

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



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## **JULY 2024**

## **IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Mon July 1st, Legion and SAL Membership opens for 2025
- Tues July 2nd, Independence Day Fireworks Little League Field, 8 PM
- Tues August 6th, Post 139 Meeting 7:30 PM
- Fri August 30th, Annual SAL Golf Tourney, Farmstead Country Club
- Tues September 3rd, Post 139 Meeting 7:30 PM
- September 19th and 20th POW/MIA Remembrance, Post 139, Lyndhurst

**MEMBERSHIP** – Chmn Danny L reminds everyone that Legion dues have increased from \$35 to \$40. You can pay for three years at one time on **MyLegion.org** at the current year's rate. We now have 134 paid members including are over the 100% mark. The post will now pay membership for those that are either 1) are over 90 your old or 2) over 50 years old and in a nursing home.

<u>VETERANS ALLIANCE</u> – Tom W stated the Veterans Alliance and Legion Color Guard will be participating at the town's Independence Day Fireworks on July 2nd. Next event will be the September 11th Remembrance at Town Hall Park 10:30 Assembly.

<u>AMERICANISM</u> – Tom W thanked everyone participating in Post 139 Americanism Awards held on Saturday June 29th. We had the following winners for 2024: Graduating Seniors Scholarship awardees were: Joshua Machcinski, Kylie Koehne, Nicholas Adamo, and Natalie Voza. Coloring Contest 1st Place was Noah Betancourt, 2nd Place Lane Pallante, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Valeria Stetsyuk. Firefighter of the year was Captain Anthony Rotondo, Law Enforcement Officer of the Year was Det. Lt. Vincent Auteri, and Son of the Year of the Year was Keith Carroll.

**<u>FINANCE REPORT</u>** – Finance Mngr Linda C states all bills are current, and the Post is running in the Black.

**<u>SAL</u>** –The next SAL meeting will be in September date and time TBA. The Annual SAL Golf Tourney is scheduled for Friday August 30th at Farmstead Golf Course. To play or sponsor please call Mike Voza at 201-893-3839.

**FAIR-SHARE 50/50 RAFFLE** – The winners of the June 21st drawing were 1st Place Jerry Jiosi for \$250, 2nd Place Mike Cutrazzula for \$72, and 3<sup>rd</sup> was Scott and Darlene for \$36. Jerry Sparta wants raffle participants to know that we only need the stub with name and phone number, not the full ticket.

**BOYS STATE** – Harry B offers congratulations to this year's participants this year Boys State. The four participants were Mike Longo, Bellenger, Ryan McKerry and Kevin Rodrigues. This was successful Boys State and the year's participants will join us at our October meeting to give testimony.

**SCOUTS** –Thomas DeLoy had his Eagle Ceremony on June 9th and Charles Blovis had his Eagle Ceremony is on June 22nd.

<u>COLOR GUARD</u> – The Color Guard next event will be at the Town's Independence Day Fireworks on Tuesday July 2nd. We will have a full slate of events this fall. We still welcome new members. For those interested please call the Post and leave a message for Tom W or Hillary.

**HOUSE & GRILL** – We will be resuming our Breakfast and Brunch series in September. The breakfast will take place in September date TBD and brunch will resume in October. We welcome anyone that is interested in volunteering in either. Please contact the post and leave a message stating which you are interested in volunteering for. No experience necessary.

**GOOD/LEGION** – At the June Legion meeting the following were second nominations for officer positions: Chineider "Chey" Ferreira for Vice Commander; Hillary Alberts for Recording Adjutant; and David Silva for Sargeant-at-Arms.

**SICK CALL** – Our thoughts and prayers go out to Past Post Cmdr Mickey Burhart, John Carrino, Michael Cassizzi, Sidney Denny, Pete Jiosi, Pat McDonald, Past Post Cmdr John Vilchock, and Charlie 'Chaplin' Ziliani. We wish all a complete and speedy recovery.

<u>DID YOU KNOW</u> – John Hancock was the first signer of the Declaration of Independence on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1776. He was the President of the Continental Congress and the document became official as of this date but the majority of the members of the Continental Congress did not sign the declaration until August 2<sup>nd</sup> or shortly after.

<u>COMMANDER'S COMMENT</u> – I would like to thank all those from the Legion, Auxiliary and SAL for their participation in the New Jersey's Department Annual Convention in Wildwood.

**TAPS** – 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 Cmdr

Jeremy Guenter

