



American Legion
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Monthly Bulletin
 May 2016

Post 39 Officers

Legion	Auxiliary	SAL
Commander Alex Thornberry	President/Treasurer Annie Walters	Commander Rick Leider
1 st Vice Commander Tom Coca	Vice President/Membership Amanda Strzyzewski	1 st Vice Commander Bill Kine
2 nd Vice Commander Ron LaCroix	Secretary Mary Rebb	2 nd Vice Commander Tom Mullenau
Adjutant Sharon O'Donnell	Chaplain Nancy Kowalski	Adjutant Randy Walters
Finance Officer Mark Coakley	Sergeant-at-arms Sharon O'Donnell	Sergeant-at-Arms Terry Salsgiver
Chaplain Al Lamphere		
Sergeant-at-Arms Jeff Hopkins		

Executive Board

Jim Vidmar

Mike Reisinger

Al Lamphere

Bruce Denning

Mike Frye

Bar Manager

Ron Lacroix

Hours of operation: Saturday 1to10pm, Sunday 1pm to 8pm

Monday, Thursday, Friday – 2pm to 10pm

Closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays



Post 39 News and Happenings

Commander's Corner

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

It is with bittersweet thoughts that I write this, my last contribution to the monthly newsletter for this term as Post Commander. I think back of where the Post was two years ago and I can honestly say that it is better off now than it was when I was elected. This is not a reflection on myself but upon the hard work of all the members who selflessly volunteered their time and labor to push the Post in the direction we have brought it. We are fortunate to have the Post we have. The location of the Post home and the great group of active members truly make this a special one. It has been my honor to fulfil the duties of Post Commander and I can say with conviction that all decisions made were done so with the best interests of the Post at heart.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mike Frye on his election as the Post Commander. I would also like to thank, and congratulate, all the members elected to the other positions within the Post. We continue with a core group, who have been active in the management of the Post for some time, as well as some newer members stepping up to get involved. There are some excellent programs the Post has supported and I envision us going forward with some of those. I also see the opportunity to expand on what the Post has to offer, and from what I hear from the new administration, there are some exciting new ideas being looked into. The Post is, as always, in need of people to be involved. The more backing we get from the membership, the more programs and events the Post can support.

In conclusion, I want to extend my deepest thanks to everyone who backed me as Commander, or supported the Post during my two years in that position. It is the relationships that I have gained, as well as the memories of the good times that I take away from my time serving the Post. I look forward to continue being an active member in the American Legion and to maintain the strong friendships with my fellow Legionnaires. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Post Commander.

For God and Country,

Alex Thornberry

Commander



Post 39 Officer Elections for 2016/2017 were held and approved by acclamation at the April 20 General Membership meeting. Results listed below. Installation of Officers will take place at the General Membership meeting on May 18.

- **Commander** – Mike Frye
- **1st Vice Commander** – Sharon O'Donnell
- **2nd Vice Commander** – Open
- **Adjutant** – Tom Coca
- **Finance Officer** – Mark Coakley
- **Chaplain** – Al Lamphere
- **Sergeant-at-Arms** - Open
- **Executive Board**
 - Ron Lacroix
 - Alex Thornberry
 - Mike Reisinger

American Legion National Commander Dale Barnett will be in Colorado Springs to conduct his 'Walk for Veterans' campaign on Monday, May 23 at 2pm in the Garden of the Gods. Come walk with us. \$10 yellow tee shirts are for sale at the Post to commemorate the event. See the bartender to purchase one.

Post 39 will continue with the tradition of placing American flags on the Veterans graves in Crystal Park Cemetery on the Saturday before Memorial Day, May 28. Meet at the Post at 9am.



Auxiliary News

Urgent Message from the Auxiliary President:

The Auxiliary will have a meeting on Tuesday, May 10 at 6:00 pm at the Post to discuss the future of the Auxiliary. All current officer terms of office will be up as of the end of June. If no one fills these positions, we will need to pull our charter and there will no longer be an Auxiliary unit at this Post. All members are strongly encouraged to attend. Questions, please contact Annie at 649-8645.



SAL News

Squadron 39 will hold a membership meeting on Wednesday, May 11 at 7pm at the Post. As this is the first meeting in quite some time, all members are encouraged and urged to attend.

SAL Officers for 2016 – 2017 are:

- **Commander** – Rick Leider
- **1st Vice Commander** – Bill Kine
- **2nd Vice Commander** – Tom Mullenau
- **Adjutant/Finance Officer** – Randy Walters
- **Sergeant at Arms** – Terry Salsgiver

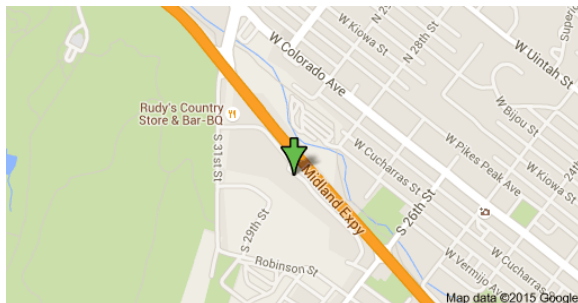
Tom Mullenau is new to the SAL board of Officers. We welcome his enthusiasm, ideas and willingness to help SAL Squadron 39 and the entire Legion Family.

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 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Post opens 1pm	2 Monday night poker 6:30pm	3 Post closed	4 Post closed	5 Thursday night poker	6 TGIF	7 Post opens 1pm
8 Mother's Day Post opens 1pm	9 Monday night poker 6:30pm	10  Auxiliary meeting 6pm	11  SAL meeting 7pm	12 Thursday night poker	13 TGIF	14 Post opens 1pm
15 Post opens 1pm Peace Officers Memorial Day	16 Monday night poker 6:30pm	17 Post closed	18  General Membership Meeting 7:30pm	19 Thursday night poker	20 TGIF	21 Armed Forces Day Post opens 1pm
22 Post opens 1pm	23 Walk for Veterans GoG 2pm Monday night poker 6:30pm	24 Post closed	25 Post closed	26 Thursday night poker	27 TGIF	28 Flags on Vets graves Post opens 1pm
29 Post opens 1pm	30  Memorial Day	31 Post closed				