



# American Legion Post 39 Newsletter August 2020



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## Commander's Corner

Hello Legion Members,

I hope to find all our members in good health.

It is now time to renew your Legion memberships for 2021, so renewal slips are coming in the mail.

Since my last letter, as you already know, we have experienced our first month of practicing social distancing and safety with masks at Post 39. It may be uncomfortable, but it is for our own safety. We can see what has happened to some of the states that have not abided by these simple rules. We must stay safe and protect other veterans and those in our community that we come in contact with.

Our Legion post is now open to some of our other activities. Our first car show in the parking lot is (was) Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. This will continue every other Sunday if all goes well.

Our upcoming Corn Feed is on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Please spread the word, as you know it has been a great success in the past.

Bingo has also started up again. It is on Tuesdays, and begins at 6:30pm (bar time, so come 10-15 minutes earlier). Stop in and play a game or two.

At these events, at our American Legion post, and at future events we will conform to our governor's wishes to be safe. Distancing is important. We all need to be aware of what happens in the states that do not practice safety—they have seen big spikes in COVID cases.

Now, as Minnesota heats up, come on into our fresh new bar. Also, we will stay cool this summer with our new unit up top side, pumping nice cool air. I hope to see you soon.

Your Commander,

Harry Johnson

## Auxiliary President's Corner

Greetings! It is so good to be able to reach out to everyone!

I am happy to announce that we will be delivering approximately 5 Move in Boxes to MACV sometime next week. Most everyone who responded to my email said yes! Way to go, team! And thank you to a couple of you who donated some items in addition to the funds we have allocated to this cause. Hopefully, we will have some funds left to do a few more boxes after we see where we are at financially.

Thank you for remembering why the American Legion Unit 39 Auxiliary exists! Even in the rocky times we are in, we have still found a way to help our homeless veterans who are in need even though we don't meet face to face. We have a purpose and the team to make it happen. It really is a no brainer! Thank you!

We have Officers in place. Thank you to the following people who have stepped up. We can still use a Sgt-a- Arms and a Historian. Let me know if you are interested.

**When a Legion 39 member passes, there is no cost for the Honor Guard to attend the member's service**

**ANYTIME A MEMBER HAS AN ADDRESS CHANGE, PLEASE NOTIFY THE LEGION OFFICE**

President: Jenny Nelson, 1st Vice: Mary French, 2nd Vice: Betty Kaiser, Secretary: Noreen Ostrum, Treasurer: Dianne Bultman, Executive Board: Laurie Burns and Noreen Ostrum, Membership: Tammy Ryan, Chaplain: Mary Ann Davis.

Until next time...Stay safe and please reach out to our Veterans!

MACV and their Lennar partners are moving very quickly on the completion of the MACV North St. Paul home that we talked so much about last year. The house is kitty corner from the Veterans Memorial. The ribbon cutting ceremony is planned for August 15<sup>th</sup>.

Jenny Nelson  
Auxiliary President  
Unit 39

## Legion 39 Baseball.



Cole Hutchens, Bill Gardner, Tom Kelly Jr., and Tom Kelly Sr

On Saturday, July 11, Tom Kelly Jr. presented a check for \$2000.00 from Bell Bank to The American Legion 39 baseball team. The Minnesota Twins donated some items for a raffle to raise more funds.



## From the Bar Board

Another month has gone by and we hope you are all safe and healthy. This continues to be a trying time, but at least we seem to be moving forward, albeit with small steps.

We reopened on June 10th with spaced and limited seating. On July 6th the kitchen returned to normal hours of lunch 11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. and dinner 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M., Monday - Friday. We have established a "Covid 19" menu, which is a limited menu offering. WHEN and IF business returns to normal, we will revert back to the full menu. We will continue to have weekly lunch specials.

Weather permitting, we are going to have a "Meet & Greet" Classic Car show starting on July 26, 2020, from noon till 4:00 P.M. We are planning on having the car show every other Sunday on the following dates:

July 26, August 9 & 23, September 6 & 20, and October 4 & 18, 2020.

For those of you who have classic show cars, bring your "sweet ride" to the Legion parking lot and show it off. Gates will open at 11:00 A.M. for participants. For those of us who do not have a show car, why not stop in, take a look at the rides, and enjoy a beverage of your choice. Our hope is that this will allow you to get out and about, while maintaining a safe distance from others and have a little enjoyment at the same time.

Inasmuch as our staff would love to see you at "YOUR AMERICAN LEGION CLUB 39", we understand and respect anyone's decision to stay home as much as possible. Remember, you and your families always "come first"!

We pray that you will continue to be safe and healthy.  
GOD BLESS!

Archie Vickerman  
Bar & Hall Board Chairman



## Blood Drive August 10 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Due to the pandemic there is a real shortage of blood. Please if you can come on out and donate. This is being done in the hall and proper protocol is being used. Please have a face mask to wear.



### NEW & TRANSFERRED MEMBERS

#### LEGION

Carl R. Hurtgen  
Thurston B. Trumbower

#### SAL

Mason L. Metcalf

### Lost & Found

Did you misplace your American Legion Uniform Cap? Someone did. We had one turned into the office. Stop by the office to identify and claim it.



### DECEASED POST MEMBERS

Louis A. Haak  
Loren B. Nielson  
Marshall R. Swenson  
Harry F. Voss



### SAL 39

At our meeting on July 20, we wrote donation checks for NSP Food Shelf \$500.00, Legion Riders Legacy Foundation \$250.00, and Armed Forces Service Center \$250.00.

