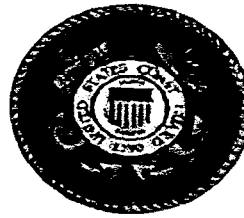
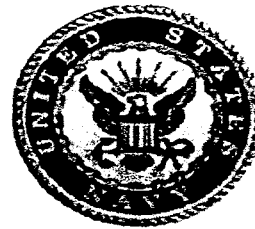
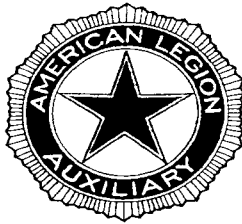


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1st Vice Commander	Dave Pier
2nd Vice Commander	Gary Parker
3rd Vice Commander	Ed King
4th Vice Commander	Tim Baranzyk
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Service Officer	Bob Zolandz
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Sgt. At Arms	Jerry White
Historian	Tim Baranzyk
Captain Honor Guard	Bob Zolandz
1st Lt. Honor Guard	Bob Vanselow
2nd Lt. Honor Guard	Ed King

Meetings

Exe. Board Mtg.
1st Tuesday
7:00 PM

Honor Guard Mtg.
2nd Thursday
Jan, Mar, May,
June, Sept, Nov
7:00 PM

General Post Mtg.
3rd Thursday
7:00 PM

Auxiliary Officers 2023-2024

President	Kathy Baranzyk
1st Vice President	Carol Stephany
2nd Vice President	Jackie Tamset
Secretary	Laura Calteux
Treasurer	Laura Calteux
Chaplain	Carrie Kleppin
Historian	Laura Calteux
Sgt. At Arms	Florence Groth
Asst. Sgt. At Arms	Pat Kadlec

Auxiliary
3rd Thursday
7:00 PM

Sal Officers 2023-2024

President	Tim Baranzyk
Adjutant	Terry Barrington

Sal 7:00 PM
2nd Monday

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BZ

- 2nd Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Honor Guard
- 4th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
Executive Board Meeting 7:00pm
- 5th Vietnam Vets Chapter One 6:30pm
- 9th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00PM, 40/8
- 10th SAL Meeting 7:00pm
- 11th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
- 16th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 18th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
- 19th 4th District Meeting 7:00pm, Post 400 @ Post 416
- 20th Post & Auxiliary Membership Meeting 7:00pm
- 23rd Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
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COMMANDERS REPORT

Greetings Post 416

We are in the dog days of winter. And with that comes the slow part of the year.

I was at Mid-Winter Jan16-19th in Appleton Wis. This was one of the best training events I been to in all my years being in the Legion. Some of the classes were on social media, public relations. Adjutant and Commanders course. They are always great to go back and catch up and make sure we stay in the know. Saturday afternoon I was in the SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION Detachment Executive committee meeting. We as a family are doing great things.

We lost a family member. Aka fixture of the post on January 22, 2025, Marvin Northway. There is an article that was written by Mike Halliquet, he is the commander from Squadron 21 Kenosha, the article is included in this newsletter. Please take a read of this.

Please be safe and watch out for our family members.

Much respect to you all

Terry Barrington

2nd VICE COMMANDER

The 2nd Vice position at this time of the year is into the winter doldrums. Although there are a number of social events we are previewing, they will be in the spring with no chance of snow or cold weather interference. Currently, the first major event will be the June Installation of Officers, but any pertinent information with this event, as with all events, will be in your newsletter.

As always, if you have any ideas, etc. for future events please feel free to contact me.

Thank You

Gary Parker

3RD VICE COMMANDER

The Americanism Team gave 1 presentation in January to a Cub Scout Pack and their parents.

In an expansion of the Americanism program, we are partnering with St. Alphonsus school to give multiple Americanism presentations as well as implement an "Adopt a Vet" program. The Adopt a Vet program objective is intended to be a service project for the St. Alphonsus students and an opportunity for our Post to share our unique American

values as well as be visibly involved in the community. We are looking forward to meeting the youth as well as senior citizens and sharing our message.

As a reminder Badger Boys State will be held June 8 - 14, 2025 University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. For more information see:

Additionally, if you know of a young man that may be interested in attending Badger Boys State and Join them for a week to **"Change a life"**:

Email _____ with your name, high school, phone number, and email address letting them know you would like to attend!

Regarding **Camp American Legion**, see their website

camp-american-legion/ for applications and dates.

I am grateful to have the opportunity to be a member of our Post and the American Legion. Its programs are in keeping with American Values.

Air Force Core Values and values for us all to emulate

Integrity first

Service before self

Excellence in all we do

Ed King

SERVICE OFFICER

We need to say it more often. Thank you to the leaders of our post past and present for supporting members projects. Participation is as key to success.

