



American Legion Post 39 Family Newsletter October 2024



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Commander's Corner

Greetings American Legion Family,

The weather this September was fantastic, and I hope it will continue into October.

Connie and I spent a few days in Lutsen with our daughter, grandson, son-in-law, and his family from Brazil. I don't speak Portuguese, but my cell phone has a translation app that works very well.

The last VA Hospital Visitation had six attending and three from Post 39. I would still like to see more Post 39 members attend.

There is an opening at the Post for a Historian and Americanism Officer. If you are interested, please call me.

Flu, RSV, Covid 19, and pneumococcal shots are available at the VA. Call the VA for an appointment. Walk-in Flu shots should be given at the Maplewood VA Clinic on Oct 3, until 3:30 pm.

We are looking for volunteers to assist the Riders and SAL in their effort to clean up graves at Evergreen Cemetery. The dates are Oct 2nd, 5 -7 pm, and Oct 7th, 5 - 7 pm.

Thank you all for making this a great American Legion Post.

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

Rick Hall
Post 39 Commander

President's Corner

October is Education & Constitution & Standing Rules Month. School is in session! Be mindful that the

students are out and about and always be careful around school buses and crosswalks!

EDUCATION: The purpose of our Education Program is to promote quality education for children—especially for military children—and adults.

Our Mission:

- To promote quality education for children, especially for military children, and adults
- To encourage schools to invite veterans to speak in their classrooms
- To provide scholarships for students who desire a college education
- To Support legislation that establishes new scholarship opportunities
- To support the Education program and scholarship opportunities of The American Legion.

We are actively seeking school supplies for our local schools. Feel free to donate and deliver it to any Auxiliary Member or bring it to a meeting. We will gather the supplies and deliver them in the next couple of months. We could also provide some loaded backpacks for those kids who need them. Keep in mind that some parents cannot afford to purchase a lot of items for their children. What a wonderful way to give back to our communities and families in need.

Why is **CONSTITUTION AND STANDING RULES** a part of the American Legion Auxiliary?

It structures the organization and keeps us moving in the same direction. Every department has its own Standing rules, but the Constitution stays the same. Everyone has a voice. Over the years, most things have remained, but when we move forward, adjustments are made in our Standing Rules to keep us united.

Every year our auxiliary revisits our standing rules. We update where needed to keep up to date with what we

need to be doing. Your voice matters when we make these decisions. We want to be proactive and focus on how we help our Veterans.

Here are our upcoming events

- Thur. Oct 10 Unit 39 Auxiliary General Meeting**
NSP 6:30PM
- Mon. Oct 14 C C Union Maplewood office.**
Pack welcome home bins 1-3 PM
- Wed. Oct 16 4th District Auxiliary Meeting**
WBLK 6:30 PM
- Thur. Oct 24-26 Fall Conference, River’s Edge**
Convention Center St Cloud
- Sun. Nov 3 Holiday Boutique NSP**
- Thur. Nov 7 Unit 39 Auxiliary Meeting**
NSP 6:30 PM
- Wed. Nov 20 4th District Auxiliary Mtg**
POTLUCK NSP 5:00 PM

We had a great turnout at our September meeting and accomplished a lot. At the next meeting, we will be initiating our new members! I am looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting on October 10 at 6:30 PM!

If you are interested in going to the Fall Conference, see the attached registration form.

Be safe and stay well!
Jenny Nelson Unit 39 President

2024 Fall Conference - Official Registration

Mail to: Minnesota American Legion Convention Corp.
P.O. Box 166 Princeton, MN 55371

Registration sliding fee:

Registration received by October 14: \$15

Registration at mnlegion.org: \$15 + \$2.85 service fee
(Online registration is available until noon on October 18)

Registration at the door: \$25

Only the pre-registered will receive a booklet.
Registration fees are for each person attending, except for Junior SAL and Junior Auxiliary members.

Please copy and send a separate form for each person attending. Everyone must pay the registration fee.

Checks only by mail; bank cards are accepted online.

Please indicate “Fall Conference” on the memo line.

Please make checks payable to:

Minnesota American Legion Convention Corp.

Conference dates:

October 25-26, 2024

Various committees meet on October 24.

