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## Meetings

Legion January 2, 2023 7 pm

Auxiliary January 2, 2023 6 pm

Sons of the American Legion January 2, 2023 6 pm

Hall Hours: Monday - Saturday 3 pm

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The American Legion Family

# Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter

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

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 7pm. Wednesdays, at The Sons have been putting on their worldfamous dinners followed by our Dart League at 6pm. Thursdays we have Cribbage from 6:30pm-9pm. Grab your partner and come on out. On Friday the  $6^{th}$  and the  $20^{th}$ we'll have karaoke, music by Bryant & Suzy Q-Karaoke from 7-11pm. Saturdays will be an open night for camaraderie with fellow veterans, and on Sundays we have Bingo from 2-5pm.

On New Year's this year we have a band "BORDERLINE EX-PRESS" 8PM- 12AM come out and bring in the New Year with your Post family. We'll have appetizers throughout the evening and a champagne toast at midnight, \$20 per person or \$35 a couple. Hope to see you all there.

Building fund report: We have been doing good raising money for our new building. Our building fund is now over \$44,426. The surveying has been done, we are just waiting on the paper work. Once it's received, we'll be able to start the design planning of our new building. 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.

The Family Planning Board will start meeting back up on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January at 6pm. Please allow a couple of meetings for the committee to gel and begin planning our upcoming events.

Our next Family day meeting will be on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 530pm.

Our next General Membership meeting will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January at 7pm. We look forward to seeing all of you in attendance. Additionally, we have coordinated with 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 2-5.

The Post will be closed on the following dates:

25 December (Christmas Day) and 1 January (New Year's Day) this means no bingo on these days.

Hope everyone has a safe and cheerful Holiday Season!

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 pro*mote 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 <u>MUST</u> 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 News...



At present we have 115 members paid which brings us to 75%. We need 8 more paid by January 10th to reach 80%

There are four ways to renew...

• by phone by calling 317-569- 4536

• By paying online at: https://www.alaforveteran s.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!

Our donations since the last newsletter are: \$459 each to 5 local food cupboards--People Who Care (Madison & Norridgewock sites), Center Point Community Church (Anson), Starks Food Cupboard, Solon Community Food Cupboard), \$129 from the Harvest Dinner Raffle to Somerset Special Olympics, \$100 VAVS for comfort items for December, \$50 to Legion Family Children's Christmas Party, \$15 Bingo Pkg for Scott Black's Benefit, and \$70 to President's Project from the Display from the display in the Hall.

Our 4th District Department District Vice President (DDVP), Pam Johnson, attended the December membership meeting and brought great praise for all the wonderful things our Unit accomplishes.

Once again, our Unit participated in the Adopt-A-Vet for our veterans in the Maine Veterans Home in Augusta. We had 10 veterans names given to us. Each veteran submitted a list of 5 items they wanted for Christmas. I'm happy to report that because of you, each veterans wishes were granted. Thank you to those who donated and participated in this program. A big thank you to John and Harriet Bryant for delivering the presents to MVH-Augusta!

Our Annual Craft Fair was attended well; just like we never took 2 years off! 17 Crafters rented 23 tables plus 3 for the Auxiliary. A total of \$360 from the rental of tables will go toward Scholarships. The Harvest Dinner Raffle & Afghan brought in \$935. The monies will be dispersed as follows: \$129 for Somerset Special Olympics, for Scholarships, \$585 \$146 for Conference& Conventions and \$75 stayed in general. Cecil Dow was the winner of the Harvest Dinner and Afghan. Congratulations, Cecil! A special thanks to Diane Pinkham for donating all the non-perishable items in the basket. And a BIG THANK YOU to all the members who so graciously volunteered their time to make this event

#### successful!

Don't forget about our

President's Project "You will Never Walk Alone for Veteran



Awareness and Prevention". Just to recap - next to the Popcorn maker in the Hall is a display of the President's Project with the veteran boot and shoes around it depicting the veteran will "never walk alone". Feel free to drop some change, or more in to donate to this worthy project. We will be collecting the donations each month and sending them in to Department Headquarters.

We are still looking for volunteers to work the kitchen on Sunday's for Bingo. If you can spare a couple of hours on a Sunday please see Tammy Giguere or Barbara Wyman. There's also a calendar posted in the kitchen that you can put your name on the Sunday you'd like to work.

Our next membership meeting is January 2nd at 6 pm.

Yours in service, not self,

Robín Turek Presídent

#### SAL Squadron #39

Greetings!

Wednesday night meals are going well.

We donated \$1,000 to the Legion to cover utilities, \$200 to the coffee fund at Togus, \$500 to the Sea Cadets to help on training and \$50 to Steve Foshay for Christmas Candy.

We're currently running our 100 gallon oil raffle which will be drawn on February service and sacrifice of Legionnaires.

Founded in 1932, Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the

15th. Tickets are 1 for \$5 and 3 for \$10.

Our next meeting is January 2nd at 6 pm. Hope to see many of you there!!

ATTENTION!!! December 31st is approaching quickly!!! Get your \$30 dues in now to avoid losing your membership privileges!

We need more active members!! In addition Squadron Historian is still open!!

There will not be an SAL Dinner on December 28th!

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Turek Fínance Offícer Pete Graves, SAL Commander John Bryant, Chaírman of SAL

## The Post is NON-SMOKING



Sick Call

Bob McGlashing Norman Cody Phil Daigle Dana Pollis Everett Rogers Barry DeLong Parker Parsons, Sr.



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS PLEASE SUPPORT THEM!!

Happy Birthday to all members born in January!





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Hello from NCB 39 Battalion.

December drill was good for our unit. We had a potential new cadet. He seems excited to join.

We led the holiday lights parade for the town of Madison, following the fireworks.

On Sunday morning, we had a former cadet speak to the unit about his time in the US Army, 101st Airborne. Many questions were asked and answered. The theme was that you get what you give. That applies to life in general, but it is true of the Sea Cadet experience as well as active duty. You need commitment and the desire to advance and become the best.

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



Years Eve Da Borderline Express December 31. 2022 8pm-12am \$20 per person /\$35 per couple Appetizers and Champagne Toast at Midnight

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