

Harry N. Cutting Post 59 American Legion Family

Waterbury, Vermont

August- September- October 2012

Commander

Commander George here. I would like to thank everyone for electing me as your commander. I will do everything I can to make this a successful year for Post 59.

If anyone has any suggestions or concerns please feel free to contact me either by email or the suggestion box at the post. My email address is estivillgeorge@yahoo.com.

Officers for the upcoming year:

- Commander, George Estivill
- 1st Vice Commander, David Dow
- 2nd Vice Commander, Gary Cromie
- Finance Officer, Tom Spence
- Service Officer, Sam Miller
- Adjutant, Rick Gray
- Chaplain, Earl Stowe
- Sergeant-at-Arms, Charles Allen
- Members at Large, Larry Cayia & Robert Youngberg

There are a lot of things coming up:

- We need volunteers for the National Guard B-Battery picnic on August 5.
- The post picnic will be held on August 26.
- The Ace of Spades will be starting again; the first



drawing will be held on September 8.

- And don't forget the SAL Getaway on September 22. Tickets for the Getaway are on sale now at the bar.

Keep your eye on the calendar or call the post for upcoming events.

For God and country,
George Estivill
Commander, Post 59

Vice Commander

You can register and create your own Legion account giving you easy access to a number of things including your post website. It is VERY easy if you have internet access. You can update your address changes immediately.

We currently have eight members with bad addresses.

To create your own account online go to www.legion.org and click on "My Legion" up at the top of the page. This will bring up My [legion.org](http://www.legion.org) page. You click the member's area, there is a button to register. It will ask for your E-mail address, and you can create any password. Check "I Accept" and continue.

Since you are already member check YES. Put your member number where shown and your last name. This will bring you to your National Record. You can edit several fields if they are not correct or BLANK. If everything is correct then submit which is at the bottom.

The next screen brings up your very own page. You can pay your dues if you want if not yet paid. The system will show in the welcome area if your membership is going to expire. It is just that easy.

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Vice Commander, Continued

You can access the post newsletter or website among the several links that are available. If you only want to renew your membership then use the following link: www.legion.org/renew.

Follow similar instruction and when you are done you can print off a membership card.

The third item is the good response the post has gotten to the notes requesting that you update items that are missing. Such as your branch of service, war era, birth date, phone number. We still have 55 individuals who have not returned the letter. This is important since we have a life membership program that needs a birth date. We have updated about three hundred fields and found a number of individuals who the post will start paying dues for them in 2013.

David Dow,
1st Vice Commander

Adjutant's Notes

Greetings! I do have a couple of things that I need to mention on behalf of Post # 59.

Legion membership remains an important part of any organizations success. The membership challenge for 2013 membership has started throughout the State of Vermont. I am sure that each member has received a renewal in the mail? Please take a minute and get your renewal in the mail or stop at the post. Our post dues remain at \$30.00.

**THANK YOU
VETERANS**

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URGENT- This is to remind our active duty members that your membership in Post # 59 is important. With the recommendation from the Executive Board and a vote by the post membership, it has been decided that the post will discontinue paying "Post Annual Dues" for its active duty members. This would include any of our full time active duty, and our full time National Guard members. This will take effect during the upcoming membership season for 2013. Membership applications for 2013 generally are available in July of 2012, after the Department Convention.

Post # 59 will continue to pay for our senior members (HLM's). HLM's are based on years of legion membership, number of years with Post # 59, and age 70. The post will be paying for "70" of our senior members this year. Please contact me if you have any questions about membership or Legion programs.

Post meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, at 7:00 PM. Have you attended a post meeting? I would ask that some additional members stop in to see what is going on at their post. The upstairs hall has been

renovated and it really looks great.

Post Officer Elections were held at our May meeting. George Estivill is the Post Commander for 2012-13. As usual, a number of our current post officers have returned for an additional year of service. At the Department level, I have been privileged to be the senior vice Commander for the Department of Vermont. This would allow me to be considered for Department Commander for 2013-2014. Post # 59 also is honored to have a 2nd Northern Area Commander, Larry Cayia. Larry was elected at the recent Department Convention held at the Sheraton, Burlington, June 30, 2013.

