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### 2010-2011 Legion Officers

Commander: David Goldbeck  
Adjutant: Gloria Aarness  
1st Vice: Curtis Gibeaut SR  
2nd Vice: David Goldbeck  
3rd Vice: Tony Adams  
Vinance Officer: Vinnie Rowan  
Chaplain: Bill Rice  
Service Officer: John Hubert  
Sergeant-at-Arms: Tony Adams  
Sergeant-at-Arms: Larry Caliguire  
Historian: Vacant

### 2010-2011 Auxiliary Officers

President: Lori Goldbeck  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice: Pat Flanders  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice: Toni Palmer  
Secretary: Judy Sudman  
Treasurer: Rita Steffel  
Chaplain: Evelyn Noyes  
Sunshine/Hospital: Velma Lutz  
Sergeant-at-Arms: Betty Scherer  
Historian: Mary Loveland

## FROM THE COMMANDER

REMINDER: The next meeting is November 4<sup>th</sup> so please mark your calendars.

There will be a Veterans Day dinner at the Legion on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Call and get signed up if you plan on attending.

I am out-of-town but had previously asked to make sure the above items were mentioned.

**DAVE GOLDBECK**  
Commander

## INFORMER NEWS

I would like to introduce our newest advertiser, The Break Room. In honor of our service and commitment to our Veterans, both Kelsey's and The Break Room offer a coupon for you to clip and use. Please thank and patronize all our advertisers!!!

RITA STEFFEL  
Editor

## ADJUTANT NEWS

Greetings! I have been your Adjutant for almost a month now and I'm slowly getting to know what the job entails. What I don't know, I'm researching and asking questions. My goal is to serve you, Tomah Legion Post 201 Members, as best as I can. All I ask is that you be patient with me. I will get the answers to your questions.

This past month I have been processing membership renewals and trying to purify the membership roster. Many of you (a total of 256 members) have renewed your 2011 memberships already. That's great! But we need those who haven't done so yet to get theirs in the mail to us. There have been a lot of you who have already paid, but got another notice in the mail. It seems that those that were sent in didn't get posted before the 2<sup>nd</sup> renewals were sent out. So, if you got your membership card back in the mail, just throw away any 2<sup>nd</sup> or even 3<sup>rd</sup> notices you may get. If you feel better calling me to double check that your membership has been paid, please feel free to do so. My number is 372-7243. I also had some members ask about getting service hats. I now have that information. You can call me or see me at the next legion meeting - which, by the way, is November 4<sup>th</sup>.

**GLORIA AARNES**  
Adjutant

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WEBSITE UPDATE - We've had 2281 visitors as of Sept 1st, 2008. The address is [www.tomahwilegion.org](http://www.tomahwilegion.org). Check it out on occasion and see what we've been doing. Also visit the Auxiliary Web site at [www.amlegionauxwi.org](http://www.amlegionauxwi.org)

## **TOMAH VETERANS MEMORIAL**

The Tomah Area Veterans Memorial Fund is now at \$117,425. The monument company advised us that they are raising the price by over \$6000.00. Committee members and the City Attorney are negotiating with them to try and reach a compromise. The good news is that we are receiving lots of orders, \$16,000 since last month. Engraving will be done in the order that we received payment so get your order in. With your continued support hopefully I will be able to report that we have met our goal by next month. .

**JIM STEELE**

**Treasurer**

**Tomah Area Veterans Memorial**

## **VOITURE 804**

Greetings, I have to apologize to our members for not informing you of what we are doing each month. Trouble is our Promenade is held the third Wednesday of each month and the paper goes to print on or about the third Thursday.

Just like the Legion, "YOUR DUES ARE DUE". We are at the start of a new year and I'm happy to inform you that we were at 100% last year.

Our attendance at the Promenade has been improving. We know it will take some time before we have a turnout like we used to have but it is getting better.

Reminder, your Promenade is at Tomah's Post 201 on the third Wednesday of each month.

**ERROL MROTEK**

**Correspondent**

**FIELD SERVICE** - Field Service is whatever we do for THE VETERAN outside of a Veterans facility. Members of our unit should complete a Field Service orientation course in order to count the many hours we do. Examples of Field Service: taking a vet to the doctor, taking a vet to a picnic or to church, keeping them company while the primary care giver is out, visit our vets at home, take them where needed, write letters for them. Be inventive, keep a record of your hours and the money that may be spent; then report them in the spring when the unit reports are due.

**HOME SERVICE** - Home Service volunteers do projects and work from their home for veterans/ active duty military and/or their families. Seek out veterans living in your community through assistance from your VAMC's, VA Clinics, local nursing homes, local American Legion Posts and other veteran organizations. Examples of Home Service projects: sewing, knitting/crocheting (NOT helmet liners - they belong to National Security), plastic canvas/ tray favors, greeting cards, cooking for a veteran (in your home), making items for the hospital gift shops, shopping for the materials used by volunteers in any of the above.



