



American Legion
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Monthly Bulletin
 May 2015

Post 39 Officers

Legion	Auxiliary	SAL
Commander Alex Thornberry	President Annie Walters	Commander Rick Leider
1 st Vice Commander Tom Coca	Vice President Amanda Strzyzewski	1 st Vice Commander George Vahsholtz
2 nd Vice Commander Ron LaCroix	Secretary Rose Rozell	2 nd Vice Commander Bill Kine
Adjutant Sharon O'Donnell	Treasurer Mary Rebb	Adjutant Randy Walters
Finance Officer Mark Coakley	Chaplain Nancy Kowalski	Sergeant-at-Arms Terry Salsgiver
Chaplain Al Lamphere	Sergeant-at-arms/Historian Krystal Heun	
Sergeant-at-Arms Max Klingler		

Executive Board

Tom Rebb
 Bernie Frakes
 Mike Reisinger
 Mike Strzyzewski
 Rob McCandless

Bar Manager

Ron Lacroix



Hours of operation:

Saturday and Sunday – 1pm to closing

Monday, Friday – 2pm to closing

Thursday – 4pm to closing

Closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays



Post 39 News and Happenings

Commander's Corner

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

Another Legion year is upon us which means it is springtime. I for one, am looking forward to the summer months. I would like to start by thanking everyone who played a role in our recent elections. From our newly elected Officers and Board Members, to the Election Officials and every Member who cast a vote, I thank you for participating. We had a great turn out and I look forward to working with the new Leadership Team to help drive the Post to bigger and better things. We currently have a variety of excellent programs at the Post and I am hoping to expand on them this year. If anyone has suggestions on how we can improve anything, please let them be known. I am a firm believer that the Post is owned by the Membership and that we each have a say in what is going on. Let your voice be heard.

May is traditionally a busy month for the American Legion and this year appears to be shaping up that way again. At the Post level we will be accomplishing the Installation of Officers Ceremony during the General Membership meeting on the 20th. **We will also be meeting at the Post at 9am on the 23rd. There will be coffee and donuts served before we go to the cemetery for placement of flags on the Veteran's Graves.** I promise that I will learn from my past mistakes and I will not make a mess of again this year. It is a rewarding experience and I encourage everyone to come get involved.

There are a few other items on the summer calendar which I would like everyone to keep in mind. In June, we will be having a Dignified Disposal of Colors Ceremony at the Post on Flag Day, 14 June. Post leadership is also trying to get a BBQ together for the 4th of July. This event is still in the works but we are hoping to have a late afternoon/ evening event capped off with the fireworks show. There will be more to follow as this one evolves.

The Department of Colorado Convention will be held the 25th – 28th at the Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs In closing I would like to encourage all members to get involved with what the Post has going on. The more participation we have the better experience it will be for all.



District 7 Convention kicks off the events on the 3rd. It will be held at Post #38 in Security and begins at 1100. We will be electing District Officers along with some other business and every Post Member is invited to attend.

For God and Country,

Alex Thornberry

Commander

- Elections for Post 39 Officers and Executive Board for 2015 - 2016 were held at the General Membership meeting on April 15. Results of the election are as follows:
 - Commander – Alex Thornberry
 - 1st Vice Commander – Tom Coca
 - 2nd Vice Commander – Ron Lacroix
 - Adjutant – Sharon O’Donnell
 - Finance Officer – Mark Coakley
 - Chaplain – Al Lamphere
 - Sergeant-at-arms – Max Klingler
 - Martin Body – E-Board
 - Max Klingler – E-Board
- In accordance with Article V of the American Legion Eber Duclou Post 39’s Bylaws, I hereby appoint the following personnel to fill the Post’s Manager and Committee Chairperson slots for the 2015-2016 Legion year.
 - Bar Manager: Ron Lacroix
 - Games Manager: Mike Frye
 - Membership Committee: Ron Lacroix
 - Building Committee: Mike Reisinger
 - Entertainment Committee: Mike Strzyzewski
 - Social Media Committee: Max Klingler

Note from 1st Vice Commander Tom Coca

The Post is looking for suggestions and volunteers to commemorate **Armed Forces Day** on Saturday, May 16. Plans are also being formulated for a BBQ to celebrate **Memorial Day** on Monday, May 25. Your assistance is very much appreciated.



Auxiliary Angle

- Auxiliary membership meeting Wednesday, May 6, at 7pm.
- Results of the election held at the Auxiliary membership meeting on April 1 are as follows:
 - President: Annie Walters
 - VP/Treasurer: Amanda Strzyzewski
 - Secretary: Mary Rebb
 - Membership: Rose Rozell
 - Chaplain: Nancy Kowalski
 - Sgt-at-Arms: Sharon O'Donnell
- District President, Linda O'Riley, shares that the District 7 Convention is going to be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Post 38 in Security from 11-3 pm. Lunch will be served. Please come as we will be electing officers for 2015-2016. We have a new Unit (2008) so come meet them. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at convention.
- We are excited to report that we have 2 incredible young ladies going to Girls State this year. They are Sophia Kilroy from Manitou Springs High School and Miriam Herz from Cheyenne Mountain High School. These young ladies will be at our May 6th meeting if you'd like to stop by and meet them. Light refreshments will be served.



SAL News

- SAL meets at 11am on the first Saturday of the month.
- Officers for SAL Squadron 39 were re-elected and have agreed to serve again for 2015 - 2016
 - Commander – Rick Leider
 - 1st Vice Commander – George Vahsholtz
 - 2nd Vice Commander – Bill Kine
 - Adjutant – Randy Walters
 - Sergeant-at-Arms – Terry Salsgiver

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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Monthly Planner

May 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 TGIF	2  SAL meeting Post opens 1pm
3 Post opens 1pm	4 Monday night poker 6:30pm	5 E-board 6:00pm Cinco de Mayo	6  Auxiliary meeting 7pm	7 Thursday night poker	8  VE Day	9 Post opens 1pm
10  Mother's Day	11 Monday night poker 6:30pm	12 Post closed	13 Post closed	14 Thursday night poker	15 TGIF Peace Officer Memorial Day	16  Armed Forces Day Post opens 1pm
17 Post opens 1pm	18 Monday night poker 6:30pm	19 Post closed	20  General Membership Meeting 7:30pm	21 Thursday night poker	22 TGIF	23 Flag placement in cemetery Post opens 1pm
24 Post opens 1pm	25  Memorial Day	26 Post closed	27 Post closed	28 Thursday night poker	29 TGIF	30 Post opens
31 Post opens 1pm						