Rick Gray,
Adjutant

Service Officer

VA Health Care Eligibility:

For health care including prescription drugs the maximum incomes are currently as follows:

Single	\$39,700
Couple	\$51,050
Each dependent	\$ 2,093

Four ways to apply for VA health care are:

1. Apply online at <https://www.101ez.med.va.gov>
2. Complete an application in person at any VA medical facility where eligibility personnel are available.
3. Telephone VA toll-free at 1-877-222-VETS (8387).
4. Contact your Post Service Officer.

VA Health Care provides major medical care or can be used in combination with Medicare or private insurance for prescription drugs, eye examinations, glasses and hearing audiology examinations including hearing aids.

Notes From The VA

Parkinson's disease is on the VA's list of Agent Orange related illnesses. Veterans who develop Parkinson's and were exposed to herbicides during military service do not have to prove a connection between their disease and military service to be eligible to receive VA disability compensation.

The Move!® Program is designed for veterans who receive care in the VA healthcare system and want assistance managing their weight. Typically, the program is offered to veterans who are overweight or obese. However, the website can be used as a tool to help non-patients manage their weight. For details: <http://www.move.va.gov/> or contact your local VA facility. White River VA Hospital 1-866-687-8387 or the Colchester VA Clinic: 802-655-1356.

Hepatitis C is more prevalent among Vietnam veterans than other veteran groups. Talk with your VA healthcare provider about getting tested. To learn more visit: <http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange>. This website serves as a virtual compass pointing visitors to a range of chemical, physical and environmental hazards during military service. Visitors can search by: related health

concerns, wars, and operations, exposure categories, and exposure topics, A to Z.

Fibromyalgia is a condition characterized by widespread chronic pain, joint stiffness and sleep problems. It can be connected to military service in the Gulf War, which includes Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn. Visit: www.warrelatedillness.va.gov/education/healthconditions/fibromyalgia.asp

REMEMBER! THERE IS A COMPUTER AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS DOWNSTAIRS IN THE BAR AREA OF THE POST.

Sam Miller, Service Officer
802-244-1484
LSamMiller1@gmail.com



Sons of The American Legion

The "Dog Days of Summer" hasn't slowed the work of the Post and your Son's. Officer elections and installment were completed in June. Although no new candidates stepped forward this year, your SAL officers remain committed to post activities and veteran, youth and community support. I

truly encourage you all to attend your post meetings at 6pm, the 1st Tuesday of the month. Your input is invaluable!!

Your elected officers for the 2012 – 2013 fiscal session:

- Commander – Tom Burrows
- 1st Vice Commander – David Lowell
- 2nd Vice Commander – Charlie Ladieu
- Adjutant – Bill Kernan
- Finance Officer – Bill Kernan
- Sergeant At Arms – Mike Mayo
- Chaplain – Paul West
- Historian – Mike Woodard
- SAL Appointed Advisor – George Estivill – our Legion Post 59 Commander

Tickets are out for the 5th Annual Vacation Get-A-Way. Remember this is the SAL's largest fund raiser for the year and we'd love your participation, whether that be by selling a ticket, two, or more, working the event, and or **most importantly** coming and enjoying the evening. This year's theme and best costume judging is "REDNECK." Come and enjoy, it can't get any more casual than that.

We can guarantee great food, some *Redneck* foods, Area 51 cranking out the tunes, and a whole lot of laughs. Tickets are \$40.00 each, only 250 to be registered and sold, and that's good for 2 to come to come to the Extravaganza Event on Saturday, September 22nd – 6:30pm (1830hrs)

- 1st prize is a \$4000 trip for
- 2nd prize is \$300 cash
- 3rd prize is \$200 cash

And a couple of prizes for our best Redneck "dressed."

If stopping by the Post, at the downstairs bar a chance to WIN a \$40.00 Extravaganza ticket can be had for \$2.00. Take a chance on winning a raffle ticket and enjoy some good company while doing so.

Overall membership for 2012 is ok, we're looking for our last 90 members who haven't paid their 2012 dues to re-up for the last 6months, as the Early Bird notice for 2013 membership will be mailed to us all in August. Dues are \$22.00 for SAL members, \$10.00 for junior members 16 and under.

It was great seeing many of you at the Waterbury - Not Quite Independence Day. At the SAL tent tickets were sold and many laughs were had. Most importantly we raised some good funds for our sponsorships and programs.

