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SEYMOUR NEWS POST 106

POST MEETING IS THE FOURTH MONDAY AT 7 P.M.



LEGION POST 106 OFFICERS

Commander	John Berg, 920-366-8401
1st Vice Commander	Brad Blazek
2nd Vice Commander	Jeff Zahn
3rd Vice Commander	Jim Simon
Adjutant	Bradley Blazek, 920-595-0506
Financial Officer	John Cumicek
Chaplain	Dan Vanden Heuvel
Sergeant-At-Arms	Dick DeBuhr
Quartermaster	Lyle Clavers
Membership	John Cumicek
Honor Guard	John Cumicek
Post Historian	John Berg



AUXILIARY UNIT 106 OFFICERS – AUXILIARY MEETING FIRST MONDAY AT 7 P.M.

President	Sue Keyzers
1st Vice President	Bonnie Simon
2nd Vice President	
Treasurer	Ann Smith
Secretary	Bonnie Simon
Chaplain	Catherine Goetz
Sergeants-At-Arms	Sandy Segersin & Joann VandenLangenberg
Historian	Donna Stark
Membership	Kathy Smits
Poppy Chair	Terrie Carpenter

SONS MEETING IS THE THIRD MONDAY AT 7 P.M.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION UNIT 106

Commander	John Berg, 920-366-8401
1 st Vice Commander	Vacant
2 nd Vice Commander	Vacant
3 rd Vice Commander	Vacant
Adjutant	Bradley Blazek, 920-595-0506
Financial Officer	Russ S. Hanseter
Chaplin	Luke Blazek
Advisors	Russ H. Hanseter & Stave Carpenter
Squadron Historian	John Berg



Commander's Report – April 2021

We are a recognized Viet Nam War Commemorative Post

Greetings, I hope that everyone had a Happy Easter, and are enjoying the pleasant weather that we have been experiencing the past month, and hope that it continues.

With this being my last quarterly Newsletter as Post Commander, I would like to first of all thank my counterpart in the Auxiliary Sue Keyzers for her support and cooperation during our time as the leaders of the American Legion Family, Post 106. As the leaders during the past year, and I think that Sue would agree, it has been very difficult trying to schedule things like meetings, and other events that we would normally have during a regular year.

I would also like to thank the other Post, Auxiliary, and Son's Officers, along with members who have been very supportive of the Post's Projects, Goals, and Objectives over the past two years. Hoping everyone will continue to give the same support to incoming Post Commander Brad Blazek, and his elected Officers, along with the Auxiliary President Bonnie Simon and her elected Officers.

If you have not been to a meeting lately, the Post is having regular meetings again. We are trying to social distance as much as possible and we are having a meal after the meeting again (this month we will be having ribs).

At our meeting in February, the Post accepted Tom Theroux's resignation as Post Adjutant. The Post would like to thank you for your years of service. We were looking for someone to take the position temporarily until our June election and maybe after that for a few years. We had no takers. Brad Blazek, said that he would take over until June, at which time he will be sworn in as our Next Post Commander or the next two years. With no other members being interested in taking over at the June meeting, John Berg said that he would take it over for at least the next two years (unless there is another Post member that would like to be the Adjutant?).

The Annual Spaghetti Dinner for the Legion Baseball Team is not going to be held. Hopefully, we will be able to get back to some of our normal events soon.

The Memorial Committee meet on April 13th, at City Hall at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the Memorial Day Program. I have already asked Clarence Mueller if he was going to have his trailer available for members to ride on; he said yes. At this point, we are having our Memorial Day Parade. People need to be at the Legion Hall by 8:30 a.m. the parade will start at 9:00 a.m. A program is to follow with our Guest Speaker Colonel Ann Smith. We will let people know more information at our April Meeting. Also, the Post is in great need to have someone step up and take over for Dick Lubinski as the person to line up the Units before the Parade starts.

Flags for deceased Veterans at the four cemetery grave sites will be held on May 27th, 28th, or 29th, depending on what the weather forecast is for these days. With the Flags be retrieved on Wednesday, June 2nd, 2021. If you could make some time and would like to be part of the flag distribution, there will be a sign-up sheet available, or contact Commander John. We surely could use some help.

THE FAIR!!! As of now, it looks like we are planning to have a full fair this year. More information will be available in the coming month or so. The Post will also be looking for members to sign up to work our two beer stands. Sign-up sheets should be available by our May meeting. So please look at your schedule to see if you will be able to help the Post out. Remember, this is our only fundraiser for the post, so we have monies to operate our post.

At our April meeting, we will be taking nominations for Post Officer Positions (we may need some positions filled). At our May meeting, we will be voting on these Officer Positions. Our newly elected Officers will be

sworn in at the June Meeting by our guest, 9th District Commander, Jeff Zwiers, who will install our new Post Officers for the next two years.