We need better attendance at our meetings to plan fundraisers. Our next meeting is on Monday, September 21.

Please pay your dues as soon as you can. The 2021 Membership Cards are in now.

Mickey Ostrum  
SAL 39 Commander

## BRAT N' CORN



## FEED

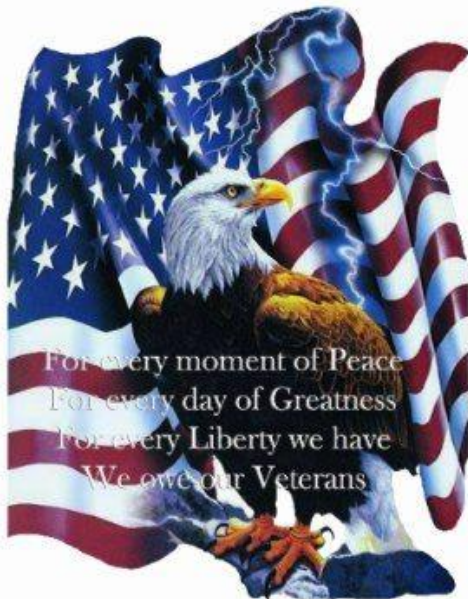


**DATE:** September 19, 2020  
**TIME:** 11:00 to 4:00 or until gone  
**PLACE:** No. St. Paul American Legion,  
Post #39, 2678 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Brat, Corn & Chips \$6.00  
Hot Dog, Corn & Chips \$6.00  
Extras: Brat - \$4.00, Hot Dog - \$4.00  
Corn - \$1.00, Chips - \$1.00

Proceeds help the American Legion donate to the following programs and more:

- Veteran's Rest Camp on Big Marine Lake
- American Legion Baseball
- Local Schools
- 5 Scholarships
- North St. Paul Food Shelf



## *Classic Car Sundays*



at American Legion Post 39,  
North St. Paul

*Noon to 4 p.m.*

**July 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**August 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**September 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**October 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Bring your car up & show it off,  
or  
just stop on by & look at the cars*

August 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 5:30 PM Gift Card Raffle 6:30 PM Progressive Bingo	5	6	7 5:00 PM Gift Card Raffle 8:00 PM Lucky Buck	8
9 12:00 PM Classic Car Sunday	10	11 5:30 PM Gift Card Raffle 6:30 PM Progressive Bingo	12	13 6:00 PM Legion Riders 6:30 PM Executive ... 7:00 PM General ...	14 5:00 PM Gift Card Raffle 8:00 PM Lucky Buck	15
16	17	18 5:30 PM Gift Card Raffle 6:30 PM Progressive Bingo	19	20 6:30 PM Executive Board Meeting 6:00 PM Honor Guard Meeting	21 5:00 PM Gift Card Raffle 8:00 PM Lucky Buck	22
23 12:00 PM Classic Car Sunday	24	25 5:30 PM Gift Card Raffle 6:30 PM Progressive Bingo	26	27	28 5:00 PM Gift Card Raffle 8:00 PM Lucky Buck	29
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### Post Officers

Commander	Harry Johnson	651-777-8098
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Dan Bronk	651-283-6879
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Larry Ryan	651-428-2026
Adjutant	Mickey Ostrum	651-647-1834
Finance Officer	Lori Ahlness	651-492-7277
SAL	Tom Burns	651-235-2702
Sergeant-at-Arms	Glen Wichelmann	651-777-9730
Honor Guard & Drill Team	Randy Bastyr	651-775-0390
Gambling Manager	Eric Ahlness	651-492-7277
Americanism	Jim Winter	651-770-0663
Service Officer	Tom Burns	651-235-2702
V.A. Hospital Visitation	Rick Hall	651-332-4111
Blood Donor Program	Mark Maurer	651-777-2617
Membership	Dan Bronk	651-283-6879
Baseball Manager	Dan Bronk	651-283-6879
Public Relations	Ken Giannini	651-354-0064
Special Activities Director	Ken Giannini	651-354-0064
Judge Advocate	Roger Ball	651-777-1803
Chaplain	Tom Burns	651-235-2702
Executive Board	Rick Hall	651-332-4111
Executive Board	Bron Fike	651-774-8512
Executive Board	Don Gilbert	612-224-5639
Past Commander	Tom Burns	651-235-2702

### ALR Officers

President	Steve Henderickson	651-500-3476
Vice President	Harry Johnson	651-777-8098
Secretary	Greg Anderson	651-731-9490
Treasurer	Dave Christiansen	651-247-2257
Sgt-at-Arms	Dean Rockney	612-730-1658
Advisor	Tom Burns	651-235-2702

### Auxiliary Officers

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Chaplain	Mary Ann Davis	651-690-3272
Sgt-at-Arms		
Secretary	Noreen Ostrum	651-647-1834
Executive Board	Laurie Burns	
	Noreen Ostrum	651-647-1834

### SAL Officers

Commander	Mickey Ostrum	651-647-1834
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Adjutant	Paul Flaherty	651-248-4646
Chaplain	Dan Fike	651-387-5419
Advisor	Tom Burns	651-235-2702

### Bar & Hall Corporation

Chairman	Archie Vickerman	651-770-0010
Secretary/Treasurer	Greg Anderson	651-274-9025
Board Member	Ken Giannini	651-354-0064
Board Member	Jim Winter	651-373-3626
Board Member	Bird Partridge	651-770-5738