things happening at our post. Enjoy them all.

Charles Turben, Post 9, Commander







**BAR REPORT**  
From your Post 9 Facilities Manager

AMERICAN LEGION POST 9  
BAR REPORT

MARCH/APRIL 2024

Trisha Schneider  
Facilities Manager

Hello Spring!!!!

I hope everyone is enjoying the mild winter we have had!  
Fish is back every Friday through lent with live music every Friday night, so make sure you come out and enjoy a Friday evening at the club!!!

We have a very busy few months ahead so please make sure you are keeping an eye on the calendar at the club as it changes daily!!!

Due to low interest, we have decided to discontinue Bargo. We may bring the idea back come this fall.

The bar will be closed March 31<sup>st</sup> for Easter.

Again, I hope everyone is enjoying the weather and we all hope to see you at the club!!!!!!

Trisha Schneider  
Facilities Manager  
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# The American Legion Post 9 *AUXILIARY NEWS*

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**Diane Cada**  
**Auxiliary President**

## Auxiliary News and Events

### March/April 2024

Hello Ladies,

Holidays behind us now we spring ahead, no complaints on the weather that is for sure unless you're into ice fishing, skiing, snowmobiling, etc. you will just have to wait for next year.

Our fundraising is in full swing during this Lenten season, with fish fry's every Friday now thru March 29<sup>th</sup> / Good Friday.

The auxiliary is having a bake sale on March 29th, we need your delicious bake goods, snacks, candies, etc., for our sale. In addition, if any body is into crafts would you Please consider donation one or 2 or whatever for us to sell at the bake sale, plants always are a hit if you starts seed or plants as a way to earn more money for our Veterans.

We are also having a Basket Raffle, they are needed by March 13<sup>th</sup> / 14th, so that we can start selling chances on the 15, 22, 29<sup>th</sup> of March, winners will be drawn on the 29th, after the fish fry. Mark your calendars for these events, we need you, and I Thank You from the bottom of my heart for your generosity. Spread the word!!

Check your membership cards, they should read 2024, if not please pay your membership we need you and new members, sign up a friend or family member. Cost is \$40. / \$10. junior. If you have any ideas for fundraising or a food night let us know, we need new ideas and workers, we will help you out to get started!!

I pray that all of you are safe, healthy, and warm as well as your family and loved ones.

Hugs, Kisses, Prayers to our Veterans, and active service members, Police, Firefighters, and EMTS, etc., God bless you all and keep you safe. Sending Thanks for all you do.

Welcome Spring and Happy Easter,  
Grateful for what I have,  
Diane





# THE AMERICAN LEGION

## POST 9

### S.A.L. NEWS



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**Greg Lemmer**  
**SAL Squadron**

## **SAL News and Events** **April/March 2024**

Hello Legion Family,

Greetings from your local SAL, hoping everyone is staying safe, and healthy.

I want thank all who have patronized our Chicken-Q's and Broasted Chicken nights. We always look forward to seeing you at our events. The next Broasted Chicken events will be held Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup>. Just a reminder the serving time ends at 6:30. We are hoping to see an improvement in attendance as February was extremely light. Please come and help us make these events successful so we

can keep doing them.

The SAL will be supporting Pickwick Mill Incorporated by grilling chicken for a Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup> Chicken-Q. Please help support this cause by attending this

event at the Legion.

The SAL Spring Chicken-Q will be held Saturday April 6th. We look forward to seeing you at our annual spring event. Funds raised go to support donations the SAL makes throughout the year to various causes.

The next Taco Night and the associated Meat Raffle are back on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Come celebrate Cinco de Mayo a few days early by joining us at the Legion. Sadly there will not be a taco night in March due to Lent, so come and enjoy some Legion fish instead. The April date will be the last one until September so please make an effort to support the Post by attending.

The SAL is sponsoring a Legion Family Children's Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars and watch for details.

As always we have those great Lenten Fish Fry's that you don't want to miss. They are held every Friday during Lent. Many of the customers state that the Legion has the best fish and onion rings in town.

Remember by patronizing your Legion you are also supporting the Veterans, the Legion, and the Legion Family members. Your Legion is something to be proud of.

Please take the time to thank a Veteran or active military member. They deserve our Thank You each and every day. Please remember you have your freedoms and right to vote because of them.

The Sons of The American Legion (SAL) provides a unique opportunity for men with eligible military relatives to honor their service, foster patriotism, and contribute to the Veterans, Legion family and community welfare. It is also a chance to continue the legacy of service and camaraderie established by the American Legion. The SAL is always looking for new members. Please ask the bartender or an SAL member for an application.

In closing, I wish you all the best. God Bless our Troops past and present and God Bless America.

Respectfully Yours,

Greg Lemmer  
SAL Squadron Commander



**BURIAL DETAIL/COLOR GUARD REPORT**

**Color Guard Functions:**

**None**



**Funerals since 18 December 2023**

**Richard C. Behnke  
David J. Green  
Ronald L. Blank  
Edward L. Cada**

**27 December 2023  
9 January 2024  
13 January 2024  
25 January 2024**





# American Legion Riders

## Post 9 Winona

Legion Family,

I hope everyone is doing well this winter. The weather has certainly been strange with the warm temperatures. It feels a lot like Spring!!

The Legion Riders wish to extend a heart-felt THANK YOU to everyone who came to our Chili Feed. We truly appreciate your support!

We will again be serving lunch for Bingo on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. Upcoming dates are February 28<sup>th</sup>, March 27<sup>th</sup>, and April 24<sup>th</sup>. Feel free to make suggestions as to what you would like us to serve. We will take them under consideration.

Although it is not quite riding season, we will be having breakfast and dinner rides. We are going to try to frequent other Veteran's Clubs as much as possible. I will try to get information out as soon as possible!

As always, we are looking for new members!!! For those of you who are unfamiliar with the history of the American Legion Riders, I am including the following information:

*In Garden City, Mich., in 1993, and Bill "Polka" Kaledas, Commander of American Legion Post 396, and Chuck "Tramp" Dare, shared an idea to start a motorcycle enthusiasts association within the American Legion. The two longtime riders wanted an environment where Legion family members could come together to share a common love for motorcycles. They wrote a letter to the Department of Michigan Adjutant Hubert Hess, sharing their idea. Hess replied that he liked the concept and wanted to pursue it. Later, he gave Kaledas and Dare instructions for managing the program at the Post level. He also explained how they could be approved to use the American Legion emblem, and how to gain support and recognition. At a regular meeting, Post 396 members passed a resolution for a new program to be known as the "American Legion Riders."*

*Joined by 19 other founding members from their post, Kaledas and Dare were flooded with requests for information about their organization. They agreed to establish a central source of information to ensure that Chapters formed not as motorcycle clubs or gangs, but as Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and SAL members joining to ride as Legion family.*

*True to the Legion's grassroots tradition, each chapter manages its programs at the Post level, where the best ideas are born. The Riders are part of many projects and events both locally and nationwide.*

*Currently, over 110,000 American Legion Riders meet in over 2,000 chapters in every domestic Department and in at least three foreign countries. Riders in Iowa have formed an honor guard called The Five Star Freedom Riders, and Riders in Mulvane, Kan., founded the Patriot Guard to protect the sanctity of military funerals from protesters. Riders in all states have escorted military units returning home from combat tours overseas. They have raised millions of dollars for countless local, state, and national charities. Riders conduct annual Legacy Runs in direct support of American Legion scholarship programs.*

If anyone is interested in becoming a member, please contact me at [c.f.hemmelman@gmail.com](mailto:c.f.hemmelman@gmail.com) or 507-313-4388.

Take care!  
Celeste





# Spring Chicken-Q



Saturday, April 6, 2024  
Winona Legion Club  
302 East Sarnia

Serving 11am until Gone  
\* \* Pre-Sales held until 1pm \* \*

½ Grilled Chicken, Baked Potato, Baked  
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Tickets available at the bar or from any  
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# Pickwick Mill Chicken-Q Fundraiser

Saturday March 9, 2024  
Winona American Legion  
302 East Sarnia

\*Featuring the famous [SAL](#) grilled chicken\*

½ Charcoal grilled chicken, baked potato,  
baked beans **and Bloedow's** roll  
\$12.00

Serving 11am until Gone  
Pre-sold meals held until 1pm  
Dine in or carry out

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-from Pickwick Mill board members  
-at the Winona American Legion  
-calling Brian at 507.961.0329



Proceeds go to the preservation and restoration of the historic Pickwick Mill and dam



**Kentucky Derby Day!!!**  
**Saturday May 4th 2024**

**Reliable sources are saying that there will be  
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**With party dresses, crazy hats, food, prizes,  
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**Watch for more information!!!!!!**

**Contact: Julie Haedtke**  
**With the Auxiliary!!!!!!**



## WHAT IS THE FORTY AND EIGHT?

**La Société des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux** (The Society of Forty Men and Eight Horses), is an independent, invitation only, honor society of American veterans and service members; more commonly known as **The Forty and Eight**.

