

# 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, Mar 3, 2014

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

HALL HOURS:
Tuesday - Beano
Doors open at 4 pm
Mon, Wed through
Fri - 3 pm
Saturday - 2:30 pm
Sunday - Beano
Doors open
at 12 pm

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



# LEGION UPDATES..... From your Commander

Comrades,

I was unable to be present at our February meeting, therefore, the meeting was run by 1st Vice, John Doucette.

The Valentine's Dance went over very well despite the bad weather we had that day.

Nomination of Officers for 2014-2015 are as follows:

Commander - H. Ralph Withee
1st Vice - John Doucette
2nd Vice - John Ziacoma
Adjutant - Leroy Welch
Finance Officer - John Bryant
Sgt at Arms - Philip Daigle
Chaplain - Robert Washburn
Americanism - Ron Page
Post Service Officer - Vaughn
Mercier
Historian - OPEN

Executive Committee Ron Page, Kathy Lightbody, Gene Dube and Robert Demchak

We will have our election at the March meeting.

If you would like to get a head start on your 120 Club payments, please get them to the Post. There's more information on page 3 of this newsletter about the 120 Club. Please be aware that your name will not be eligible for the weekly drawing until you have started your payments and are paid up to date. The official start of payments and drawings is the first week in April.

Everything is running well at the Post. We only have 5 unpaid dues left to make 100%!

H. Ralph Withee Commander



Happy
Birthday
to all
members
born
in March!!

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## **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 nominations are as follows:

Commander: Mark Long
1st Vice: Dan "Butter" Kirk
2nd Vice: Jimmy Pinkham
Finance Officer: Charlie Price
Adjutant: Joseph"Mark"
Brown
Sgt-At-Arms: Michael Adams
Chaplain: Eddie Cowan
Historian: Eddie Cowan
Membership Chairman: Dan
"Butter" Kirk
SAL Chairman: Ron Page

The Detachment of Maine sent their annual Lobster Bake raffle tickets for the squadron to sell for our veterans. 1st place prize is a lobster bake for 50 people with all the fixings."\$800.00 value". 2nd place prize of \$75.00 worth of lobster. You may take the cash if you Tickets may be purprefer. chased from most SAL mem-Drawing date is March 23. 2014 in Waterville. Tickets are 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 per ticket.

The time is almost here to draw the winner of our 3rd annual Bob's Cash Fuel Raffle. You still have time to purchase tickets, so see an SAL member, look in your last newsletter or inquire at the legion. If you are a ticket seller make sure stubs and money are turned in by March 3, 2014 which is the drawing date and the next monthly meeting.

Hope to see you at the meeting.

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

#### \*\*\* 120 CLUB \*\*\*

We will be starting a 120 club again. The club will start the first week in April and will run for 26 weeks. The cost will be \$5 per week for a single and \$10 per week for a couple. There will be a \$50 drawing each Friday for the full 26 weeks. If you win the \$50 weekly drawing and you're not paid up, another name will be drawn. On October 11th we will have a dinner with the choice of prime rib, lobster or chicken with all the fixings. Included with your dinner will be three drink coupons. There will be cash prize drawings of 1 for \$1000, 2 for \$500. 2 for \$250 and 5 for \$100. Following the drawings we have booked the Stay Tuned Band for the dance. There will be a strict limit of 120 club members. Please remember this is a fundraiser for the loan on the roof which is now under \$19,000.

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 Mar 3rd!

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# **Auxiliary News...**

Hello Ladies.

Membership is 116 we only need 17 more to be at 100%!! I know we can do it!!! We welcome three new members; Allycia Ziacoma of Skowhegan, Patricia Rogers of Madison and Devin McGlashing of Skowhegan. Welcome again ladies, hope to see you soon.

Our condolences and prayers go out to the family of our auxiliary member, Dianne Dickey who passed away on February 9, 2014.

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

Maxine Dube has sent out \$22,272.21 worth of coupons this past month. Please continue clipping coupons and leave them at the legion for Maxine Dube.

We mailed 3.725card fronts to the St. Jude's Ranch for Children, Recycled Card Program. They take the used greeting card fronts and create NEW greeting cards and sell The proceeds from them. these NEW greeting cards support the programs and services of abused, neglected and homeless children, young

adults and families. A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO **THEIR** DONATE CARD FRONTS!! A reminder that the cards should be 5" x 7" or smaller, that there is no writing on the backside of the front of the card and they cannot accept Hallmark, Disney or American Greet cards.

Our Labels and Box Tops For Education is down from past years, but every little bit helps! We gave 112 (equals to \$11.20) of Box Tops to Garret Schenck School in Anson and 94

points (labels) to Madison Elementary School. AGAIN THANK YOU.

