

# Rose Harms Legionnaire



## Upcoming Events

Monday, October 2nd

Post Executive Committee

Thursday, October 7th

Ozaukee County Flag Disposal  
at 4200 Valleyview Dr, Fredonia  
Starting at 6:00 pm

Monday, October 9th

General Meeting at 7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 10th

BINGO

Tuesday, October 10th

SAL meeting

Thursday, October ~~26th~~ 26th

Beer Tasting

Saturday, November 11th

Veterans Day



GHS Homecoming Parade

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## Highlights from our last meeting

**Chaplain** - Ken Kasprzak reporting for Claude said that there will be taps following this evening's meeting for Marty Wegner.

**Athletic:** Doug Arendt gave a reminder of the Post golf outing on Saturday.

**Building & Grounds:** Butch Paegelow reported thanks to all who helped rid the hill of weeds.

**Commander Gary** reviewed the improvements made to the our Post and thanked everyone who helped out. Gator said he sent pictures to the Roy Harms family of all the improvements.

- The lower hall ceiling has been replaced and new lighting added.
- The walls have been patched up and painted.
- The big picture window had to be replaced.
- The south parking lot resurfacing has been completed.
- The two doors on the upper north side of the building have been replaced.

**Scouts:** Steve Shock reported the scouts are busy participating in scheduled summer events.

**Bingo:** Jim Arentz reported that the Bingo program needs a a bingo-sheet seller.

**Camp American Legion:** Bill Vorac reported on summer at Camp and scheduled Camp closing in October.

**Tents:** Tom Grabow reported that the crew had 6 tent jobs in August, which garnered a profit of \$1,363. There are 6 more tent jobs currently on the books for September.

### **Recommendation: Passed**

To donate \$300 (\$100 per flight) for the upcoming Stars and Stripes Honor Flights.

### **New Business:**

Dan Pals spoke of both the beneficial and informative information blitz regarding Roy Harms' remains repatriation and his funeral. Dan presented the Post with various news articles that he had mounted to create a montage of the event.

We welcomed a new member, Eric Natzke, who has transferred into our Post.

Post member, Phyllis Wiggins received notoriety in an article in the Jewish Chronicle.

The "Dan Pals Bloody Mary Bus Tour" event that raises money for the Honor Flight is on Sunday, October 8th.

The Post was recognized by the State for our blood donor event each November.

The Grafton High School plans to honor veterans and 1st responders at a home football game each year.

Commander Gary thanked all who helped make this years Post corn roast such a success.

He also reminded members of the upcoming Grafton High School Veterans Day Program, planned for Friday, November 10th at 8:00 am.

### **Correspondence:**

A thank you note from Colleen Roy for use of the Post for Tim Roy's Celebration of Life.

Two of the Grafton High School students, Trevor Nauta and Braden Meyer, spoke to the membership regarding their experiences at the American Legion's Badger Boys State Program last June.



### **This Months Winners of our Post's Calendar Raffle:**

**\$50 - Maureen Valiquette**

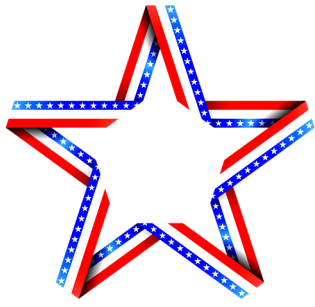
**\$30 - Kevin Dressel**

**\$25 - Bill Fager**

**\$20 - Bill Vorac**

**\$15 - Grace Rader**

**\$10 - Danielle Harvey**



**You are all invited to**  
**The Rose Harms Post 355**  
**Veterans Day Dinner**  
**Saturday, November 11th**

**All Post 355 members are**



**Guests are just \$20 each**

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**Make checks payable and mail to;**  
**Rose Harms Post 355**  
**1540 13th Ave.**  
**Grafton, WI 53024**

**Membership:** Our current roster is now at 86 members after recently adding a couple new members. Since this is the start of the new year, it's time to renew your membership for 2024. Dues are \$25 and should be paid as soon as possible. Your check, payable to "Sons of the American Legion", can be mailed to Paul Turowski, 1478 N Green Bay Rd, Grafton, WI 53024. Questions regarding membership should be directed to Paul Turowski @ 262-389-4645.