The Forty and Eight is committed to charitable and patriotic aims. Our purpose is to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States, to promote the well-being of veterans, their widows, widowers and orphans, and to actively participate in selected charitable endeavors, which include programs that promote child welfare and nurses training.

The titles and symbols of The Forty and Eight are derived from the experiences of U.S. troops during World War I. American soldiers were transported to the front on the French rail system. Cramped into narrow gauge boxcars, each stenciled with "40 Hommes/8 Chevaux", denoting its capacity to hold either 40 men or 8 horses. This uncomfortable mode of transportation was familiar common experience to all who that fought in the trenches; a mutual small misery among American soldiers. Thereafter, they found "40/8" a lighthearted symbol of the deeper service, unspoken horrors and shared sacrifice that bind all who have endured combat.

The Forty & Eight was founded in 1920 by American veterans returning from France. Originally an arm of The American Legion, the Forty & Eight became an independent and separately incorporated veteran's organization in 1960. Membership is by invitation of honorably discharged veterans and honorably serving members of the United States Armed Forces.

For more information about our community programs please go to our national web site 40 and 8. If you are a Veteran and would like to be a part of the fun and honor society of Veterans please email \_\_\_\_\_ and meet with us.

IF YOU ARE A VETERAN AND INTERESTED IN INFORMATION OR JOINING THE 40ET8  
PLEASE LET US KNOW





**The next page:**

**Missing Local Boys**

**Is a collection of newspaper articles from WWII in regards to local Winona men missing or killed in action.**

**I will be scanning this book page by page to present a slide show on Memorial Day 2024.**

**Very interesting book and very sobering to read.**

**Sam Sasser**

**Adjutant**

**American Legion Post 9**

MISSING  
*Local Boys*  
IN THE  
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# Volunteers Wanted!



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## **AMERICAN LEGION POST 9 VETERAN'S RELIEF FUND**

The American Legion Post 9 Veterans Relief Fund was formed back in August of 2016. The American Legion Post 9 was involved in a Gospel/Patriotic Concert that was presented at the Central Lutheran Church. This concert was presented in four consecutive days. The concert was the work of about 30-40 very dedicated individuals who practiced once every week for about a year. The concert was a great success and was so much fun just to listen to. The concert was no charge to those attending. At the end of each performance the American Legion Burial Detail asked for donations. We raised \$12900.00 in donations after those four performances. We were amazed at how appreciative the audience was. And the amount of donations we received. These funds were to be used to help veterans. Thus the formation of the American Legion Post 9 Veterans Relief Fund. All requests for donations are done through the Winona County Veterans Service office. Tom and John, our Winona County Veterans Service Officers, first qualify the person as a Veteran. And Tom and John then ascertain that the request is a valid request.

The fund has provided assistance for electric, water and gas bills, water heaters, heating and cooling equipment, rent, car repairs, property tax, phone bills, lodging, medical bills, mobility products, food cards, and even assistance with funerals.

Once the requests are approved by the County Veterans Service Officers, the checks are written and sent directly to the vendor. This fund is the most direct help to Veterans in the County.

This fund has gone a long way in providing assistance to Winona County Veterans in their time of need. These funds are available to all Winona County Veterans and Veterans do not have to be a member of the American Legion to receive assistance. Over the years we have provided about \$37000.00 in assistance to 180 plus veterans. We are always asking for assistance in keeping this fund going. Donations to the fund can be made by writing your check to the American Legion Post 9 Veterans Relief Fund. I would like to add that the fund has no administration costs. 100% of funds donated go to help Winona County Veterans.

Your donation will be greatly appreciated by American Legion Post 9, and the Veterans we serve.

Thank you for your consideration of our Veterans Relief Fund.

Respectfully presented.

Sam Sasser

American Legion Post 9 Adjutant



# Club Remodeling Under Way

THE AMERICAN LEGION



## Luxurious Clubrooms To be Bigger

A remodeling program, which will boost the seating capacity of the cocktail lounge to about 100, is now under way at the Legion Memorial clubrooms.

The wall which separated the meeting room from the lounge is being removed, and the resulting room will be used as a lounge and a meeting place. Space will be provided for dancing.

The contractor, P. Earl Schwab, hopes to complete the project within 30 days and a grand opening will be held then. Meanwhile, the club bar remains open.

The new and bigger lounge will be completely redecorated and the ceiling in the present meeting room will be dropped. The new chromium furnishings will include glass-topped tables.

This expansion of the club facilities meets the continuing growth of post No. 9 membership.

## Work to Keep Americanism, Griffith Says

La Crosse, Wis.—A strong plea for the preservation of Americanism and the banishment of Communism in this country was made Wednesday night at the Vocational school auditorium by Paul H. Griffith, Uniontown, Pa., national commander of the post-war American Legion, world's largest veterans' organization.

Griffith's first appearance in

# POST

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## Group Studies Minor Changes In Constitution

Realizing the importance of operating under an up-to-date constitution, members of the post at the October meeting passed a motion authorizing the commander to appoint a committee to study necessary changes and make recommendations at the November meeting.

Post members who are serving on the committee, headed by Hal Cory, are Paul Lommen, James Cole and Ernest Bartholomae.

Commander Linden will also sit in on the committee meetings. Changes in the constitution are in the minor category. However, in an effort to bring the constitution up to date some additions should be made. It was pointed out by the committee that although the National Legion constitution has been altered to admit World War II veterans to membership, the local

## Here's List of Paid 1947 Members

Here's your honor roll—the names of Legionnaires who have paid their 1947 dues.

This list contains the names of those whose dues had been received by the adjutant up to November 5. The list will be continued in the December issue, and let's have a page of names then.

In the list which follows the names of new members are in capitals:

- Howard W. Clark
- RAYMOND W. STEUERNAGEL
- HUGO P. CURRAN
- NELS A. LAARSON
- JOSEPH J. TANDESKI
- PAUL I. JAHN
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- RICHARD HARRISON
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- MILTON C. DAVENPORT

## Meeting Dates

Next post meeting, November 19, (Armory).  
Next Auxiliary meeting, November 20.  
Let's go.

## Hottest Bowlers In Print

There haven't been any 300 games in the Legion bowling leagues yet; but then, what league in the city has produced a 300 game?

Regardless of the scores (and in some instances you may as well disregard them) the 96 bowlers have had a time for themselves at the Gate City alleys on Friday nights.

Some of the fellows who just started bowling this year have come along in fine shape and a few of the old hands at the kegling art have improved their games. "But," as one member said, "there are enough novices on every team to keep any

## Free Eats At Next Meeting

FREE (that's right—free—and no kiddy) foods and drinks are on the agenda for the November 19 meeting in the armory basement.

The commander and his committee



The bowling shirts have been purchased. Through the untiring vigilance of John LaBarre we have made a purchase of top quality white broadcloth shirts. Lettering on the shirts will be started immediately and indications are that all the bowlers will be outfitted before many more bowling nights are in the record book.

### Obituary

George W. Thompson, 78, 462 East Fourth street, died October 29. The Legion was in charge of the burial service at Woodlawn cemetery Thursday, October 31. Edwin Prosser, Max Ramczyk, Walter Pelkert and Lloyd Mur formed the color guard with Past Chaplain Hill and Commander C. E. Linden performing the grave ceremony. William O. Miller was bugler and Company L members made up the firing squad.

### Ask Address of Air Veterans

The "sky blue yonder" boys of World War II have a card waiting for them at the club.

A stack of cards was delivered to the club last week by Commander Linden, who was asked to cooperate in contacting every World War II vet who served in the air force in asking him to submit his correct address. The request was made by Legionnaire George Clausen, who is the service officer in the Winona Veterans Service center.

It seems that the Air Defense command in Washington wants a new and accurate roster of its ex-airmen, and it has enlisted the aid of the Legion in doing this. The card is franked and self addressed, so it won't cost anything to mail it. Just drop in at the club and fill it out.

Post No. 9 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 8 p. m. at the Legion Memorial clubrooms.

