



American Legion Post 39 Family Newsletter 2024



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Commander's Corner

Greetings American Legion Family,

I hope everyone had a great 4th of July. The month has been fun but zipped by us way too fast. We are in August and looking forward to the start of the State Fair.

The Executive Board Meeting will be on the 8th of August at 6 pm, followed by the General Membership Meeting at 6:30 pm.

The VA Hospital Visitation is August 18th at 1 pm but come at 12:30 pm to sign in. We could use more participation from the Post. Don Gilbert and I were the only Post 39 members at the last visitation. All Post 39 Family members going to the VA Visitation will receive a card to "Buy 1 Bar Drink Get 1 Free."

The Brat and Corn feed is on August 24th from 11 am to 4 pm. Volunteers are needed from 7 am to the 4 pm closing, a sign-up sheet will be in the bar area.

The Department of Minnesota Convention was held in Willmar Minnesota from July 10th to July 13th. The next four conventions will be in Willmar.

Post 39 delegates to the Convention were: Mickey Ostrum, Glen Richardson, Thomas Pickar, and the Post Commander.

New Department Commander - Dr. Carl Moon-

New Department Vice Commander (1of 5) –

Joe Janssen

New National Delegate at Large – Mike Ash

Mickey Ostrum received an award for

Membership.

Resolutions Passed:

Assessing the Effects of Anthrax

Vaccinations on Veterans - (To National)

Female Wearing of the American

Legion Cap Exceptions - (To National, remove exceptions)

National Convention Delegate

Allotment – (To National)

VA Pension Program -To National)

Provide a Minimum Compensable Rating for Veterans with Service-Connected Hearing Loss Requiring Hearing Aids - (To National)

Membership Annual Dues Increase – (Department of Minnesota)

Retroactive Payments for Delayed VA Claims – (To National)

Advocating for the Increase of Specially Adapted Housing (SAH) and Special Housing Adaptation (SHA) Grant Rates for Veterans – (To National)

A bit of Drama occurred when several resolutions were removed for an improper procedure. They were sent to the Department Convention without Post or District approval.

Thank You. God Bless You and God Bless the United States of America.

Rick Hall
Post 39 Commander

President's Corner

August is the National Convention, Workshop, and President's Parley Month!

Whew! That is a lot to squeeze into a month. But that shows that Auxiliary Business keeps going in the summer months even if we don't have meetings!

The National Convention is in New Orleans this year! I am sure they will have a blast while sharing the year's business and welcoming the new leadership.

Here are some events that we can all participate in.
August 24th from 11-4 **Corn and Brat feed.** Please come early to chuck corn and help set up and clean up when it is over! That is where all the fun happens!

Thursday, Sept 12 at 6:30 pm **First Auxiliary meeting of the year**

November 3rd Holiday Boutique

December 15th Legion Family Kids Holiday Party

Sunday, February 23 the Mid-Winter Market

Saturday, March 22 Our **Special dinner fundraising event**

Always, always look for those opportunities to gain new members! I am looking forward to seeing you all soon!
Be safe! Be kind!

Jenny Nelson Auxiliary Unit 39 President

Thoughts from a New Member...

I see you at the meetings,
but you never say hello.
You're busy all the time you're there
with those you really know.

I sit among the members,
yet I'm a lonely gal.
The new ones feel as strange as I;
the old ones pass us by.

***it, you folks urged us to join
and talked of fellowship,
You could just cross the room, you know,
but you never make the trip.

Can't you just nod your head and smile
or stop and shake a hand,
get over your mom's good intentions,
then sit among your friends?

Now that I understand
I'll be at your next meeting,
and hope that you will spend
the time to introduce yourself,
I joined to be your friend.

From the book "Fine Art of Small Talk" – Steve Bab

Bar & Hall

I know that many of you are lamenting the heat, humidity, and rainfall. Will we remember this next January?

Our annual "Brat & Corn Feed" is scheduled for Saturday, August 24th, 2024. We have a volunteer sign-up sheet behind the bar and flyers in the bar area and it is also posted on the Legion web page, www.americanlegionnorthstpaul.com, and our FB page. So, add this event to your calendar and invite friends and family members. As with previous years, we will offer grilled brats, hot dogs, kielbasa, sweet corn, chips, and accompanying condiments. We will be serving from 11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M., or until gone.

We will continue to have a band on the patio every Friday evening, beginning at 6:00 P.M., weather permitting. Stop by for an enjoyable evening.

We hope that those of you who have been on vacation had a safe and fun time. For those of you who may be in the last-minute planning process, why not stop in for a beverage and a bite to eat and chat with friends? As always, our full menu is available with daily specials for lunch, 11:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M. and dinner - 4:00 - 7:00 P.M., M – F. Also, don't forget that our kitchen is open on Saturdays - 11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Also, with a full menu.

May you all enjoy a safe summer!
"GOD BLESS OUR COUNTRY"!

