

Harry N. Cutting Post 59 American Legion Family

Waterbury, Vermont
October 2010

Legion

WOW!!

Commander Gary here. It was a great Legion “family picnic” – there were 130 plus people there. Hope everyone had a great time. I’d like some feedback on the picnic. Again, thanks to all who came.

On September 16, the post hosted a “Candidates Forum” featuring all 7 candidates for Washington County senator and the 4 candidates for representative from Waterbury/Duxbury/Huntington/Buell’s Gore. We were broadcast live on WDEV and telecast on ORCA, Channel 17. Remember to vote on November 2 for the candidates of your choice. Your votes and voice are important in what looks like some tight races.

With that said, as always, we have events coming up:

- Hallowe’en Costume Party (music and light food) Saturday October 30. Adults only, but lots of fun, and maybe some funky people?
- Saturday November 6 “Scouts Salute Veterans” parade in St. Albans – only statewide veterans parade in America! This will be its 12th year, and this year we celebrate 100 years of Boy Scouts of America plus recognizing all our veterans.



We’ll be marching; join us as a marcher or spectator. Parade starts at 11 a.m. sharp.

- November 7 Veterans Appreciation Dinner
- Auxiliary 90th birthday party by the Legion and SAL for the ladies on Tuesday November 9
- Veterans Day Program on 11/11/11 at Rusty Park; lunch at the Legion hall following
- Christmas Party for kids December 11. A signup

form is in this newsletter. Return it ASAP; we need the count.

- “Welcome Home” party for our Guards returning from deployment to Afghanistan. Date and details being worked out. Check our website <http://www.alpost59vt.us/> for further developments. We’ll get the word out as soon as we get it set up.
- New Years Eve party December 31st.
- wii bowling will start soon on Wednesdays; also Bar Bingo. Both a lot of fun and help support youth fund; possibly pitch tournaments.
- The first Ace of Spades was won by Albert Jordan; it will start back up in October.
- USO practice starts in January. Get your tickets – it’s a great time and great cause.

Scouts are back – it’s good to see them. Did you know that we sponsor both the local Cub Scout pack and the Boy Scout troop? Great bunch of kids and leaders!

Again I want to thank all the staff and officers of the Legion for all their help.

God bless our troops and Legion family,
Gary Sweetser, Commander

For God, Country and our Veterans

Adjutant's Corner

You can tell fall has arrived with the end of baseball, the beginning of foliage, football, school, along with our post scouting programs. We should enjoy the cool evenings and the changing of the leaves!

Membership The 2011 membership challenge is in full swing. Waterbury Post has an assigned goal of 315 members this year. We are currently at 65%, excellent start! Post 59 just hosted a very successful "Early Bird" dinner for our Legion Family members who have paid their 2011 dues. Please, continue to get your 2011 dues in the mail. This remains a very important part of insuring that the American Legion remains the largest service organization in the world.

Post 59 holds its post meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. Please plan on attending the next meeting (October 12) to see what is going on and have the opportunity to participate in our Legion business. The post will host a birthday dinner for American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 59 on meeting night, November 9. There will be a FREE dinner cooked/prepared by our Legionnaires, along with cake. A short post meeting will follow after the meal. If you have any questions about the American Legion, membership, or other programs, please contact me at (802) 522-7770.

Veterans Appreciation Dinner
Post 59 will host the annual Veterans' Appreciation Dinner on Sunday November 7. The

dinner is FREE to all veterans along with a guest. You do not need to be a Legion member to enjoy a complete turkey dinner. Please join us at 1:00 p.m. The meal will be prepared with appreciation by our "Legion Family." See you there.

Green Mountain Council BSA will host the annual Scouts Salute Veterans Parade on Saturday November 6. The event will take place in St Albans, Vermont. The parade will start at 11 a.m.

Veteran's Day ceremonies are being planned for Thursday, November 11. Please join us at Rusty Parker Memorial Park at 11:00 a.m. to honor our men and women who have served, are currently serving, and who paid the ultimate sacrifice of giving their lives for their country. There will be a luncheon to follow at Post 59.

"Thank You" To the many of volunteers who assisted in preparing the "Early Bird" dinner, ran the weekly "Ace of Spades" progressive jackpot fund raiser, and recently assisted our SAL Squadron 59 with a very successful Vacation Get-Away fund raiser.

Harwood Union Alumni Veterans Project **URGENT**
Are you a graduate from Harwood Union? We are asking any graduate who attended Harwood Union High School from 1967 to present and has served in the US armed services to go to the Harwood Union web site and complete an application to have his/her name added to the wall of honor to be constructed at the school. The Uniformed Service Project is

chaired by Ms. Freddie Graves. She can be contacted at 802-496-4644.

www.harwoodunion.com/harwood/About-Us/alumni/uniformed-services-project.html

Go to "About Us" and select "Alumni" and "Uniformed Service Project".