- Richard F. Smith
- Warren Bonow
- Clifford Jung
- Chesler G. McCreedy
- Donovan
- on 675 to W
- KE
- HUBERT MROZEK
- RALPH MOSINAK
- TERENCE J. CURRAN
- DAVID VOH RHO SAUER
- HAROLD M. ZIEGENFUS
- RICHARD D. KUKOWSKI
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- Alfred J. Klebuech
- Matthew C. Morave
- ROSCOE M. NAKIELL
- MILHED B. ROBERTS
- ROGER J. BLITZEN
- RALPH W. DRAKE
- LAVIN L. ANGST
- JAMES C. KEYES
- JAMES C. BEAN
- LLOYD M. WILLIAMSON
- Alfred A. Sutt
- Alvin J. Decker
- Frank J. Jankowski
- John Sortore
- Stephen Engen
- Angus V. Ellingson
- Harold W. Kaber
- CYRIL E. KREBSBACH
- FRANK E. VOGEL
- AL W. THELMAN
- Milard W. Martin
- John A. Rice
- Charles E. Linden
- Dr. C. E. Hilden
- Philip Ensted
- Dr. D. T. But
- Mark Geda
- Dr. I. W. Steiner
- Carl C. Molotka
- John Lake
- Herbert P. Mullen
- Harry L. McMillen
- Willard F. McMillen
- Alvin R. McMillen
- Harold O. Berg
- Weston O. Larson
- Carl V. Jackson
- Glen G. Marsh
- Joseph P. Moravce
- A. F. Bremer
- Joseph W. Detlinger
- George Young
- John J. Koscielski
- WALLACE G. GRUENHAAGEN
- JOHN C. REPINSKI
- GEORGE E. CLAUSEN
- Leonard Pizyalski
- Paul E. Savoy
- Frank Meille
- Fred Wild
- James E. Theep
- GORDON M. SILL
- Chester C. Corey
- Edward T. Curtis
- Leon Brozik
- Edward J. Scherneck

paid since then the numerals "47" do not yet appear. In remitting the dues of \$3, either by check or in currency, members should furnish their correct mailing address.

The form with the remittance should be mailed to: The Adjutant, Legion Memorial Clubrooms, Winona.

Renewing members who wish to credit their memberships to other Legionnaires may indicate their wishes, and proper credit will be given on the post records.

### Conference Next Weekend

Many from post No. 9 and its Auxiliary are planning to attend the annual fall conference at Albert Lea November 22 and 23.

Frank Marpe, housing chairman for the conference, told the first district membership rally at Rochester last week, that delegates must register to secure housing.

The registration fee costs \$2.50 per person and this fee pays for the banquet ticket, dancing at the Palm Garden night club Friday night and the open house and dance at the Legion club following the Saturday night banquet.

The conference will end Saturday night.

- Paul Kuhlmann
- E. F. Burlingame
- Joseph A. Baylon
- Albert F. Thiele
- Hubert H. Odell
- Edward G. Wilson
- Jack L. Olem
- Harold Eastman
- John F. Walsh
- JOHN D. O'BRIEN
- Jacob L. Abel
- E. G. Bill
- Ralph B. Boate
- William M. Markle
- John E. Bokke
- Walter Redlick
- Leslie J. McCloymont
- Frank Kropidowski
- Donald Beier
- MARVIN J. SCHULTZ
- ALVIN J. PRONDZINSKI
- MICHAEL P. WARDWELL
- CHARLES E. LEE
- Eugene Molitor
- Paul Rosinski
- Stanley Gryzowski
- Donald Walz
- Raphael J. Thirune
- Lambert S. Bronk
- George K. Kass
- Merrill B. Cass
- Roman J. Zolondek
- Stanley L. Anderson
- E. G. Bokke
- Herman J. Schallert
- Cliff Williams
- Elmer Rupp
- NAURICE E. GLENDE
- Eagar J. Murphy
- John J. Watsenbach
- Walter Gesell
- Lawrence V. Burgess
- Arvel L. Alfred
- Max N. Ramczyk
- Earl Smith
- William T. Wooden
- Gordon F. White
- Allyn M. Hardwick
- Paul J. Kaiser
- Willard M. Lambert
- Jerome C. Rozak
- Harold W. Happel
- Wilbert T. Hutman

think! A single dolphin will have two thousand baby dolphins." "Goodness!" exclaimed the little girl at the foot of the class, "and how many do the married ones have?"

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A month or so ago a bridge tournament was staged at a hotel under the auspices of an expert. One of the prominent lady players drew a very baffling and cryptic Louisville guy for a partner and had quite a time with him.

All afternoon and evening they played and she was bewildered all the time by her partner's every move and play. She suffered in silence until finally, in a move from one table to another, he was late in reporting.

"Where's my partner?" asked the lady, as she resumed her seat.

"He's just gone to the men's wash-room," volunteered the player on her right.

"Oh," said the lady. "Well, anyway, for the first time today, I know what he's doing."

### BOWLERS LEGION LEAGUE NO. 2

- Luack (Historians) 166
- McCarthy (Sergeant-at-Arms) 164
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- Bider (Chaplains) 158
- Berg (Chaplains) 153
- S. Anderson (Vice-Commanders) 149
- Critchfield (Commanders) 141

### Post Financial Statement

(As reported at the October Meeting)	
Cash on hand September 1	\$ 942.80
RECEIPTS	
Memberships	282.80
Balance convention fund	33.31
Installation dinner	92.75
Total cash	\$1,362.36
DISBURSEMENTS	
Per capita remittance	\$495.10
Miscellaneous	453.44
Total disbursements	\$948.54
Cash on hand October 14	\$413.82
ALLOCATIONS:	
Christmas fund	\$ 56.74
Boy Scout fund	50.00
Commander's contingent fund	120.00
General post use	185.08
Total	\$413.82



# July Election Recommended

## Change Up for Ballot on June 17

A proposal that the date for the annual meeting—and election of officers—of Leon J. Wetzel post No. 9 be advanced from September to July will be proposed at the June 17 meeting of the post.

The proposal, backed by the executive committee, will take the form of a proposed amendment to the constitution.

The post's constitution now provides that the annual meeting of the post shall be the third Monday in September of each year and that the officers and the members of the executive committee shall be named at that annual meeting.

It will be proposed that the annual meeting be advanced to the third Tuesday in July. To become an amendment to the constitution this proposal will require approval of two-thirds of the members present.

If it does win approval, the officers and executive committee will then be elected at the July 15 meeting, and, by custom, will be installed at the next meeting, that is at the August 19 meeting.

Whatever the outcome of the proposal Commander C. E. Linden has already appointed a nominating committee, which will report two weeks in advance of the election—whatever date that will be.

Terms of all officers expire, and the terms of half of the executive committee members expire. Committee members—two from each ward and two from the county—are elected to two-year terms. The adjutant is customarily appointed by the commander. The names of

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THE AMERICAN LEGION



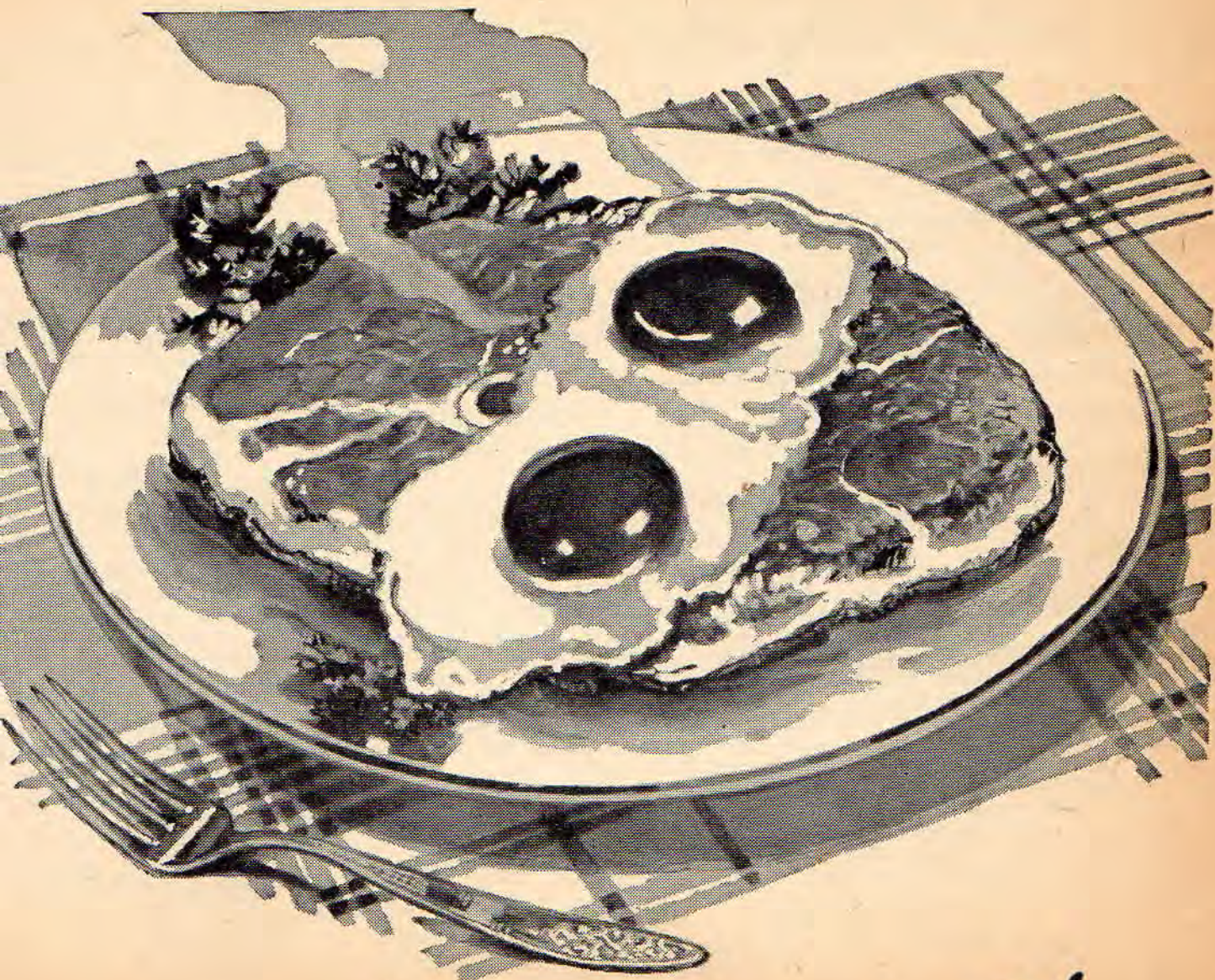
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# *As American as* **HAM AND EGGS ...**

