



Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter



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Meetings, Bingo & Cribbage

Meeting: 7:00 p.m. Social Hr. 6:00 p.m. Monday, Mar 4, 2013 Monday, Apr 1, 2013

Cribbage: 7:00 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 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,

It is that time of year again for nominations of officers. They are as follows:

Commander: H. Ralph Withee

1st Vice: Jeff Drew 2nd Vice: John Doucette
Adjutant: Leroy Welch Finance Officer: John Bryant
Chaplain: Richard Roberson Americanism: Ron Page

Historian: Jeff Drew Service Officer: Vaughn Mercier

Sgt at Arms: John Ziacoma

Executive Committee:

Robert Demchak. Kathy Lightbody and John Ziacoma

These nominee's will be voted on at the March meeting. Please plan to attend.

The Installation of Officers will be Friday, April 12th. We'll have a Social Hour from 5pm-6pm, Dinner will be 6pm-7pm and installation of the Legionnaires, Auxiliary, SAL and Legion Riders Officers following Dinner.

We had a good turnout for the February meeting. The banners of the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard are framed and on the wall above the restrooms. Many thanks to Randy Bubar who made and donated the frames in addition to installing them at no cost to the Legion.

We have paid out \$1,200 in scholarships to Madison and Carrabec High School students, \$50 to Anson Fire Dept. Auxiliary, \$557 for material to build a ramp for a legionnaire and \$220 for the One on One Program at togus. From the Caring Tree Program we provided coats and boots to over 60 students in the school Districts of 59 and 74.

The Post is still doing well. The Legion Riders will be doing Beano on a Saturday night once a month.

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,

Attendance at our monthly meetings has dropped. "same old story"

We had five members who attended the January meeting compared to three in February. State adjutant Joe Cooper was a guest at this non-meeting. I don't think he was very impressed. Don Holt and Jeff Ireland, first time attendees, were the other two members besides myself. "Pretty sad". They went home and Joe and myself had a one-on-one meeting.

Our raffles have turned into a joke! We made a total of \$19.00 on the deer carving. Don Holt was the winner. This years oil raffle probably won't do much better than the deer carving raffle. Maxine Dube is not a member of the SAL. It's not up to her to sell our raffle tickets. She has her own tickets to sell. I received the State Detachment Lobster Bake raffle tickets for 2013. I tried to give some to three different members including our SAL Commander and Chairman. All three refused to take any of these tickets. A few members of the ladies auxiliary offered to sell some for me. At this point I would rather be a member of the ladies Auxiliary than I would the SAL. At least they have some ambition!

State Adjutant Joe Cooper presented me with a plaque and certificates of appreciation for our post for last years lobster raffle sales. He also wanted us to make donations to a couple of organizations. There were no members to vote on the donations or finance officer to write any checks. The only way I could pay him for the dues I had collected was to take money of mine out of my wallet. He has goals set for membership dues every month.

On January 3,2013 former state commander and current SAL member Brian Danforth passed away from a heart related illness. We also lost friend and cribbage player Jerry Parker. Jerry amazed us all with his fight for life. Rest in peace both of you fine men. I sent condolence cards from the SAL to both families.

If participation and support from SAL members does not

change, which I don't expect to happen I will resign from the position of SAL adjutant for post #39. I hope you have enjoyed reading the articles I have submitted for the newsletter.

> Joseph "Mark" Brown, SAL Adjutant Dan "Butter" Kirk, 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 <u>YOUR</u> Legion? Come to the meetings on March 4th and April 1st!

ANY ARTICLES/PICTURES
TO BE

SUBMITTED TO THE
NEWSLETTER NEED TO BE
E-MAILED, LEFT AT THE LEGION OR
PHONED

TO ROBIN TUREK BY THE

SECOND WEDNESDAY

OF THE MONTH! ROBINTUREK@GMAIL.COM VOLUME VIII, ISSUE II PAGE3

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.

We currently have 115 members paid. We need just 25 to make our 100%. Come on ladies we can do it!!

The Auxiliary nominations for officers are as follows:

President: Marie Wing 1st Vice: Shirley Emery 2nd Vice: Sandy Ingalls
Secretary: Robin Turek Treasurer: Harriet Bryant Chaplain: Kathleen Randall

Sgt at Arms: Merrilyn Vieria Historian: Robin Turek

Executive Committee: Lauraine Mercier, Maxine Dube, Ellen Lavasseur and Barbara Wyman.

We still need to ask members to continue clipping coupons and leave them for at the legion for Maxine Dube. Please, if you can, drop off coupons once a week instead of collecting a huge amount and then dropping them off, Maxine & Barbara would appreciate it. Maxine reported that on January 18th she mailed out \$12,176.35 worth of coupons and has 2 more boxes ready to go! Keep the coupons coming ladies!

At our January and February meetings we voted to donate \$50 to the Family Violence Project, \$50 worth of items to Camp Tall Pines, \$50 to the American Legion Auxiliary Emergency Fund, \$50 to Beales House, \$15

Bingo Package for Mike Pinkham's Benefit, \$50 gas card to a Veteran to help with medical traveling expenses and \$50 to two community fire victims and \$100 to an Auxiliary member who lost her home.

We gave 146 Box Tops for Education which are worth \$14.60 to an Elementary School. We have paid out \$200 in scholarships to Madison and Carrabec High School students.

