



# Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter



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November 2019

## Meetings, Bingo & Cribbage

### Legion, Auxiliary & SAL

**Meeting:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Social Hr.** 6:00 p.m.  
**December 2, 2019**  
**January 6, 2020**

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

### Big Cribbage (Singles)

**December 21st**  
**January 18th**  
Sign up - 8am-10am  
Game starts @ 10am

**Bingo:** 2:00 Sundays  
Doors open at 12 pm

**HALL HOURS:**  
**Mon - Sat**  
**3 pm**

**The Post is  
NON-SMOKING**



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

On Veterans Day, the post conducted a wreath laying and an honor rifle salute to our veterans at the Forest Hill Monument, conducted a joint Legion/VFW salute to our Veterans at the VFW Post and completed a Formal Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Legion's burn pit.

Our Annual Dinner/Turkey raffle was held on November 15, 2019. Everyone enjoyed a great dinner prepared by the SAL and served by the Auxiliary. Thanks to all who helped make this event a huge success. The Turkey/Ham raffles netted \$891.00 in support of local food banks.

The Post has received the lists of students from both MSAD #59 and RSU #74 that are in need of

coats. Purchases have been made and deliveries to the schools are underway.

As a reminder, the Adult Christmas party and gift wrapping is on December 13 and the Children's party is on December 14.

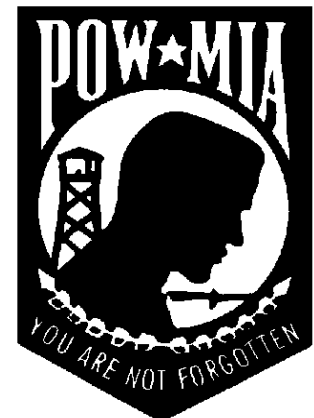
I would like to announce that I have been nominated and elected to the Department Finance Committee.

Please visit the Post's website and Facebook Page for current information of interest to the Post membership.

Respectfully,

*Bob Demchak*  
Commander

**Happy Birthday  
to all members born in  
December & January!!**



## SAL Squadron #39

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

Greetings!

November was a busy month, as usual. Our Squad does quite a lot and with a few more members stepping up we could do more. The SAL was born to carry on the work of the Legion. Our Legionnaires pass on and we need to carry the torch in their legacy. Thankfully National has amended the Constitution to accept all service men and women to join the Family.

Veterans Day started at Forrest Hill Cemetery at 11am for the Wreath Laying Ceremony. This was followed by a service at the VFW and luncheon. At 2 pm flags were retired at Post 39 by NCB39 Cadets, Boy Scouts and the Legion Family.

Our condolences go out to the family of Gary Anderson with the passing of his mother.

Thanks to all SAL members that helped with the Auxiliary Turkey Dinner.

On December 13th is Post 39's Adult Christmas party at 5pm where we decorate the tree and wrap presents for the Children's party which is on the 14th at 10 am.

Oil raffle tickets are now available. The drawing will be held on Wednesday, January 8th after dinner.

The Special Olympics Lobster Dip at Old Orchard Beach will be held on January 1st.

Our next meeting is on December 2nd at 7pm. Hope to see you there!

Respectfully submitted,

*Paul Turek  
Finance Officer  
Pete Graves,  
SAL Commander  
John Bryant,  
Chairman of SAL*

**If anyone wants to reserve the hall, you MUST 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!**



There will not be a newsletter for January. This issue is December & January combined.



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

# Auxiliary News...

Hello Ladies,

Let's talk membership, of course! We are currently at 105 paid members out of 152 total members. We are at 69.08% paid membership. Our next goal of 75% paid membership has a deadline of December 7th. I know we can do it! Remember, if your membership card says "2019" it means your membership runs out December 31, 2019!!!

There are three ways to renew...by phone by calling 317-569-4536, online at <https://>

[www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org), by mailing to the Unit's address (PO Box 325, Madison, ME 04950) or dropping it off at the Legion! Remember our dues are now \$25 for Seniors and \$5 for Juniors.

We have two new members - Vicki Anderson of North Anson and Elaine Watts of Skowhegan.