If you have time on your hands and would like to help the post out, we are looking for members to maybe join a post committee, or maybe become a post officer, or just come to a meeting to see what the post is doing. The Son's Squadron has implemented a Monthly Newsletter that is E-mailed out at the beginning of the month. It seems to be going well. John has offered to try and do the same for the Post if people are interested. The Son's Squadron has all of the members e-mail addresses. John wants to start the Monthly newsletter in June, or July. If you don't get a copy of it by mid-July, he probably does not have your current information (there are many members who we do not have their up-to-date information). We are not giving your information to anyone or any organizations, we are using this for our Post records only). So, please let our Post Officers have your correct information.

We need to plan for a few of our members to go to Camp American Legion to see what needs to be taken of inside and outside of our cabin. I talked to the Camp Director, he sent me a list of dates things need to be done for Camp Spring opening, along with working schedules for the rest of the Spring work schedule. He also included the schedule for the rest of the summer. He has also enclosed a Camp American Legion Wish List. These sheets will be available at the April and May meetings. We will be discussing when Post members are willing to go up and do cleaning and such at our cabin (19). Remember this cabin is a reflection of our Post also, so we should make sure it kept up and clean. If you would like to go and have not signed up at the April meeting. call me. For those that do not have to get back right away, if the weather is nice, the camp staff has suggested we take a little extra time and try out the new trails. If you have never been up there, it's worth the trip up to see the facilities.

The annual Legion Baseball Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser was canceled for the second year in a row. Hopefully, we will be able to start doing this event again in 2022.

Our Boy Scout Troop 117 will be presenting the Rank of Eagle Scout to the following individuals and dates. Kolton Kemp on Saturday, May 8th, 2021. Gordon Grassel on Saturday, May 22nd, 2021. Logan Zahn, date to be determined. Since we sponsor this Troop, we should have a presence at these events to show our support. These ceremonies are usually short, and I know they would appreciate our presence. On June 14th, the Boy and Cub Scouts of Troop 117 will be having had a flag retirement ceremony at the Legion Hall.

Due to the Coronavirus, this year's Mid-Winter Conference has been re-scheduled for May 6th through May 9th, 2021 in Baraboo, WI. During this time, is a great opportunity for Post Officers to get Training and learn more about the American Legion.

The American Legion Department of Wisconsin 2021 Convention will be held July 14th through July 18th. It will be held in Madison/Middleton, WI. This is a good time for Post Officers and interested members to see what goes on at the State Convention if you've never gone. It is also where our Post's Delegates go to vote for our next State Commander. If interested, see me for more information or go online to wilegion.org.

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Son's Squadron 106 – April 2021

Welcome to any and all new members. This is a reminder that our meetings start at 7:00 P.M.

As of January 2021, Russ H. Hanseter (Squadron Advisor) has started a Monthly Newsletter, that is e-mailed out to Squadron Members. We have e-mail addresses for all of our members, which make it easy to do. Remember to follow the Post's upcoming special dates and activities. If you would like to be part and volunteer to help out at any of the events, please let a Post Officer, or a Son's Officer know and they we get any information that you may need.

The Post's WEB page is up and running. (www.seymourpost106.com) scroll to the bottom of the page for the calendar.

Seymour will be having a Memorial Day Parade and Program this year. If you would like to be part of the Parade or want to help out, please contact Commander John. He could use some Volunteers.

The Post is expecting to have a full fair again this year. This year's Outagamie County Fair will be 21st to the 26th of July. If you have time and think that you would like to help out, please contact Commander John. He could use some help almost every night. Sign-up sheets will be available at the May, June, and July meetings.

John Berg, SAL Commander

Membership and Honor Guard – April 2021

The membership year for the American Legion is July 1 to July 30 of each year. At this time, Post 106 paid membership is 178 or 90.36% of the Department of Wisconsin 2021 goal of 197 established by the Department of Wisconsin. The following members have not yet submitted their 2021 dues: Jeffrey Buhr, Richard Buntrock, Joel Debuhr, James Doemel, Charles Grall, Daniel Hawk, Kenneth House, Brian Hull, William Koponen, Scott Martin, Jessie Sell, Joseph Stone, Donald Streicher, Bruce Teetzen, Jacob Treml, and David Weddig. The annual dues of \$30 can be made by mailing to PO Box 224, Seymour, WI 54165-0224 or be paid online at www.wilegion.org. Dues for the 2022 administrative year commences on July 1, 2021.

Please remember in your prayers Post 106 members Clayton Ebert and Dale Katch who died on 3/02/2021 and 03/13/2021 respectfully. Both Clayton and Dale were long time members of the Post 106 Honor Guard and operated businesses in the Seymour Community.

On March 26, 2021, Post 106 lost a true friend with the sudden death of Sara Holub. Sara along with her father, David Holub, cleaned the M-1's used by the Honor Guard after the annual Memorial Day Parade and Program. Not only was she an expert in the M-1 maintenance program, she was an award-winning music teacher at Preble High School, a Golden Apple Award winner, and a contestant on Jeopardy. Sara, may you rest in peace and thank you for your service to Post 106.