Christmas wishes were sent along with a gift box of fruit, cheese and sausage to Janet Kennedy (Bob), Mike Matusewic, John Anderson, Harry Koroghlanian and Dale Martin. Thank you and wishing you the best of health.

If you are aware of someone that is in need whether it is support or just visit, please make it known. We are part of them as a family.

Bob Zolandz

PASSING OF A LEGEND



What makes a legend? By definition, a legend is an extremely famous or notorious person, especially in a particular field. Then by this very definition, Marvin Northway was in a class of his own. A gentle, kind, caring, and compassionate soul that worked tirelessly for veterans and their families from the Greendale American Legion Squadron 416.

From the day that Marvin joined the ranks of the Sons of the American Legion, to his last breath, he never wavered in his ability to make you smile and feel welcomed. With only 8 years of being a member, he quickly rose in popularity, eager to help. He served in the capacity of Membership Chairman (1st Vice

Commander), Finance Officer, and District Finance Officer. With his declining health and loss of vision, he was forced to relinquish some duties, but he never stopped helping where he could.

Current Finance Officer for the 4th District, Andrew Minch, recalled his first meeting with Marvin. "When I first met him, he stated to me, 'We will do better and revitalize this membership,' and he did. He kept bringing me new member after member."

Fourth District Vice Commander Terry Barrington, "I asked him to help with 416 and revitalizing 416. He did it. He just took off. We let him loose and he did what he set off to."

He recalled the time he transferred Marvin into the squadron. He asked, what squadron is the other fastest growing squadron in the state? This began a friendly competition between squadron 416 and Kenosha Squadron 21.

1st District Vice Commander and Squadron 21 Commander Michael Hellquist took on this challenge. Never meeting each other before, a rivalry began. "What started as a friendly competition, turned into a real friendship that I was hoping to last much longer," Michael recalled. "I received a message from Terry Barrington, asking what I was doing for membership, and we would bounce ideas off each other. We would just sit and discuss friendly combined ventures, and how we can work together. After Marvin and I each received our Blue Brigade awards, Marvin reached out to me to invite me to his squadron meeting so we could finally meet. I was more than happy to oblige his request and meet my competitor and new friend."



Marvin and Michael are the only two recorded Blue Brigade award winners from the State of Wisconsin.

When word went out that Marvin's health had taken a sharp and quick turn, Commander Terry Barrington reached out to the family to get permission to visit him as quickly as possible. The family was quick with a resounding yes. We were all getting dressed and ready to walk out the door when word was given of Marvin's passing.

As news spread, several colleagues and friends gathered that same morning at Greendale 416 to honor Marvin's memory and his greatness. Join us all in raising a toast to Marvin Northway and his legacy for the Sons of the American Legion.

HONOR GUARD

The squad has bid farewell to many of our vets especially the WWII. Not many left that served in that era. We at times almost outnumber the family that they leave behind. The families truly appreciate it, and it is shown by the thank you cards we receive.

A true tribute to the members of Honor Guard 416. The weather has not been in our favor, but the weather has not altered your attendance.

Your cooperation when times and positions change at a moment's notice is very commendable.

Going forward using the Garand M1 in parades was done in a healthy fashion. Thank you for your input and cooperation bringing this to closure.

On behalf of the squad, I want to thank Don Mumford AKA " Bread Man " for all the treats.

Thanks to all the players, the greeters up front, our bugle man and the fine shooting.

Best wishes to Jim Cook to get well again and returning to our outings.

It is truly an honor to serve as your Captain.

Bob Zolandz

Marvin Northway – Sons of the American Legion obituary

Our loving father, grandfather, uncle, and brother Marvin Harold Northway, born May 15th, 1953 in Appleton, Wisconsin, peacefully left our plane of existence on Wednesday, January 22nd, 2025. A graduate of Milwaukee Washington High School's Class of 1971, Marvin lived a life full of odd jobs, though his family likes to say he was in the business of connection. He was a very social person who made friends with anyone, truly a man of the people. This trait was exemplified by the jobs he was most known for - a limousine chauffeur, furniture salesman, and, later in life, a courtesy driver and fleet manager for a car dealership. In all these roles, he touched many people, from famous football players and world-famous bands, to everyday people who needed a ride home after getting their car serviced. If we could fill a room with all the people who called Marvin a friend, we'd need a football stadium.