Hope to see you at some of our other key events, especially the Post Picnic thrown for all of us. This will take place at the Waterbury- Stowe Fish and Game Club on 8/26.

The Post Lobster & Steak Feed will take place on September 8th. Reservations for dinner requests are required to ensure the right number of lobsters and steaks are purchased. More information can be had by calling the post at 244-8144. See you all soon!

Tom Burrows
S.A.L. Commander Squad 59

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Auxiliary

Hello Ladies,

First of all I would like to thank you for electing me as your President. I am hoping to have a very busy year. Our new officers are:

- President, Virginia Estivill
- 1st Vice, Bella Preedom
- 2nd Vice, Arlis Fuglie
- Secretary, Lorraine Gray
- Treasurer, Mary Grace
- Historian, Lolita Perry
- Chaplain, Marana Allen
- Sergeant-at-Arms, Phyllis Grout
- Executive Committee: Betty Jones, Kathi Farringer, and Terri Christie

I have a few ideas to increase the coffers of the Auxiliary but it is going to take some participation of the members. I would like to see more of you involved.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions please feel free to contact me at estivillv@yahoo.com.

Volunteers are needed for the National Guard B-Battery picnic on August 5. The Post picnic will be held on August 26 at the Waterbury Fish and Game. If everyone could bring a dish it would be appreciated. Also don't forget the Annual Steak and Lobster Feed on September 8 at the Post.

Tickets are currently on sale for the SAL Getaway Raffle at the bar. Let's help support the SAL Squadron by buying a ticket and also think of your redneck attire for the event. You could win a prize for wearing the best redneck attire.

Keep an eye on the calendar for upcoming events and help support the Post Auxiliary and SAL by becoming involved.

For God & Country,
Virginia Estivill, Unit President

Waterbury American Legion FAMILY PICNIC

Sunday, August 26th

Waterbury Fish & Game
Club

Starts at 11:00 am

Great food, including a
pig roast, soda & water,
games and lots, lots
more!

*Featuring Sherrie's
Jubilee
country music*



Eastern Division National Vice President Rani Gray's Homecoming October 6, 2012



Hotel Information

Hilltop Inn – Montpelier, Vt. 12 miles
802-229-5766
\$95.00 - \$129.00 + tax
Discounts available to AAA, AARP and Military

Comfort Inn- Montpelier, Vt 12 miles
802-229-2222
\$126.00 - \$162.00 +tax
Hot breakfast included

The Old Stagecoach Inn-Waterbury
Walking distance to Legion
802-244-5056
Private bath \$170-\$200
Shared Bath \$120-\$150

Best Western-Waterbury ½ mile
802-244-7822
\$199.95
AAA, AARP discount \$179.95

Dinner Menu

Gourmet Buffet: Including beef, chicken, vegetables, potatoes, salads, dessert, appetizers

Cost: \$15.00

Cocktails: 6:00pm

Dinner: 7:00pm

Dress: Semi-Formal

Entertainment:

October 5-DJ in downstairs lounge

October 6 - USO #59 followed by a DJ for your dancing pleasure

Directions

American Legion , Harry N. Cutting Post #59

I 89, Exit 10 Waterbury/Stowe right onto Waterbury/Stowe Road (Route 100), at 1st light-right onto Stowe Street, go by school on left, continue on Stowe Street until you go over a railroad bridge, Harry N. Cutting Post #59 on right, parking across the street on left.

Attractions

Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream-RT 100, Waterbury Stowe Road
Cold Hollow Cider Mill-RT 100
Waterbury Stowe Road
Trapp Family Lodge-Stowe, VT
Green Mountain Coffee-Park Row

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____ No. People Attending _____

Mail to:
Bella Preedom
PO Box 42
Waterbury Center, VT 05677

Please respond by: September 28, 2012

Please make check payable to AL Post #59

5th Annual SAL
VACATION GET-A-WAY

Saturday, September 22nd

Get Together 6:30
Drawing around 8:00
Band: Area 51

1st Prize: Pick your
destination trip for
2 2nd Prize: \$300
3rd Prize: \$200

Raffle Tickets \$40
are on sale at the Post
244-8144

Come dressed in your
REDNECK attire
and win a prize!

Unit #59 Junior Auxiliary

Since our last report, the Junior Auxiliary continued to be active. Patch Program requirements were completed and the girls received a total of six patches in the categories of Community Service, Education, and Fitness.