Voting of Officers will take place at the next meeting, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The following people have agreed to be nominated as officers:

President—Robin Turek 1st Vice - Shirley Emery 2nd Vice - Sandy Ingalls Secretary - Sharon Mellows Treasurer - Harriet Bryant Chaplain - Lauraine Mercier Sgt @ Arms - Merrilyn Vieira Historian - OPEN

Executive Committee: Marie Wing, Betty Dow and Kathleen Randall

We still have Historian as a vacant seat. If anyone is interested in this office or any

other office, please contact Robin @696-8289, Marie @628-3055 or Harriet @635-2051 before the meeting or come to the March 3rd meeting to be nominated. Installation of Officers will be in April.

WE REALLY NEED SOME HELP WITH WORKING IN THE

KITCHEN ON THURSDAY CRIBBAGE NIGHTS!! Maxine (who usually does this every Thursday) is not able to work this night for a while due to her Aunt being ill. So if you're able and willing to help us out, it would be GREATLY APPRECIATED!! It's from 5 pm to about 9 pm, call Marie at 628-3055 or Maxine at 696-3608.

#### \*\*PLEASE REMEBER\*\*

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, March 3rd at 7 pm. <u>ALL ALA MEM-BERS ARE ENCOUR-AGED TO ATTEND!</u>

> Marie (Hilda) Wing Auxiliary President

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# **Legion Riders ~ Chapter 39**

Greetings,

There were 5 members present for our February meeting.

We have two new members: Sharon Mellows and Doug Martin. Welcome to you both.

We had nominations for this coming year. We will be voting next month, so show up. We can still accept nominations next month before the election. This is how the nominations went:

> Director- John Z. Assistant Director-Gene Treasurer- John D. Secretary-Bob Sgt at Arms-Pete

The Legion Riders Winter Rally will be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the Waterville post. There are several of us going, so if you would like to attend, and don't have a ride, let one of us know.

There are a few positions opening up at the state level if anyone is interested. Let one of us know so we can get you nominated.

We received a letter of appreciation from the National. We raised over \$764,000 for the Legacy Fund (provides money to children of those military members who were killed overseas.

We voted to begin collecting dues for our members. Dues will be \$20/year, and are due by April 1. Checks can be made out to American Legion Riders Post 39. I will be sending out reminder letters in a week or so. The money collected will go into our general account. Some of the money goes to the Legacy Fund, and some goes to Maine Homeless Veterans (we keep some too).

We are going to try an afternoon bingo on March 8th at 2pm. Bring your friends.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Washburn Secretary



Sick Call

Marie Wing Charlotte Hamilton Pam Langdeau

Post Everlasting (Those who passed since last newsletter)

Dianne Dickey 2-9-14



Dances

St Patrick's Day Dance

March 15th
Almost There
(Classic Rock, Country & Blues)
8:30 pm to 12:30 am
\$5 per person



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## US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings,

February's drill began with the arrival of the cadets on Friday evening. Once berthing was set up, the cadets were either working on school homework or NSCC correspondence coursework until Taps. Saturday started with an 0600 reveille followed by an hour of PT, chow and then a morning of classroom activities covering Hazing & Fraternization, Rates & Ranks and Ham Radio Theory. After lunch, the cadets had classes on Military Drill and the Eleven General Orders. A special class was held concerning the upcoming Maine Maritime Academy 24 hour PT Challenge in Castine, Maine. Sunday also started with an 0600 reveille

followed by an hour of PT and chow. Dress uniform inspection and discussion centered upon our upcoming Annual Inspection consumed the rest of the morning. Once lunch was completed, Ham Radio theory was again covered in preparation for the FCC exams. This was followed by our normal cleanup and closing the drill activities.

We had a potential recruit spend the weekend with us and we provided his parents with all of the paperwork necessary to become a cadet. Additionally, Midshipman Victoria Byrd has joined us as a staff member. She is familiar with our unit as she has attended some of our functions previously as a cadet. She is from New Jersey and is

a sophomore at the University of Maine, Orono.

You are cordially invited to witness our Annual Open Ranks Inspection scheduled for 02 Mar 2014 at 1000 at the American Legion Hall in Madison.

We are accepting new cadets, both male and female, into our NLCC and NSCC divisions. Potential recruits must be between 11 and 17 years old.

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

### Madison-Anson Days Parade

This years theme for the Madison-Anson Days is Honoring our Veterans. We are looking for WWII Vets for the Grand Marshall from Madison and Anson. We also would like to get as many Vets as we can to walk or ride in the parade. Please contact us if you're interested.



The Hall is now open on Saturday's At 2:30 pm!!



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: March 3, 2014

6:00 PM LEGION RIDERS MEETING 6:00 PM SOCIAL HOUR 7:00 PM MEETING





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