



**American Legion
Eber Duclo Post 39
Manitou Springs CO 80829
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<http://ManitouSpringsPost39.org>

June 2017

Post 39 Officers

Legion	Auxiliary	SAL
Commander Mike Frye	President Jessi Weaver	Commander Tom Mullenau
1 st Vice Commander Bruce Denning	Vice President Open	1 st Vice Commander Bill Kine
2 nd Vice Commander Jeff Hopkins	Secretary Tricia Parish	2 nd Vice Commander Barry Sullivan
Adjutant Tom Coca	Treasurer Illa Quinn	Adjutant Tom Coca
Finance Officer Mark Coakley	Chaplain Nancy Kowalski	Sergeant-at-Arms Vacant
Chaplain Sharon O'Donnell	Membership Chairperson Clover Dillahunty	
Sergeant-at-Arms Brad Krug		

Executive Board

Jim Vidmar
Mike Reisinger
Alex Thornberry
Dolores Adams-Miller

Bar Manager

Dolores Adams-Miller

Hours of operation: Saturday and Sunday 1pm to close
Monday, Thursday, Friday – 2pm to 10pm. Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays.



Hello Fellow Legionnaires,

Thank you for the honor and privilege to continue to serve as your 2017-2018 Commander. I promise to do the best job possible to vindicate the trust bestowed in me. I am humbled and excited for the upcoming year and will build upon the foundation laid by my predecessors and the work we did last year.

On May 17, Past Commander Ron LaCroix conducted the Installation of Officers. Here is your 2017-2018 Post 39 Executive Committee:

Post Principle Officers

- Commander Mike Frye
- 1st Vice Commander Bruce Denning
- 2nd Vice Commander Jeff Hopkins
- Adjutant Tom Coca
- Finance Officer Mark Coakley

Executive Board

- Jim Vidmar [2017 – 2019]
- *Open Position* [2017 – 2019]
- Dolores Adams-Miller [2016 – 2018]
- Mike Reisinger [2016 – 2018]
- Alex Thornberry [2016 – 2018]

Other Elected Officers

- Chaplain Sharon O'Donnell
- Sergeant-at-Arms Brad Krug



A sincere thank you to the outgoing and incoming officers of Post 39 for their time, dedication and professionalism. 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 a Post Officer know. 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.

I am a firm believer in the "Legion Family" and will do my best to ensure the Post supports the programs of both the Ladies Auxiliary and The Sons of the American Legion. I'm happy to see that all our groups have their individual functions as well as ones we work together on. If there are any new events that either of these groups would like to start, I ask that you bring it up to me or another one of the Executive Committee members so we can discuss it and get things started.

Years ago, Post 39 Commander Denver Farris contributed greatly to the revitalization of our Post when its membership was in serious decline. The Executive Committee has agreed to recognize Mr. Farris for his contribution to the history of Post 39 by mounting a plaque on a granite or marble stone at the bottom of Post 39's flagpole. Thank you to Matt Burns for sharing his accomplishments and helping to ensure that members of this Post never forget Denver Farris.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who attended the Post 39 Spring Cleanup on May 13. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Post leadership is planning a BBQ for July 4. 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.



Commander Mike Frye, Finance Officer Mark Coakley, 1st Vice Commander Bruce Denning, and 2nd Vice Commander Jeff Hopkins represented Post 39 at the American Legion District 7 convention held last month in Security, CO.

For those wishing to attend, the Department of Colorado Convention convenes June 22 - 25 at the [Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs](#).

For Memorial Day, Post 39 Legionnaires and friends decorated veteran graves with American flags in Crystal Valley Cemetery and celebrated the day with a Legion Family BBQ / Pot Luck. The Post purchased 3 additional bronze emblem grave-markers to ensure that all 6 of these charter members buried at this cemetery are recognized.

Donald W. Ogilbee - 1919 Post Commander

- Charles Rupert Northrup - 1922 & 1931 Post Commander
- Robert B. Rutterford
- John William Mollenhauer
- Clarence Lee Bright
- Earl Emeron Wetherald

Thank you to those who supported these events.

