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August 2023

Meetings

Legion August 7, 2023 7 pm

Auxiliary September 11, 2023 6 pm

Sons of the American Legion September 11, 2023 5 pm

Hall Hours: Monday - Saturday 3 pm

Post Officers

Commander: Will Price
1st Vice: Bob Demchak
2nd Vice: Eric Fluet
Finance: Ray Cloutier
Adjutant: Bob Washburn
Executive: Ted Brown
Executive: Jimmy
Pinkham
Executive: Bill Lytle
Service: Bob Demchak
Chaplin: Rich Robinson
Americanism: Ted Brown
Sgt-at-Arms: Phil Daigle









The American Legion Family

Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter

LEGION UPDATES.....From your Commander

Comrades,

Come out and support your Post. We have things going on every day. Mondays are for Veteran's fellowship. Tuesdays, we have Cornhole Tournaments. Registration starts at 6:30pm and the tournament starts at 7pm. Wednesdays, Sons have been putting on their world-famous dinners. Thursdays we have Cribbage from 6:30pm-9pm. Grab your partner and come on out. Music by Bryant & Suzy Q-Karaoke will be postponed until October due to lack of attendance. Saturdays will be an open night for camaraderie with fellow veterans, and on Sundays we have Bingo from 2-5pm.

We'll be having a float in the parade for Madison/Anson days. The theme this year is Comic Con. If you want to participate let us know. We'll have a sign-up sheet posted in the lounge. We will also be having walk-in bingo on Saturday the 26th from 11-2pm, we'll need volunteers to help out.

The toll bridge on July 1st was a resounding success. We raised an additional \$3576.00 for the building fund. A big

THANK YOU to our community and volunteers for the ongoing support that made this happen. We also received an anonymous \$5000 donation for the building fund.

The 120 Club has begun with a weekly drawing being held every Friday leading up to our banquet on the 18th of November. We need more participation so please get signed up. This is meant to be a fundraiser for the Post. If we can't get the participation, it may hinder what we can provide at the banquet. The Post needs all of us to run successfully remember this is your post! It takes many hands to continue to do what we do. If anyone has ideas on different events, please send them to our planning board.

The Post is currently looking for another bartender to help with events. If you know of anyone that may be interested, have them call the post.

Building Fund Report: The building fund is now at \$65,446. We are doing great, but we still need to keep pushing events and continue to raise funds. We attended the town selectmen meeting on 10 July and got their approval to continue moving forward. This was the first meeting of several to get this finalized. The final pins for the survey will be placed in the next couple weeks and we'll get our finalized document. We still have a lot of moving parts to get done. Thank you to all who have participated in the ongoing fundraisers and hard work it takes to keep this Post operating on a day-to-day basis. We still have some work to do but are headed in the right direction.

Our next General Membership meeting will be held on August 7th at 7pm. Our next Family Day meeting will be held on Oct 16th at 5:30pm. Followed by our Executive Committee at 7pm

Additionally, we have coordinated with Casey's Redemption in Anson, Triple D Redemption in Norridgewock and the Solon Redemption Center and they are still taking bottle donations for our building fund.

We are still looking for Bingo volunteers on Sundays 2-5pm.

Respectfully,
Will Price
Commander

Founded in 1919, the American Legion Auxiliary's mission is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

PLEASE REMEBER

We continue to collect aluminum tabs for Shriners Children's Hospital!

If anyone would like to reserve the hall, you MUST contact any bartender at the Legion - 696-5848 after 3:00 pm Mon - Sat.

An application must be completed in order to confirm your reservation!

Auxiliary



Greetings, Members!

I cannot believe we're coming into August already!! Wasn't it just March? I hope you're all staying cool during these hot months...that is if you haven't floated away yet from all the rain!!

2024 Membership cards are in and we're ready to collect dues. Remember we've had an increase and our dues are now \$32 and \$8.25 for juniors.

There are four ways to renew...

- by phone by calling 317-569-4536
- By paying online at: https://www.alaforveter ans.org Please note that we do not have a PayPal account.
- by mailing to the Unit's address (PO Box 325, Madison, ME 04950)
- dropping it off at the Legion with one of our friendly bartenders!!

