



Picard's Posting



VINCENT F. PICARD AMERICAN LEGION POST 234



Upcoming September Events

8/30 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04:00PM	Open to the public.
8/30-9/1 Saturday-Monday: 12-6PM-Labor Day Hole-n-One/Closest-to-Pin	Open to the public.
9/6 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04:00PM	Open to the public.
9/6 Saturday: Music: Rock Band 'Messy Excuses' 07:30PM. Donation	Open to the public.
9/7 Sunday: Legion Members' Meeting: 11AM, E-Board Meets at 09:00AM	Members only.
9/13 Saturday: ALR Eriks Ride scheduled for 2PM	
9/13 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04:00PM	Open to the public.
9/17 Wednesday: Veterans Coffee Hour: 10AM	Open to the public.
9/20 Saturday: Northborough Applefest Weekend	Open to the public.
9/20 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04:00PM	Open to the public.
9/27 Saturday: Music: Rock Band 'The Knot' 05PM. \$10 Cover	Open to the public.
9/28 Sunday: Vietnam Vets 'Welcome Home' Dinner 05:30PM	
10/4 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04:00PM	Open to the public.
10/4 Saturday: Colonial Poker Tournament (10AM-Midnight)	Open to the public.
10/5 Sunday: Legion Members' Meeting: 11AM, E-Board Meets at 09:00AM.	Members only.

Post Phone# 508-393-3641.

402 West Main St., Northborough Ma.01532

Open Hours: Fri/Sat/Sun: 12:00 Noon, Monday-Thursday: 03:30PM

Monday/Friday Night: Colonial Poker: 06:30 Registration starts. Open to Public.

Tuesday Night: Games: Shuffleboard/Darts/Cornhole 06:30PM. Open to Public.

Wednesday Night: Music: Open Mic: 6-9PM. Open to Public.

Thursday Night: Music: Karaoke: 6:00-9:30PM. Open to Public.

Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04:00PM. Open to Public.

Sunday: Seasonal TV Sports Patriots/Bruins/Celtics. Potluck.

2nd & 4th Saturday: Vets Food Pantry Open 10-12AM

3rd Wednesday: Veterans' Coffee Hour 10AM.

Post News:

- **9/13 Saturday: ALR Eriks Ride "Shoot & Scoot" KSU 09:45AM**
- **9/20 Weekend Northborough Applefest:**
 - Post 0234 Membership booth on Saturday 9/20 – Northborough Center
 - Chicken Barbecue Dinner at Post Saturday 9/20 afternoon (4-6PM)
 - Veteran Art Show/Sale (1-5PM)
- **9/27 8th Annual Central Mass Fallen Riders Ride:** 1PM
- **9/28 Sunday Vietnam Veteran 'Welcome Home Dinner'**
 - Vietnam-ERA Vets and Guest
 - 05:30-06:30 Social followed by dinner
 - Shrewsbury/Northborough/Westborough/Southborough to be target
 - RSVP by 9/18 via Website/Facebook/email for rough counts
 - Any Vet can come but only Vietnam Vets w/Guest have reserved dinner
- **Post0234 Legion Hats Sale** – Baseball-style available at Post. Black. \$25
- **Friday Night cooking help:** Post provides a dinner as part of the agreement with Colonial Poker on Friday nights only. Teams are being formed to help cover this effort. Send email to post if you can help and/or drop by on Friday night to discuss. If we all help a little, then it's not such a burden on a few.
- **Post Chaplin Elizabeth Barry:** If a member feels a need to contact the Chaplin for consultation or to report a sickness/death call the Post 508-393-3641 and leave a message or send email to alpost0234picard@gmail.com. Thank you, Elizabeth, for your contributions to the Northborough Post!

- **Post Everlasting:** Recently reported/known member passing.
 - Member: Pulster, Barry Stratton. Age 84, of Shrewsbury, passed away 6/8/25.
 - Member: Reardon, Daniel L. Age 77 of West Boylston, passed away 10/12/24.
- **Northborough American Legion Post 0234 2025 Scholarship winners:** This year Post 0234 is awarding 3 scholarships for the upcoming Fall 2025 school year. Congratulations to the following:
 - Dylan M. Piontkowski, Northborough, Algonquin Regional High School
 - Mia E. Goldsmith, (Post 0234 member related), Shrewsbury High School
 - Caroline K. Strickland (Post 0234 member related), Shrewsbury High School
- **Post ‘Hall Rental: Reception Hall: Party Venue: Event Space’.** If you know anyone in search of an event hall, tell them about the Post. Have them contact the Post via website, Facebook, email or call for more info and check availability.
 - **Hall Rental Fees**
 - **Upper Hall: Capacity ~50:** \$150.00 Non-members. \$100.00 Members. Community Service Fee of \$50.00 for groups such as the Boy/Girl Scout or School events if reserved for Sunday, Monday or Tuesday nights.
 - **Lower Hall: Capacity ~85:** \$300.00 Non-members. \$200.00 Members. Community Service Fee of \$100.00 for groups such as the Boy/Girl Scout or School events if reserved for Sunday, Monday or Tuesday nights.
 - Access to Full-Service Cash-Only Bar: Cocktails, Beer, Soda.
 - Keno/Lottery/ATM on-site
 - Lower Hall is large enough for a small band.
 - Separate entrance w/handicap access for privacy.
 - Available for underage events w/parental supervision.
- **BC4T – Boros Cares 4 Troops Veteran Food Pantry:** Food pantry is open to ALL Veterans, surviving spouses, members of the American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion and American Legion Riders. Open **every 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month** from 10AM-12PM (hours may change in summer). The pantry is in the basement of the American Legion Post 234 (follow driveway around to back of building). **402 West Main St. Northboro, MA 01532**
- **Warrior Wellness for Veterans at Boroughs YMCA Westborough** - A local program aimed at helping military veterans stay active and get in better shape. Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 10 AM. Average attendance is about 6 veterans. Arrive about 8:45. Consider it an exercise class and the instructor, a Y employee, is a veteran. If a veteran’s civilian health insurer offers the “Silver Sneakers” program benefit, that would also provide membership to the Y. Call the YMCA for more info/questions?