Rick Gray, Adjutant

Service Officer

VA HEALTH CATEGORIES 7 & 8

The VA prescription drug rates are now \$9 and \$27 for 30 and 90 days respectively. In the last issue, I pointed out that OSCO at Shaws here in Waterbury is matching the Rx rates at WalMart and Costco. Now I have been told by the Waterbury Manager at OSCO that they will also match Hannaford's generic Rx rates. Hannaford's generic drug rates for over 450 prescriptions are \$4.00 for 30 days and \$9.99 for 90 days! Hannaford requires a \$7 membership fee. You can check rates online at all four stores but I have left some of the Hannaford brochures at the Post.

BE CERTAIN TO CHECK RATES BEFORE MOVING YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS FROM THE VA TO ONE OF THESE PHARMACIES!!

POST 59 MEMBER ILLNESS

Please call or e-mail me about any Post member who enters a hospital or nursing home:

Tel: 802.244.1484

Email:
SamMillerInsurance@gmail.com

Sam Miller
Post 59 Service Officer

Auxiliary

Autumn is upon what and us a busy time it is! At press time, our membership stands at 38%. If you have not paid your 2010 dues yet, do not be dismayed. Pat Sherman, Membership Chairman, will accept those dues prior to your 2011 payments. Ladies, you can always mail your dues payments to the Post Home at P.O. Box 417, Waterbury, VT 05676.

Past and upcoming events:

Saturday, October 2 was Fall Conference at White River Junction Post #25. It was a time to meet up with Unit members from around the state that we had not seen since Department Convention.

Tuesday, November 9 is our Unit's 90th Birthday Party. Our Post and SAL members graciously put on a feast for the entire Auxiliary membership. Also, the Past Presidents Parlay will be performed that evening by Loleta Perry, Past Unit President. You may also bring any items that you wish to donate to the Christmas Store in the Veterans Hospital. This enables veterans to purchase gifts for family and friends.

Also on November 9th we'll be honoring the high school students who've earned scholarships and awards through the Post.

Enclosed in this newsletter you will find the sign up sheet for the Children's Christmas Party.

It will be held here at the Legion on Saturday, December 11 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Please fill out and return the form by the deadline of November 26. We purchase gifts for children ages birth to 10 years old. Any questions, please call Thelma Forkey at 244-6302.

Veterans Day is November 11. Please remember to thank a veteran and a soldier for all they do.

For God & Country,
Kathi Farringer
Unit President

12th Annual "USO SHOW"

Friday February 4
Saturday February 5

TICKETS
are available at the bar
or call 244-8144

They make wonderful
Christmas gifts!

Junior Auxiliary

Our Junior Auxiliary Unit is all about patriotism and service to our veterans and community! Do you know a girl under the age of 18 who has these qualities? Harry N. Cutting Unit 59 does have an active Junior American Legion Auxiliary, where girls can take part in programs to:

1. help our veterans
2. serve the community
3. meet with friends and make new friends
4. learn leadership skills
5. apply for scholarships
6. have fun and much more!

This year, among lots of other things, we're participating in the Pocket Flag Program and the Patch Program. We'd love for your daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter or sister to be involved. Attending meetings is not required for these programs, but being active can be fun and fulfilling!

Our next meeting is **Sunday October 24, 2:30 pm at the Legion Hall.**

Or contact:
Mary Grace 244-7144
Marana Allen .. 244-7910

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY



Say "goodbye" to the old year and welcome the new
Friday December 31st

Enjoy dinner, appetizers, a champagne toast at midnight and breakfast served at 12:30 a.m.

Tickets available at the bar
Singles \$20
Couples \$35

SAL

Hello again SAL members. Just want to touch base with some of the goings-on since the last newsletter. We've had a couple of great events / celebrations that further strengthen our position to assist Veterans, Youth, and Community.

The early bird dinner was held on September 17th that brought many out for a fun evening with great food, and promoted a Post 59 early membership drive. Thanks to all who "up'd" early!

In August we completed a Boston Red Sox Raffle where we sent 2 fans to Fenway to watch Boston play the Chicago White Sox. The lucky winners were treated to a 2 night stay in the Boston Best Western just down from the park, and 2 tickets on the right field line.

The Post 59 Sons finished our fund-raising push with the 3rd Annual Get-A-Way Extravaganza. On September 25th all ticket holders and those that bought in at the door this evening were treated to a great night with Phil N' The Blanks jamming all night, door prizes including a free pizza gift certificate, stacks of Ben & Jerry's pint coupons, SAL promoted t-shirts, there was a 50 / 50 raffle, and a spread of food of all types. There was much to do over the beef, pork & chicken skewers, salads, etc, etc. It was overwhelming! But I can't (**not**) mention the flood of compliments for the awesome venison stew put out by the boys! Without question plentiful, rich, and the hands down favorite!