October 26th was Make a Difference Day. Our Unit observed it by having our members (seniors and juniors) and community members color Veterans Day Cards for our 261 legionnaires.

We've received overwhelming, positive feedback from our veterans. They absolutely loved them! Thank you all who helped make a difference for a veteran!

On October 27th, 5 Auxiliary and 3 Legionnaires that went down Portland to welcome legionnaires--Fred Taylor and Ernest Merry home from Honor Flight of Maine.

At our November meeting we voted to donate \$150 Angel Flight, \$50 Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner, \$50 to

a Legionnaire for travel expenses to Roxbury, MA, \$30 each to two local Girl Scout Troops, \$50 Madison Christmas Celebration.

November is always a busy month for the Auxiliary. Starting with Veteran's Day - wreath laying ceremony, flag retirement ceremony and on to our annual craft fair. This year was our 34th Annual Craft Fair! Then the following week was our Turkey Supper. All events

and ceremonies were heavily attended and a great success. **THANK YOU** to **ALL** those who helped out in one way or another to make these events successful!

**Our next meeting is December 2nd at 7 pm.**

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

We continue to collect aluminum tabs for Shriners Children's Hospital as well as Box

Tops and Labels for Education!

Yours in Service,  
not self,



*Robin Turek*  
*Auxiliary President*



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## Legion Riders ~ Chapter 39

Greetings!

Winter is here and the bikes are up for the winter. Several of your Riders have left for Florida for the winter. Send us some sunshine...Please!

Reminder we will not be having any Rider meetings the months of November, December, January. See everyone in February!

February will be nominations of officers and if you would like to remain in the position or if you would like to

run for a position, please contact me, Sharon, at 207-696-4938. I will be stepping down as Secretary and Treasurer next year so these positions need to be filled. You may email me or text at 612-8037.

Thank you and stay warm and enjoy your winter.

Yours in Service,

Sharon Mellows-Ziacoma  
Secretary/Treasurer  
[Sharon.mellows@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Sharon.mellows@myfairpoint.net)



### Notes from the Post Service Officer

Blue water navy claims will begin being processed in order received as of January 1. If you were on a ship off the coast of Vietnam during 62-75, and especially if you have had a claim related to agent orange exposure that was denied, it is time to put in a claim. I would be happy to help with the claim as that is my job.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Washburn,  
Post Service Officer



**Legion:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/162377067246838/>

**Auxiliary:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALAUNIT39/>

**SAL:**

<https://www.facebook.com/SAL-Squadron-39-Madison-Maine-1050371371678606/>





# US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings from  
NCB 39 Battalion

During the November drill, our unit assisted the American Legion and the VFW with ceremonies honoring our veterans. After lunch, we took part in the flag retirement ceremony held at the American Legion.

Our unit is looking for motivated youth who want to become future leaders. If you have children or grandchildren, please talk to them about our program. The oppor-

tunities are not limited to just our area or state, but many other countries. Many life skills are available for them to learn from us as well as other motivated and committed adults throughout the country.

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](http://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.

Respectfully,

The Officers and Staff  
NCB39 Battalion

## Sick Call

*Norman Alderman*



## Post Everlasting

*Adrian Brouchu 10-27-19*



## Dates to Remember!

- December 2nd - Next Regular meeting at 7pm
- December 9th – Legion Family Meeting @ 7pm
- December 13th – Adult Christmas Party
- December 14th – Children's Christmas Party
- December 16th – Executive Meeting
- January 6th – Next Regular Meeting

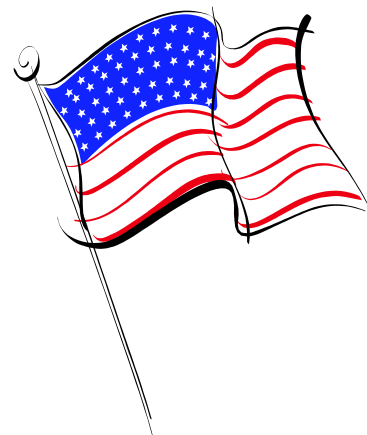


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**December 2, 2019**  
**January 6, 2020**  
6:00 PM SOCIAL HOUR  
7:00 PM MEETING



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