**THAT'S YOUR AMERICAN LEGION!!**

## *What Makes America Tick?*

It's the average American citizen's participation in community affairs.

And that's what you find in the American Legion — a community organization made up of men and women from all walks of life actively engaged in doing unselfish jobs to make the home town a better place to live, be it construction of a wading pool for the kiddies, assisting a needy family, equipping a hospital or sponsoring a civic center.

Selective Service took the nation's very finest into

### ***This is the Legion Program:***

1. Giving all possible help and care to wounded or disabled veterans and to the widows and orphans of service men.
2. Insuring all possible recognition in civil life for all men and women who have seen honorable service in the armed forces of the U. S.

... and good citizen-



# OH THE MADAMOSELLE FROM FROM THE ARMAN TIERRES



LEON J. WETZEL POST #9

ARMISTICE DAY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1940.

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## P R O G R A M

- 10:00 A.M. Program at High School Auditorium. Post to furnish speaker, colors and color bearers.
- 10:30 A.M.)
- 11:00 A.M.) Radio program sponsored by Post---K.W.N.O.
- 12:00 NOON Lunch at Winona Hotel--Old Rip's Tavern -- for Legionnaires only.
- 1:30 P.M. Form in line with Municipal Band to march to Football game between T-C and St. Mary's. At the football game we will have flag ceremony.

LUNCH TICKETS ARE 50¢ AND ARE ON SALE AT CLARK & CLARK INSURANCE COMPANY OFFICE. AT THE BLUE BLAZER AND BY THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: L. S. BELVILLE: PETE HENRY: TED MOYLE: H. D. CORY: ERNIE BARTHOLOMAE: HOWARD CLARK AND MAX RAMCZYK.



# POST MEETING

THURS. DEC. 19<sup>th</sup> •

★ 8 P.M.

OLD RIPS TAVERN

• HOTEL WINONA •

Reverend Russell K. Johnson will be there to talk to  
us on a seasonable subject.

HOT LUNCH AND REFRESHMENTS.

LOTS OF ATTENDANCE

PRIZES AND:---some business.

Ray. H. Hervey, Commander.

P.S. We've got a Legion cap that was found at the Blue  
Blazer Armistice Day.



# War Veterans To Register On February 22

## Legion to Open Registration Booth in City Hall.

Can you speak a foreign language?

Have you had any police, fire department, or intelligence service experience?

These are two of the home defense questions that veterans of the World war will be asked to answer on their registration day February 22.

Throughout the nation, the American Legion on the 209th anniversary of the birth of George Washington, is asking each of the Legion's 1,078,119 members and all unaffiliated World war veterans to register for home defense. Every Legion post in the nation will operate a registration station on that date.

In Winona, Leon J. Wetzel post No. 9 will maintain its registration station in the election room at the city hall from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Edward G. Scherneck and the students of the Winona Secretarial school have volunteered to register the veterans.

### Information Sought.

"The purpose of the registration of veterans," Ray Hervey, commander of the local post, said, "is to have available information on all World war veterans in case of a national emergency. The Legion is a civilian organization and the emergency duties that may be asked as a result of this registration will be purely voluntary in character and will carry no obligations other than those demanded of any citizen."

At the present time the American Legion has a mission consisting of National Commander Milo J. Warner, Past National Commander Franklin D'Olier and Major General Frank Parker, retired, in England studying the home defense work being carried on by the British Legion.

### Civilian Loss Greatest.

It is pointed out in total warfare civilian loss is much heavier than that of men in military service. At the present time in England, 60 civilians to every soldier is the war death toll.

The questionnaire to be filled out covers mainly peacetime activities of veterans, and their qualifications. A copy of the questionnaire is reproduced on this page.

Feb. 15,  
1941



Original white form to be permanent record of post. Buff and orange copies to be forwarded by post to Department Headquarters.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE QUESTIONNAIRE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

### AUTHORIZATION AND PURPOSES OF QUESTIONNAIRE

The securing of the information contained in this questionnaire is by reason of the authorization of the 1940 National Convention and the November 21-22, 1940, meeting of The National Executive Committee of The American Legion, which recommended as follows: "That all Posts of The American Legion should engage in the registration of all World War Veterans within the Posts' territorial limitations, and the keeping of a card index showing names, addresses, qualifications of such registered World War Veterans to be contacted in cases of possible emergency."

Note—Filling in this form and providing the information below as to the individual veteran's availability and qualifications for voluntary emergency service in no way increases his obligation beyond that of any citizen of the United States. Attention is called to Art. II, Sec. 1 of The American Legion National Constitution which provides, "The American Legion is a civilian organization; membership therein does not affect nor increase liability for military or police service." The emergency duty which may be requested as an outgrowth of this questionnaire will be PURELY VOLUNTARY IN CHARACTER and without remuneration unless otherwise provided for by agencies of government responsible for requesting such service or undertaking.

Fill out in triplicate—print with pen and ink if typewriter is unavailable.

Name of Registering Veteran		Name and number of Legion Post membership	
State	City	Postoffice address	
Race	Are you a U. S. citizen?	Naturalized	Native born
Married (Yes or no)	Number of dependents	Education	
Present military or naval status, if any			
Police experience, if any		Fire Department experience, if any	
Intelligence service experience, if any			
What foreign languages do you speak, if any			
Have you had experience as interpreter? (Yes or no)		Present occupation	
Number of years in occupation		Firm name of employer	

**IMPORTANT** Availability for Service. Note here whether registrant believes he will be able to answer call for immediate service, for general service anywhere, restricted service in home community only, or on part-time or full-time basis.

Check vocations or activities listed below in which you possess experience and in which capacities you would prefer to serve in case of local or national emergency.

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|---|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Able Seaman            | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Engineer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Map-maker           | <input type="checkbox"/> Printer                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Switchboard Operator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accountant             | <input type="checkbox"/> Composer              | <input type="checkbox"/> Master Machinist    | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Fireman    | <input type="checkbox"/> Teletype Operator              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amateur Radio Operator | <input type="checkbox"/> Cook                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical Engineer | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Entertainer      | <input type="checkbox"/> Toolmaker                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ambulance Driver       | <input type="checkbox"/> Dental Technician     | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Technician  | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio Engineer          | <input type="checkbox"/> Tractor Driver                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Athletic Instructor    | <input type="checkbox"/> Dietitian             | <input type="checkbox"/> Millwright          | <input type="checkbox"/> Railway Maintenance     | <input type="checkbox"/> Truck Driver                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auto Mechanic          | <input type="checkbox"/> Draughtsman           | <input type="checkbox"/> Molder              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary Technician     | <input type="checkbox"/> Typesetter                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation Mechanic      | <input type="checkbox"/> General Electrician   | <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle Driver   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheet Metal Worker      | <input type="checkbox"/> Typist                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baker                  | <input type="checkbox"/> General Machinist     | <input type="checkbox"/> Movie Camera Man    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ship's Pilot            | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boatman                | <input type="checkbox"/> Gunsmith              | <input type="checkbox"/> Navigator           | <input type="checkbox"/> Steam Fitter            | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Fireman              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bookkeeper             | <input type="checkbox"/> Homing Pigeon Fancier | <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel Work      | <input type="checkbox"/> Stenographer            | <input type="checkbox"/> Wheelwright                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bricklayer             | <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory Technician | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacist          | <input type="checkbox"/> Structural Steel Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> X-Ray Operator                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Driver             | <input type="checkbox"/> Lathe Operator        | <input type="checkbox"/> Photographer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Surgeon                 |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter              | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer                | <input type="checkbox"/> Physician           | <input type="checkbox"/> Telegrapher             |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cashier                | <input type="checkbox"/> Librarian             | <input type="checkbox"/> Plumber             | <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Lineman       |   |

Will you be available for service in State Troops replacing national guards?