Archie Vickerman
Bar & Hall Board Chairman

Recurring Events

Tue.	5:30 p.m.	Gift Card Raffles
	6:00 p.m.	Progressive Bingo
Wed.	5:00 p.m.	Gift Card Raffle
	7:00 p.m.	Hump Day Raffle
Fri.	4:00 p.m.	Meat Raffle
	8:00 p.m.	Lucky Buck
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Progressive Bingo
	4:00 p.m.	Gift Card Raffles
Sun.		Sunday-Funday Raffle

sessions each week. Tuesday's session starts at 6 p.m.; on Saturdays, we start at 4 p.m. We have 10 games 3 each session, with the last one being a \$1,000 coverall, with a \$200 consolation prize if bingo is not reached in the pre-determined number of balls.

I hope to see you at the Post soon.

Dan Bronk
Gambling Manager

General Membership Meeting

No meeting in July.

Sons of the American Legion-Squadron 39

Hello SAL Members,

Currently, we have 5 members who have paid their 2025 dues. Cards are available in the office, drop your dues in the box in the hall or mail them in.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Tom Nagel
tgnagel@gmail.com
Commander, SAL Squadron 39

Post 39 Finance Report

Investments:	\$78,729.97
CD:	\$52,270.67
CD:	\$30,783.98
Savings:	\$21,463.52
Post Checking:	\$51,884.92
Maintenance Checking	\$10,517.99
Maintenance CD:	\$13,405.58

Gambling Manager Report

Actual Expenses for May 2024

Gross receipts	\$ 447,965.27
Prizes paid	<u>\$ 379,525.80</u>
Net Receipts	\$ 68,439.47
Electronic Receipts	\$ 21,460.70
Allowable expenses	\$ 32,768.78
Combined receipts tax	\$ 18,783.61

Good day, my fellow Legionnaires. We have three cash raffles weekly here at Post 39.

Wednesday is a \$5.00 raffle ticket (200 tickets) "Hump Day" which pays out \$700.00.

Friday is a \$1.00 raffle ticket (800 tickets) "Lucky Buck" which pays out \$500.00.

Sunday is a \$5.00 raffle ticket (400 tickets) "Sunday-Funday" which pays out \$700.00.

We have 4 \$1 boxes, 3 \$2 boxes, a \$5 box, and 12 Etabs with Booty Bingo. Don't forget we have two bingo

Brothers and Sisters, Post Finances are performing well. I want to comment on the recent Department Convention which Rick Hall, Mickey Ostrum, Tom Pickar, and I attended. Rick, Tom, and I were first-timers, and the process was an educational experience for all of us. I would encourage others to try and attend as a delegate when future opportunities arise, you will learn more about your Legion and what we do locally and nationally.

Glen Richardson
Finance Officer

New Members – SAL 39

Jeffery A. Fjelstad

New Members – Auxiliary 39

Janet E. Peterson

2024 Legion Family Membership Cards

The 2025 Legion cards are in, National American Legion & Department of Minnesota have raised their dues so dues for American Legion Post 39 will be \$50.00 this year.

The SAL 2025 cards are in, and the dues are still \$20.00.

The Auxiliary 39 cards are in, and their cost is still \$40.00.

Mailing of Newsletters

If you want to receive your Post 39 Newsletter by mail, please send \$5.00 to Post 39. If you are unsure whether you paid, call me at 651-777-3708 ext. 207 and I will call you back and let you know if you paid. This covers mailing the newsletter to you from July 2024 through June 2025. The newsletter is available by email, on our website, or can be picked up at Post 39.

Riders' Corner

Hello Legion Members,

The Monthly Legion Riders' meeting was held on July 11th, 2024, with 13 members participating.

The 12th Annual Christmas in July Motorcycle Ride was held on July 13th departing from and hosted by the North Branch Legion Riders (Post 85). The North St. Paul Legion (Post 39) Riders made a \$200 donation in support of our military families. Our Rider, Don Schminkey attended the event and covered 148 miles on the ride. We had a major rainstorm in the cities that day preventing our Riders from getting to North Branch. Luckily, the weather was better up North for an enjoyable and successful event.

Don shared a photo during the registration -



Don and fellow Veterans gathering at Post 85 for their annual Christmas July fundraiser -



Upcoming Rider Events –

Ride for our Heroes –

Date: Saturday, August 31, 2024

Time: 9 AM – 10:30 AM (Registration), 11 AM (Kickstands Up)

Location: New Richmond VFW, 1245 Wall Street, New Richmond, WI 54017

North St. Paul Fall Round-Up Parade –

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

Time: 6 – 8 PM

Location: North St. Paul

The next Riders' Meeting will be held on August 8, 2024, at 5:30 PM. Hope to see you then!