BOROUGH'S FAMILY BRANCH YMCA

4 Valente Drive

Westborough, MA 01581

Call 508-870-1320 for more info.

<https://www.ymcaofcm.org/news/warrior-wellness-for-veterans/>

- **Bricks: Veteran memorial bricks are available at the Northborough Post.** \$50 Members/\$100 Non-member purchase. Inquire in the Post about more details and form.
- **Northborough Legion Activities are being posted to online calendars at** Patch.com, <https://patch.com/massachusetts/northborough>, and The Community Advocate for Northborough <https://www.communityadvocate.com/calendar/#/show?location=Northborough,+MA&distance=5>
The Facebook page and Website will continue to also have event information.
- **Visit the Northborough Post** and check the Bulletin Board and Bar for any Volunteer Sign-Up sheets or local activities flyers. Get involved with local activities! **It takes ACTIVE members to help the Post continue to exist and be involved with community events.**
- **MyLegion.org Online Updates:** All Veteran Legion members should have an Online account on [myLegion](https://mylegion.org/PersonifyEbusiness/Home) <https://mylegion.org/PersonifyEbusiness/Home>. Registering online helps with membership management and helps access Legion related information and services. Anyone needing assistance with online registration contact Max Strickland via alpost234picard@gmail.com.
- **Post Newsletters received by postal mail.** If you get a copy of this newsletter in the postal mail, then I do not have a valid email address for you as listed in your MyLegion.org account. If you do have an email address and would prefer to get this newsletter in email only, I can update your MyLegion account, and I can stop sending paper copy. If you get this newsletter via email and want a paper copy sent instead, just send an email to alpost234picard@gmail.com. It's easier if sent via email but I understand not all find email easy to read.
- **BUY your Lottery tickets at the Northborough Post:** If you win, we all win at the Post.

*** To report upcoming events for the Post Newsletter, Facebook Page, or Bar posting send info to:

alpost234picard@gmail.com or call 508-393-3641

Important Links for Vets:

- **The American Legion Department of Massachusetts, Inc.** <https://www.masslegion.org/>
- **Mass State Veterans Services** <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/executive-office-of-veterans-services>
- **MyLegion.org Online Legion Membership management.:**
<https://mylegion.org/PersonifyEbusiness/Home>
- **Central MA Veteran Services: Northborough/Westborough/Shrewsbury/Grafton Veteran Service Officer** <https://www.town.westborough.ma.us/844/Veterans-Services>
- **Veterans Inc. Worcester 69 Grove St** <https://www.veteransinc.org/>

- **Worcester Vet Center – VA 255 Park Ave** <https://www.va.gov/worcester-vet-center/#content>
- **Warrior Wellness for Veterans at Boroughs YMCA Westborough -**
<https://www.ymcaofcm.org/news/warrior-wellness-for-veterans/>

Post 234 Online:

- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/vfp234>
- **Website:** <https://americanlegionpost234.com/>
- **Kitchen GoFundMe:** <https://www.gofundme.com/f/revive-vincent-f-picard-posts-kitchen>
- **Instagram:** [instagram@vfp234](https://www.instagram.com/vfp234)

Other Local Legion Post Online with Veteran Activities: Check for weekly activities at other local Posts.

- **Auburn Post 279:** <https://www.facebook.com/Post279>
- **Marlborough Post 132:** <https://www.facebook.com/AmericanLegionPost132Marlborough>
- **West Boylston Post 204:** <https://www.facebook.com/legionpost204/>
- **Grafton Post 92:** <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063756090688>
- **Vernon Hill 435:** <https://www.facebook.com/AL435>

American Legion Northborough Post 234 Officers 06/2025

Commander	Edgar Blanchette
Sr Vice Commander	Spencer Jacobs
Financial Officer	Stan Corbett
Adjutant	Max Strickland
Chaplin	Elizabeth Barry
Past Commander	William Callaghan
Sergeant-at- Arms	Edward Bombard
Armorer	Arthur Sharon
Historian	Larry Schafer
Board Of Directors:	
John Brewer	Roger Langevin
Rick Nieber	Regina Guerra
Harry Pierce	Larry Schafer

AUXILIARY UNIT 234 OFFICERS 03/2023

President:	Karen Brewster
Sr Vice President:	Diane Simoneau
Jr Vice President:	Jess Huibregtse
Secretary:	Sally Strout
Treasurer:	Debra Rolfe
Executive Board:	Annette Currier

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS 07/2025

Director:	Rich Greite
Asst. Director:	EJ Sowden
Secretary:	D. Lynn Gray
Treasurer:	Donald Gray
Chaplain:	Phil Letoumeau
Sergeant-at-Arms:	Peter Rossik
Historian:	Alan St Jean
Road Captain:	John Herstedt

Sons of the Legion:

Commander:	Jay McDonald
Vice Commander:	Kyle Walker
Finance Officer	Fred McDonald