

## BARRINGER-WALKER-LOPINTO AMERICAN LEGION POST 139 217 WEBSTER AVE. LYNDHURST, NJ 07071 HALL RENTALS AVAILABLE 201-933-4120



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## JANUARY 2023 IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:

- \*POST MEETINGS Tuesday Jan 3rd, & Jan 17th, 7:30 PM (If Needed)
- \*Legion Family Karaoke Night, Friday, Jan 6th, 8PM
- \*SAL Meeting, Monday, Jan 9th, 7:30PM
- \*Bergen County Conference, Sat. Jan 14th, Wayne Post 174, 8AM
- \*Veterans Alliance Meeting, Fri. Jan 20th, 10AM, Post 139
- \*Pancake Breakfast, Sunday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9AM-11:30AM, \$10.00 P/P
- \*Championship Sunday, Jan 29th, 3PM

**BERGEN COUNTY** – DEC Mike Carroll tells us that there will be multi-county conference meeting on Saturday, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> at Wayne Post 174, 8AM. Burlington County Commander Jeff Hicks has been nominated for American Legion National Commander. A motion was carried to donate \$125.00 to Bergen County for their Convention Ad Journal.

**VETERANS ALLIANCE** – Tom Witt states that the next Alliance meeting is on Friday, Jan 20<sup>th</sup>, 10AM at Post 139. Thanks to Bob Kakalec for showing colors at the Winter Festival and thanks to Jeremy Guenter for attending the Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> Civil Air Patrol ceremony for Brian DiMascio. Thanks to Jerry Sparta for organizing our Dec 17<sup>th</sup> luncheon with Amvets Commander Jim and staff, who thanks our SAL for the "Toys for Tots" donation.

<u>AMERICANISM</u> – Tom Witt is in the midst of sending Coloring Contest materials and collecting civic award candidates.

**SAL** - Cmdr. Mike Voza reminds us that the next SAL meeting is on Monday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM. Our SAL is sponsoring Karaoke Night at Post 139 on Friday, Jan 6<sup>th</sup> at 8PM and is free of charge to all Legion family members. Squadron 139 sends out thoughts, prayers and best wishes to Scotty Lennox who is recovering from several surgeries. Mike expressed his gratitude to the Post and its members for commemorating Uncle Alphonse "Sonny" Voza during our wake ritual in the upstairs hall.

**FINANCE REPORT** – Finance Manager Linda Carroll stated that as of Dec 18, 2022 all back bills have been paid and we are close to being "back on track". Linda thanked Jerry Sparta for his help, is working on a committee report and introduced a new committee report form to track expenses, etc. going forward.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Danny Laviola says that we have 89 paid members for 2023. Those who have not paid dues as of Dec 31, 2022 will no longer be served at our Post, receive discount pricing on Hall rental or have access to any other amenities until membership is re-instated.

**50/50** – Jerry Sparta thanks those who supported the Dec. Fair Share and congratulates

the winners: 1<sup>st</sup> Robert Bartell \$414.75

2<sup>nd</sup> John Perault \$118.50 3<sup>rd</sup> David Fiume \$59.25

\*Next Fair Share will be on March 17, 2023

**GOOD/LEGION** – The delegation voted to donate \$240.00 to Knights of Columbus "Coats For Kids" project, \$100.00 to Lyndhurst Emergency Squad and \$100.00 to the Washington School PTA (Hilary Alberts).

**BOYS STATE** – Harry Brechtbill states the cost has increased to \$300.00 per delegate and that he will be contacting Lyndhurst High School for applications to Boys State 2023. If you know of anyone who lives in Lyndhurst, is a junior in High school with a "B" average and is interested in going to Boys State, please let us know. They do not have to attend Lyndhurst High School.

**RENOVATIONS** – Mike Carroll again thanked the delegation for their financial support and patience with our downstairs renovation and our SAL for their labor. He also points out that a computer upgrade, chair-lift repair and cementing front stairs still need fixing. The Post is classified as "Handicapped Friendly: not "Handicapped Accessible".

**OLD BUSINESS** – VC Jeremy Guenter thanks Craig, Chris A., Brian H., Nick G., Pat & Aiden A., Harry B., Tom W. and helpers: Nicholas, Robert and Joseph for their work during the last 2 Pancake Breakfast after giving his report. Next breakfast is slated for Sunday, Jan 22, 2023, 9-11:30 AM, \$10.00 p/p, eat in or take out.

**SICK CALL** – Our thoughts and prayers go out to Tony Mattola (SAL), Scotty Lennox, Pat McDonald, Michael Cassizzi, Sidney Denny, Donald Rawa, Pete Jiosi, Paul Horvath, John Vilchock and all Legion family members who were touched in any way by the Covid-19. We wish all a complete and speedy recovery.

<u>TAPS</u> – <u>TAPS</u> – The Post offers deepest condolences to the Legion family members who have recently lost loved ones. May they be granted eternal rest in Post Everlasting.

For God and Country



## Post Commander Mike Foglio