Contact the hotel directly for your reservations:

Headquarters hotel:

Best Western Plus Kelly Inn, St. Cloud

320-253-0606

Nearby hotels:

Courtyard by Marriott, St. Cloud

320-654-1661

Grand Stay Residential Suites St. Cloud

320-251-5400

District	Post	Unit	Squadron
Name _____	_____		
Address _____			
City _____		State _____	
Zip _____			

Meals: Pre-purchased meals are available for \$15 each. The meals are breakfasts on Friday and Saturday and a lunch on Friday. Please indicate with your check which meals you desire. The deadline is October 11. Meals are available to purchase at mnlegion.org

Jenny Nelson
Unit 39 Auxiliary President

Bar & Hall

Summer is officially over, and we can only hope that we have a long fall season.

Usually, this time of the year folks are making preliminary plans for the upcoming hunting seasons. Is there a better place to strategize and make plans than YOUR American Legion Club 39? Please stop in for your favorite beverage, a meal, and enjoy a little friendship with our staff!

Matt continues to offer new “Chef’s Specials” every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Our Saturday hours are still 11:00 A.M – 7:00 P.M.

We will be hosting our 2nd annual “chili” cookoff again on October 20, 2024. Watch for specifics and additional information in the bar area. This event was a hit last year and we think it will be even bigger this year! So, if you are interested, start your experimenting and get ready to enter your chili entree!

We are planning on replacing the front bar beginning in October. We are currently finalizing the start date, permits, etc. We are hoping to have a temporary bar set up during the construction. There will be several steps that will take place as we need to remove the existing bar and install new plumbing and electrical service. These contractor coordinations can be a bit tricky and don't always follow the initial project schedule. We also realize that this project will be a challenge and a major disruption of our normal operation for a few days. So, in advance, we ask for your patience and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause while the work is taking place. However, we are also very confident that you will like and enjoy the end product and design.

May we continue to keep our VETERANS who are actively serving and those who have completed their service in our prayers always!

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

Sons of the American Legion-Squadron 39

Hello SAL Members,

The next SAL meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18 at 6:30 PM.

We will be working with the Riders on Wednesday, October 2, and Monday, October 7 from 5 PM to 7 PM at Evergreen Memorials Garden Cemetery (Hwy. 120 East County Line & Century College, White Bear Lake, MN 55110) to clean veteran gravestones. We are looking for volunteers to help trim some of these

gravestones. If you want to help with either of these dates, please let me know.

We are planning on using gas-powered weed whippers and gas-powered blowers to edge, trim, and blow off debris. We are looking to use this two-hour window and gas-powered tools to determine the timing and tools' effort that work the best.

Going forward, we can schedule more opportunities to clean up more gravesites. Our goal would be to have all the Evergreen Memorial Gardens gravesites cleaned up before Memorial weekend next year. Once Evergreen is completed, we will then take on the challenge of Lakeview Cemetery.

The Riders are hosting a pancake breakfast on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7 from 8 AM to Noon. They have presented the SAL members with the opportunity to work alongside them that day in putting on the event. If you want to help with this event, please let me know. This is an opportunity for us to get involved with a successful American Legion event.

If you haven't paid your dues yet, we are now accepting 2025 memberships and renewals. They are still only \$20.00.

The SAL meetings are currently held on the third Monday of every odd month at 6:30 PM. (Including January)

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

Gambling Manager Report

Actual Expenses for August 2024

Gross receipts	\$ 233,289.00
Prizes paid	<u>\$ 200,090.00</u>
Net Receipts	\$ 33,199.00
Electronic Receipts	\$ 145,099.00
Allowable expenses	\$ 44,689.97
Combined receipts tax	\$ 12,469.11

Good day, my fellow Legionnaires. We are now selling scoreboard tipboard tickets for each Viking game. This is \$5.00 and pays out \$50.00 for Quarters 1, 2, and 3, and \$75.00 for final if your ticket matches.

SAVE THE DATE!! November 23, 2024, is our Thanksgiving Day raffle. We will be raffling off 50 Turkeys and 50 Hams, so come early to get a seat!

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 sessions each week. Tuesday's session starts at 6 p.m., and 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 real soon.

Dan Bronk
Gambling Manager

General Membership Meeting

The following donation was approved at the September 12th General Membership Meeting.

1. \$500.00 to Vietnam Era Last Veterans Club.
2. \$500.00 to Eagle Group of Minnesota Veterans, Inc.
3. \$200.00 to Semper Fi Flo.
4. \$500.00 to Hunter's Harvest.
5. \$500.00 to Majestic Hills Ranch.
6. \$500.00 to Breanna's Gift.
7. \$500.00 to Family Fun Flatables.
8. \$500.00 to North Star Museum.

