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September 2024

## Meetings

**Legion**  
**Somerset Abbey**  
**September 9, 2024**  
**7 pm**

**Auxiliary**  
**Old Point Ave School**  
**September 9, 2024**  
**6:30 pm**

**Sons of the**  
**American Legion**  
**No meeting scheduled**  
**at this time**

### Post Officers

Commander: Bob  
Washburn  
1st Vice: Bob Demchak  
2nd Vice: Eric Fluet  
Adjutant: Chad Steward  
Finance: Bob Demchak  
Sgt-at-Arms: Phil Daigle  
Chaplain: Rich Robinson  
Service: Bob Demchak  
Americanism: Vacant

Executive: Ted Brown  
Executive: Jimmy  
Pinkham  
Executive: Will Price



The American Legion Family

# Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter

LEGION UPDATES.....*From your Commander*

Hello American  
Legion Family!

I hope everyone had a great summer. The Post building is mostly empty. Bingo and our monthly meetings have moved to Somerset Abbey for the time being. Corn hole will be there as well when they start in September. Cribbage is still going on at the VFW. We will be moving our office soon to an office on Main Street.

We will still be having our Flag Retirement Ceremony on Veteran's Day.

The officers at the VFW said they would honor your membership cards (active) if you would like to go there for drinks.

We are working with several contractors on getting bids to take down the old building. We will also be getting bids for the groundwork for our new building. We have spoken to a local steel building company who will likely be putting up our new building. We are hoping that we will be able to have groundbreaking this spring.

We still have adjustments to make, but we are trying to continue operations as smoothly as possible given the circumstances. We don't have a building, but we do still have a Post.

Respectfully,

*Bob Washburn*  
*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.*

*"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."*

Mahatma Gandhi

2025-2025

National Leadership

American Legion  
National Commander

James LaCoursiere Jr. - Connecticut

American Legion Auxiliary  
National President  
Trish Ward - Kansas

Sons of the American Legion  
National Commander  
Joseph Navarrete - New Mexico



Greetings,  
Members!

We have held 2 meetings at the Old Point Avenue School so far. We would love to see more of our membership at our meetings. General Membership Meetings are held at 6:30 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month. Due to the holiday falling on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of September, we will be holding the September meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday – September 9<sup>th</sup>. By attending, you would have a voice and know what we hope to have set for our fundraising. We need ideas and places.

A BIG shout out to the few members that helped with our float and our booth for Madison Anson Days. A thank you goes out to Geri Jenk's husband and son for using their truck and trailer and all the hard work making sure we were safe. Thank you to Gene Dube for the use of his wood. And thank you Darla Farrell for your imagination, ideas and hard work to make the float happen.

We did draw the winner of our raffle who was Samantha Vanhout.

We will be making our turkey pies on September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Skowhegan Legion Post 16. We still need help with cooking the turkeys. Please call me at 431-1844 with your order.

School supplies are being collected to donate to the local schools. We have a collection box at Bingo every Sunday at

Somerset Abbey.

Myself, along with Robin Turek attended Department Convention back in June. We received a few awards to include, Certificate of Appreciation for turning in our Community Service Report for 2024; 10 to Education Award for our "ongoing support in donating supplies too local schools"; and another for "participating in monthly challenges and helping our local schools." Great work everyone!

Don't forget you can also join us on Facebook to see the latest happenings at [www.facebook.com/groups/ALAUNIT39](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ALAUNIT39).

We may not have a Post building at the moment, but we are **STILL** working our Mission to help our veterans, their families and our community.

Yours in service,  
not self,



Jackie Pollis  
President



Sick Call

Yay!  
Everyone is  
healthy!



Post  
Everlasting



Veterans Mental Health June- August	Maine Veterans Homes Hospice September- November
Homeless Veterans December- February	Veterans Outreach Children & Youth March- May

From boots on the ground to the last salute; Honoring our Veterans every step of the way

AMERICAN LEGION  
FAMILY  
MISSION WORKING DOGS

Donations can be made to the ALA DEPARTMENT OF MAINE  
5 Verti Drive Suite B, Winslow ME 04091  
Please place in the memo line of the check, President Report 2024-2025

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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!

At this time, we do not have a meeting scheduled.

Membership for 2025 (\$30) is now due. If you have not paid your 2024 membership, you will need to do so prior to paying for 2025. Contact Mark Long (858-3855) with any questions regarding membership.

Please keep an eye on the Post Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/162377067246838>), the Post website (<http://www.mainelegionpost39.org>) and future newsletters for information on upcoming meetings and events.

<https://www.mainelegionpost39.org/>



Respectfully  
submitted,

*Pete Graves,  
SAL Commander  
John Bryant,  
Chairman of SAL*

**School is open!  
Please drive carefully!**



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**Auxiliary:**

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# BE THE ONE

<https://www.legion.org/betheone/resources>

*Happy Birthday to  
all members born  
in September!*





# American Legion Tardiff-Belanger Post 39 Events

# September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Somerset Abbey 2-5pm 	<b>2</b> 	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Cribbage VFW Post 7865 6:30pm 	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Somerset Abbey 2-5pm 	<b>9</b> GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Cribbage VFW Post 7865 6:30pm 	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Somerset Abbey 2-5pm 	<b>16</b> EXECUTIVE MEETINGS	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Cribbage VFW Post 7865 6:30pm 	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 
<b>22</b> Somerset Abbey 2-5pm 	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Cribbage VFW Post 7865 6:30pm 	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Somerset Abbey 2-5pm 	<b>30</b>					



**Tardiff-Belanger Unit 39  
Madison, ME**

# **TURKEY PIE SALE**



**\$15/pie**

**With or Without  
Veggies**

**PRE-ORDERS ONLY**

**We are making a limited amount of pies this round so get your orders in!! Contact President Jackie Pollis at 431-1844. Pies **MUST** be picked up on **September 21st - 3-5pm** at the**

**American Legion Post 16**

**217 Waterville Road - Skowhegan**

**Proceeds Benefit Local  
Food Cupboards**

**Tardiff-Belanger Post #39**

American Legion  
P.O. Box 144  
Madison, ME 04950-0144

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**Please Remember to  
Pay Your Dues!**

Our Email address and website are:  
post 39@beeline-online.net

\*\*\*\*<http://www.mainelegionpost39.org>\*\*\*\*