Our donation to the Legion for the Caring Tree Program helped them provide coats and boots to over 60 students in the school districts 59 and 74 this winter. The money for this donation comes from the selling of coffee on Cribbage nights. It takes about 3-4months for it to add up to \$100 at which time it is donated to the legion for this great cause.

We divided 1,027 points worth of labels for education to three elementary schools.

On March 16th there will be a Casserole Benefit Supper for Auxiliary & SAL members Betty & Bill Perry who lost their home to a fire. If anyone would like to donate a salad, casserole or dessert please contact Harriet at 635-2051.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE CALENDAR RAFFLE TICKETS. If anyone would like some to sell, please contact Harriet at 635-2051 or Maxine at 696-3608.

****PLEASE REMEMBER****

We continue to collect aluminum tabs for Shriners Children's Hospital as well as Box Tops and Labels for Education!

Marie (Hilda) Wing Auxiliary President THANK YOU
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Legion Riders ~ Chapter 39

Greetings,

American Legion Riders will be putting on Bingo for several Saturdays this year. We are trying to do the third saturday every month. The first three will be February 23, March 23, and April 20. Mark it on your calanders. We would love it if you would like to help, or you just wanna come play.

We are updating our membership records. If you are a member, and wish to continue being a member, please fill out a new sheet so that we have the most current information on everyone. If you would like to become a Legion Rider, then fill out a form and let one of us know.

The ALR winter meeting that was supposed to be February 9, was

postponed due to weather. It will be held on March 2. If you are interested in going, please let one of us know so we can arrange car pools. There is no need for 8 or 9 of us all driving our cars (it would be really cool if we needed 8 or 9 cars to transport 35 or so people, but we don't even have that many members).

This year's officers:

Director: John Ziacoma Asst Director: Gene Dube Treasurer: John Doucette Secretary: Bob Washburn Road Captain/Safety: Jeff Drew Sgt-At-Arms: Pete Petersen



Bob Washburn Secretary



THE RIDERS CREED

ider dedicate themselves to the success of the American Legion. I know that through my efforts I can make a difference.

Alone am responsible for myself and to my fellow riders. I will conduct myself with the highest degree of integrity and honor.

eeds not words create change. I will persevere against any and all things that prevent my success. My resolve and strength will overcome all obstacles.

ach rider is first a member of the American Legion family. I will actively participate in and willingly support their endeavors.

eadly will join other riders in activities and events which support missions. I will do so cladly knowing I volunteered to be an American Legion Rider.

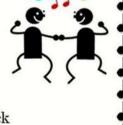
uccess is the only acceptable conclusion. I will allow nothing to dissuade me or impede me from service to my family community country and especially to our Veterans.

Riders Lead The Way!





Dances St. Patrick's Day Dance March 16th 8:30 pm - 12:30 am Ponderosa Ponderosa (Formerly known as Steel Rail Express) Tickets - \$7 Dime Store Hero Classic Rock & Country Rock Tickets - \$7



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US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion 🎉



Greetings,

We held our Jan drill weekend on 05/06 Jan. The weekend was very busy with the cadets and staff working on the items that will be checked during our upcoming Annual Inspection scheduled for 03 Mar at 1000 hrs. Additionally, classes were held that covered radio electronics and wave propagation, Morse code, line heaving, customs/courtesies, rates/ranks and safety. The cadets then got on the airways and made several contacts with US and foreign amateur radio stations.

Our Feb drill weekend was held on 03/04 Feb and it was another busy drill. The cadets and staff again worked on the Annual Inspection items and did an open ranks inspection of the cadets in their Dress Uniforms. Discrepancies were noted and corrective actions were accomplished. The Cadets developed a marching/drill plan for the Open Ranks portion of the upcoming Annual Inspection which was approved by the staff.

Classes were held that covered Morse code and Signal Flags. We had a recently retired US Navy PO1 Signalman spend Saturday with us and helped in these classes. He is considering joining as a Staff Officer. The Cadets also worked on their required courses for rank advancement. The requirements for

the Annual Flagship Competition were also discussed.

We had two staff and seven cadets promoted at this drill:

ESN Valerie Coulombe was promoted to LtJG NSCC

Instructor Margaret Demchak was promoted to Ensign NSCC

PO3 Kaitlyn Babin was promoted to PO2 NSCC

E-3 Riley Coleman was promoted to PO3 NSCC

E-2 (Temporary) Sara DeRosa was promoted to E-2 NSCC

PO3 Connor Fennell was promoted to PO2 NLCC

LC2 Wade Moak was promoted to LC3 NLCC

LC2 Jack Babin was promoted to LC3 NLCC

LC1 Zebediah Gagne was promoted to LC2 NSCC

Robin Turek will be rejoining us as our Admin Officer and Logan Faucett will be joining us as an NLCC Cadet. After Inspection is completed in March, we will be doing a recruitment push to include a Leadership Day presentation by some our cadets at the Madison Junior High on 29 Mar at the request of the Madison School Guidance Offices.

We wish to thank everyone for their continued support of our Battalion.

> Major Robert E. Demchak, USAF (Ret) Commanding Officer NCB 39 Battalion

Post 39 Website

http://post39. sharepoint.com

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OUT!!!



Cadet Jack Babin promoted to LC-3

Cadet Wade Moak promoted to LC-3



Cadet Riley Coleman promoted to PO3

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Next Meetings: March 4, 2013 April 1, 2013

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







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