We assisted the Auxiliary with Poppy Day by making posters, collection cans and thank-you bookmarks, and by distributing poppies at Shaw's.

On Memorial Day we attended services at Waterbury Center and Hope cemeteries. We made donations to the National President's Scholarship Fund and the Child Welfare Fund.

Congratulations to the Junior Unit for winning the Marion Teague trophy for Junior written history, and the Amy Mason Award for Junior photo history. Great work, Amelia!

Poppy Princess Clara, and her attendants Destiny and Amelia, represented the Legion Family in the Independence Day parade.

The following officers were elected for the upcoming year:

- President - Destiny Gibbs
- 1st Vice President - Clara Griffin
- Secretary - Amelia Adams
- Chaplain - Amelia Adams
- Historian - Clara Griffin.

During the upcoming year, in addition to assisting wherever needed with Legion Family events, the girls will concentrate on Patch Program requirements.

This program helps the Junior members to be active participants

in the organization, to serve the community and veterans and to learn about patriotism and leadership.

19th Annual
STEAK & LOBSTER FEED

Saturday, September 8th
Cocktails 5:30
Dinner 6:30

Tickets available at the Post
(244-8144)

and **must be paid for in advance.**

Steak..... \$ 18
Lobster \$ 20
Steak & Lobster \$ 32
Twin Lobsters \$ 34

Meal includes Entrée choice, steamers, corn, salad, baked potato & rolls.

Dance to follow with
Jimmy Thurston & The Sleepy Hollow Boys

\$5 cover charge starting 8:00 pm

Remember

**We always need more volunteers.
Call the Post if you're interested in helping out!**

POST 59 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Texas Hold'em 7:00	3	4
5 B-Battery Picnic Hope Davey Field	6 House Committee 6:00	7 SAL Meeting 6:00	8	9 Texas Hold'em 7:00	10	11
12	13	14 Legion & Auxiliary Meetings 7:00	15	16 Texas Hold'em 7:00	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Texas Hold'em 7:00	24	25
26 Post Picnic 11:00 Waterbury Fish & Game Club	27	28 E- Board Meeting 6:00	29	30 Texas Hold'em 7:00	31	

SEPTEMBER 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2	3 House Committee 6:00	4 SAL Meeting 6:00	5 Pitc h 6:30	6 Texas Hold'em 7:00	7	8 Steak & Lobster Feed 5:30
9	10	11 Legion & Auxiliary Meetings 7:00	12 Pitc h 6:30	13 Texas Hold'em 7:00	14	15 Senior Center Dinner
16	17	18	19 Pitc h 6:30	20 Texas Hold'em 7:00	21	22 Vacation Get- AWay Raffle 6:30
23	24	25 E-Board Meeting 6:00	26 Pitc h 6:30	27 Texas Hold'em 7:00	28	29
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OCTOBER 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 House Committee 6:00	2 SAL Meeting 6:00	3 Pitc h 6:30	4 Texas Hold'em 7:00	5	6 Rani Gray Homecoming 6:00
7	8	9 Legion & Auxiliary Meetings 7:00	10 Pitc h 6:30	11 Texas Hold'em 7:00	12 Early Bird Dinner	13
14	15	16	17 Pitc h 6:30	18 Texas Hold'em 7:00	19 Hockey Calcutta	20
21	22	23 E-Board Meeting 6:00	24 Pitc h 6:30	25 Texas Hold'em 7:00	26	27 Halloween Party
28	29	30	31 Pitc h 6:30			

Coming in November: Veterans Day (11th)
Auxiliary Birthday (13th)

Contact the post (244-8144) or check the website (<http://www.alpost59vt.us>) for more information and events not yet scheduled!

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

WE ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES

To uphold and defend The Constitution of the
United States of America; To maintain law and order;
To foster and perpetuate
A one hundred percent Americanism; To preserve
the memories and incidents
Of our association in the Great Wars;
To inculcate a sense of individual Obligation
To the community, state and nation;
To combat the autocracy
Of both the classes and the masses;
To make right the master of might;
To promote peace and good will on earth
To safeguard and transmit to posterity
The principles of Justice, Freedom and Democracy;
To consecrate and sanctify our Comradeship
By our devotion to mutual helpfulness."

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