Cindy McGee

Riders (Post 39) Secretary

Calendar of Events

August 2024

Sun.	4 th	Club 39 10 th Annual Golf Tournament	9:00 a.m.
Wed.	7 th	SAL 4 th District Meeting – North St. Paul	6:30 p.m.
Thurs.	8 th	Legion 39 Riders Meeting	5:30 p.m.
		Legion 39 Executive Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
		Legion 39 General Membership Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Wed.	13 th	RCCC –	7:00 p.m.
Thurs.	15 th	Post 39 Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Sat.	17 th	Band -Crossfire	7:30 p.m.
Tues.	20 th	Post Home	11:30 a.m.
Sat.	24 th	Brat & Corn Feed	10:00 a.m.
Wed.	28 th	Bar & Hall Board Meeting	10:00 a.m.

September 2024

Wed.	11 th	RCCC –	7:00 p.m.
Thurs.	12 th	Legion 39 Riders Meeting	5:30 p.m.
		Legion 39 Executive Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
		Legion 39 General Membership Meeting	6:30 p.m.
		Auxiliary 39 General Membership Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	14 th	Band on Patio –	6:00 p.m.
Mon.	16 th	SAL 39 Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Tues.	18 th	Post Home	11:30 a.m.
Thurs.	19 th	Post 39 Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	25 th	Bar & Hall Board Meeting	10:00 a.m.

October 2024

Wed.	2 nd	SAL 4 th District Meeting –	6:30 p.m.
Wed.	9 th	RCCC – North	7:00 p.m.
Thurs.	10 th	Legion 39 Riders Meeting	5:30 p.m.
		Legion 39 Executive Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.
		Legion 39 General Membership Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Tues.	15 th	Post Home	11:30 a.m.
Thurs.	17 th	Post 39 Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	23 rd	Bar & Hall Board Meeting	10:00 a.m.



THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Name _____
First Initial Last Date of Birth

Address _____
Street City State ZIP

Male Female

Membership ID# former member _____ Post # _____ Phone # _____ Email _____ Gender _____

Please check war era and branch of service below:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Global War on Terror | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Space Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWII | <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (WWII only) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts | |

I certify that I have served federal active duty in the United States Armed Forces since December 7, 1941, and have been honorably discharged or I am still serving.

Signed by applicant _____ Date _____ Name of recruiter _____

If you are a new member, send this completed application with annual dues to The American Legion, Attn: Membership, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206 (check www.legion.org/join for dues amount), or take it to a local post. To locate a post near you, click on "Find a Post" at legion.org.

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DUES RECEIPT (please print)

_____ Date _____
 Received from _____
 \$ _____ for 20____ dues
 Recruiter's name _____
 Recruiter's signature _____
 Recruiter's phone # _____



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date _____

Detachment of _____ Squadron No. _____ Birth date _____

Name _____ Recruited by _____
First Initial Last Initial Last

Address _____
Street City State ZIP Phone

Veteran through whom eligibility is established _____

(a) Above is a member in good standing of Post No. _____ Department of _____

OR (b) Above is a deceased veteran who served honorably from _____ to _____

(c) Relationship of applicant to veteran _____

Has applicant previously been a member of the SAL? _____ Where? _____

I hereby subscribe to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion and apply for membership.

Email _____ Transmit \$ _____ for 20____ annual membership dues

Signed by applicant (or legal guardian if under 18) _____ Eligibility certified by _____

Mail completed application to Sons of The American Legion department/state headquarters. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. For current detachment address, go to The American Legion department/state headquarters, or visit legion.org.

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DUES RECEIPT (please print)

_____ Date _____
 Received from _____
 \$ _____ for 20____ dues
 Squadron No. _____
 Department of _____



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email _____ Unit # and Location (if known) _____

_____/_____/_____
Date of Birth (Required) Birth - 17 18 and older

Have you been a member previously? Yes No (If yes, fill in below, if known.)

Previous Unit City/State _____ ALA ID# _____

Signature of Applicant (or legal guardian if under 18) _____ Date _____

Submit this application to the ALA unit you wish to join. If unit is unknown, contact National Headquarters at (317) 569-4500 for assistance. Annual dues must accompany completed application. Ask local contact for amount due. **Membership pending approval of application.**

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Eligible Through—Name of Veteran (Female Veterans: List Your Own Name)

If Living: American Legion Member ID # (Required) _____ Post # _____ City _____ State _____

Deceased (If veteran is deceased, contact ALA unit about the necessary military records.)

Veteran served: (check all that apply)

WWII (4/6/1917-11/11/1918)

Anytime After 12/7/1941 (check all that apply):

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Global War on Terror | <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada | <input type="checkbox"/> WWII |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War | <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama | <input type="checkbox"/> Korea | |

Applicant's relationship to the veteran:

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Male Spouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Female Spouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grandmother | <input type="checkbox"/> Sister | <input type="checkbox"/> Self |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter | <input type="checkbox"/> Granddaughter | |

To Be Completed By The American Legion Post Adjutant/Officer

I certify that the above named individual served at least one day of active duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or is still serving honorably.

Post Adjutant/Officer Membership Verification _____ Date _____

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DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

_____ Date _____
 Received From _____
 \$ _____ for 20____ dues
 Recruiter's Name _____
 Recruiter's Signature _____
 Recruiter's Phone # _____