The Post 106 Honor Guard participated in the following functions since the January Newsletter: Clayton Ebert military funeral, 3/06/2021; Charles Dorn military funeral, 3/16/2021; and Dale Katch military funeral, 3/18/2021.

A message from National Membership & Post Activities Chairman Jay Bowen: "We should be constantly recruiting for the entire American Legion Family every time we are talking with a veteran or a family member of a veteran! When talking with our younger veterans and family members, they are more likely to do things together rather than apart. And we are a much stronger as a Legion Family unit than we are individually.

The Legion Family is devoted to help our fellow veterans and their family, educate our youth, advocate for a strong National Security, and be on the front lines showing our love of country through our Americanism spirit. And because of this, we can better support our four pillars when doing it together. We welcome, and encourage, Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and Son's members to recruit for the entire American Legion Family!"

**John Cumicek,
Finance Officer and Membership Chairman**

Auxiliary Unit 106

Greeting to all!

This has been an interesting couple of years for me. My presidency started in July 2019 when we had a few problems with the fair. Then Covid popped up and cancelled everything including Fair 2020. We had a few meetings in fall of 2020 and then had to cancel meetings over the winter. Now we are hoping to get back to normal.

I would like to congratulate the unit members on reaching 100% plus of our membership goal. Our goal for 2021 was 145 paid members and we have met and exceeded that.

This May will be a very busy month for us. On May 1st, several members will travel to Luxemburg for the 9th Dept. Spring Conference. Then on Monday, May 3rd we will have our regular meeting. We are trying something different, with a social at 6:30 before the meeting instead of after. On Friday, May 14th we will be holding our annual Poppy Day. Terrie Carpenter has been busy organizing the distribution of Poppies. What we ask the public is if they will wear a Poppy in honor of a Veteran. We will have members at Kwik Trip, Don's Quality Market and Mel's Café. If you have any questions or would like to sign up for a shift, please call or text Terrie Carpenter at 920-227-7146. The money we take in will be used to support veteran hospitals and services.

Moving forward we will be hosting the Outagamie County Council meeting on May 18th. We will need some help to set up and serve the meal. I will have more information on this at our meeting on May 3rd. Finally, on the morning of Monday, May 31st, we will have the annual Memorial Day parade and program. We will march with the flags and ride on the trailer and do our Memorial Program. If marching, please wear your red auxiliary shirt or red shirt and white slacks. We will meet at the clubhouse.

June will not be quite so busy. We will have our regular meeting on Monday, June 7th, and the incoming officers for 2021 thru 2023 will be installed. The clubhouse will be opened at 6:00 and we will have the social before the meeting which will start at 7:00. Then we will start working on getting ready for the Fair in July.

July is Fair month. This year the fair will be one day shorter, but we will still need lots of help. Please consider volunteering for a shift or two when our callers make their calls. Thanks!

This is my last newsletter as president and as I look back at the last two years, I find that it was a rewarding experience. I always thought that I would never be president, that it was a job for someone else. Now I am asking that each of you consider stepping up and taking a part in the leadership of our unit. I am sure that you also would find it rewarding.

Be well, be happy, be peaceful, and stay strong.

Sue Keyzers

Upcoming Special Dates & Activities

APRIL – JULY 2021

April 14	County Council Meeting, Post 38, Appleton 7:00 p.m.
April 17	Ninth District Conference – Post 11, Green Bay, 8:00 a.m.
April 19	Son's Squadron Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
April 26	Regular Post Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
TBD	Clean Up at Camp American Legion
May 3	Auxiliary Unit Meeting 7:00 p.m.
May 6-9	American Legion Mid-Winter Conference, Baraboo, WI
May 8	Eagle Scout (#58) Court of Honor for Kolton Kemp, 11:30 a.m., Rock Ledge Park Pavilion
May 9	Mother's Day
May 12	County Council Meeting, Post 38, Appleton, 7:00 p.m.
May 15	Armed Forces Day
May 17	Son's Squadron Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
May 18	Auxiliary County Council Meeting at Seymour
May 22	Eagle Scout (#59) Court of Honor for Gordon Grassel, 11:00 a.m., Rock Ledge Park Pavilion
May 24	Regular Post Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
May 27	28 th , 29 th , depends upon the weather. Flags for Veteran Graves
May 31	Memorial Day / Seymour Parade
June 7	Auxiliary Unit Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
June 9	County Council Meeting, Post 38, Appleton, 7:00 p.m.
June 14	Proper Flag Disposal Ceremony
June 14	Flag Day
June 20	Father's Day
June 21	Son's Squadron Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
June 28	Regular Post Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
July 4	Independence Day
July 5	Auxiliary Unit Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
July 14-18	American Legion Dept. of Wisconsin 2021 Convention in Madison/Middleton
July 19	Son's Squadron Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
July 21-26	County Fair- Set Up, Fair & Clean Up
July 26	Regular Post Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
July 27	End of Korean War (1953)