Marvin married Denise in 2006, and officially became a father to Mandi and Nate at that time. This realized an important goal in his life: being a father. In 2008, he became a grandfather to Salem, and in 2013, a grandfather again to Addison. In 2023, he became a father-in-law to Nate's spouse, Abel. He was looking forward to becoming a grandfather twice more, as, at the time of his passing, Mandi was engaged to Allen, who has two kids of his own. Marvin was so very proud of his children and grandchildren, and loved all unconditionally.

Marvin was the funniest guy you knew, and could get a smile out of almost anyone. His humor radiated to those around him. He had a prosthetic eye, which he used as a prop in much of his humor, often to the sorrow or joy of those around him, depending on their disposition.

Marvin loved music, especially Pink Floyd, Sly and the Family Stone, Queen, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, and Marvin Gaye. He loved supporting his community through volunteer work, most notably at the Sons of the American Legion Post 416. There, he received the Blue Jacket Award for recruiting members to the post. In that role, he grew membership by more than 100%. He was a member of the Honor Guard and also served as Finance Officer during his time there.

Marvin was preceded in passing by his mother, Eileen Northway (VandenHuevel), Harold Northway, his best friend Joe Dowske, and his favorite dog, Sophie. He is survived by his brothers Michael (Vicky), Donald (Deb), Roger (Gail), Thomas (Tracy), his sister Linda (Dave) Bongers, 2 children, 1 child in-law, his 4 grandchildren, many many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews, as well as the "second-family" he had, the Dowskes.

Marvin's funeral will be held on Saturday, February 1st 2025 at St. Alphonsus Church (6060 W. Loomis Rd, Greendale, WI, 53129). Visitation will begin at 9:30am, followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11am. Service will be followed by a procession to and commendation at Forest Home Cemetery (2405 W Forest Home Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53215). In lieu of flowers,

donations may be made to the Sons of the American Legion Post 416.

The family would like to thank the teams at Zilber Hospice and West Allis Memorial Hospital for their amazing and compassionate care in Marvin's last days.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings.

Just a reminder, start getting together your volunteer hours for April 2024 to March 31st 2025. One project we're working on is doing something for the seniors at Heritage Square Heath Center nursing home for Easter. I called the Activity Director for ideas; she is working on that and will get back to me. We will be discussing this at our next meeting in February. Carol is working on getting a table for Greendale's Farmers Market, we will be discussing this at our next meeting. I want to welcome our

newest members Debbie Bonilla, Terri Bransted, Sara Bollman and Joanna Ledvina to our Auxiliary Family.

George Washington's Birthday luncheon is coming up February 17th, Jackie will be putting a \$50 bill in a frame for the raffle.

Our next Executive Board Meeting is February 12th at 6:30pm. Membership Meeting is February 20th at 7pm, see you then.

Sincerely,

Kathy Baranzky



1st VICE PRESIDENT

Auxiliary Membership

From our State Membership Headquarters.

"As of January 31st, all member's dues should be paid. If you are not paid you are

not a member until your dues are processed through Department or National. Members may continue to pay their dues via credit/debit card to the National call line 317-569-4570 M-F, 7-3:30, on the website or pay your unit. "

Thank you to the 96 members who have renewed for 2025. This number includes 4 new members. Welcome to Debbie, Terri, Sara and Joanna! We look forward to your ideas, energy, enthusiasm and participation!

Our membership is almost 90% of goal (107) at this time. I have reached out to those who have yet to renew. I encourage you to do it soon, we need you!

At the January meeting I gave every member in attendance a membership application to carry with them for recruitment. Opportunities can arise at the least likely time and place. Be ready! If any other member would like an application, please call me, attend our meeting in February, pick one up at the Post lobby or print one from our Wisconsin website at www.amlegionauxwi.org.

I have submitted the necessary forms to once again have a booth at the Greenfield Farmers Market and possibly Greendale to showcase our Unit, increase our community engagement and promote membership.

Please consider attending a meeting, offering support and participation in our

upcoming and ongoing fundraisers. We are a service organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of Veterans, military and their families. Come join us!

Thank you,

Carol Stephany

AUXILIARY 2024 YEAR IN REVIEW

The American Legion Auxiliary does noteworthy events to raise money to help support Veteran Organizations. Throughout the year we meet to discuss where the money from our fundraising is best suited. These are many of the things we accomplished and ways we gave back to our Veteran community and our surrounding community in 2024.

February - Donation to the American Legion Child Welfare Fund

April - our Annual Spaghetti dinner and Raffle Fundraiser. A primary fundraising event! (arriving soon in 2025)

April - \$500 sent to the Milwaukee Homeless Veteran Initiative Food Bank

May - Poppy cookies were baked and provided to our own Legion members as a thank you for their ongoing support of Veteran issues.