Post 39 Finance Report

Investments:	\$81,198.62
CD:	\$52,275.60
CD:	\$31,119.40

Savings:	\$21,464.07
Post Checking:	\$52,951.93
Maintenance Checking	\$10,447.99
Maintenance CD:	\$13,405.58

Brothers and Sisters,

It is hard to believe how quickly the year is passing, the last quarter is upon us. With that said I have finished the first draft of our 2025 budget, we also renewed the maintenance fund CD.

Glen Richardson
Finance Officer

New Members – SAL 39

Akuete Tossou

New Members – SAL 39

Jackson W. Bronk
Owen D. Bronk
Jeffery A. Fjelsted

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. These cover 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.

Blood Donor Report

The next Blood Drive will be held at North St Paul VFW on Monday, October 7, 2024, from 1 pm to 6 pm.

There is a blood shortage throughout our country. By donating, is one way you can help your community. Sign up on the Red Cross Website or contact Tammy at 651-770-1944.

Thank you.

Tammy Ryan, Auxiliary

Riders Corner

Hello Legion Members,

The Monthly Legion Riders' meeting was held on September 12th, 2024, with 17 members and 1 visitor participating.

11 Riders participated in the POW/MIA Remembrance Walk on September 26th, 2024, in North St. Paul. The Riders walked from the VFW Post 1350 to the Veterans Park where a Remembrance and Recognition program was held.

Alicia Moran, Cindy McGee, Dick France, Jodi France, Jake McGee, Bird Partridge, Jim Mueller, Tom Aguirre, Jim Green, Kristi Christiansen and Dave Christiansen participated -



POW/MIA Remembrance and Recognition Program -



POW/MIA Table Remembrance –



The Greeter Statue –



Upcoming Rider Events –

Evergreen Cemetery Gravesites Cleanup -

Dates: Wednesday, October 2, 2024, and Monday, October 7, 2024

Time: 5 – 7 PM

Location: Evergreen Cemetery, Hwy. 120 East County Line & Century College, White Bear Lake, MN 55110

Gas-powered weed whippers and blowers are needed. Volunteers with these tools are asked to bring them. Riders and SALs are teaming up on this effort.



Pearl Harbor Pancake Breakfast –

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024

Time: 8 AM – 12 PM

Location: North St. Paul Legion

Cost: Adults - \$10; Kids (to age 12) - \$6

A Pancake Breakfast



The next Riders’ Meeting will be held on October 10, 2024, at 5:30 PM. Hope to see you then!

Cindy McGee
Riders (Post 39 Secretary)



16th Annual Oakdale • Lake Elmo Area

VETERANS DAY

MILITARY CELEBRATION, PRAYER & BREAKFAST

Community Tribute to Leading with Trust

North St. Paul, Stillwater, Lakeland, Maplewood, Woodbury

Thursday, November 7, 2024
7:00-9:00am (seating at 6:45am)

Inwood Oaks in Oakdale
(Formerly Prom Center)
484 Inwood Avenue, Oakdale, Minnesota

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Dr. David Horsager



Dr. David Horsager is CEO of Trust Edge Leadership Institute, inventor of the Enterprise Trust Index, director of global study the Trust Outlook, Wall Street Journal bestselling author of four books, and senior fellow at Indiana Wesleyan University. He has advised leaders and shared his framework with organizations ranging from Delta Airlines, McDonald's, and FedEx to the New York Yankees, Walmart, MIT, and global governments.



North High Concert Chorale & Tartan High Choir
North High School Choir & Tartan High School Choir North Saint Paul & Oakdale



Mike Polchna
*Greetings - Stillwater
Deputy Mayor*



Marylee Abrams
*Greetings
Mayor - Maplewood*



Kevin Zabel
*Greetings
Mayor - Oakdale*



John Munge
*Greetings
Mayor - North St. Paul*



Charles Cadenhead
*Greetings
Mayor - Lake Elmo*



Anne Burr
*Greetings
Mayor - Woodbury*



Melody Johnson
*Professional Singer
and Music Instructor*



Paul Falger
*News Anchor
KSTP*



Russ Barrett
*SEVP
Founder of Maplewood, Cottage Grove, Oakdale, Lake Elmo & Woodbury Prayer Breakfasts*

Please bring items to support the food shelf!

MN Prayer Breakfast Network, Inc.