BARTENDERS CHRISTMAS PARTY

FRIDAY DECEMBER 17

Starts around 6:30!

Now's a good time to come in and draw a name for the gift exchange!

And then finally, at 8pm we drew the grand prize. The winner had a choice of an all inclusive trip for 2 at a \$4,000 value or a \$3500 cash option. This year's winning ticket went to Frederick McGuire of Duxbury! Congrats Freddie! **And so very importantly, from the Sons to our post Bartenders, Auxiliary, and Legionnaires – huge thanks for all you did promoting the event, and with all your help and encouragement on the 25th. Thanks So Much!!!**

So it's gotten to that busy time of year. Kids to school, foliage season, winter prep chores, hunting season, and a couple of busy holiday months. Between holidays, hunting season, and a variety of post activities, the Sons' Friday Night Suppers won't resume again until January so as not to take away from some great post events planned. As the days darken some and the air chills bringing most of us inside more, we remind and invite you to join us at the club for some camaraderie and a good time. Keep an eye on the post activity schedule and the post web site.

[\(http://www.alpost59vt.us/\)](http://www.alpost59vt.us/)

A few key dates are listed below and we'd really like to see a great turn out at all our events. It's

OUR community we support in all we do and we look forward to the continued enthusiasm everyone brings to the celebrations and activities we put on.

- 10/29 – Harwood Youth Hockey Calcutta @ the Post.
- 10/30 – Post Halloween Costume party. Costume competition, food, music & a creepy ol' time!
- **11/2 - SAL next monthly meeting: Tuesday, November 2nd, 6 pm in the upstairs hall.**
- 11/7 - Veterans Appreciation Dinner
- 11/9 - The Auxiliary Birthday Celebration
- **11/11 – Veterans Day (remembrance at 11:00am at Rusty Parker park)**
- 11/13 – Opening Day – HUNTER's Breakfast put on at the post 04:00 (only hunters breakfast in town due to the fire station's rebuild)
- 12/11 - ** Post Kids Christmas Party
- 12/31 – Post New Year's Eve Party – Breakfast to order after the ball drops! This could be your 1st breakfast of 2011! You might even have the "Wright" cook serv'n you up!

Be safe everyone and happy trails . . .

For Veterans, Children & Youth, and Community, the Sons of Post 59, your committed Officers,

Tom Burrows, SAL
Commander

POST 59 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 House Committee Meeting 6:30	2 SAL Meeting 6:00	3 wii Bowling 6:30	4 Texas Hold'em 7:00	5 Ace of Spades Raffle 7:00	6 <i>Scouts Parade St. Albans</i> A Night At The Races 7:00
7 Veterans Appreciation Dinner 1:00 p.m. Bingo Early birds 6:15	8	9 Auxiliary 90th Birthday Celebration 6:00 <i>Short Post & Auxiliary meetings follow</i>	10 Bar Bingo 4:30 – dinner \$5	11 Veterans Day Program 11:00 a.m. Rusty Parker Park <i>Luncheon follows</i> Texas Hold'em 7:00	12 Ace of Spades Raffle 7:00	13 Hunter's Breakfast 4:00 a.m. Dinner Dance 6:00
14 Bingo Early birds 6:15	15	16	17 wii Bowling 6:30	18 Texas Hold'em 7:00	19 Ace of Spades Raffle 7:00	20 Super Bingo Noon
21 Bingo Early birds 6:15	22	23 E Board Meeting 6:30	24 Bar Bingo 4:30 – dinner \$5	25 <i>Thanksgiving Day Post closed</i>	26 <i>Deadline for Children's Christmas Party sign up</i>	27
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DECEMBER 2010

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OCTOBER 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
17 Waterbury Historical Society "VT State Guard" 12:00-3:00 Bingo Early birds 6:15	18	19	20 wii Bowling 6:30	21 Texas Holdem 7:00	22 Ace of Spades Raffle 7:00 George & Ginger DJ 7:00	23
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31 <i>Halloween</i>						

Coming in January 2011 – “USO Show” rehearsals
SAL Friday night dinners downstairs

Coming in February 2010 – 12th Annual “USO Show”
Friday February 4 and Saturday February 5

Call Post 59 (244-8144) or check our website <http://www.alpost59vt.us/> for updates & announcements!

HARRY N. CUTTING POST # 59

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

AT THE POST HOME
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2010
10 TO 12 NOON

PLEASE SIGN UP BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26

AGES BIRTH – 10 YEARS

YOU MAY USE THIS FORM FOR SIGN UP AND
THEN MAIL TO HARRY N. CUTTING POST #59
PO BOX 417, WATERBURY VT 05676

OR

CALL THELMA FORKEY AT (802) 244-6302

CHILDS NAME

AGE

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