Our next General Membership meeting will be on September 11th at 6pm. Our upcoming Executive Committee meeting is August 21st at 6pm.

Again this year, we will have a booth at Madison-Anson Days Craft Fair. We truly need members to "man the booth". The fair itself is from 9am-4pm. But we will need members to set up at 8am and then "take down" at 4pm. I have posted a sign up list on our Facebook group. Please take a look and see if there's a time slot you can help out in. Or, you can always contact me (696-8289) and I can tell you what is available.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S PROJECT 2023 - 2024



We will be honoring female

veterans. This means we will be supporting and giving recognition that a female veteran deserves. We can make a difference by providing support, genuine connection and resources during their time of transition. By supporting them with medical, dental, clothing, food, feminine products,

housing and be genuinely concerned.

To help with this project, monetary donations are being solicited to help give them a hand up not a hand out. There will be several ways donations will be utilized.

FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR:

Towards luncheons sponsored for female veterans by The American Legion, Female Veterans Committee

The Sisters in Arms Center is a home for homeless female veterans and their children.



Got a couple of hours to spare? We are in dire need of volunteers for the kitchen on Sunday's for Bingo.

Yours in service, not self,



SAL Squadron #39

Founded in 1932, Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the service and sacrifice of Legionnaires.

Greetings!

Get your tickets for the \$300 Gas Card Raffle. The drawing will be August 25th at our Annual Lobster Bake. Price of tickets are 1 ticket for \$5 or 3 tickets for \$10.

Speaking of the Annual Lobster Bake - it's being held on August 25th - 4-6pm. There will also be steaks for those who don't want lobsters. Price is \$20. You can get twin lobsters for \$30.

Just a reminder that the positions of Adjutant and Historian are open.

Membership cards will be in very soon and we'll be taking payment on your 2024 membership dues. Dues are \$30. Of course we're still accepting payment for your 2023 dues for those who haven't paid!!

Keep an eye on the Post Facebook page (https:// www.facebook.com/ groups/1623770672468 38) and the Post website for upcoming events. https:// www.mainelegionpo st39.org/

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Graves, SAL Commander John Bryant, Chairman of SAL

The Post is NON-SMOKING



Sick Call

Yay! Everyone ís Healthy!



Post Everlasting

Steve Foshay (SAL) 6-26-23





THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS PLEASE SUPPORT THEM!!

Happy Birthday to all members born in August!



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https://www.facebook.com/groups/162377067246838/ Auxiliary:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALAUNIT39/



US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings from NCB 39 Battalion

Our focus now is on summer training. Two cadets will be attending recruit training, aka bootcamp, from the 14th to 22nd of July.

On the 23rd, those 2 cadets will join another cadet and 4 staff members in South Portland for a week of combined training. These trainings are basic and advanced scuba along with a Coast Guard training. We are looking at 40 teenagers for the week and 8 adults. The adults will tire first.

The following week, we have a cadet attending a forensic science training in NH. The forensics will be around an arson case. The cadet attending happens to be a volunteer with the Pittsfield fire department.

We are hoping for drier, less humid weather.

The US Naval Sea Cadet Corps program is open to 11-17-year-old males and females. Unit growth is now our priority and we are actively recruiting within the Central Maine area. If you know any young male or female students that might be interested, please have them look at

our FB page and/or our website.

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/NCB39BN/

Website: www.ncb39bn.org

The officers and staff wish to thank the local communities, the entire Legion membership, cadet's families and friends for their continued support of this unit. Together, we are helping to shape the future.

Respectfully, The Officers and Staff NCB39 Battalion





AUXILIARY MEMBERS

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

CAN YOU SPARE A COUPLE OF HOURS TO HELP OUT IN THE KITCHEN DURING BINGO ON SUNDAYS?

Please remember that the profits from the kitchen during Bingo are our only **consistent** income that gets our monthly bills paid! Please consider donating some time. FMI - contact Tammy Giguere - 399-4948 OR Harriet Bryant - 635-2051. Also check the calendar in the kitchen and write your name on the Sunday you can volunteer.

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