ALL AMERICAN BREAKFAST

Reservation & Sponsorship Form
Return by Friday November 1, 2024 with payment
Email OLEAprayerbreakfast@gmail.com for information

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Name of sponsor as will be listed in program: _____

YES! I would like to be a Corporate Sponsor:
\$300, \$500, \$750 \$_____ \$_____

(Circle One - help defray the huge costs associated with the breakfast.)
Multi Media display of your company logo

YES! I would like to purchase the following tickets:
Please send me _____ tickets at \$50 each (in advance) \$_____

Please reserve _____ tables of 8 at \$400/table \$_____

(Tickets will be \$60 each at the door) Total \$_____

*We do not accept credit cards

Complimentary ticket(s) for Veterans Only:
Please send me _____ specially designed veteran tickets.
Branch of Service: _____

Send check payable to: Oakdale/Lake Elmo Prayer Breakfast, P.O. Box 280272, 1175 Gershwin Avenue N., Oakdale, MN 55128
Checks must be enclosed with registration form. We will distribute tickets upon receipt of payment to enclosed address.

THE AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS
of Legion Post 39 North St. Paul

present

A Pancake Breakfast

DATE: **December 7, 2024**
TIME: **8 a.m. to 12 noon**
PLACE: **North St. Paul American Legion, Post 39, 2678 E. 7th Avenue**
Cost: **Adults - \$10; Kids (to age 12) - \$6**

Proceeds go to support Legion Riders’ causes including the Legacy Foundation scholarships, Veterans Rest Camp, and Hasting Veteran’s Home; as well as the North St. Paul Food Shelf

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Calendar of Events

October 2024

Wed.	2 nd	SAL 4 th District Meeting –	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	5 th	Cruising For Membership	11:30 a.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.
		Auxiliary 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.

November 2024

Sun.	3 rd	Holiday Boutique	11:00 a.m.
Mon.	11 th	Free SOS Lunch for Veterans	11:00 a.m.
Wed.	13 th	RCCC – North St. Paul Post 39	7:00 p.m.
Thurs.	14 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.
		Auxiliary 39 General Membership Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Mon.	18 th	SAL 39 Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Tues.	19 th	Post Home	11:30 a.m.
Wed.	20 th	4 th District Auxiliary Meeting – White Bear Lake	6:30 p.m.
Thurs.	21 st	Post 39 Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Sat.	23 rd	Thanksgiving Mega Meat Raffle	12:00 p.m.
Wed.	27 th	Bar & Hall Board Meeting	10:00 a.m.

December 2024

Sat.	7 th	Pancake Breakfast	
Wed.	11 th	SAL 4 th District Meeting – North St. Paul	6:30 p.m.
		RCCC – North St Paul Post 39	7:00 p.m.
Thurs.	12 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.
		Auxiliary 39 General Membership Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Sun.	15 th	Children’s Christmas Party	1:00 p.m.
Tues.	17 th	Post Home	11:30 a.m.
Wed.	18 th	Bar & Hall Board Meeting	10:00 a.m.
Thurs.	19 th	Post 39 Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 p.m.



Sunday funday, football, and Chili!

Join us for our 2nd Chili Cook Off!

Sunday October 20, 2024

Judging will begin at noon sharp so get your
chili here by 11:45

This year we will have 2 male and 2 female judges.

The public will get to determine a people's
choice award!

Bring in a chili! Eat chili! Do both!

Tickets are \$6.00

Prizes will be determined based on tickets sold.

Please label your chili as to its spice level and
make sure you get a number when you arrive.



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:

- Global War on Terror
- Gulf War
- Panama
- Lebanon/Grenada
- Vietnam
- Korea
- WWII
- Other Conflicts
- U.S. Army
- U.S. Navy
- U.S. Air Force
- U.S. Marines
- U.S. Space Force
- U.S. Coast Guard
- Merchant Marines (WWII only)

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

ELIGIBILITY 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.**

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)

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

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

- Global War on Terror
- Gulf War
- Panama
- Lebanon/Grenada
- Vietnam
- Korea
- WWII
- Other Conflicts

Applicant's relationship to the veteran:

- Male Spouse
- Grandmother
- Daughter
- Female Spouse
- Sister
- Granddaughter
- Mother
- Self

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 _____

ALA 05/2021

DUES RECEIPT (Please Print)

_____ Date

_____ Received From

\$ _____ for 20 _____ dues

_____ Recruiter's Name

_____ Recruiter's Signature

_____ Recruiter's Phone #