



American Legion
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Monthly Bulletin
 February 2016

Post 39 Officers

Legion	Auxiliary	SAL
Commander Alex Thornberry	President/Treasurer Annie Walters	Commander Rick Leider
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Chaplain Al Lamphere		
Sergeant-at-Arms Jeff Hopkins		

Executive Board

Jim Vidmar
 Mike Reisinger
 Al Lamphere
 Bruce Denning
 Open position

Bar Manager

Ron Lacroix

Judge Advocate

George Vahsholtz

Hours of operation: Saturday and Sunday – 1pm to closing
 Monday, Thursday, Friday – 2pm to closing
 Closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays



Post 39 News and Happenings

Commander's Corner

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

We are through the first month of 2016 and I sincerely hope the beginning of the New Year has been kind to everyone. January was not a busy month at the Post due to the time of the year and the inclement weather we had. I'm pleased to announce that February is shaping up to be much more eventful.

The Mumbo Jumbo Gumbo Cook-off and Carnival Parade fall on the 6th this year. The Post is planning to put out the grills and serving brats and dogs for a donation as a fundraiser again (weather permitting). The fundraiser we had for the Emma Crawford Coffin Races last year was a huge success so we are looking to go bigger this time around. We are not going to expand what we offer, just get more of it so we don't run out as quickly. Anyone who would like come down and support the event will be welcome. The more volunteers we have, the less running around we will all have to do. Info sheets are hanging in the Post.

The second event is the **Super Bowl** which happens to be the very next day. **The Post is going to put out hot dogs, condiments, and chili. Members who are planning on watching the game at the Post are encouraged to bring potluck style side dishes to augment the food the Post is supplying.** There is a sign up sheet hanging in the Social Quarters. There will be drink specials and probably some gaming going on so everyone is encouraged to make plans to watch the big game at the Post. There is information up in the Post on this event as well.

During the last Executive Board Meeting, it was discussed what we could do to make the Post more inviting for people to come to. It has been decided that we will offer food on different occasions. The specifics have not been worked out yet but multiple options have been discussed. Those options range from potlucks, hot dog or pizza nights, and going as far as pulling out the grills and doing full on cookouts. If anyone has suggestions on what they think would be best for the Post, please let them be known. The goal is to get more people to come enjoy what the Post has to offer and just maybe get a few more people involved.



Warm weather is right around the corner and I sincerely hope that all of our members, whichever branch of the Legion Family they are part of, take an active role in what happens at the Post this summer. I've said it many times. The Post is only going to be what we collectively make it. I hope everyone comes down, gets involved, and does their part to make the Post the best it can be.

For God and Country,

Alex Thornberry
Commander

- Longtime Legionnaire Jack Guynn passed away in Arizona on January 18. There will be a Memorial Celebration of Life for Jack at the Post on Saturday, Feb 13, from 1 to 5pm.
- Pat Yerke wishes to thank Post 39 for the Memorial and Celebration of Life for her departed husband, Ron Yerke.
- American Legion District 7 Officers will be attending our General Membership meeting on Feb 17 at 7:30pm. Your attendance would be greatly appreciated and would give our members the opportunity to give some feedback to our district American Legion leadership team.
- If you have not yet submitted your dues for 2016, please do so as soon as you can. The Post is counting on your support.
- Post 39 is looking for suggestions from Members to improve the appearance of the inside of the Post. Along those lines we are investigating replacing all of the barstools for the Post. Any suggestions or feedback for interior improvements, please contact a Post officer or use the Suggestion Box. We welcome your ideas for improving the Post.
- Post Officers are looking for more effective ways to communicate Post activities to a wider audience of members of the Legion, Auxiliary and SAL. Attendance at the Post has been declining in recent months and the continued support of all our members is crucial to the viability of the Post. If you know of someone who would like to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send a note to Vice Commander Tom Coca, (tecoca@msn.com), to have them added to the distribution list.
- The Post will be conducting a BBQ fundraiser for Veterans programs during the Mardi Gras Parade in Manitou Springs on Saturday, Feb 6, starting around 11am. Come on down! We'd love to have your assistance and/or support.



Auxiliary Angle

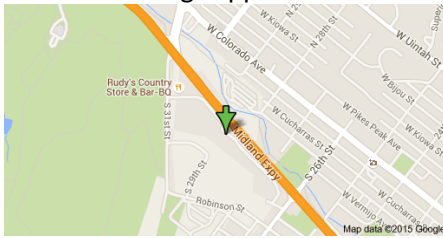
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SAL News

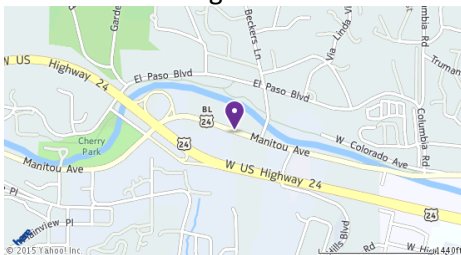
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Thank you to Anthony and Carolyn Jannuzzi, Onsite managers at A Better Self Storage – West for their continuing support of Post 39 by providing storage space for the Post.



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Manitou Flowers, a new floral shop just opened in Manitou Springs. April Broad, owner of Manitou Flowers is offering a 20% discount for to members of the Post 39 Legionnaires, Auxiliary and SAL.



Manitou Flowers
117 Manitou Ave. Unit 6
719 354-4464



Monthly Planner

February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Monday night poker 6:30pm	2 Post closed	3 Post closed	4 Thursday night poker	5 TGIF	6 Mardi Gras Parade 11am
7  SUPER BOWL Pot Luck 4pm GO BRONCOS!!	8 Monday night poker 6:30pm	9 E-board 6pm Post closed	10 Post closed	11 Thursday night poker	12 TGIF	13 Post opens 1pm Jack Guynn Memorial 1pm
14 Post opens 1pm	15  Presidents Day Monday night poker 6:30pm	16 Post closed	17  General membership 7:30pm Post closed	18 Thursday night poker	19 TGIF	20 Post opens 1pm
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