



The Norton/ Wuori American Legion Post #61 members Bill Gillespie, Frank Doherty, and Curt Johnson are pictured as they took part in the flag burning ceremonies on Wednesday at the town monument.

## American Legion

# Members prepare for flag disposal service

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KINGFIELD -- Over 25 members of the Norton / Wuori American Legion and Auxiliary Post #61 gathered on Monday, Nov. 2 at the Legion hall for a Thanksgiving dinner preceding their meetings.

Auxiliary members cut out coupons which are sent overseas for military families. Then several of the members decorated about 50 coffee cans with Christmas wrapping and decoration to fill with homemade cookies and sold for fundraising at the Holiday Fair on Nov. 28 at the Kingfield Elementary School starting at 9 a.m.

It was noted that 100 percent of the dues for Auxiliary members this year has been paid. A discussion was held about the Christmas Party that will be held on Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. at the hall. There will be finger foods served, with

everyone exchanging a gift (not to exceed \$5). The entertainment for the evening will be Sonny Perry with his Jericho Band offering old time gospel and country music.

At the Legion meeting, Commander Bert Dyer said that there would be a burning of the flags on Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 3 p.m. at the monument on Depot Street. It was noted that the five medallions depicting the five military services located in front of the Legion Hall have been taken down and will be hand-painted and then put back up.

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\* Any veteran or service member of the Wars in Iraq or Afghanistan (who served during January 2008 to the end of the 09/10 ski season) can receive a complimentary lift ticket during Saddleback's 09/10 ski season. The ski resort is scheduled to open on Nov. 27, 2009. Military orders or DD214 needed to qualify.

Families of Deployed Service Members:  
\* Saddleback's new Blue Star Family Pass is for families of service members who have been or will be deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan between January 2008 and the end of the 09/10 ski season.

\* Spouses of deployed soldiers can get a Saddleback lift ticket for \$25 and their dependant children can ski for \$20 a day. Proof of spouse's deployment is needed.

Saddleback's Free Ski Day for Veterans and Service Members:

\* On Sunday, January 10, 2010 all United States military veterans and anyone in the Armed Forces can ski for free.

"As a former Marine who served in Vietnam and father of a Marine who has been deployed five times, the Blue Star Family Pass is close to my heart," said Cook. "Having a loved one overseas can be hard and we hope to provide a more affordable way for the families of deployed service members to have some fun at Saddleback."

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grade point average of 90 or better.

From the boys' soccer program, Ian Daly was announced as the only representative from the boys' team. For the girls, Jillian Withee, Emma Twitchell, Cree Rousseau, Kylie Rolbiecki, Amanda Richards, Emily Luce and Nichole Eisenhour were honored.

This year MVC all-star Honorable Mention went out to Amanda Richards and Katie Buschmann.

MTA had many first team all-stars this year which speaks well of the coaches, Pillsbury explained. First Team All-stars were announced and Kylie Rolbiecki and Emily Eames accepted the honor.

MVC Honorable Mention for the boys' northern division went out to Joey Lampron and Josh Beedy.

For the first team selection of MVC all-stars, Jim Barker, Ian Daly and Dylan Tisor were honored by a round of applause.

The final and most prestigious award announcement concluded the evening when both soccer squads were gathered.

The Bruce Howard Award which was started in 1983 was offered in memory of Corporal Bruce Howard.

Howard played for Art Potter in the early beginnings of MTA soccer, before he joined the U.S. Marines.

"Bruce was a vocal leader on the soccer field and undoubtedly continued this leadership as a U.S. Marine," Pillsbury said.

"The description of those deserving this award," Coach Lopez said after the event, is a hardnosed, tough, gritty player and nobody fits that better than who was selected this year."

The 2009 Bruce Howard Award went out to MVC First Team Selection All-star and Western Senior Team All-star Dylan Tisor.

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