On Saturday, June 24, Operation TBI Freedom (OTF) will hold a Yard Sale at the post from 8:00am - 3:00pm. Come and support this fundraiser for these great veterans.

At all General Membership Meetings, we hold a drawing of all 2017 Post 39 Legionnaires in attendance for \$20 in cash. Please join us for this exciting event.

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Member / Winner</u>
April 19	Matt Burns
May 17	Dolores Adams-Miller
June 21	You?

Be sure to visit our new Post 39 website at ManitouSpringsPost39.org for the latest news and events.

In closing I would like to encourage all members to get involved with what the Post has going on this year. The more participation we have the better experience it will be for all. Our Post has many knowledgeable and talented members. I look forward to meeting you soon. Please



join both new and long-standing members at the monthly membership meetings [3rd Wednesday at 7:30 pm] and make your voice heard. I would especially like to thank everyone who is active in the Post. No matter what part of the Legion family they belong to, it is the active members that make the Post what it is. I urge everyone to get involved. If you have any questions, suggestions, or interest in the vacant officer position of Executive Board Member, please let me know. "THANK YOU" for your trust and support.

"MAKE A DIFFERENCE – GET INVOLVED"

For God and Country,

Mike Frye, Commander

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Calendar

- Jun 3 Sat Remove Flags from Veterans' Graves at Crystal Valley Cemetery 10:00am
- Jun 7 Wed Auxiliary Unit 39 Meeting 6:00-7:30pm
- Jun 14 Wed SAL Squadron 39 Membership Meeting 7:00-8:00pm
- Jun 18 Sun Father's Day
- Jun 21 Wed Post 39 General Membership Meeting 7:30-9:00pm
- Jun 22-25 Department of Colorado Convention at [Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs](#)
- Jun 23 Fri Friday Music Night - Tricia Parish 6:30pm-9:30pm
- Jun 24 Sat [Operation TBI Freedom \(OTF\)](#) Yard Sale 8:00-3:00pm
- Jun 25 Sun Pikes Peak International Hill Climb 4:00am-4:00pm

Mike Frye

Commander, American Legion Eber Duclo Post 39

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Auxiliary News

Hello Ladies,

Thank you to all who were able to come out for the Memorial Day weekend events. Your continued support and participation is highly appreciated.

It's great to see welcoming faces collectively in appreciation and remembrance for those who have served and gave their all!

Thank you to our outgoing and incoming officers for your dedication and hard work for Unit 39! Your donated time and energy is what keeps this VSO charged and moving forward. You are very much appreciated! As we transition into the new year, here is our new list of officers for 2017-2018:

President - Jessi Weaver

Vice President - (open)

Secretary - Tricia Parish

Treasurer - Ila Quin

Chaplain - Nancy Kowalski

Membership Chair - Clover Dillahunty

Our meetings are at 6:00p on the first Wednesday of each month. If there is a more convenient day and/or time to host our meetings that would allow for more attendance, please let me know. The more participation we have, the more we can do. "Many hands working together".

Upcoming this month Operation TBI Freedom (OTF) will be hosting a yard sale at the post on Saturday, June 24th. We will be discussing ways we can support OTF and their event at our next meeting (Wed. June 7th).

Again, thank you for your continued support within the Auxiliary. We can make a difference by working together with honor and respect to support our veteran community!

e pluribus unum,

Jessi Weaver

President

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SAL News

Selections for SAL Squadron 39 Officers for the 2017 0 2018 year are complete.

Commander – Tom Mullenau
1st Vice Commander – Bill Kine
2nd Vice Commander – Barry Sullivan
Adjutant/Finance Officer – Tom Coca
Sergeant-at-Arms – Vacant

Commander Mullenau awarded a Certificate of Appreciation to Randy Walters for his 20 years of dedication to the success of Squadron 39 as SAL Commander, Adjutant, and Finance Officer. Randy is now retiring from his SAL Officer position. His wife Annie was also at the meeting to witness the presentation.

Thank you Randy for your patriotism and dedication.



The continued success, even the existence, of SAL Squadron 39 in Manitou Springs depends on the involvement of its members. We need more SAL members to get involved.

Thanks,

Tom Coca - Adjutant