What is your general physical condition?

Name of Registrant (Signature)

Current member of any other World War Veterans Organization

Recommended by undersigned officer of American Legion Post No.

All members of the American Legion and unaffiliated veterans of the World war are being asked to fill out the above questionnaire as a part of the American Legion Home Defense program. Registration day for all ex-service men will be February 22 and each post in this area will operate a registration station. The Winona Legion's registration station will be located in the election room of the city building and will be open from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.



4-1-41

## Harold Atwood To Be Send-off Speaker

**Thursday Dinner  
Will Honor Ten  
More Selectees.**

Harold Atwood will be the speaker at the Legion send-off party for ten selective service men who will entrain for Fort Snelling Thursday, Ray Hervey, commander of the Legion post announced today.

The dinner will be held at the Hotel Winona at noon, and the group of ten men will entrain for Fort Snelling at 3:09 p. m. on the Milwaukee road. They will report to the two local selective service boards at 11 a. m.

"This is another of the regular send-off dinners for Winona county groups of men," Commander Hervey stated, "and is a community affair to which everyone is invited. The ten men leaving will be guests."

Attendance at the dinners has grown with the departure of each group. In addition to Legionnaires, many businessmen and friends of the men leaving attend the dinners. The speaking program is short.

Men from the city board making up the April 3 quota are 134, Paul M. Mrachek, 617 East Broadway; 135, Otto F. Streng, 528 Mankato avenue; 136, Albert E. Peterson, 619 Huff street; 142, Clifford A. Jung, 1017 West Second street, and 622, Daughn L. Becker, 1062 West Howard street. Becker is inducted for local board No. 6, Chicago.

Alternates for the city board are 145, George Schumacher, 560 Zumbro street; 147, Norman W. Schellhas, Lake boulevard.

The men from the county board in the Thursday group are 44, Elven LeRoy Risen, La Farge, Wis.; 46, Albert Edward Gibbs, Lewiston; 68, Cyrus Francis Speltz, Rollingstone; 86, Carl Clayton Reynolds, St. Charles, and 89, Frank Lawrence Chapman, Utica.

Alternates are 90, Arvid Vernon Jenkinson, route one, Winona, and 95, William Edward Johnson, route two, Dakota.

April 2, 1941

## 20 More Selectees to Be Called From Winona County April 21 to 30

**10 Men to Leave  
Tomorrow; to Be  
Luncheon Guests.**

Minnesota's third selective service call for April, for 1,199 men to report to Fort Snelling between April 21 and April 30, was announced by the state selective service board today.

The call did not give detail by counties as to the number of men each board will furnish. It is estimated about 20 men will be required from Winona county to fill this call.

The first April group of ten men will leave tomorrow for Fort Snelling. Members will be entertained by the American Legion at a send-off dinner at the Hotel Winona at noon. Harold Atwood will be speaker.

Names of the men making up the second April quota, which will leave April 14, were announced by the two Winona county boards today.

The six men from the county board will all be volunteers. They are Benedict J. Laska, Winona route three; Harlow P. Junghans, Plainview route one; Mortimer G. Stoning, Plainview route one; Walter P. Frick, Lamolile; Hubert B. Ties, Stockton, route one, and Raymond R. Greenwood of Lamolile.

The city board men for the April 14 call are: John C. Goven, 427 East Third street, who is being inducted for a Los Angeles, Calif., board; George F. Schumacher, 560 Zumbro street; Norman W. Schellhas, Lake Boulevard; La Vern L. Beck, 181 East Howard street; and Joseph G. Goymerac, 315 East Third street. The alternates are Harris Choate, 302 West Wabasha street, and Donald Berndt, Co. 714, CCC, Winona camp.

The Legion will entertain this group on April 14 at a send-off dinner at the Hotel Winona.



March 17, 1941

## Winona County And City Groups Get Send-Off

### 35 Leave for Fort Snelling and Army Life.

Winona county's St. Patrick's day selective service quota of 35 men was given a rousing "send-off" by more than 100 Legionnaires and friends at a dinner at the Hotel Winona this noon. They left for Fort Snelling shortly after 3 p. m. today.

"We must not let any grass grow under our feet in this preparedness campaign," F. W. Sawyer, local attorney and principal speaker at the dinner, stated.

"The year of 1941 will probably be the most critical year in the world's history. What America does and the speed with which it does it, will have a great bearing on the future."

He pointed out that it is a fight now between the Axis powers and what is left of the democracies, Great Britain and the United States. The Axis powers have been preparing for this struggle since 1933, he said.

#### Will Fight for Peace.

"The democracies have always worked for peace," he added, "and are doing so today. The American Legion has always been for peace, but will fight for it."

The dinner, sponsored by the three Legion posts in the county, Winona, Lewiston and St. Charles, was presided over by Ray Hervey, commander of the Winona post. He introduced each of the 35 men, and Gordon Closway, one of the group, made a brief response.

All of the men called, despite bad roads, were at their boards at 11 a. m. today and were given final instructions by the two board officials. There are 19 in the quota from the county and 16 men from the city board. Most of the men in the group were volunteers.

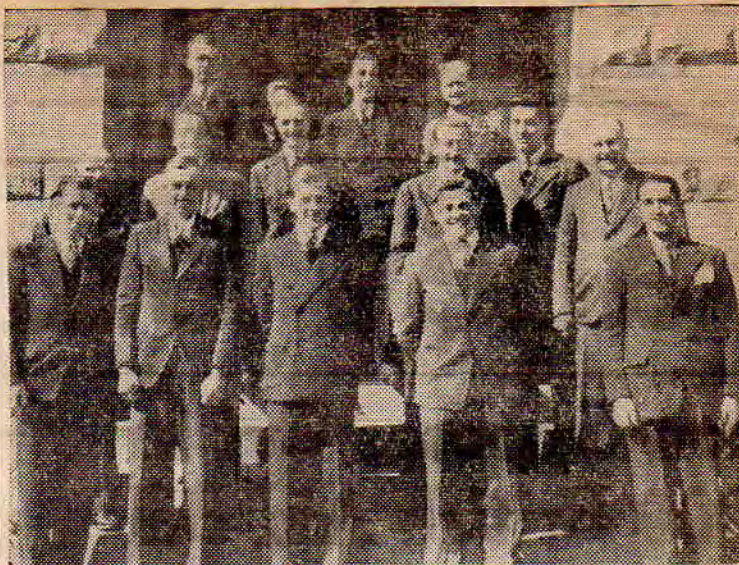
#### PNA Battery in Group.

In the county group was the man who had No. 158 in the national lottery, and who was No. 1 in the county order numbers. He is Louis James Brunner of Rushford, route one.

The group took with them the battery of the famous PNA ball club of Winona. They are George Heftman and Leonard Dorsch, two volunteers.

Final physical examinations will be given the group Tuesday morning at Fort Snelling and those who pass will immediately be inducted

## Leave for Army Induction



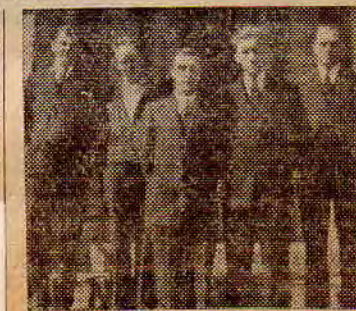
These are the Winona county and city of Winona men who left today for Fort Snelling:

Top photo—County board, front row from left to right—Peter R. Ronan, Raymond D. Buege, William B. Schroetke, Gerald F. Thill and Harry L. Kowalewski. Second row, left to right—Herman Spremberg, Norman Mueller, La Verne Walch and Raymond A. Gatzlaff. Third row, left to right—Elmer S. Hare. Fourth row, left to right—Harry L. Pulchinski, Kendall H. Fuller and Rudolph H. Block.

Bottom photo—City board, top row, left to right—Raymond P. Frigge, Conrad L. Heintz, Jr., Joseph C. Anglewitz, Gordon R. Closway, Truman R. Wilson and Alfred J. Bernatz. Second row, left to right—Richard J. Losinski, Chester A. Rivers, Raymond H. Greenwood and Milton R. Berg. Third row, left to right—Donald H. Bicker, Theodore N. Decker, George P. Heftman, Cyril Drazkowski, Leonard P. Dorsch and Olaf R. Henjum.

