



Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter



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November 2017

Happenings...

Meetings, Bingo & Cribbage

Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Social Hr. 6:00 p.m.
Monday, Nov 6, 2017

Cribbage: 6:30 p.m.
Thursdays, partners

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 Post is
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SMOKING



LEGION UPDATES..... From your Commander

Comrades,

October has been a good month for the Post. Wednesday night suppers along with darts has been very good for the bar and tickets.

The 120 Club cleared about \$4,000 and everything was very good. People are asking about next year already!

Don't forget to turn in your children's names for the Christmas party by November 4th. We have some that are turned in already.

Thank you to the Dirigo Girls and Boys State recipients who attended our October meet-

ing. They had spent a week in June at Husson and Thomas College respectfully to learn how government runs from the local to federal level. The spoke about their experiences. They did a great job!

DON'T FORGET YOUR DUES!!

The weather is wonderful, enjoy it and drive carefully.

God Bless Us All,

H. Ralph Withee
Commander



If anyone wants to reserve the hall,
you **MUST** contact any bartender
at the Legion - 696-5848
after 3:00 pm Mon & Wed - Sat
An application must be completed in order to confirm your reservation!

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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!

Bright students from Carrabec High and Madison Area Memorial High Schools kicked off October's meetings at Post 39 last month with stories of their participation in this year's Boys State and Girls State.

It's the annual program in which local students get a taste of government. What might they learn? What does it take to put a campaign together? What party should I belong to? Nationalist? Federalist? How can I work effec-

tively with others to advance the party's goals?

Said Carrabec's Jacob Atwood: "A week before Boys State I was dreading it, but it turned out to be one of the best weeks of my life."

Another student remarked that you can get a lot of big things done "which you never knew before."

Carrabec's Jackson Sidell said that he planned to enter politics when he graduated from high school so the timing of Boys State couldn't be better — and he learned so much.

During the S.A.L. part of the meeting, members were their usual generous selves, allocating \$100 donations to a Sons member who recently underwent surgery, and to the Pine Tree Camp facility in Rome.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Sam Whitmore,
Adjutant
Mark Long,
SAL Commander
Ron Page,
Chairman of SAL*

120 CLUB WINNERS

(Since last newsletter)

\$ 1,000 - Steve Friend	\$ 100 - Ann Heald
\$ 500 - Rob Shibley	\$ 100 - Sharon Ziacoma
\$ 500 - Jan Franck	\$ 100 - Vicki Chapman
\$ 250 - Nancy Misiaszek	\$ 100 - Dean Olmstead
\$ 250 - Shirley Clark	\$ 100 - Betty Price



Thank you to all who were a part of the 120 Club! A BIG THANK YOU to Ralph & Charlotte Withee for creating the wonderful atmosphere with fall decorations for the dinner!

Dates to Remember!

- November 6th – Regular Meeting @ 7 pm
- November 11th – Veteran's Day
- November 17th – Turkey Supper
- November 20th - Executive Meetings
- **November 22nd - NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS DUE!!!**
- November 27th - Put newsletter together @ 12:30
- December 2nd – Craft Fair
- December 8th - Adult Christmas and Wrapping Party
- December 9th - Children's Christmas Party



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,

Our October 10th membership goal is 45% paid members. We have surpassed that with 63 members paid which puts us well on our way to the November membership goal of 55%. There are three ways to renew...by phone by calling 317-569-4536, online at <https://www.alaforveterans.org>, by mailing to the Unit's address (PO Box 325, Madison, ME 04950) or dropping it off at the Legion! **Important - those who have email will have their renewal reminder sent**

to their email account and not through the postal service. Please make sure to check your "spam/junk" folders in case your renewal reminder is there!

It is with great sadness that I inform you of Kathy Doucette's passing. Our thoughts and prayers go out to John and the family.

Prior to our regular meeting, the youth who attended a week of learning the structure of our local and state governments

As most of you already know, the members of the Unit have voted to close the kitchen on Tuesday night Bingo and Thursday night cribbage. This decision wasn't made lightly. The bottom line is that we need more members volunteering to help carry the weight of all the events and functions that the Auxiliary does. If that person is you...please come to a meeting and/or get in touch with one of the Officers! I'm sure we can find something for you to help out on!

Speaking of events and functions....the 32nd Annual Craft Fair (December 2nd) is quickly approaching. We had to change the date this year because the 2nd Saturday of November falls on Veteran's Day. We will resume our normal 2nd Saturday of November next year.

The Turkey Supper is on November 17th. As always we welcome any and all who wish

to help. See the flyer within this newsletter for information.

The Quarter Auction was a success bringing in a total profit of \$555 to go toward our veteran/community programs. Thank you to all who participated and/or helped.

The 31 Bag Raffle (Red, White & Blue Basket Raffle) was a hit as well bringing in a total profit for this fundraiser of \$309.85!

Thank you to all who participated! Congratulations to Roxann Waugh who won the raffle.

