



Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter



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September 2014

Happenings...

Meetings, Bingo & Cribbage

Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Social Hr. 6:00 p.m.
Monday, Sept 8, 2014

Cribbage: 6:30 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,

Another summer has come and almost gone by. This is the best time of the year....FALL! I hope everyone had a good summer.

The July BBQ went well. About 100 people turned out. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Thanks to John Ziacoma for making the soldier silhouette. Thanks to Mark Long, Pete Petersen, John Doucette and all the sidewalk Superintendants for setting the 4 departments of the services benches around the flag pole and the green. It looks great! At the same time cleaning around the outside of the hall before Madison-Anson Days took place. Thank you to the towns of Madison and Anson for the chicken BBQ for the Veterans after the parade. We had 15 WWII Vets, Korean Vets, Vietnam

and others in the parade. After the parade, at the hall, Nunzio Biondello was presented with WWII ribbons that had been lost over the years by Brad Farrin and General John Dericco of the Maine Air National Guard. Thanks to Sharon Mellows for making the extra WWII signs to put on the cars! We had 160 people for the BBQ that honored our Veterans.

The last two months have been about the same as in the past for the hall. The fall activities will soon begin.

The Legion baseball team finished first for the season but lost in the play offs. Thank you to the young players, their coaches and Ron Page for his work with the team representing the post.

At Convention this past June we received the plaque from Special Olympics for the \$1000 do-

nated from the Legion and Auxiliary. Also one for the newsletter.

We've had a few members join the Legion, Sons and Auxiliary this summer.

Thanks again to everyone for their help. It takes all of us!

H. Ralph Withee
Commander

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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,

SAL squadron #39 would like to welcome four new members; Gary Anderson of Anson, Peter Graves of New Portland and Bryan Hagopian. Paul Turek has transferred to squadron #39 from squadron #29 of Readsboro, VT.

Former Commander, Dan "Butter" Kirk has moved to North Carolina. He was at the Lobster Bake. Butter will continue his membership as he paid his dues for 2015.

That's right, our 2015 calendar year started on July 1st 2014. This means if you haven't paid your 2014 dues you now owe for two years. Don't forget

the 2015 dues have increased to \$25.00 per year. Dues can be left at the Legion Hall. You may also send a check to Joseph "Mark" Brown, P.O. Box 473, Norridgewock, ME. 04957, Ph: 634-5782.

The Chicken Barbecue got off to a slow start due to issues with our grill. Sorry for any inconvenience. The grill is being fixed. We made \$435.00 after expenses, plus \$65.00 from the 50/50 raffle for a total of \$500.00. The winner of the \$65.00 - 50/50 raffle is Don Holt. We didn't do that bad considering there was another Chicken Barbecue going on in town at the same time as ours. We will try to avoid this next year. Thank you to all who at-

tended, donated, volunteered or helped in any way.

The 4th Annual Lobster Bake seemed to be a big hit. I heard a lot of comments about how good the food tasted. People were also commenting on the hospitality they were receiving from the many volunteers who made this all happen. After all expenses we made \$1,252 for our charities. We also made \$195.00 from the 50/50 raffle. The other \$195.00 was won by Renee Carter.

It's time to thank all of the volunteers who made the Lobster Bake run so smooth and be such a success. Auxiliary members, Legion members, SAL members

and the bartenders all played a huge part at this event. The SAL wants you to know how much we appreciate your help. We needed each and every one of you. Fantastic job everyone!! If you donated anything for the Lobster Bake, attended or helped in any way. We thank you!!

The drawing date for the firewood raffle had to be delayed for one week. The

drawing date is 8/29/14 at 7 p.m. Some tickets that were left at local businesses still had to be picked up. The name of the winner will be posted at the Legion Hall and in the next newsletter.

The SAL donated \$200.00 to help pay for the petting zoo at this year's Madison-Anson Days. Future fundraisers include the Hannaford gift card raffle, a pig roast is also planned for Saturday October 18th. Look for tick-

ets and more information in the next newsletter.

