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Meetings

Legion May 1, 2023 7 pm

Auxiliary May 1, 2023 6 pm

Sons of the American Legion

> May 1, 2023 5 pm

Hall Hours: Monday - Saturday 3 pm

Post Officers

Commander: Will Price
1st Vice: Bob Demchak
2nd Vice: Eric Fluet
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The American Legion Family

Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter

LEGION UPDATES.....From your Commander

Comrades,

Come out and support your Post. We have things going on every day. Mondays are for Veteran's fellowship. Tuesdays, we have Cornhole Tournaments. Registration starts at 6:30pm and the tournastarts at 7pm. Wednesdays, The Sons have been putting on their world-famous dinners. Thursdays we have Cribbage from 6:30pm-9pm. Grab your partner and come on out. On Friday the 12th and the 26th we'll have karaoke. Music by Bryant & Suzy Q-Karaoke from 7-11pm. Saturdays will be an open night for camaraderie with fellow veterans, and on Sundays we have Bingo from 2-5pm. On May 5th we're having a Mother's Day Craft Fair and Taco Fiesta venders and all from 3-7pm come out and get something special mom. On May 20th we're having the Return to the Prom 2 from 7-10pm. This will be a donation only event, so get dressed in your finest and come have some fun. On May 27th the SAL will be hosting a free BBQ for all members from 3pm till gone, come

out and enjoy some camaraderie and break bread with your Post family.

On April 8th with the help of the Easter Bunny we handed out over 120 Easter Baskets to the youth in our community. This was an awesome event, thank you to all who made this event such a success.

Memorial Day is just around the corner. May 13th and May 20th at 0900 we'll be meeting at the Post to place flags. Our intentions are to get it done on the 13th.

The Post needs all of us to run successfully, remember this is your post! It takes many hands to continue to do what we do. If anyone has ideas on different events, please send them to our planning board.

Building Fund Report: The building fund is now \$55,156.00. We are doing great, but we still need to keep pushing events and continue to raise funds. The surveying has been done and we have received the preliminary paperwork. We're still waiting to receive the official report, once received

we'll be able to set up the required meetings with the department and the town to get this all approved to move forward. We still have a lot of moving parts to get done. Thank you to all who have participated in the ongoing fundraisers and hard work it takes to keep this Post operating on a day-to-day basis. We still have some work to do but are headed in the right direction.

Our next General Membership meeting will be held on May 1st at 7pm.

Our next Family Day meeting will be held on May 15th at 5:30pm. Followed by our Executive Committee at 7pm

Additionally, we have coordinated with Casey's Redemption in Anson, Triple D Redemption in Norridgewock and the Solon Redemption Center and they are still taking bottle donations for our building fund.

We are still looking for Bingo volunteers on Sundays 2-5pm.

Respectfully, Will Price 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.

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!

Auxiliary News...



renewed your dues? Ĭf not, your membership expired

December 31, 2022!!

At present we have 136 out of 153 members paid which brings us to 88.8% of our membership paid.

Our donations since the last newsletter are: \$30 to the Department President's Project.

We have 2 new members who joined our Unit - Veronica Cabrera and Jr Auxiliary member Jadia Gordon both of Madison. Make sure you introduce yourself and give them a warm welcome when you see them! In addition, Chrissy Shallow and Holly Kinney have transferred back into our Unit. Welcome back, ladies! We're happy you're here.

THANK BIG YOU to all who donated for the Foster Kids program. Harriet Bryant is in the process of taking inventory of all the donated items and will delivering he them. Thank you, Harriet, for all you do!

Only 3 weeks until Presi-National dent's visit. She (and Department Officers) will arrive at approximately 2 pm on May 13th and they will be there until 5 pm. De-

Have you partment President. Debra Rumery, will be sharing her President's Project "You will Never Walk Alone for Veteran Suicide Awareness and Prevention". She has a short video to share with us that is amazing! In addition we will be putting together "Gifts of Gratitude" care packages. ALL MEMBERS of the Legion Family are encouraged to attend!! I will continue to share the details of this exciting event as they become available! Please mark this date on your calen-

Speaking about the Department President's project, just to recap next to the popcorn mak-



er in the Hall is a display of the President's Project

veteran boot and shoes around it depicting the veteran will "never walk alone". Feel free to drop some change, or more in to donate to this worthy project. We will be collecting the donations from now until May 1st and splitting the proceeds between the National President's project Department the President's project. Please see the insert regarding our "Challenge" for collecting donations.

Got a couple of hours

to spare? We are always in need of volunteers for the kitchen on Sunday's for Bingo.

Irma Fluet has been serving dinner on Tuesday nights and her proceeds are going toward the Department President's project. Make sure to stop in the Post on a Tuesday night for dinner! You will not be disappointed!!

National Poppy Day is May 26th! As always the Unit will be distributing poppies with Merrilvn Vieira various days of the month out back of Reny's and other places. If you have some free time and want to help out, call me and I'll get you set up with Merrilyn!

I feel like I'm forgetsomething, what better way to find out then to attend the next membership meeting on May 1st at 6 pm! If you come at 5 pm vou'll be able to see Installation of Officers. The Installing Officer will be the Department President, Debra Rumery, who will also be our guest speaker at the meeting.

> Yours in service, not self. Robin Turek President



SAL Squadron #39

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

Greetings!

The SAL will be hosting a BBQ on May 27th at 3 pm. This event is free to all members. What a great way to catch up with your Post Family before the busy summer is upon us!

Our Adjutant, young Will Price will be going off to Annapolis soon and we are in need of his replacement. If anyone is interested in stepping up for the position of Adjutant please come to the May 1st meeting!!

We are currently raffling a "Sit on Top" Kayak with paddle, built in rod holders and life jacket. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10 and can be obtained at the bar. The drawing will be held at the BBQ on May 27th along with a 50/50 raffle.

We made a \$200 donation to Belfast Post 43 to help with expenses on replacing their furnace.

Our next meeting is May 1st at 5 pm. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN TIME THAT WE ARE MEETING!! Hope to see many of you there!

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Graves, SAL Commander John Bryant, Chairman of SAL

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US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings from NCB 39 Battalion.

During the April drill our unit provided color guard for the Commander of the retirement ceremony for the Commander of the Legion.

On Sunday morning, we held classes covering the ASVAB. Several of the cadets have expressed an interest in joining the military, but struggle with testing. We are teaching them how to read the question and understand how to find the answer.

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





CAN YOU SPARE A COUPLE OF HOURS TO HELP OUT IN THE KITCHEN DURING BINGO ON SUNDAYS?

Please remember that the profits from the kitchen during Bingo are our only **consistent** income that gets our monthly bills paid! Please consider donating some time. FMI - contact Tammy Giguere - 399-4948 OR Harriet Bryant - 635-2051. Also check the calendar in the kitchen and write your name on the Sunday you can volunteer.

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