May - Memorial week, 13 Volunteers, Legion and Auxiliary distributed Poppies with the support of local businesses.

May - Donation of Coloring books and Crayons to the Hope Closet of West Allis in support of children from difficult homes.

June - \$100 Donation and 4 large Coffee Cans to Dry Hooch, West Milwaukee

June - \$300 to Zablocki VA Women's Veteran Baby Shower

July - Patriotic Rock Painting to distribute at Community events to promote Legion Auxiliary awareness.

July - Volunteering at July 4th Celebration in Greendale under the Legion food tent

August - Cream Puff Pavilion Day at WI State Fair Park. 36 Volunteer hours, with a check then paid to Our Auxiliary for those hours.

August - Greendale Village Days spreading awareness through education and pamphlets, as well as painted Rocks, and patriotic trinkets for the kids. Worked with our Legion Family in the food tent

August - Highland View School – Greendale, 20-\$25 gift cards to help Teachers in providing needed items for their students.

September - \$500 donation to Stars and Stripes Honor Flight along with Thank you Cards for Veterans taking an Honor Flight

September - "Baking for Shirley" 37 loaves of sweet breads baked by Auxiliary members in support of a member unable to do so for her community bake sale.

September - Greenfield Farmers Market - Konkell Park Membership Table to promote awareness of American Legion Auxiliary Veteran support.

October - "Sock It To Me" Drive for Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative in conjunction with Franklin Aurora Clinic to provide warmth and comfort for Veterans as winter arrived.

October - Clothing purchase of \$1000. for the Zablocki VA Volunteer Support Services for Veterans in need.

November - Poppy Distribution for Veterans Day with Volunteer and community business support.

November - Volunteers assisted at Veterans Fall Fest at the Stables in support of Wisconsin Veteran Suicide Prevention.

November - Donations of \$300. each to 3 different National Campaigns

November - Donation of \$300 to our Poppy "fluffers" to make tie blankets for the Zablocki Veterans Volunteer services for distribution as needed for Veterans.

December - Operation Home Baked - \$500 donation to cover shipping costs of cookies shipped/shared with our Military. Volunteers also baked and packed and readied cookies for distribution.

December - Gathered items for gift bags to be distributed to Zablocki VA as part of Healing Warrior Hearts Grateful Giving. Our volunteers and others from across other communities distributed gift bags December 24th to those hospitalized and

living at Veteran Community Homes at the VA grounds.

Throughout the year the Auxiliary volunteers and raises funds at Tuesday and Sunday Bingo, provides education regarding our Mission to Support Veterans, and distributes cards to spread sunshine to our Auxiliary members. The list is long, and I apologize if I have missed any other events we participated in for 2024, we do many!

As you can see our Auxiliary is very active in supporting our Veteran Community, and community at large. I encourage you to come join us and take part in what we do. Like Uncle Sam says, "WE NEED YOU" to continue our Mission. Thank you to all those that have taken part this year. Your volunteerism is very much appreciated.

REMEMBER: ALWAYS THANK A VETERAN

Jackie Tamsett

If you want to put an article in the next newsletter, please email to:

Deadline February 23rd , 2025

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diabetes
health insulin
blood sugar
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**WANT TO SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES
USING A CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE
MONITOR (CGM) WITH TYPE 2
DIABETES?**

We want to hear from you for a
research study!

Who you are:

- Read, speak, and understand English
- Be aged 55 or older
- Have type 2 diabetes
- Have used a Dexcom or Freestyle Libre continuous glucose monitor (CGM) for at least six months

Where this takes place:

- Virtually, in two Google Meet calls: the first about 30-45 minutes long, and a follow-up about 1-2 months later of ~15 minutes long. Calls will be recorded but remain confidential, and your identifying information will not be used in the study.

Risks and Benefits:

- While there are no risks beyond those encountered in daily life nor benefits from participation in the study, your contributions may help healthcare providers better understand how adults aged 55 or over with type 2 diabetes feel about using continuous glucose monitors (CGMs).
- All participants selected for interviews will receive a \$20 Amazon gift card after the follow-up discussion.

Please fill out this Google Form to share your interest: GOOGLE FORM

You may need to press CTRL + click (or CMD + click on a Mac) to follow the link

Or please visit this link: <https://forms.gle/dk4qYLrBCZeB3BFUA>

Questions can be directed to Cam Hardin, RDN, CD, LDN, at studyforcgm@gmail.com.

Study title: Continuous Glucose Monitoring in Older Adults with Type 2 Diabetes

This research project has been approved by the University of Indianapolis Institutional Review Board (IRB). Approval date xxxx Approval number xxxx