



# Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter



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## Happenings...

### Meetings, Bingo & Cribbage

**Meeting:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Social Hr.** 6:00 p.m.  
**Monday, Dec 2, 2013**

**Cribbage:** 7:00 p.m.  
Thursdays, partners  
**Cribbage:** 6:00 p.m.  
Fridays, singles  
**Bingo:** 2:00 Sundays  
& 6:30 Tuesdays

**Soup & Chowder  
Supper  
Dec 7th  
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm  
\$6/Adult  
\$3.00/ages 5-12  
Free for under 5 yrs old**

**Adult Christmas Party  
Friday, Dec 13th  
Social Hour 5-6pm  
Dinner 6:00 pm**

**Children's  
Christmas Party  
Saturday, Dec 14th  
10 am**

**HALL HOURS:**  
Tuesday - Beano  
Doors open at 4 pm  
Mon, Wed through  
Fri - 3 pm  
Sunday - Beano  
Doors open  
at 12 pm

## LEGION UPDATES..... From your Commander

Comrades,

Another month has come and gone. What a beautiful Fall we've had. No one can complain!

**IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS, PLEASE CONTACT US. IF YOU CHANGE IT AT THE NATIONAL OR DEPARTMENT LEVEL, IT DOESN'T TRICKLE DOWN TO US.**

We made a little bit on money on the Halloween dance despite its low attendance.

The flag and flagpole dedication with the Town and the help of the Sea Cadets was very successful. Then it was off to Forest Hill Cemetery for the laying of the wreath, firing squad and taps with the help of the VFW. After that it was back to the Post for the inside ceremony with the Vets, MIA's, and present Veteran's with a luncheon served by the

Auxiliary. Thanks go out to the Auxiliary members for a great lunch!

At 2 p.m. was the Retiring of the Flags with help from the Sea Cadets, Scouts and a Scout from the Anson Troop playing the National Anthem. This took almost 2 hours! The weather was cool but great all day.

A number of Legionnaires went to the Solon Elementary School on November 12th and spoke to classes about being a Veteran and Americanism.

At our Turkey Supper/Raffle the raffles brought in little over \$600 and we served 140 people. After expenses we made \$875. For the whole night we made \$1,500 for the food cupboards!!! Awesome!!

**A BIG THANK YOU FOR EVERYONE'S HELP AND SUPPORT!!!**

Remember the Legion, Auxiliary, SAL and Legion Riders complete the Post!

Now we get ready for the upcoming holidays. Happy Thanksgiving to all!



*H. Ralph Withee  
Commander*

**THANK YOU  
TO OUR  
SPONSORS  
PLEASE  
SUPPORT  
THEM!!**

## SAL Squadron #39

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

Greetings,

The Sons of the American Legion from Post #39 would like to extend its condolences to the family of Mike Heald. Mike recently passed away after his battle with cancer. A donation of \$100.00 was presented to his family.

The squadron also voted to donate \$100.00 to Tammy Reed who is also fighting cancer.

Gene Dube recently went to Boston to have surgery on his back. I talked with him at the turkey dinner. He told me how much better he feels since the surgery. He was also given a donation of \$100.00 from the

SAL. He asked me to express his appreciation to our members. We also received a thank you card from Somerset Residential Care Center for our \$100.00 donation from last month for the activity fund. I pinned the card to the bulletin board in the entry way at the hall.

Response from the Hannaford raffle tickets in last month's newsletter has been satisfying. If you have tickets that you are selling let's make a big push from now until the drawing date. If you need more tickets contact me at 634-5782

Our heating fuel raffle will start after christmas. Fuel donated by Bob's Cash Fuel.

Once again, dues for 2014 are due now. I will send your card to you as soon as I receive your payment.

*Joseph "Mark" Brown,  
SAL Adjutant  
Mark Long,  
SAL Commander  
Ron Page,  
Chairman of SAL*



## AUXILIARY LADIES

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.....**

**By donating a couple of hours in our kitchen on a Bingo night!**

**Please contact Marie "Hilda" Wing @ 628-3055 for more information**

**The Hall is NON -SMOKING  
for all Suppers and  
Post Meetings  
until after they have ended.**

**If anyone wants to book the hall, you must contact Sheila  
Moody at 696-8080  
or at the Legion - 696-5848 - after 3:00 pm  
on Wed and Thurs .**

**Want to know what's  
going on at YOUR  
Legion? Come to the  
meeting on Dec 2nd!**

## Auxiliary News...

*The American Legion Auxiliary is the world's largest women's patriotic service organization. Through its nearly 10,500 units located in every state and some foreign countries, the Auxiliary embodies the spirit of America that has prevailed through war and peace. Along with The American Legion, it solidly stands behind America and her ideals.*

Hello Ladies,

We currently have 96 members paid out of 133. Great job, ladies!! Keep them coming! Remember members, your 2013 Membership cards are valid until end of January 2014. **IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS, PLEASE CONTACT US. IF YOU CHANGE IT AT THE NATIONAL OR DEPARTMENT LEVEL, IT DOESN'T TRICKLE DOWN TO US.**

We have two new members, Allycia Ziacoma and

Kathy Doucette. Welcome ladies!

Maxine Dube has sent out \$20,776.83 worth of coupons. We still need to ask members to continue clipping coupons and leave them at the legion for Maxine Dube. Please, if you can, drop off coupons once a week instead of collecting a huge amount and then dropping them off, Maxine & Barbara would appreciate it.