**SAL Clothing:** Silk Screen Specialists in Grafton is the place to go for all of our SAL clothing. Their address is 1231 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. Brian recently had a supply of new shirts completed and ready for purchase. Brian has order forms which you can fill out and drop off at Silk Screen. We also now have the option of buying a long sleeve shirt with the SAL logo. T-shirts are available for \$15. SAL baseball caps are also available for \$15. Questions regarding clothing should be directed to Brian Hadler @ 262-894-7465.

**Veterans Assistance & Services:** Our Grafton SAL will be offering short-term assistance to members of the Grafton Legion Post 355 who need temporary help with lawn maintenance or snow removal. If you know anyone that needs assistance, they can contact Ryan Rieck at: SAL.VAS.RYANRIECK@GMAIL.COM

**Member rosters:** We are working on putting together a roster of our SAL members which will include name, phone number, and email address. Hope to have this available soon.

**New Slate of Officers:** The following people were elected to these positions at our meeting in June.



Commander: Richard Rieck  
Vice-commander: Corey Esselmann  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-commander: Paul Turowski  
Treasurer: Chris Wegner  
Sergeant-at-arms: Ken Konicek  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sergeant-at-arms: Brian Hadler  
Adjutant: Dan McKelvey  
Membership: Paul Turowski  
Chaplain: Marc Eernisse

**Memorial Day Flags / Dog Tags:** Paul Turowski explained how he is showing our appreciation to the employees and owners of Chishom Graphics in Milwaukee for making all of the dog tags for us at no cost to us. They always refused to take any money from us. We gave the employees a framed certificate which will be hung up near the entrance to the business. Also bought pizza and soda for everyone.

**Camp American Legion:** Fall clean-up will be the week of October 9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>. If you can spare a couple days and you are interested in helping with the clean-up this year, please contact Dick Rieck @ 414-526-6409. At one of our last meetings, the members voted to allow us to spend up to \$1000 on a new shed to store tools and the lawnmower. The shed will be one of the projects that needs to be done that week.

**SAL Beer Tasting:** Event will be held at Fire Ridge Golf Course on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. Tickets will be available soon.

**Bloody Mary Bus Tour:** Event is scheduled for Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. Will start at the Saukville Legion at 11:00am. Cost is \$70/person. Only 30 tickets are available. Contact Dan Pals for information and tickets. His email address is: [dpals2000@gmail.com](mailto:dpals2000@gmail.com)

**Framed memorial for Lt. Roy Harms:** The next time you're at the Grafton Legion, look for the framed newspaper articles hanging on the wall. They commemorate the ceremony and events regarding Roy Harms, which occurred in May 2022.

**Bartending help needed:** The Legion needs occasional bartending help at some of their weekend events/parties. If you could donate a few hours it would be greatly appreciated. A bartending license is not needed. Please contact Al Richards if you're interested.

**Legion Post meeting dinner:** Volunteers are needed to serve the Post meeting dinner on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. Meetings start at 7:00pm and dinner is at about 7:45pm.

October - Gary & Paul

November - Jimmy & Dave

December - Christmas Dinner

**Do you have something that you want in the next SAL newsletter?**

Contact Dan McKelvey at [dmckelvey2038@gmail.com](mailto:dmckelvey2038@gmail.com)

Next SAL Meeting: 10/10/2023 @ 6:30pm





**SAL Beer Tasting will be held at  
The Fire Ridge Golf Course  
on Thursday, October 26th  
from 6:00pm to 9:00pm.  
Tickets will be available soon.**





American Legion Auxiliary Rose-Harms Unit 355  
October 2023 Newsletter



We started our first meeting of the year by honoring our long time member Ann Holtrith by draping our charter.

We then asked Rylee Turowski to come forward to share her exciting news!

[American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters](#)



Drumroll... the winner is...

**13-year-old Rylee from Wisconsin and her poppy design!**

🎉 Congratulations, Rylee and thank you to all the ALA Juniors who submitted a design!  
You will soon see this made into a T-shirt!



**Thank you Rylee for representing Rose-Harms Unit 355 in this National Contest –  
We are all very proud of you!!**

Mel Nowak then invited both Isabella (Bella) Belgiorino and Erica Plier to come forward to offer their presentation on their experience's at Badger Girl State this year.