Side photo—County board, left to right—Darwin H. Todd, Milton W. Sherwood, Philip J. Kram, George S. Ryan and Reinhard P. Elpelding.

into service. They will leave Fort Snelling within a week for training centers in different sections of the country.





June 13, 1941

## A Black Eye; a Resolute Grin



Here is Uncle Sam, giant 16-foot edition, dwarfing man. Uncle Sam rode near the head of the parade up Third street Wednesday evening in behalf of the U.S.O.

Notice that he seems to have a black eye. Don't overlook that firm smile. Those ropes might indicate public support of the five-day drive of the U.S.O. to raise \$5,000. That sum will help solve the recreation problem in the army camps.

This colorful imposing Uncle Sam was made by Ervin Baudhuin for the April Boy Scout circus.

Posing with Uncle Sam is Adolph Bremer, Republican-Herald reporter, and another reporter, Wallace Morgan, took the picture.



Nov. 1, 1941

## 16 Selectees to Leave Monday for Fort Snelling

**Legion to Give Luncheon at Hotel at 11:15 A. M.**

The American Legion luncheon for 16 selective service men to leave for Fort Snelling will be held at the Hotel Winona at 11:15 a. m. Monday, Commander Glen E. Galligan of the local post announced today.

The early hour is due to the departure of the group by bus at 12:09 p. m. instead of by train as former groups have gone.

"All friends and relatives of the men leaving are invited to the luncheon, as well as anyone else who wishes to join in the send-off," Commander Galligan stated.

Members of the city group will be Marcel J. Bilder, 472 East Fourth street; Harold C. Schuh, 424 West Fourth street; Elton V. Schoenrock, 402 East Fourth street; James T. Englerth, 312 East Fourth street; Lucien Malotke, 917 East King street; Raymond G. Haun, 421 East Sanborn street; Robert E. Bitzan, Market and Third streets; Daniel J. Przytarski, 530 West Fourth street; Franklyn K. Guenther, 713 Harriet street; William A. Shields, 265 East Third street, and Archie E. Bauman, 365 West Howard street.

Two members of the quota, as originally announced, have been changed. Karl Kohner, Thief River Falls, has been deferred for one month, and Kenneth C. Conway, Rice Lake, Wis., has, since the call was issued, joined the navy. Thus, the city quota will be two men short Monday.

The five members from the county board are Francis J. Eustermann, St. Charles; Teman G. Hagen, route one, Utica; Robert J. Grant, route two, Lewiston; Joseph A. Plein, route one, Rollingstone, and Robert W. Petter, St. Charles.

Nov. 1, 1941

## Legion District Leads State in Membership

**Wins Right to Again Head Parade at Duluth.**

Local American Legion leaders were informed today by C. L. Fischer of Rochester, First District commander, that the district has again placed first in the annual Minnesota Legion district membership contest.

The First District, said Commander Fischer, exceeded its 2,750 membership quota October 30 for the earliest date that any Minnesota district has ever gone "over the top." The best record the district ever made before was November 5.

The district consists of ten South-eastern Minnesota counties comprising the old Minnesota first congressional district, Winona, Wabasha, Fillmore, Houston, Olmsted, Mower, Freeborn, Dodge, Steele and Waseca counties, and this is the fifth consecutive year that the district has won first in the state contest.

The district membership quotas are fixed earlier in the year and the district to reach or exceed its quota first is the winner and earns the right to lead the parade at the Minnesota departmental conventions each year. This will be the First District's privilege at the coming department session at Duluth. The membership quotas are based on five-year average memberships in each district and all posts in the districts are pro-rated membership quotas on the same basis.

The triumph of the First District is the sweeter to Legionnaires of the district, members say, because of the challenge thrown out earlier in the season by the Fifth District, which includes Minneapolis.

The local post now has a membership slightly in excess of the membership at the same time last year. The present membership is 275, compared with 271 for last year.

Nov. 10, 1941

## State Officers of Legion, Auxiliary to Talk at Preston

Preston, Minn.—(Special to The Republican-Herald)—The American Legion post and Auxiliary of Preston will have nearly a score of honored guests, including state and district officers, at its Armistice day dinner at the town hall at 6:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Principal speakers will be Roy T. Anderson of Austin, state Legion commander; Mrs. Frank Morse, Mankato, state Legion auxiliary president, and Mrs. J. M. Henry, Winona, district auxiliary president.

Moppy Anderson, Preston, will be master of ceremonies. John Neuman is post commander and Mrs. S. H. Bolterman is president of the local auxiliary.

Nov. 11, 1941

## German Band to Play Tonight at Legion Stag

The Legion German band, the hit of the recent national convention at Milwaukee, will play at the Legion Armistice day stag dinner to be held at the Hotel Winona this evening.

Senator M. J. Galvin will speak, and there will be World war songs by the Legion quartet. Thomas F. Richards is in charge of arrangements.

## American Legion Armistice Day Supper

Tuesday, November 11, 1941

at Winona Hotel  
(Old Rips Tavern)

Supper at  
6:00 p. m.

Refreshments



Entertainment

TICKET 75c

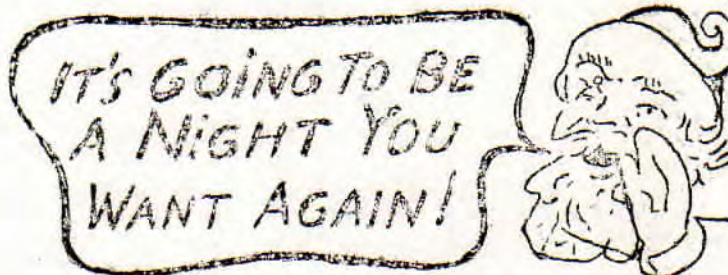




# THE AMERICAN LEGION

LEON J. WETZEL POST, No. 9

Winona, Minnesota



December 15, 1941

Dear Comrade:

The regular meeting of the Leon J. Wetzel Post No. 9 will be next Thursday evening, December 18, at Hotel Winona. We want to start promptly at 8 o'clock. If you want to pay your dues, etc. the Adjutant will be there at 7:30.

Reverend L. E. Brynstad will make a few remarks appropriate for the Christmas Season.

Norman Schellhas, president of the Seledtees' Organization in Winona, will also give a brief talk on modern Army camp life.

Last Tuesday, Mike Galvin, chairman of the Christmas Fund, mailed letters to various members, asking them to collect and remit for Christmas toy fund for needy Veterans' children. Let's back Mike on this fine cause!

Ernie Fox and Jim Robb have charge of the lunch arrangements. 15 cents.

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Another group of dandy attendance prizes too.

Sincerely,

Glen E. Galligan  
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March 11, 1942

## Sun Shines on Departure of County Selectees

## Good Training Makes Soldiers, Selectees Told

County Group Hears  
Talk by Major  
Dugan at Dinner.

"Good training is the secret of successful soldiering," Major John W. Dugan of the Minnesota Defense Force told a group of Winona county selective service men at an American Legion send-off dinner at the Hotel Winona Tuesday evening preceding their departure for Fort Snelling for army induction.

"The better you are trained," he said, "the better fighters you will make. Work hard and work for promotions."

He told the selectees they will find army living quarters good and the type of food they will need.

"Men you will meet in the army," he said, "are much the same as those in civilian life. A comradeship will grow in the army that will last throughout life."

He urged the men to get acquainted with their chaplain, attend church and enter into activities of their camps.

The dinner was attended by 100 friends and relatives of the selectees.

G. E. Galligan, commander of the Legion post, presided and extended the Legion's welcome. Gifts from the J. E. Watkins Company were given each selectee at conclusion of the dinner.



The sun shone brightly Tuesday afternoon as a cheerful omen when this group of Winona county selectees posed for a picture on the courthouse steps a short time before they departed for Fort Snelling and induction into the United States army. The men are as follows:

Bottom row, left to right—Wilfred W. Cornwell, Houston route two; Francis J. Kronebusch, Minniska route one; Hubert Mrozek, Winona route three; Byron W. Zick, St. Charles; John A. Laska, 519 Chatfield street, and Donald R. Zimmermann, Trempealeau, Wis.

Second row, left to right—Edwin B. Lunander, Milwaukee; Joseph J. Feltz, Houston; Walter P. Rinn, Rollingstone; Bernard M. Jonsgaard, Winona route three; William A. Ramlow, Altura; Lawrence A. Miller, Houston, and Clarence O. Storm, St. Charles route two.

