



November 2023

# Rose Harms Legionnaire



Thursday, November 2nd

Monday, November 6th

Friday, November 10th

Saturday, November 11th

Monday, November 13th

Tuesday, November 14th

County meeting—Mequon

Post Executive Committee

GHS Veterans Ceremony

March to Veterans Park at 10:45

Veterans Day Dinner at 5:30

Post general meeting

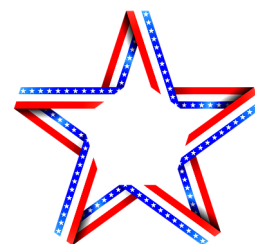
BINGO

SAL meeting lower hall

Wednesday, November 29th  
**Post Blood Drive**



 **AMERICAN  
LEGION**



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

**Doors Open at 5:30 pm with Dinner at 6:30 pm**

**Veterans Dinner and Beverages are**



**Compliments of our**  
**SAL Squadron and Auxilary Unit.**

**Guests are just \$20 each**

Name

---

Name

---

Name

---

Name

---

Name

---

Name

---

**Make checks payable and mail to;**

**Rose Harms Post 355**

**1540 13th Ave.**

**Grafton, WI 53024**

## Highlights from our last Post meeting

**Chaplain Claude Taylor** reported he is looking for any information that will help him locate any homebound Post members .

**Sergeant-at-Arm: Mike Knoppa/Nick Schanen** reported Marty Wegner's donation to the Post Honor Guard.

The Post member march on Veterans Day will kick off at the Post at 10:45 am. Coffee and donate will be served before hand. Short ceremony at Veterans Park at 11:00 am. Due to our dinner later, there will be no lunch.

The Post's Blood Drive will be 2:30 to 6:30 on Wednesday, November 29.

**Hall Report: Al Richards** reminded the members that this year's Post Veterans Day Dinner will be held on November 11th. Doors open at 5:30 with dinner at 6:30.

Post Veterans will have a **FREE** night of food and beverages, compliments of our Sons of the American Legion and Post Auxiliary. Guests will be only \$20 each.

***Please fill out the attached reservation form and send it in as soon as possible.***

**Scouts: Steve Shock** reported that the scouts are currently doing their fundraisers, so it is important to help them by purchasing either the different popcorns or Christmas wreaths.

**Bingo: Jim Arentz** said that BINGO night has been going very well and thanked all of those of help.

**Oratorical: Lee Wiskirchen** reported that he has contacted Zach Gaeske, the GHS oratorical coordinator, and he will begin the canvass for contestants in the Post contest in December.

**Camp American Legion: Bill Vorac** spoke on the Camp closing. Thus far five members from the Post will be going up to Camp the week of Monday, October 14th, to take part in the clean up.

### **Old Business:**

The John Long Middle School Veterans Day Lunch outreach will be held Friday, November 10th. If interested having a free lunch with them, please sign up for a grade level.

The Grafton High School Veterans Day Program will also be held on Friday, November 10th. Please be there before 0800 hours.

### **New Business:**

State Auxiliary Vice President, Amy Luft, thanked the membership for help in the Veterans Picnic for Zablocki Vets and the Sweat 4 Vets event. The Sweat for Vets event enabled a \$23,643.93 donation to the Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Program. Next years Sweat 4 Vets walk will be held on May 18, 2024.

Sue Turowski spoke to the membership requesting the help of two volunteers to carry our flags at the Camp Hometown Heroes fundraising event in Milwaukee.

### **This Months Post Calendar Raffle Winners Were;**

**\$50 - Steve Shock**

**\$30 - Bill Vorac**

**\$25 - Sue Turowski**

**\$20 - Ken Kasprzak**

**\$15 - Marilyn Januchowski**

**\$10 - Lynn Klimek**



## November 2023 SAL News

**Membership:** Our current roster is at 86 members after recently adding a couple new members. Since this is the start of the new year, it's time to pay your dues for 2023-2024. 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 11th 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

**SAL conferences:** There was some discussion about our club covering the hotel room and registration costs for those that attend the conferences. There will be more discussion at the November meeting. Hopefully this encourages attendance at the conferences. This year's Mid-Winter Conference will be held in La Crosse on January 19th-21st. Stay tuned for more details. We would love to have a few members attend the conference this year.

**Tracking volunteer hours:** We discussed developing a way to track our individual volunteer hours and provide an award for the top volunteer each year. Craig Butler offered to help with the project, but we need a couple more members to help with this committee.

**Camp American Legion:** Fall clean-up took place on October 14th. The big project every fall is removing the pier from the water and storing it for the winter.

**SAL Beer Tasting:** Event was held at Fire Ridge Golf Course on Thursday, October 26th. Look for final numbers in our next newsletter.

**SAL Gun Raffle:** We have an exciting new fundraiser coming up in the next few months. Our SAL will be raffling off a CMMG Banshee 9mm. We will be selling a maximum of 200 tickets at \$20 each. We are in the process of obtaining the needed raffle licenses and then the tickets will be printed. We'll need everyone's help to sell the tickets. Stay tuned for more details.



**Social Media Coordinator:** Are you tech savvy? Do you use Facebook? If you answered yes to these questions, you may be the perfect candidate for this position. The primary responsibilities of this position involve keeping our Facebook page up-to-date by posting upcoming events. Very easy job for the right person! If you're interested, please contact our commander, Dick Rieck, at rieck3@gmail.com.

**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. His email address is: albeer1946@gmail.com

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

November – Jimmy & Dave  
December – Christmas Dinner  
January – Neal & Chris

Do you have something that you want in the next SAL newsletter?  
Contact Dan McKelvey at dmckelvey2038@gmail.com  
Next SAL Meeting: 11/14/2023 @ 6:30pm







American Legion Auxiliary Rose-Harms Unit 355  
November 2023 Newsletter



Mel Nowak was so happy to recognize the following Unit members for their service to our Veterans!

