



Picard's Posting



VINCENT F. PICARD AMERICAN LEGION POST 234



Upcoming October Events

10/4 Saturday: Colonial Poker Tournament (10AM-Midnight)	Open to the public.
10/5 Sunday: Legion Members' Meeting: 11AM, E-Board Meets at 09AM.	Members only.
10/5 Sunday: Auxiliary Mega Meat Raffle: 1-3PM	Open to the public.
10/11 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04PM	Open to the public.
10/15 Wednesday: Veterans Coffee Hour: 10AM	Open to the public.
10/18 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04PM	Open to the public.
10/18 Saturday: Music: Rock Band: Mighty King Snakes: 05PM \$10 Cover	Open to the public.
10/25 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04PM	Open to the public.
11/1 Saturday: Weekly Meat Raffle/Queen-of-Hearts 04PM	Open to the public.
11/1 Saturday: Music: Rock Band: Stymonsters 05PM. \$10 Cover	Open to the public.
11/2 Sunday: Legion Members' Meeting: 11AM, E-Board Meets at 09AM.	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:

- **10/4 Saturday No Meat Raffle or 50/50 Queen of Hearts due to Colonial Poker Tournament**
- **10/4 09-12AM (Algonquin High School - Drive Through) and 10/14 01-06PM (Northborough Town Hall) Northborough FLU Vaccine Clinics** - Northborough Health and Human Services: <https://linktr.ee/NorthboroughHHS>
- **10/21 Tuesday 12-6:30PM Blood Drive:** Northborough Health and Human Services: Northborough Free Library: 34 Main St <https://linktr.ee/NorthboroughHHS>
- **11/3 Shrewsbury Veteran Dinner** for Veterans and Surviving Spouses 01:30-03:30PM. Shrewsbury Sr Center. 98 Maple Ave Shrewsbury Ma. RSVP by 11/3 508-841-8640
- **12/13 National Wreaths Across America:** Sponsor a wreath in Howard Street Cemetery: www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/MA0219 for more info.
- **Past Event: 9/27 Legion Members Meeting: Awards presented to the following:**

Certificates Of Appreciation Awarded before the Post Legion Meeting as shown below.
Thanks to all award recipients for their continued work to help local Veterans and participate in community events. It takes concerned active citizens to make a community a great place to live.

Special Appreciation Award: Bill Callaghan

Legion Riders: Presented by Director Rich Greite

- EJ Sowden and Don Gray

Legion Auxiliary: Presented by President Karen Brewster

- Debra Rolf and Diane Simoneau

Sons of the Legion: Presented by Commander Jason McDonald

- Fred McDonald, Jim Johnson, Chris Daniels

Legion: Presented by Commander Edgar Blanchette

- Rich Greite, Jason McDonald, Karen Brewster, Frank Brown, Max Strickland
- Joseph Macaffery, Stan Corbett, Rick Nieber, Roger Faucher, Roger Langevin

Additional Awards to:

- Chris Daniels, Jackie Taylor, Annette Currier, Jojo Ross
- Mary Legere, Inga Quintin, Brian Quintin

- **Past Event: 9/28 Vietnam Era Veteran Dinner – 50 RSVP count.** Dinner was held at the Post with local Veterans from Northborough, Shrewsbury, Southborough, Westborough, and a few others. Legion State, District, and local leadership were present. Official opening for the Post refurbished kitchen accomplished with a nice local event enjoyed by many. Thanks to all that helped make this possible.
- **Northborough Post 0234 Legion Hats/T-shirts/Colar Shirts on sale** – Available at Post.
- **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 '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 Northborough 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) <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	Joseph McCaffrey
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