Third row, left to right—Martin S. Polaski, St. Charles route one; Walter H. Huebner, St. Charles; Ralph O. Stenback, St. Charles; Anthony P. Hengel, Rollingstone; Matthew T. O'Dea, St. Paul, and Gordon F. Mullen, Stockton.

Fourth row, left to right—Paul A. Clarke, Montevideo; Merton L. Kessler, Lewiston; John A. Flanagan, Lewiston route one; Lawrence L. Zick, St. Charles; Otto W. Meyers, Winona route one; Alfred W. Gatzlaff, Altura, and Clinton B. Semanke of Albert Lea, former St. Charles resident who was inducted for the Freeborn county board.

Two members of the group are not on the picture. They are Henry E. Knutson of Tracy and Harvey O. Bublitz of Stockton route one.



2-26-42

# Lighthearted Start of Trip Leading to War Service



This lighthearted group, the men of the city selective service board who left for Fort Snelling Wednesday evening, posed for this photograph on the postoffice steps after getting their travel orders.

Two men, at top right of picture, left to right—Francis Lewinski, 916 East Broadway, and George J. Woll, 716 West Broadway.

Top row—Harry M. Langowski, 973 East Sanborn street; John M. Kluzik, 966 East King street; Raymond J. Miller, 502 East Third street; Roy L. Aye, 965 West Fifth street, and Raymond J. Jaszewski, 519 Chatfield street.

Second row from top—Harold M. Ziegenfuss, 1176 West Fifth street; Willard J. Krage, 762 West Mark street; James A. Anderson, 659 West Fourth street; Richard D. Mosiniak, 655

West Third street; Leo R. Drazkowski, 660 West Fourth street, and Ralph J. Mosiniak, 655 West Third street.

Third row—Raymond P. Masysa, 1015 Gilmore avenue; Donald C. Norton, 516 Garfield street; Philip J. Kohner, 511 Garfield street; Melvin I. Harders, 622 Wilson street; Lucian L. Grupa, 853 East Fourth street (a little below row), and Harry J. Ratajczyk, 573 West Fourth street.

Bottom row—Francis T. Kirkham, 1009 West Howard street; Joseph M. Thilmany, 855 East Wabasha street (behind Kirkham); Lambert F. Paskiewicz, 857 East Broadway; Daniel W. Vondrashek, 859 East Third street; Edward A. Hassinger, 910 East Sanborn street, and Robert J. Moravec, 501 East King street.

Edward B. Maier, 466 East King street, who went in the call for the Austin, Minn., board, was not in the picture.

## Speaker Calls Selectees 'Our Bid for Victory'

### America Will Still Be Free After War, Says W. W. Gurney.

"You are better men than your enemies and you will win," William W. Gurney told a quota of city selectees who left Wednesday evening for army induction at Fort Snelling, at the American Legion send-off dinner at the Hotel Winona. About 90 relatives and friends of the young men attended the dinner, served just prior to their departure.

"You are going to successfully finish this job and you are going to return to take your place among us in this community," he continued.

"The war was forced upon us. We wanted peace and believed the people of the remainder of the world wanted peace. Our trust in this belief was betrayed. We are now paying a terrible price for this trust.

"The situation is serious. The enemy has the advantage of years of preparation and his 'double cross.' But we will overcome this and win.

### Galligan Presides.

"You men are our bid for victory. You have been picked because you are the best among us. We have great confidence in your ability because you are free men fighting for your freedom. When this war is over, America will still be a land where men are men."

In behalf of the American Legion, Dr. G. E. Galligan, commander of the local post, opened the brief, informal program, explaining that the dinner was a part of Winona's community send-off for the men. He read the names of the men making up the quota.

At the conclusion of the short speeches, gifts from the J. R. Watkins Company were distributed to the men as well as the Legion servicemen's handbook. The group made the trip by bus.



March 23, 1942

# Selective Service Boards Call for 192 Men From Winona County on April 9

## City to Furnish 124, County's Quota 68 Men.

The largest selective service call received since the draft was started, for 192 men to leave April 9, was announced by the two Winona selective service boards today. The city board will supply 124 men, and the county board 68.

Each group will report to board offices at 2:30 p. m. and leave around 4 p. m. for Fort Snelling for physical examinations and induction.

### Using New System.

About half of the men included in the list announced today by the two boards have been at Fort Snelling for their pre-induction physical examination. The others will be examined at the time of induction. For this reason, the quota has been increased 25 per cent, to take care of the men likely to be rejected after physical tests.

This is the first call in which the new arrangement of getting physical examinations at Fort Snelling and being inducted at once, if the physical tests are passed, will be used for Winona county men. Under the new arrangement, men who pass the examination and have civilian affairs to adjust may get a ten-day furlough immediately to return home and settle such affairs. Application for such a furlough must be made in advance through the local board.

### Arranging Send-Off.

American Legion officers were arranging today for some form of a send-off. It is not likely that a dinner will be held, because of the size of the group and the departure time.

A list of the men who make up the quota from the city selective service board, as announced by board officials today, follows:

Howard W. Goss, 1215 W. Fifth; Donald L. Smith, 1204 W. Fifth; Howard D. Mason, 422 W. Broadway; Chester J. Cierzan, 324 Mankato; Orville C. Johnson, 209 E. Fifth; Harry M. Kleinschmidt, 554 W. Fourth; Daniel J. Sieracki, 507 E. Second; William J. Nicholas, 210 Wilson; Herbert F. Lea, 619 Center; Louis J. Sieracki, 507 E. Second.

Jerome C. Rozek, 877 E. Fourth; Howard A. Gilbertson, 414 Dakota; Frank V. Michalowski, 655 W. Fourth; George D. Lipinski, 753 E. Broadway; Chester J. Lilla, 262 High Forest; David I. Ramczyk, 525 Dakota; Scott R. Loeken, 311 W. Howard; Raymond C. Banicki, 977 E. Sanborn; Robert S. Horton, 211 W. Sanborn; Edwin D. Chamberlain, 305 W. Howard.

Donald L. Brokaw, 175 W. Fourth; John B. Hausler, 478 W. Howard; Judson D. Scott, 718 W. Wabasha; Marvin R. Giversen, Gilmore avenue; Theodore D. Konkel, 700 E. Sanborn; James L. Miller, 517 W. Sanborn; Robert Stinson, 379 E. Sanborn; Harry J. Bruski, 914 E. Howard; Fred W. Burmeister, 250 E. Third; Jay E. Hoover, 667 Harriet; Lawrence P. Boland, 173 N. Baker; Henry A. Wicka, 376 Mankato; William C. Schuler, 252 Franklin; Emmett C. Hovey, 674 W. Fourth; William A. Dzwonkowski, 852 E. Third; Walter A. Heck, 677 Winona; Walter F. Kirch, 526 Winona; Tauno T. Thompson, 323 W. Sanborn; Alvin J. Decker, 502 E. King; William O. Armstrong, 611 Huff.

Robert A. Apka, 506 E. Broadway; Carroll J. Hoffman, 1115 Marion; Donald W. Melby, 1421 W. Fourth; Stanley E. Jereczek, 407 Mankato; John C. Lindsay, 116 W. Fourth; Donald O. Buggs, 163½ E. Third; William T. Leyden, 116 E. Broadway; Frederick W. Beck, 861 E. Broadway; Edward A. Pomeroy, 268 Mankato; Edgar G. Bunke, 420 Winona.

Robert W. Lorenz, 526 Dakota; Harry L. Skorlinski, 1063 E. Broadway; William G. Hughes, 811 Gilmore; Paul H. Pehler, 275 S. Baker; Luther F. Kressin, 463 Franklin; Homer A. Eugene, 70½ W. Second; John R. Berger, 410 E. Fourth; Robert J. Tullius, 163 W. Second; Willard H. Sackreiter, 701 Harriet; Stanley P. Orzechowski, 771 E. Front.

John W. Servais, 270 E. Fourth; Irvin A. Blumentritt, 209 W. Mill; Douglas C. McCready, 671 Washington; James D. Bard, 673 Wilson; Ray J. Hittner, 676 Wilson; Lambert S. Sadowski, 901 E. Fifth; Robert A. Meier, 409 W. Broadway; James A. Walz, 277½ E. Third; David V. Sauer, 310 E. Broadway; Leonard H. Rueckert, Milwaukee hotel.

Raynard Gaustad, 209 W. Mark; Ellis M. Bunn, 758 W. Broadway; Edmund F. Przybylski, 565 Hamilton; John H. Hagen, 520 W. Sarnia; Ray J. Werra, 902 Gilmore; Maurice N. Kaehler, 728 W. Howard; Harold M. Shaffer, Y. M. C. A.; John J. Tandeski, 901 E. Wabasha; Frank H. Dobberphul, 510 E. Sanborn; Leo A. Simmer, 216 Washington.