Carolyn Knoppa 50 Hour Pin

Lora Linder 50 Hour Pin

Mary Molaski 100 Hour Pin

Congratulations to our amazing Unit members for all of their time and dedication!

(You too could be recognized for your commitment to our Veterans by keeping records of all you do throughout our Auxiliary year. Then reporting those hours when asked for at the beginning of April.) Our Unit signed Holiday Greeting cards for deployed military Laura Kaae and Alex Dorschner. They will each be receiving cards for Halloween, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Cathy B says Thank You to all members who baked for the Fall into Grafton event on October 7<sup>th</sup>!

She is asking that we keep our ovens going, we do still need both bakers and workers for the Makers Market on Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup>. If interested in helping in anyway, please call Cathy (262) 424-7692. She will be calling those who did sign up with reminders.

Our membership chair Lora Linder reported that we have 93 paid and we are at 53%. **ALL UNIT OFFICERS MUST HAVE THEIR DUES PAID BY OCTOBER 31, 2023.** Please reach out to Lora if you have not paid yet. The winners of our membership drawing each received a \$25.00 gift card to either Kohls or Meyers. Congratulations to Iona Barton and Julie Zietlow

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 the 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 are 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.

Remember please to keep 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.***

**ATTN ALL MEMBERS:** Ellie Laydon is selling pecans again for the Community United Methodist Church. All bags are \$11.00 again this year. Anyone interested please call Ellie at 262-377-1155 to place your orders! This years profits will stay in Ozaukee County.

Please contact our **Marcus Chair, Laurie Schwalbe 414-659-6951** for your Marcus Gift Cards. These are absolutely one of the best gifts you can give and help your Auxiliary too! Our Unit actually makes 15% of all gift card sales. You have 2 more chances before Christmas. Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> and Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Thank you for your help!!

**Are you ready for some football? Well, we are... come watch the Army vs Navy game on Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup> in the Lower Level of our Post. The doors will open at noon and the game starts at 2:00. The event is free, all we ask is that you bring some food stuff. We are having a Mexican Fiesta and would like you to RSVP to either Ria Marien 414-303-5611 or Mary Czerwinski 262-689-9391 our ladies will let you know what is needed.**

**THERE WILL BE A CASH BAR!**

Tuesday December 19<sup>th</sup> is our annual Auxiliary Christmas Party in the upper level of the Post. Our theme this year is "Christmas Vacation". We will again be playing the gift exchange game. If you are interested in playing you just need to bring a new, beautifully wrapped gift to be placed under our Christmas tree with a minimum value of \$20.00. The cost to attend is \$15.00 per person.

**Upcoming Events:**

Tuesday – November 7<sup>th</sup> - Exec Board Meeting Lower Hall @6:30

Friday – November 10<sup>th</sup> – Poppy Distribution at Sendik's 8:00 – 4:00.

Saturday – November 11<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Day Poppy Distribution at Sendik's

Saturday – November 11<sup>th</sup> - Veterans Day Donuts and Coffee at the Post before the Parade 9:00 am

Saturday – November 11<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Dinner Dance cocktails at 5:30

Tuesday – November 14<sup>th</sup> - Bingo doors open at 6:00 pm

Saturday – November 18<sup>th</sup> – Makers Market set up 9:00 am

Tuesday – November 21<sup>st</sup> – Marcus orders Due

Tuesday – November 21<sup>st</sup> Regular Unit Meeting start 5:45

Saturday – December 9<sup>th</sup> – Army/Navy Game lower hall of Post. Doors open at 12:00 game 2:00.

Tuesday – December 19<sup>th</sup> – Auxiliary Christmas Party (Theme this year Christmas Vacation!)

**Congratulations to our September 2023 Veteran of the month Ron Kuta!**

**Ron served in the United States Air Force and Reserve from 1959 - 1965.**

**He then served in the US Army Reserve from 1974 – 1996.**

**Thank you very much for all of your service Ron!**





Happy Birthday to all members with November Birthdays!

Submitted by: Sue Turowski, Secretary



Rose-Harms American Legion Auxiliary, Unit #355

## Marcus Movie Ticket and Gift Card Order Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Diamond** Discount Ticket\* \_\_\_\_\_ x \$8.00 each = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 27% savings on evening admission

**Platinum** Discount Ticket\* \_\_\_\_\_ x \$8.50 each = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 40% savings on evening admission

\* 1 FREE \$3 Snack Cash Voucher with every discount ticket purchased.

**Gift Cards** \$10 each x \_\_\_\_\_ = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 each x \_\_\_\_\_ = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Gift cards and discount tickets are same as cash and there is NO expiration date.*

E-mail address for future ticket sale notices \_\_\_\_\_

Check should be made payable to **American Legion Auxiliary #355 (ALA #355)**. Mail order blank with check to:  
Laurie Schwalbe, 1127 11<sup>th</sup> Ave, Grafton, WI 53024. Call Laurie with questions 414-659-6951.

**2023 orders will be placed April 18<sup>th</sup>, July 18<sup>th</sup>, October 17<sup>th</sup>, November 21<sup>st</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>.**  
Orders will be delivered within 10 business days. Prices are subject to change.





**MAKERS MARKET**  
**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**  
**UNIT 355**

**THE BOYS GO OFF TO HUNT AND  
THE GIRLS COME OUT TO SHOP!**

NOVEMBER 18TH | 1540 13TH AVE,  
10-4 PM | GRAFTON, WI 53024

come for food, drinks & fun!  
lunch and drinks available for purchase

