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**Wausau American Legion Newsletter**  
October - November 2024

**Commanders Report**

***Our Legion Family - Strength in Unity***

Greetings,

The last two months have flown by with a flurry of activity from our Legion family. The Veterans Tribute at Bull Falls Brewery was well attended. Everyone did a great job from the set up to the music to the tributes. Our Legion Family Picnic was a fun filled afternoon of food, patriot music and camaraderie. Our Patriot Day Memorial Service, Golf Outing and Patriot of the Year awards ceremony was remarkable. I would like to thank all the volunteers that made these events a success. It takes a lot of time and effort to plan and conduct these events. The biggest reward is the Thank You's we get from those who attend. There is more information on some these events inside this edition.

As we brought up in the last edition of this newsletter, all of these programs require funding. We only have a few days left until our 31/31 Gun Raffle gets under-way on October 1<sup>st</sup>. We still have some unsold tickets. If you have not purchased one or sold one for the post, we would appreciate your support.

In the last few editions we have recognized some of our Legionnaires for their good works. This month I would like to recognize two more. Larry W Jaeger was selected as our Patriot Day Legionnaire of the Year. At the ceremony, we talked about his dedication, commitment and volunteerism at the post. He has been one of those members that works hard at many aspects of post business. From being an officer, a trustee, a honor guard member and taking care of the post vehicle, Larry is the guy you can count on to be there. Past Commander Bob Weller has continued to be involved in many events and programs at the post. His experience and expertise in how we function and what needs to be done has been a huge help to me as commander and to our committee chairman. Bob manages our website and processes all of the emails that need to be sent to members. For both of the legionnaires, this only scratches the surface. We are indebted to them for their service.

With Veterans Day coming up, we will pass on as much information as we can via email, Facebook and on our website. The meeting of the veterans association had not take place before the edition was published so we don't have any details about the Wausau Area Veterans events at this time.

In the very near future you will be receiving a survey about what we can do to improve involvement at the post and how to make things easier to participate in. Please answer the couple of question we send so we can better help serve you and our community.

Tony Nardi  
Commander, Wausau Post 10



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Greetings Auxiliary Members!

It's that time of year again . . . the leaves are changing color and the temperatures are starting to drop a bit. Fall has arrived. I hope everyone had a fantastic, fun and sun filled summer! Let's catch up again on everything that your Unit is doing.

As I do at the beginning of every one of these, I want to thank all of our members for renewing their membership for 2024! Now that Department and National Conventions have ended, we are starting to renew members for 2025. National will be starting to mail out renewal notices. Members are the lifeblood of our organization. Without you, our organization wouldn't be able to do the amazing work we do every day. Please remember, just paying your dues every year makes you an active member. While we would like every member of our Unit to attend meetings, we understand that may not be feasible or possible. Just paying your dues every year is the easiest way to contribute to our mission. Our 2025 membership goal is 132. I will provide our current membership counts in the next newsletter.

July was the start of our new 2024-2025 Auxiliary year. While we are in the second year of our current officers' terms, we do have some openings for program chairs. We are in search of a Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) chair, a Juniors chair and a Troop Support chair. If you are interested in taking a more active role in the Unit and want more information on what these positions entail, please reach out to me and we can talk. I will have my contact information at the end of this newsletter.

One of the programs that our Unit is most active in is the VA&R program. This program directly supports our veterans and their needs. As part of this program, we have a long history of making plastic canvas tray favors. For those not familiar (I know I wasn't when I started to get more active with the unit!), plastic canvas is basically sheets of thin, flexible canvas with a grid pattern. We cut these sheets into different shapes and stitch designs with yarn. These tray favors are sent to the veterans homes and distributed to the veterans. Our Unit recently received a donation of plastic canvas sheets, but we need members to stitch them. Are you crafty? Are you looking for a hobby to do in our free time? Plastic canvas may be for you! Please reach out to me if you are interested.

Every member is welcome to attend any of the events that are upcoming, participate in any of our programs and join us at our meetings. Reminder! Our Unit meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month (except July and December) at 7pm at Bunkers. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

Thank you members for everything you do to support our military members, veterans and our communities!