Our 28th Annual Craft Fair that was held on Saturday, November 9th was a great success! We had an overwhelming re-

sponse from crafters this year and our tables were all rented! Before expenses, we made \$689.80 that will go toward local High School Scholarships! What a great day!! Thank you to all who helped out!!

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**THANK YOU FOR EVERYONE'S HELP AND SUPPORT!!!**

At our November Regular Meeting we voted to donate \$100 to the Skowhegan Community Christmas Program and \$100 gas card to a member who has to travel to Boston for her husband's surgery. At our Executive Meeting we voted to give \$50 to the Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner at Madison High School.

**\*\*PLEASE REMEMBER\*\***

**We continue to collect aluminum tabs for Shriners Children's Hospital as well as Box Tops and Labels for Education!**

Our next meeting will be Monday, December 2nd at 7

**pm. ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!!**

Marie (Hilda) Wing  
Auxiliary President



### 120 CLUB Winners (since last newsletter)



11/1 - Bob Hagopian

11/8 - Jeff Dillon

11/15 - Lisa Turner

# Legion Riders ~ Chapter 39

Greetings,

We did not have an official meeting this month. We had five members present. However, we did (or it has been decided) decide that we will not do bingo again until January. A suggestion was made to consider offsetting dues by doing "work" (bingo, parades, ceremonies, etc.) for the Legion Riders.

A motion was made to donate \$50 to Gene Dube because of his back surgery. All voted in favor. REMEMBER, next month we will be voting on Legion Rider Dues. So if you are a Legion Rider, or want to become one,

please come to the meeting (first monday every month: 6pm at the Legion Hall).

We had five Riders at the Flag pole dedication, four at the cemetery, and five at the Flag retirement ceremony on Veteran's Day. We had a pretty big collection of flags to retire. Thanks to all who participated.

Respectfully submitted,



Respectfully,  
Bob Washburn  
Secretary



## THE RIDERS CREED

**R**ider dedicate themselves to the success of the American Legion. I know that through my efforts I can make a difference.

**I** Alone am responsible for myself and to my fellow riders. I will conduct myself with the highest degree of integrity and honor.

**D**eeds not words create change. I will persevere against any and all things that prevent my success. My resolve and strength will overcome all obstacles.

**E**ach rider is first a member of the American Legion family. I will actively participate in and willingly support their endeavors.

**R**eally will join other riders in activities and events which support missions. I will do so gladly knowing I volunteered to be an American Legion Rider.

**S**uccess is the only acceptable conclusion. I will allow nothing to dissuade me or impede me from service to my family community country and especially to our Veterans.

**Riders Lead The Way !**



## Sick Call

Charlotte Hamilton

Merrilyn Vieira

Gene Dube

Gwen Day

## Post Everlasting (Those who passed since last newsletter)

Bernard Sinclair

10-30-13



## Dances

December 7th  
Band: Dime Store Heroes  
8:30 pm - 12:30 am  
Tickets \$5/person or  
5 Non-Perishable  
items per person  
Proceeds to benefit the  
Local Food Cupboard



December 31st  
New Year's Eve Dance  
Open to 120 Club Members Only!  
Band: Stay Tuned





# US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings,

Our November drill weekend was very busy. Friday evening was berthing set-up, study time and a trip to Circle K for hot chocolate.

Saturday started with an 0600 reveille, PT, chow and then off to the Weston Homestead for a Community Service work detail – leaf raking. Five hours later, we returned to the Legion where we held classes on Ham radio and Military Drill. We also discussed who is ready for promotion and what they

need to accomplish for that honor.

Sunday classes were presented in Signal Flags, Drill & Ceremony and Map & Compass work. Monday, Veterans Day, was very busy. After the normal morning activities, cadets helped set up the Legion Hall for the day's activities. At 1030, the cadets raised the US and State of Maine flags during the new Madison Playground dedication ceremony. Then at 1100, they participated in the Services at the Forest Hill cemetery. Lunch and Services followed at the Legion Hall. We

then held a short class on Flag Retirement procedures followed by participating in the Formal Flag Retirement Services at the Legion's burn facility.

*Major Robert E. Demchak,  
USAF (Ret)  
Commanding Officer  
NCB 39 Battalion*



## ATTENTION:

Legionnaires can now renew your dues online at:  
<http://www.legion.org/renew> or go to our  
Post web site <http://post39.sharepoint.com>  
and click on the on-line membership link.

**PLEASE BE SURE TO PRINT OFF YOUR TEMPORARY CARD AND RECEIPT AND MAIL THE RECEIPT TO OUR ADDRESS AT PO BOX 144, MADISON, ME 04950.** This way we know you have paid. Department sends us a list only every two weeks and if only one members pays in that month's time, then it doesn't get sent until they have 2 or more. If you are 70 and over, your dues have been paid. You should have received your 2012 membership card. If you haven't received it, please call Leroy at 696-3885.



**No Prior  
Experience Required!**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !!

**CALLERS NEEDED FOR  
TUESDAY AND SUNDAY BINGO.  
FOR MORE INFORMATION  
PLEASE CONTACT  
MAXINE DUBE @ 696-3608**

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**Next Meeting:**

**Dec 2, 2013**

6:00 PM LEGION RIDERS MEETING

6:00 PM SOCIAL HOUR

7:00 PM MEETING



Our Email address and website are:

**post 39@beeline-online.net**

\*\*\*\*\*<http://post39.sharepoint.com>\*\*\*\*\*