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Meetings

Legion April 1, 2024 7 pm

Auxiliary April 1, 2024 6:30 pm

Sons of the American Legion April 1, 2024 *5 pm*

Hall Hours: Monday - Saturday Opens at 3 pm

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

Comrades.

I would like to apologize the post and The American My behavior after being elected commander was less than enthusiastic. This was certook the position because I knew that no one else in the room wanted to be commander (or any other position for that matter), and frankly, neither did I. about the reasons for accepting the nomination and election, and I would like you all to consider this: Why did you first join The American Le-And more importantly why are you still a member?

I joined The American Legion after I got injured. I was the first NATO peacekeeper to step on a land mine in Bosnia. Because of being the first American to step on a land mine, I was a news story. The Amerilite and attend their meet- an year I learned how much putting it up on Facebook, or

for my actions at our last Legion did for our veterans and their families in our communities. Which leads me to the reason I staved in The American Legion. I believe tainly a surprise to me. I that being a part of The American Legion and an active legion post allows me to give back in some small way to my brothers and sisters in arms, and their families who could use a lift, whether an I have been thinking actual ride, or a lift in spirits. As your post adjutant for the last few years, I typed up the minutes for our ings. They were passed out so everyone had an opportunity to read them. In none of those minutes did it ever say anything about the commander's or any other officer's pay. That means we are volunteers. If you have a problem with me personally, then come to me or the executive committee. This does not mean calling me at all hours. I have a family, and a full-time job. If you don't already have my phone numcan Legion post in the ber then it probably means next town paid my mem- that you don't need my bership for the first year phone number. This does not as a result of my being in mean that that you can't get a the paper multiple times hold of me if you NEED (Local man injured by to. It simply means that I land mine in Bosnia.) So have a life outside these I figured I should be po- walls. That's why we have executive commitings if I could. The first tee. This also does not mean

any other social media platform, or passing it around the bar. If you have a problem with one of the employees, then talk to the executive committee. I will try to come to the post at least once a week, and I know that the other executive committee members are usually here at least once a week so we will be aware of your problems within a few days. But again, NO Facebook or bar talk. Very few things are so urgent they can't wait a few days. And if that should happen, I can call my executive committee. No one except the web master, and/or authorized representative should be posting anything on our post page. So before you bring a problem, think about the reason you joined, and more importantly why you are still a member. I hope that your reason for remaining active in the Legion and the post is to support fellow veterans and their families. And if you are bringing a problem, try to think of a possible solution.

So now you know my Why, and the why I accepted the nomination for commander. I am honored to be your commander, and I will do my utmost to be the best commander that you can

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Commander Continued

proudly serve beside. But just because I am the commander, doesn't mean that it's my post. I cannot begin to run this post by myself. I would like everyone to work together for the good of the post. So think about your WHY, and get involved with some of the things that our post accomplishes every year.

Respectfully,

Bob Washburn Commander

PLEASE REMEBER

We continue to collect aluminum tabs for Shriners Children's Hospital!

If anyone would like 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!



Greetings, Members!

Election of Officers was held at our last meeting. You new slate of officers is as follows:

President:

Jackie Pollis

1st Vice:

Tammy Giguere

2nd Vice:

Nancy Misiaszek

Secretary:

Amy Washburn

Treasurer:

Sherry Medlin

Chaplain:

Gerri Jenks

Sgt at Arms:

Harriet Bryant

Historian:

Diane Pinkham

Executive Committee:

Irma Fluet Lisa Nelson

Robin Turek

Congratulations to our 2024-2025 Officers!!

Our remaining District meeting for the 2023-2024 membership year is May 5th at American Legion Post 16 located at 217 Waterville Rd, Skowhegan, ME. The meeting will begin at 1pm. All members of Unit 39 are welcome! I hope to see many of you there!

We are currently

considering a "Paint Nite" on April 22nd. More details to follow.

As some of you know, it's "Year End Reporting" time. Please submit your volunteer hours for the 2023-2024 membership year. If you need a form, please let me or 1st Vice Tammy know.

It's a new administration year and I am a brand new President. Please be kind to me and your fellow members as we learn our way. Please know that you can contact me anytime by phone (431-1844) or email (jrdlps35@gmail.com).

And most of all don't lose sight of our Mission - in service, not self for veterans, their families and our community.

Yours in service, not self,



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.



AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY FUN DAY 2PM - 5PM

Come down to the Post and enjoy time with your "Legion Family"



playing board games, cards or just visiting with other members!

SAL Squadron #39

Greetings!

At our March meeting we had election of officers. Your 2024-2025 slate of officers are:

Commander - Pete Graves 1st Vice - Bob Graves 2nd Vice - Jimmy

Pinkham

Adjutant - Mark Long Finance - Paul Turek Sgt at Arms - Joe Jenks Historian - Open

We are having a \$250 Gas Card Raffle. Tickets will Founded in 1932, Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the service and sacrifice of Legionnaires.

be available at the bar. The drawing will be May 22nd.

We are also looking into the possibility of a kayak raffle. Keep your ears open!

Wednesday, March 27th meal will be Meat-loaf!

Remember if your 2024 dues are not paid, you can't play tickets or drink at the bar!

Our next membership meeting is April 1st at 5pm. Looking for more members and looking for existing members to volunteer!! Hope to see some new faces at our April meeting!

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Graves, SAL Commander John Bryant, Chairman of SAL



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Sick Call

Gary Price John Bryant



Post Everlasting





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Happy Birthday to all members born in April!



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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.

Our Unit is continuing to grow. This is great news! We are all looking forward to summer training opportunities. Several cadets have expressed interest in more than one training. We also have two cadets graduating this year. Each have been sworn in to the Navy and Coast Guard.

Look for more news to come!

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

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. Together, we are helping to shape the future.

Respectfully, The Officers and Staff NCB39 Battalion



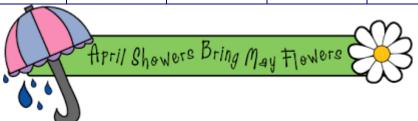
Monday, April 1st @ 5 pm All members are welcome! Special Family Meeting @ 7pm



American Legion Tardiff-Belanger Post 39 Events

April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	10ST CLOSED OFFICER INSTALLATION AND MEETINGS	2 ^{7pm - 10pm}	3 Son's Dinner 4:30pm til gone	4	5	6
7 2pm - 5pm	8	9 7pm - 10pm	10 Son's Dinner 4:30pm til gone	11 Cribbage 6:30pm - 9:30pm	12	13
14 2pm - 5pm	15 EXECUTIVE MEETINGS	16 ^{7pm - 10pm}	17 _{on's Dinner} 4:30pm til gone	18 Cribbage 6:30pm - 9:30pm	19 7pm - 10pm	20
21 2pm - 5pm	22 Auxiliary Paint Night Fundraiser 6pm - 8pm	23 _{7pm - 10pm}	Son's Dinner 4:30pm til gone	25 Cribbage 6:30pm - 9:30pm	26	27 American Legion Family Fun Day 2pm–5pm
28 2pm - 5pm	29	30 _{7pm - 10pm}				





SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION (SAL) SQUADRON 39, MADISON



\$250 GAS CARD RAFFLE

1 TICKET FOR \$5 OR 3 TICKETS FOR \$10 DRAWING DATE: MAY 22, 2024

Ask a member for tickets or they are available at the hall

Proceeds to benefit their various charities

Tardiff-Belanger Post #39

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