Thank you to both Bella and Erica for their great presentation! Bella is now actually considering joining our Junior membership.

Lora Linder reported that we still have 3 officers that need their dues paid asap. We have 51 paid members and we are at 29%. She shared that she and her team will be doing the membership drawing at our October meeting. Lora also presented this amazing membership board that Cathy B did as a marketing tool for membership. We will now be able to display this board at all of our fundraising events. Thanks to Lora and Cathy for their efforts.

Our Unit approved the purchase of a new Auxiliary Banner and a new 10' x 10' pop up canopy with our name and logo printed on it. These are great new branding tools for our Unit.



Our Chaplain Mary Molaski has asked if anyone knows of anyone who may need her services as Chaplain to please reach out to her. (262) 377-9251.

Mel Nowak our VA&R chair has asked if any of our members have any family or friends that are deployed? Our Unit is going to be reaching out to our deployed. Please let Mel know (262) 377-1776 who and where your deployed family and friends are. We are intending to send messages for the upcoming holidays.

Cathy B passed around a sign up sheet for the **Fall into Grafton event on October 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 4:00**. We need ladies to work the bake sale and we need bakers. If interested in helping in anyway please call Cathy (262) 424-7692. Cathy will be calling those who did sign up with reminders.

**Department of WI Junior Conference is being held at Turning Rivers Camp this year on Saturday October 21 – 22, 2023.** Join us at Camp Hometown Heroes for our Fall Conference and learn about the camp, and what it does for military children, our American Legion Auxiliary, and what you can do for our veterans, and military. There will be hiking, crafts (lots!), outdoor cooking, and learning about wilderness survival. Bring your sleeping bag and pillow for a fun weekend with friends! If you have any questions, please call Laura Calteux at 414-379-2943.

Ozaukee County Council Fall Meeting is being held at our Post this year on **October 28, 2023. Registration starts at 8:00 am and the meeting runs through noon.** We are serving breakfast and need workers. Please reach out to Ria (414) 303-5611 if you are interested in attending/helping.

Our Poppy Committee decided we want to distribute Poppies **November 10<sup>th</sup>, Friday and November 11<sup>th</sup>, Saturday.** We will set up at Sendek's as we have those last couple years for Veterans Day. It will be our only location. Friday November 10<sup>th</sup> is declared the day of observation. So, we are taking advantage of distributing both days. **Friday and Saturday both days 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at Sendik's** for 2-hour shifts. Our special Poppy table will be set up and they can bring their own chair. They can contact me to sign up [CathyKB65@gmail.com](mailto:CathyKB65@gmail.com) or Call or Text me 262-424-7692, there will also have a sign-up sheet at our October meeting.

Remember please to start clipping coupons and bringing them to our meetings or call/email the Coupon Chair **Patty Wollner (262-707-5485) [pawollner@icloud.com](mailto:pawollner@icloud.com) to plan for pick up/delivery. Please note the expiration dates on all coupons. The Veterans have a 3-month window for usage.**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING TUESDAY OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup> @ 6:30 PM**

**UNIT MEETING TUESDAY OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup> FELLOWSHIP STARTS AT 5:45 PM OUR MEETING STARTS AT 6:30 PM.**

**Upcoming Events:**

Tuesday – October 3<sup>rd</sup> - Exec Board Meeting Lower Hall @6:30

Saturday October 7<sup>th</sup> - Auxiliary Bake Sale during Fall into Grafton 10:00 – 4:00

Tuesday – October 10<sup>th</sup> - BINGO Doors open at 6:00

Tuesday – October 17<sup>th</sup> - Regular Auxiliary Meeting @6:30

Saturday – October 21<sup>st</sup> – Department Fall Junior Conference at Camp Turning Rivers

Saturday – October 28<sup>th</sup> Ozaukee County Meeting at Rose-Harms





**Congratulations to our August 2023 Veteran of the month Les Williams!**



**Les served in the United States Army from 1952 – 1954.  
Thank you very much for your service Les!**



**Happy Birthday to all members with October Birthdays!**

**Submitted by: Sue Turowski, Secretary**