Have a good day,

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

**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 Sept 8th!**

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,

I truly hope each and every one of you had a fantastic summer! Although we haven't had regular meetings for a couple of months, the Auxiliary has been very busy!

In June, Marie Wing, Shirley Emery, Sharon Mellows, Merilyn Vieira and I attended our State Convention. The Unit received an award for Special Olympics (in conjunction with the Legionnaires) for the \$1000 donated and a certificate for donating 52 backpacks to the Children & Youth project! Kudos to all for a job well done! We didn't make 100% membership this year, al-

though we were close at almost 92%!

A couple of "work days" were held through out the summer to clean up the ALA room from washing walls to updating our plaques/awards that are on the wall. Thank you to all who helped out!

A BIG THANK YOU to Pete Petersen and Mark Long for scrubbing and waxing the kitchen floor at the Legion. Your dedication and hard work is extremely appreciated!

Maxine Dube has mailed \$104,648.73 worth of coupons since June 5th. *****PLEASE HELP US OUT--DO NOT HOLD ON TO THE COU-**

PONS, bring them in weekly or at least bi-weekly—it makes it more time consuming when we have to really look at the expiration dates and we have to rush to get them in the mail—it takes a while to get overseas. THANK YOU.***

The Kitchen...the Kitchen...the Kitchen...Ladies, I'm at a loss here. We truly need more members to step up to the plate and volunteer in the kitchen. I feel like I'm beating a dead horse, but if we don't get more volunteers our only other choice would be to shut it down. Our Beano and Crib-

bage players love being able to grab something to eat before or during the games. It would be a shame to disappoint them which may result in a decrease in players. Neither of which we would want to happen. Please help!

During the months of June, July and August, we voted to donate \$50 to a member who is running in the Run to Home Base in Boston, MA, \$50 Gas Card to a member in need, \$75 for the Wounded Warrior Shoot, \$50 to

an Anson resident who lost her home to fire and put \$200 toward the purchase of the new Bingo Board.

We are now accepting payment for your 2015 dues! Let's strive for 100% membership this year!

****PLEASE REMEMBER****
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, September 8th at 7 pm. ALL ALA MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!

Yours in Service, not self,



*Robin Turek
Auxiliary President*



Dances

**September 20th
4-Play**

**8:30 pm to 12:30am
\$5 per person**

**October 11th
Borderline Express**

8:00 pm to 12:30 pm

**Halloween Dance
October 25th**

**Borderline Express
8:30 pm to 12:30 pm
\$5 per person**



Legion Riders ~ Chapter 39

Greetings,

Bingo at North New Portland Fair is coming right up (September 11-13). We would love your help and your participation.

Hope to see you all there.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Washburn
Secretary



Post Everlasting (Those who passed since last newsletter)

Carlene Mudie (Aux)-
6/9/14

Larry Allen - 8/20/14

Phillip Barbeau - 8/20/14

David Page



Sick Call



Olive Roberge

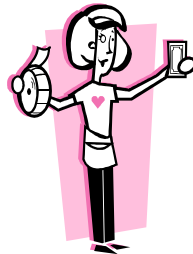
NEW Post 39 Website

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

CHECK IT OUT!!!

120 CLUB WINNERS (since last newsletter)

6/20 - Ralph Weston
6/27 - Pete Petersen
7/7 - Mark Brown
7/11 - Pete Petersen
7/18 - Christine Jewell



7/25 - Barbara Wyman
8/1 - Eddie Cowan
8/8 - Sharon Mellows
8/15 - Barbara Wyman
8/22 - Blackie Merry

Dates to Remember!

September 12-14th - Legion Riders
Bingo @ North New Portland
Fairgrounds

October 4th - 120 Club Dinner &
Dance. Details in next newsletter.



Happy Birthday
to all
members
born
in
September!!



US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings,

The unit has been very active since the last newsletter. We held a 3.5 day drill over the Memorial Day weekend. We supported the American Legion and the Towns of Madison, East Madison and Starks memorial activities by providing the Color Guard and a unit formation.