Since the last newsletter, Maxine Dube has mailed out \$20,084.58 worth of coupons. A great big **THANK YOU** to Maxine, Marie Wing and Barbara Wyman for their hours of gathering and cutting coupons. A special

THANK YOU to all those who donate coupons.

At our October meeting we voted to donate \$150 to Angel Flight ; \$50 to Maplecrest for the Children's Halloween Walk-Thru; \$25 to Madison's Trunk or Treat; \$30 to each of the 2 Girl Scout Troops; \$25 to Steve Foshay's Info Booth for Halloween treats; \$650 toward the

purchase of the ice machine at the Post. We also delivered 20 backpacks filled with school supplies to 4 different schools. Thank you to all who donated school supplies!

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 6 at 7 pm. We have a lot of events coming up ~ ALL ALA MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!

Remember to check out our Facebook page for upcoming events and information! <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALAUNIT39/>.

Yours in Service, not self,



Robin Turek
Auxiliary President

Legion Riders ~ Chapter 39

Greetings!

Happy Fall!

Fall has arrived and the ride will be a little on the chilly side but our Director Bob Washburn will still be at the hall the second Wednesday of the month for a "Ride & Dine" for anyone wanting to join him. He will continue as long a weather permits! You don't need a bike to join in – bring your vehicle and follow the group. ALL ARE WELCOME! Safety is important so watch out for those wet leaves on the roadway!

The Riders are able meet all the obligations for our Veterans from what was earned at the New Portland Fair this year! We would like to THANK ALL! Who help to make this another successful year!

The Riders have three new members, Steve Taylor, Jack Lord and Mat Pratt. We look forward to seeing you at our meeting on the first Monday of the month at 6 pm. Welcome!

A reminder: ALR dues of \$20 are due at the February 2018 meeting for the following year. The dues help with our charities for the community and for our Veterans. Would like to see all members at the next meeting in November!

Riders Lead the Way!

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Mellows-Ziacoma
Secretary



Sick Call

Yay!!

Everyone is
healthy!!!



**Want to know what's
going on at YOUR Legion?
Come to the meeting on
November 6th!!**

Post Everlasting

Kathy Doucette (ALA) - 10/23/17



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US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings from
NCB 39 Battalion

October drill was cancelled. due to the busy schedule of cadets with school sports and work. We still managed to get a community service project accomplished with the help of a couple men from the Legion. Mrs. Coro can relax now that her firewood is stacked neatly in the basement.

We have at least three recruits coming in November and we look forward to the Veterans Day ceremony and Flag Retirement. Please bring any unus-

able flags that need to be retired.

We are still looking for adult volunteers willing to share your knowledge and maybe teach a class.

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: <http://ncb39bn.sharepoint.com>

The officers and staff wish to thank the local communities, the entire Legion membership, cadet's families and friends for their untiring support of this unit.

Respectfully,
The Officers and Staff
NCB39 Battalion

**Happy Birthday
to all members
born in
November!**



Veterans Day Service November 11th

11:00 Wreath Laying @ Forest Hill Cemetery
Service to follow @ American Legion Post 39
Followed by Lunch and then
Flag Retirement Ceremony with the
Sea Cadets and Boy Scouts

What's Happening....

**Join us at the next
Madison Mug Up!
Social Gathering**



**Winter Preparedness and
How to Shelter-in-Place**
Michael Smith, EMA Director
Somerset County Emergency
Management Agency

Hosts: The American Legion
Where: Tardiff-Belanger Post 39
20 S. Maple St., Madison
When: November 16, 2017
Time: 9:30-11:30 AM

- ◆ Drop in and meet a friend - All are welcome
- ◆ Stay a few minutes or all morning
- ◆ Shoot pool, craft or puzzle, play cards or games, or learn something new
- ◆ Enjoy coffee, snacks, door prizes & chat - Great conversation happens here!

For more information call: 858-8458

Notes from the Department Service Officer

*****Excerpts Taken From “The Maine Legionnaire” February 2017 Edition.*****

Camp Lejeune Claims!

The VA is accepting claims for compensation from those veterans who served at Camp Lejeune for a period of 30 days during certain years.

(This information has already been provided under separate cover.)

If you have submitted for the Camp Lejeune conditions and were denied, you must resubmit your claim!

Contract Comp and Pen Exams!

Let your folks who have claims pending that comp and pen (rating) exams are now being done by contractors.

The companies being used are QTC and VES. If they get calls from these organizations trying to schedule an exam. They should be legitimate.

Please let us know if you have any issues regarding the providers. On the other hand if you had a good experience pass that on as well.

This is a new program for Maine, the intent is to speed up the processing of your claim.

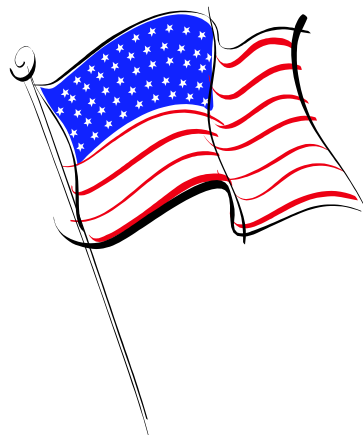


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