## AUXILIARY NEWS

**REMINDER: WE WILL NEED BAKED GOODS FOR THE FALL CRAFT SALE ON NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>. THANK YOU.**

By the time this Informer is received, Pat Flanders and Helene Stein would have attended the Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary Informational Forum held October 29 & 30th in Wisconsin Dells. There are going to be handouts that are supposed to assist us with getting a better handle on our annual reports. We need to get credit for all your hours! We have several programs that we need to have someone take charge of and assist with our annual reports. You can contact me or Rita, or check the website for more information. We have reports for you to use if you need any of them please contact us. Again I remind you that you need to keep track of your Field Service and Home Service hours. I have provided brief descriptions of each at the end of my article to assist you.

The Junior Activities Fall Conference is Saturday, November 6th at the Tomah V.A. Please let Heather Wallace know if you have any junior members that would like to be more active with the unit. We have some activities coming up that we could use help with!

You can keep up to date on the Auxiliary as we are now on Facebook and of course you can use our website [www.legion-aux.org](http://www.legion-aux.org) Thanks to Toni Palmer for getting us another business to advertise in the Informer. If you are interested in advertising or know of someone who may be, it is an inexpensive way to get your advertising in. There are even coupons to use like the one for Kelsey's. What a great idea! These go to all the Legion and Auxiliary members!!! Thank you to all our advertisers, we so very much appreciate it!

All the raffle tickets for the cash prizes have been sold. Thanks again to Judy for all the organization and to all the Auxiliary ladies who sold the tickets and to those who bought the tickets. Good Luck!

Don't forget the drawing will be at our Craft & Bake sale held November 20th 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Euchre is at 1:00 p.m. and there will be lunch available.

We are also raffling off four baskets of fish fries and will have them available at the Craft & Bake sale until 3:00 p.m. when we will be having all the drawings. We appreciate all you purchase a chance to win one of these baskets or cash prizes. These raffles are to support the Auxiliary so we can continue to give out scholarships and support local Veterans and their families as well as other fine organizations! Thank you to all!!!

It is through donations that we are able to continue having a positive impact on the quality of life of our Greatest National Treasure, our military service men and women and their loved ones.

Please if you have not paid your dues please, please do so now! Remember we are paying now for 2011 dues so if you still have not paid for last year it is important to catch up. We would love to be at 100% by January 1!!! If you have not been to a meeting you really need to come check it out! New things are happening all the time!

Be part of feeling PROUD knowing you are an Auxiliary member and making a difference for a VET or military family.

The Kids' Christmas party will be held December 12<sup>th</sup>. There is a sign-up sheet at the Legion.

We Serve Because They Serve  
GOD Bless America

**LORI GOLDBECK**  
Auxiliary President



## BAR/HALL MANAGER

Would like to always remind you that if you here of anyone looking for a great place to have their special event have them call the Legion at (608)372-6028. We have a few dates already booked for next year.

Mark your calendars for the following Packer games. The bar will be open 11:00 A.M. We will have meat raffles again and will be selling Kozy's pizzas.

Dec 5th, 12<sup>th</sup>  
Jan 2nd

**DAVE GOLDBECK**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander

## FINANCE REPORT

Checkbook Balance as of September 1, 2010: \$2266.64

Checkbook Balance as of September 30, 2010: \$125.28

CD Balances (end of Sep): \$17078.42

Loan: \$2000.00

Fish Fry Tips (end of Sep): \$948.00

**VINCENT ROWAN**  
Finance Officer

## UPCOMING DATES

### NOVEMBER 2010

**4 Legion/Auxiliary Meetings (7:00 p.m.)**

**5 FISH FRY**

6 Daylight Saving Time ends (turn back clocks one hour)

10 U.S. Marine Corps established (1775)

**11 VETERANS DAY Dinner (5:00 p.m.)**

**20 Auxiliary Craft/Bake Sale**

**22 Honor Guard Meeting (7:00 p.m.)**

25 Thanksgiving

### DECEMBER 2010

**3 FISH FRY**

5 Packer Party (bar opens 11:00 a.m.)

7 Pearl Harbor Day

**9 Legion/Auxiliary Meetings (7:00 p.m.)**

10 Spanish-American War ended (1898)

**12 KIDS CHRISTMAS (2:00-4:00)**

**12 Packer Party (bar opens 11:00 a.m.)**

14 Battle of the Bulge (1944)

20 USO Charter Signed (1979)

21 First Day of Winter

**25 CHRISTMAS**

31 New Year's Eve

