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Our Motto: “Supporting our Troops, Past and Present”

“Snow Birds” please send in your winter address or email address.

Anytime a member has an address change, please notify the the Legion office.

COMMANDERS CORNER

Well, another Legion year is coming to an end. You have elected your officers for the new year, and they will be installed at the June meeting. I want to thank those that have stepped up and run for office for the first time, and those progressing through the levels. My job is to mentor our new 1st Vice Commander, Dan Bronk, to be ready to be the Commander next year. Other officers will do the same, teaching the new officers the ropes.

I want to take a moment to thank Eric Ahlness, a member of the Post Executive Board. He was instrumental in organizing an email barrage to members of the State House and Senate regarding exempting military pay from State tax. Minnesota was one of a dozen states that still taxed military retirement. He also used his contacts through the Business Network through his position with Cargill, lobbying large companies to support our efforts. His efforts paid off. The legislature included a provision in the Supplemental Appropriations bill to exempt all military retirement from State tax and it passed. We are awaiting the Governor to sign the bill, and it is expected that he will. On behalf of all the military retirees in Minnesota, THANK YOU, Eric!

Upcoming events are the 4th District Convention on June 4th, the Department Convention in July, and mark your calendars for the annual Post 39 Family Picnic on August 20th. Location will be posted at the Post home and on the Facebook page.

Please continue to recruit, renew and retain our members. Each member is one more voice heard in the state and federal governments, fighting for our benefits.

Have a Great Summer!

Commander Larry

**CHAPLAIN'S
CORNER**

Wes Buttz

**No General Membership meeting and
No Legion newsletter in the month of July.**

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

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General Membership Meeting May 6, 2016

- Actual gambling expenses for April 2016 were \$20,365.06
 Pre-approved gambling expenses for June 2016 are \$24,500.00
1. Up to \$1900.00 to purchase jackets for Post 39 Honor Guard.
 2. To change Hospital Visitation stipend from \$200 per month to paying mileage at 45 cents per mile.

Executive Board Meeting April 20, 2016

- Recommendation for the June Executive Board meeting.
1. \$1000.00 to the Ted Bearth Memorial.
 2. Provide a U.S. Flag to Summerhill of Maplewood.
 3. \$200.00 to Minnesota National Guard Youth Camp.
 4. \$48.00 to purchase Ad in Lillie News for Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day.
 5. Accrue a Webpage from National American Legion.

Members and Friends,

The Sons of The American Legion Squadron wish to thank all the guests that attended the Silver Plate Dinner on April, 16 at the Post #39 Legion. A great time was had by all again for many good causes. This event raised just shy of \$5,000 and will be used for the SAL 2016 Legion, community, and veteran donation plans. We sincerely thank you all for your donations and attendance. The following organizations will benefit from this great fund raising event.

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| <i>NSP Food Shelf</i> | <i>Legion Legacy Foundation</i> |
| <i>NSP Legion Baseball Team</i> | <i>North High Senior Party</i> |
| <i>Legionville Patrol Camp</i> | <i>Troops for Trades</i> |
| <i>NSP Silver Lake Splash</i> | <i>Armed Forces Service Center</i> |
| <i>Legion Boys State</i> | <i>Shop, Ship and Share Packages</i> |
| <i>Legion Girls State</i> | <i>Legion Vets Camp Improvements</i> |
- Ted Bearth Memorial Ball Field*
 Paul Flaherty
 Squadron Commander
 The Sons of The American Legion, Post #39

Hi Ladies,

I think we had a very successful year. This is all because of all of you and all the time you have helped with Legion and Auxiliary functions or volunteered in the community, in the schools and in the Nursing homes. Thank you, because these things could not be have been accomplished without all of you to "Help serve those who have served."

This year has come to an end, but we are in the planning process for the new year.

The officers for the 2016-2017 year are President, Sally Strasser; 1st Vice President and Sgt. at Arms, Mary French; 2nd Vice President, Betty Kaiser; Treasurer, Diane Ryan; and the executive committee members are Noreen Ostrum and Jenny Nelson.

Plans for fund raisers are scheduled for the upcoming year. New members are always welcome. Please bring a friend with a senior or a junior member. Juniors are always welcome at the meetings. Junior Fun Weekend will be taking place August 5-7. The cost is \$20.00 per person, but it is a great time for juniors to meet other juniors from around the state. If there are any juniors interested in going, please let me know.

Hope to see you all at the September meeting.

Department convention is July 21-23 in Rochester.

There is something at the Post for everyone. All are welcome.

God Bless America,
 Sally Strasser
 President Unit 39

From Lori Ahlness ...

Veterans Campground on Big Marine Lake is hosting its annual Flag Day Program on Saturday, June 11, beginning at noon. Following the short program, with state Senator Karin Housley being the keynote speaker, there will be a potluck luncheon. Please bring a salad or dessert dish to share. Veterans Campground is located at 11300 180th St. N. in Marine on St Croix. This is a very popular event, with over 7,000 flags being retired.

North St. Paul American Legion Post 39

Check the Facebook page for current events and announcements.



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Legion Post 39

June 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 <i>40/8 Meeting 6:30 pm</i>	2	3 <i>Hall Booked</i>	4
					TAMARACK	
5 <i>Tietz Family Benefit noon-6 pm</i>	6 <i>Honor Guard Mtg 7 pm \$4 Burger Basket</i>	7 <i>NSPBA 11:30-1 pm Hall Booked Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Progressive Bingo 6:30 pm</i>	8	9 <i>General Membership Meeting 7 pm</i>	10	11
					SUGAR TREE	
12	13 <i>\$4 Burger Basket</i>	14 <i>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Progressive Bingo 6:30 pm</i>	15	16	17	18
					ARTISAN	
19 <i>Hall Booked</i>	20 <i>Shop, Ship and Share 6:30-8:30 pm \$4 Burger Basket</i>	21 <i>Post Home Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Progressive Bingo 6:30 pm</i>	22 <i>Bar Board Mtg 10:30 am</i>	23	24 <i>Hall Booked</i>	25
					FUGITIVES	
26 <i>Vendor Show</i>	27 <i>\$4 Burger Basket</i>	28 <i>Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Progressive Bingo 6:30 pm</i>	29	30		

BANDS IN JULY, 2016

July 8, 9 Authorities July 15, 16 Fugitives July 22, 23 Delcounts July 29, 30 Wax Tones

BAR & HALL

June is here and the summer races on. School is out, cabins are open, vacations are planned, and folks are hopefully anxiously awaiting a getaway with family and friends. Be safe on the roads and waterways and have an enjoyable month.

The beer of the month is Corona - \$3.75 and the drink of the month is a rail Gin & Tonic - \$2.75. These prices are in effect daily, except on Friday & Saturday nights from 8:00 PM till closing.

Our lunch and dinner menu offerings have changed, so join your family and friends for a cool beverage and good food.

Remember, the beer is always COLD and our staff enjoys seeing and serving you. Hope to see you soon!

Archie Vickerman
 Bar & Hall Board Chairman