Respectfully,  
Amanda Szalewski, Unit 10 President  
Email: badger\_girl2005@live.com



Are you a “crafty” person? Unit 10 can use your help with making some plastic canvas art pieces. These pieces are hand crafted and sent to our veterans. President Amanda’s article has some more information on this project. Please contact her if you or a family member may be able to help !



### Veterans Day Information

**At the time of this publication the details for our Wausau Veterans Day Ceremony and events had not yet been finalized.**

**As soon as we have information on the time, location and specific details of the event we will get them out to our members. Please check on our Post 10 website at [www.wausaupost10.com](http://www.wausaupost10.com) and our**

**Facebook Page at [Wausau American Legion Post 10](#)**

**We will also email all of our members with updates and event details.**

**If you are not on our email list, please email: [adjutant@wausaupost10.com](mailto:adjutant@wausaupost10.com) and we will add you to our list for notifications.**

### **Chaplains Corner - Devotional**

Broken promises: our integrity is the bedrock upon which our families/friends build their lives. When we make a promise , we're either strengthen that foundation or weakening it, friends, family will remember every promise we break and every promise we keep forever.

If a man swears an oath, he shall not break his word. Promises have power, use them wisely. Don't let challenges of life cancel out the encouragements. Keep the blessings in mind to help you run the race to win the crown of life "Lord has promised to those who love him".

Here's to your next month.



Chaplain Hildebrandt, Wausau American Legion Post 10



Our **Wausau Legion Family Picnic** was held at the Sylvan Hill Park on Sunday August 25th. Post, Auxiliary and SAL members, attended with their families. The weather was great and the food was even better.



The Brass Patina - North Central Wisconsin played a variety of music and honored the six branches of the US Military (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard and Space Force) with the Armed Services Melodies. 4 members of the band are Post 10 Honor Guard Buglers.

Thank you to all of our volunteers that helped make this a fun fill event for our Wausau American Legion Family

## THE NEW YEAR HAS BEGUN AT YOUR POST

Our Wausau Post 10 organization moves in phases throughout the year. First there's rejuvenation, then refinance followed by re-commitment and reassessment.

**With rejuvenation**, each post starts July 1 with zero members. That's the way our fiscal year is set up nationally. This happens nationwide. It's so important that when your membership notice is received, we rejuvenate our organization by committing to join and serve another year allowing us to remain a strong presence in the community and nation.

**The refinance** phase provides the opportunity to "refill the kitchen shelves". We gather these funds to provide us an opportunity to extend our outreach beyond veterans, widows and youth.

**Our recommitment** phase isn't always easy or quick. We have undertaken a wide range of support. This includes providing meals to veterans and widows, scholarships, youth programs, Service Officer level of support to veterans in physical or financial need. Our outreach to support programs by others addresses the homeless veterans and supportive organizations dealing with PTSD.

**The Reassessment** phase gives us a chance to reflect on the past 9 to 10 months. We evaluate what happened, good or bad, to address our values and commitment to the Legion, our veterans, our families.

Over 500 members belong to our organization. It's understandable, due to location and physical ability, that over half our members cannot actively participate in programs. But 200 members do live within the Wausau urban area. Commit to step up a few times each year, to participate in programs, to sell some raffle tickets, or to attend the meeting is within reach. See you soon

Bob Weller – Past Commander

### **MEMBERSHIP & RENEWALS**

Unlike most calendars, our American Legion year starts over each July. Our annual memberships expire at the end of June and our renewal process kicks off in July. That's why you get your notice to renew in the summer. We know this causes some confusion, especially for newer members. Currently we 220 members who have not renewed yet. We do have a couple of ways for you to renew your membership. You can renew online or mail you dues to our office. If you want to renew online with a credit card and don't know your Legion ID number you can call our adjutant at 715-574-1882 or email [adjutant@wauaupost10.com](mailto:adjutant@wauaupost10.com)

Checks can be sent to American Legion Post 10  
1001 Golf Club Rd, Wausau, WI 54403-2272      Dues are \$40.00

Thank you .... We count on all of our members and are always looking for ways serve our fellow veterans.



## 2024 Wausau American Legion Scholarships



This year Post 10 and Unit 10 provided 7 scholarships to eligible high school seniors. This year, thanks to a very generous donation to our scholarship fund, we were proud to add the Dale & Deloris Schoepke Memorial Scholarships.