PO1 Riley Coleman was selected as one of the six USNSCC Cadet Escorts for the NSCC International Exchange Program held in Newport, RI. Forty-nine cadets from Australia, Canada, Singapore, Sweden, Hong Kong

and the United Kingdom attended this 16-day event. While there, PO1 Coleman was multi-function. In addition to the normal Petty Officer requirements, she was the Morale, the Recreation and the Mess Deck Petty Officer in charge. They visited Boston and New York City as a part of the program. Additionally, as team leader of a group consisting of a cadet from each of the attending nations, she led the team to first place in the Boston Historical Site scavenger hunt.

During the morning of 21 Jun, eight tested for their Ama-

teur Radio License. Unfortunately there was not the success rate that we had hoped for. After lunch, five cadets heading for Boot Camp were tested on the Physical Training Requirements for attendance. All qualified for attendance.

From 12-18 Jul, we had four cadets and two officers spend 6 days in South Portland, Maine for National Level Advanced training. Two cadets and one officer attended Advanced Coast Guard training at the Coast Guard Station and two cadets and

one officer attended the Petty Officer Leadership Academy (POLA) held at the Legion Hall. Coast Guard attendees received their US Coast Guard certification in Hazardous Materials Handling at the Operational Level.

From 21 Jul – 02 Aug, we had five cadets attend Boot Camp at Ft Devens, MA. We had one cadet that was a mem-

ber of the Honor Squad and received an award for this.

On 17 Aug, we supported the fourth Annual Combat Wounded Warrior event held at the Williams Machine Gun Range in North Anson.

We held drill from 21-24 Aug. Friday, 22 Aug found the cadets completing the Community Service Project at the Revolutionary War Veterans ceme-

tery in North Anson. They tore down and removed the old dilapidated fencing and completely replaced the posts and railing. On Sat 23 Aug, the unit provided the Color Guard and a unit formation for the 38th Annual Madison-Anson Days parade as well as for the special awards ceremony for WWII Veteran Nunzio Biondello, a retired USAF NCO, held at the American Legion Hall.

Sunday morning was relatively quiet with our normal routine of reveille, chow and class time on numerous topics deemed important by the cadets, including recruitment. After lunch we held class time discussing our plan for Sep Drill... US NAVY SERE school to be held at the SEAL Facility near Rangeley, followed by clean-up and our closing ceremony. CA

(E-2) Faucett was promoted to CN (E-3) and CR (E-1) Fennell & Edes were both promoted to CA (E-2).

I, on behalf of the entire battalion, wish to thank the local communities, the entire Legion membership, cadet's families and friends for their untiring support of this unit.

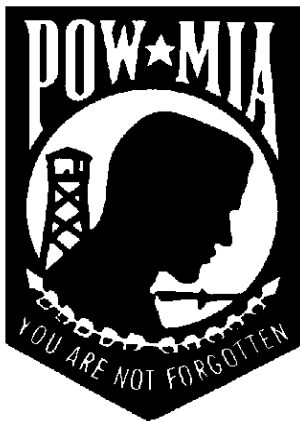
The US Naval Sea Cadet Corps program is open to 11-17 year old males and females. Please visit our website: <http://ncb39bn.sharepoint.com>

Respectfully,

*MAJ Robert E. Demchak,
USAF (Ret)
Commanding Officer*

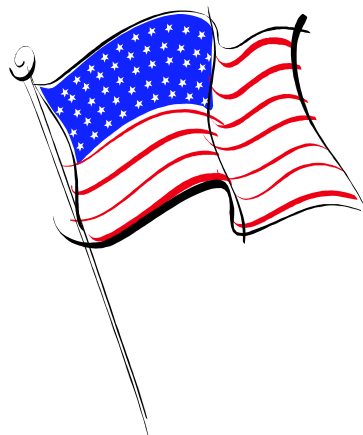
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6:00 PM LEGION RIDERS MEETING
6:00 PM SOCIAL HOUR
7:00 PM MEETING



School is back in session.
Please drive carefully!



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post 39@beeline-online.net

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

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