John Kunda, 317 Chatfield; Arthur T. Slaggie, 319 Mankato; Walter L. Oilhoff, 702 Winona; David Paskiewicz, 857 E. Broadway; John C. Repinski, 973 Gilmore; Daniel J. Tushner, 502 E. Second; James A. Walters, 928 W. Howard; Alfred J. Kiebusch, 406 E. Broadway; Harold W. Kauphusman, 668 Harriet; Aloise H. Wolfe, 229½ E. Third.

Henry W. Maurer, 601 Main; Samuel C. Johnson, 207 W. Broadway; Frank J. Pomeroy, 268 Mankato; Roman J. Zolondek, 755 E. Fifth; Edward N. Valentine, 373 E. Fourth; Frank T. Poroda, 622 E. Fifth; Marino B. Duyanen, 479 W. Broadway; William R. Pagel, 514 E. King; Harry C. Mayzek, 1029 E. Sanborn; Earl H. Babb, 213 Johnson.

Teophel J. Wnuk, 563 E. Third; Donald M. Tust, 411 Dakota; Junior H. Leonhardt, 789 W. Fifth; Alfred E. Zimmerman, 562 Hamilton; Chester J. Rymarkiewicz, 909 E. Broadway.

Joseph F. Lewinski, 916 E. Broadway; Harry J. Blank, 916 E. Howard; Anthony F. Pellowski, 265 E. Fourth; Oscar H. Olson, 255 E. Mark; John J. Mauszewski, 603 E. Howard; Burt Welch, 948 W. Howard; Edward E. Fleming, 676 Sioux; Glen W. Grant, 58 W. Mark; Rolland J. Duff, Y. M. C. A.

Frank J. Speed, 209 E. Broadway; Sigfred A. Nygard, 517 Johnson;

Stanley V. Block, 119 Washington; David A. Krause, 422 W. King; Philip J. Kramer, 673 E. Third; Arthur J. Wiech, 525 Sioux; Alvin C. Berg, 227½ E. Sanborn; Clement A. Rozek, 877 E. Fourth; Floyd J. Rinn, 72½ E. Third; George N. Mayzek, 1029 E. Sanborn.

### Men From County.

Herewith is a list of men in the April 9 call as announced by the county selective service board:

Everett J. Weidling, Dakota; Andrew T. Holzer, St. Charles; Eugene A. Stiever, Winona route two; Raymond P. Schewe, Winona route two; Joseph W. Nahrgang, Lewiston.

Clifford E. Johnson, Rushford; Laverne Koch, St. Charles; Fay L. Potter, St. Charles; Nicholas F. Thesing, Dakota route one; Emanuel E. Hoersch, St. Charles.

Daniel R. Fenske, St. Charles; Anton H. Bering, Los Angeles, Calif., formerly St. Charles; Sylvester J. Duane, Lewiston route one; Arnold J. Foulkert, Stockton; Carl A. Zastrow, St. Charles route two.

Arthur S. Thompson, 1052½ West Broadway; Leslie Heber, Winona route two; Kenneth E. Ellringer, St. Charles; Donald A. Otis, Rushford route one; Leonard Johnson, Dresbach.

Herbert N. Rinn, Minneiska route one; Herbert P. Selke, Dakota route one; Alex Kuczkowski, Winona route three; Earl H. Fleischfresser, 80 Fairfax street; Bernard B. Vanderzee, Dakota.

Lyman O. Persons, St. Charles; Clarence A. Knopp, Winona route two; Clarence D. Johnson, Lewiston route one; Carl H. Grapentine, Lewiston route two; Arthur R. Huebner, Winona route two.

Edward J. Dionysius, Lamoille; Gerald J. Kessler, Lewiston; Arthur J. Rinn, Rollingstone; Glenn V. Peabody, St. Charles; Bernard M. Speltz, Rollingstone.

Ernest E. Unnasch, La Crosse; Hubert T. Kuczkowski, Winona route three; Wesley H. Hanneman, Minneiska route one; Alvin J. Doehling, Rollingstone; Louis A. Kingsley, St. Charles.

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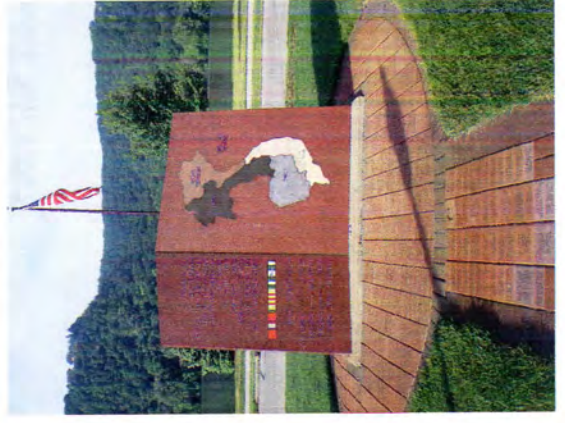




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# March 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4 Blood Drive in hall 12-6pm ALR Mtg 5:30	5 Noon Lions Meeting Basket Nite 5-7pm Bean Bags 5pm	6 Rotary 11am Bingo 7pm	7 Hiawatha Marines 7pm	1 Fish Fry 4:30-7pm	2 Baby Shower 1-4pm WSU Ducks Unlimited 5:30p
10 Daylight Savings!!!!	11 SAL Meeting 6:30pm	12 Bean Bags 5pm Amvets Meeting 5pm 40&8 Meeting 5:30p Exec & Post Meeting 6:00pm	13 Rotary 11a Bingo 7pm Vet Spt Grp 6p	14 Broasted Chicken 5-7p HVMHC 8am	8 Fish Fry 4:30-7pm Music by Time & a Half 6-10pm	9 Coast Guard 9am Pickwick Chicken Que 11am til gone
17 St. Patrick's Day!!!!	18 Blood Drive Winona County 9am-3pm DAR Meeting 6:30pm	19 Noon Lions Meeting Basket Nite 5-7pm Bean Bags 5pm	20 Rotary 11am Bingo 7pm	21	22 Fish Fry 4:30-7pm Music by Lonesome Boys 6-9pm	23 Mason's Salsa Event 1-5pm
24 Baby Shower 1-4pm	25	26	27 Rotary 11a Bingo 7pm Vet Spt Grp 6p	28	29 Fish Fry 4:30-7pm Music by Smokin Coyotes 6-10pm	30
31 Easter Sunday Bar is closed!						





# April 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Red Cross In hall 12-6pm ALR Mtg 5:30pm	2 Noon Lions Basket Nite 5-7pm	3 Rotary 11am Bingo 5-7pm	4 Kwik Trip Meeting 8am Hiawatha Marines 7pm	5 Retirement Party in bar 6pm	6 SAL Chicken Que 11am Till gone
7	8 SAL Meeting 6:30pm	9 40&8 Mtg 5:30pm Exec/Post Mtg 6:00pm	10 Rotary 11am Bingo 5-7pm Vet Spt Mtg 6p	11 Broasted Chicken 5-7pm	12	13 Coast Guard Mtg 9a Birthday Party 2pm Bar
14	15 DAR mtg 6:30pm TAX DAY!!! Pay Up!!!	16 Noon Lions Basket Nite 5-7pm	17 Rotary 11am Bingo 5-7pm	18	19 ORC Banquet 5-10 pm	20 Local Lodge 1030 at 6:30p
21	22	23 Local Lodge 49 Mtg 7pm	24 Rotary 11am Bingo 5-7pm Vet Spt Mtg 6p	25	26	27
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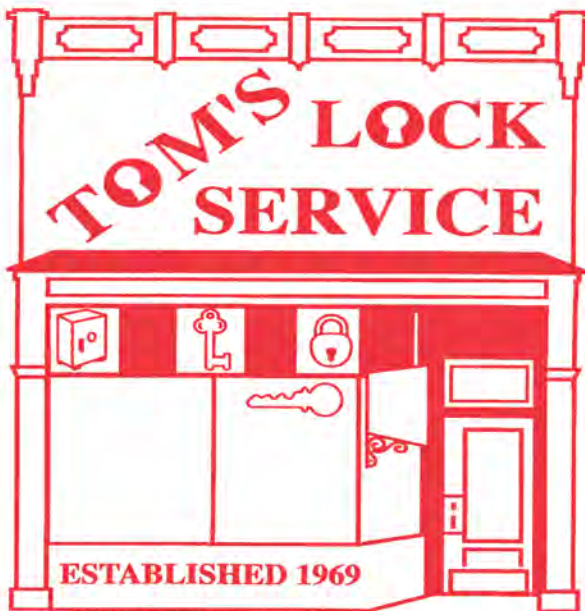


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