

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



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MAY 2023 IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Monday, May 1st, SAL Meeting 7:30 PM
- *Tuesday, May 2nd, & May 16th (If needed) Post 139 Meeting 7:30 PM
- *Saturday, May 6th, 3PM, Kentucky Derby @ Post 139
- *Fri. May 12th, Veterans Alliance Meeting 10 AM AMVETS Post 20
- *Sat. May 13th, 9AM, Bergen County Convention, Rochelle Park, Post 170
- *Sat. May 20th, Decoration Day, St Joseph's Cemetery 10AM
- *Sat. May 20th, Post Clean-up/Decoration 11AM
- *Sunday, May 21st, Pancake Breakfast 9 AM to 11:30 AM (\$10 p/p)
- *Thur. May 25th, Alliance Parade Planning, Post 139 7PM
- *Sun. May 28th, Veterans Mass, St. Matthew's Church 11AM
- *Mon. May 29th, Memorial Day Ceremony, Town Hall Park, 10:30AM

<u>BERGEN COUNTY</u> – DEC Mike Carroll reports that this year's annual B/C Convention will be held on Sat. May 13th at Rochelle Park, 9AM. Legion State convention in Wildwood to be held June 7th, 8th and 9th (Parade)

VETERANS ALLIANCE – Tom Witt reminds us there will be a meeting on Fri. May 12th, 10AM at the AMVETS Post 20 and Memorial Day planning meeting on Thur. May 25th, 7PM at Post 139. Grave Decoration Day is on Sat. May 20th, at St. Joseph's cemetery at 10AM. Mass at St. Matthew's Lutheran church is on Sun. May 28th at 11AM. Mass at Sacred Heart RC Church on May 29th, (Memorial Day) at 9AM, followed by ceremonies and a parade at Town Hall Park. (10:30 assembly) Tom thanked Bob Kakalec, Brian Henry and Zachary Martorano (AMVETS) for marching in the Little league Parade. Thank you Pete DeLuca, Charlie Ziliani, Bob Kakalec, Brian Henry and George Von Rapacki for paying tribute to KIA WWII Veteran James Ruttino at Stellato Funeral Home on April 22nd. We are processing this year's Banners for Heroes applications.

<u>AMERICANISM</u> – Tom Witt to organize ceremony for this year's award winners in June (date TBA).

<u>SAL</u> - Commander Mike Voza tells us that the next SAL meeting will be on Monday, May 1st at 7:30PM. The SAL is also running a Kentucky Derby day on Sat. May 6th with food and drink specials. Congratulation to Brian Haggerty, nominated to Vice Commander, to be ratified at the May 1st meeting.

FINANCE REPORT – Finance Manager Linda Carroll reports that all bills are up to date. Linda will continue to meet one-on-one with the few chair people she has not yet met

<u>FAIR SHARE 50/50 RAFFLE</u> – Jerry Sparta reminds us that the next Fair-Share raffle will be held on Fri. June 23rd. Proceeds of which to be donated to the Scholarship Fund. **PLEASE PARTICIPATE!**

BASEBALL – Chairman Mike Carroll and Head Coach-Mike Voza attended a B/C Legion Baseball Meeting on Wed. April 26th to discuss rosters and rules changes. Official schedule to be posted at the May meeting. Coach Voza is still accepting donations for the Post 139 Baseball Ad Journal.

MEMBERSHIP – Danny Laviola reports that we currently have 128 paid members for 2023.

<u>**OLD BUSINESS**</u> – Thank you to all who assisted in making April 28th, HS Scholarship Beefsteak fundraiser a success!

SCOUTING – Frank De Bellis tells us that Troop 86 Scout Camp will be held in July. The "Venture Crew" (ages 14-20) will be planning a trip to Tennessee in June.

BREAKFAST/SCHOLARSHIP – Jeremy Guenter thanks the entire committee for making the monthly breakfast a reality and profitable for the Taras/Stevens/Haggerty scholarship. There will be a breakfast committee meeting on Tues. May2nd at 7PM at the Post, prior to Legion meeting. Next breakfast in on Sun. May 21st, 9-11:30AM. (\$10 p/p)

RENOVATIONS – Mike Carroll would like to sponsor a fund-raiser this summer to fix the outside front entrance steps and elevator lift. We are also looking for volunteers to help with our annual Post clean-up/Decoration Day on Sat. May 20th at 11AM on our Post home grounds.

<u>COLOR GUARD</u> – Tom Witt thanks his hard working Post 139 color guard crew for continuing to represent the Post at Veterans' and Township events. We would love (and need) some new members including anyone interested in chairing this activity.

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> – 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