Congratulation to our recipients as the pursue their academic goals.

Post 10 Scholarship - Leigh Anderson

Post 10 Scholarship - Julia Borchardt


Unit 10 - Deloris Schoepke Memorial Scholarship - Julia Borchardt

Post 10 - Dale Schoepke Memorial Softball Scholarship - Claire Cushman

Post 10 Patriots Softball Scholarship - Autumn Hughes

Post 10 Bulldogs Baseball Scholarships - Lucas Hager & Jesse Osness

Our scholarship application process will open in January for High School Seniors that have a family member in our Wausau Legion Family. Watch this newsletter and our website for information on how to apply.





### Wausau American Legion 31 / 31 Raffle


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# Only \$25.00

\$25 Per Ticket  
Maximum Sold: 2,000  
Need Not Be Present To Win  
All Federal and State Laws Apply.  
Rules listed on back of this page.







A winner will be drawn for every day in October 2024  
Winners are re-entered!

Raffle License #: R000281-A-25087

SUN		MON		TUE		WED		THU		FRI		SAT	
				1 BROWNING WHITE GOLD 6.5 CREED		2 SMITH/WESSON 1911 E SERIES .45 AUTO		3 REMINGTON 870 FIELDMASTER 12GA		4 WINCHESTER XPR 7MM MAG		5 BERETTA APX 9MM	
6 RUGER AMERICAN .308 WIN		7 SAVAGE 110 APX HT W/SCOPE .308 WIN		8 MOSSBERG PATRIOT .243 WIN		9 TIKKA T3X .300 WIN		10 BROWNING BUCK MARK .22 LR		11 SMITH/WESSON SHIELD PLUS 9MM		12 STEVENS 334 SYN .308 WIN	
13 RUGER AMERICAN .243 WIN		14 SAVAGE AXIS .308 WIN		15 TAURUS G2C 9MM		16 WINCHESTER SXP SHADOW 12GA		17 CBC R92 .44 MAG		18 RUGER EC9S 9MM		19 REMINGTON 783 7MM-08	
20 MOSSBERG PATRIOT 6.5 CREED		21 RUGER 10/22 .22 LR		22 TAURUS PUBLIC DEFENDER .45 COLT		23 STEVENS 334 WALNUT 6.5 CREED		24 WINCHESTER XPR .270 WIN		25 SAVAGE B17 17 HMR		26 BROWNING AB3 .300 WIN	
27 SAVAGE STANCE 9MM		28 WINCHESTER SXP 12GA		29 SMITH/WESSON M&P FPC 9MM		30 TIKKA T3X 7MM MAG		31 BROWNING X-BOLT SPEED OVIX 6.5 PRC					

**Our drawing starts on October 1st ... We still have a few tickets left in the office**

**We need you to support your post fundraising program so we can pay for the important things we do for our veterans and our community!**



## Honoring Those Who Served

On August 12th Post 10 along with The Man of Honor Society and Post 492 co-hosted the annual Veterans Tribute at Bull Falls Brewery. This year two of our post members were honored for their service. Long time active member and our current Children & Youth Committee Chairman Ray Bender & our Past Post Commander Darla Porter. Ray was joined by his family at the ceremony. Unfortunately, we lost Darla to cancer earlier this year. We were very happy to have her family, friends and loved ones attend to honor her.



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### Calendar of Events for the Wausau American Legion Family

<b>October 7th</b>	<b>Post Executive Board Meeting</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>October 15th</b>	<b>Post and Unit Membership Meetings</b>	<b>7pm</b>
<b>November 4th</b>	<b>Post Executive Board Meeting</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>November 11th</b>	<b>Veterans Day</b>	
<b>November 19th</b>	<b>Post and Unit Membership Meetings</b>	<b>7pm</b>

You can still sign up to receive the full color version of this newsletter electronically up to 2 weeks before the mail version. Email our adjutant to sign up at [adjutant@wausaupost10.com](mailto:adjutant@wausaupost10.com)

**Check out the events calendar on our new website for a current and very detailed list of events. [Wausaupost10.com](http://Wausaupost10.com)**