



# Post 1151

## Post Commander

Merger update – As of 1 October the corporate merger is complete. The next step is to merge the posts. The forms were sent in to transfers the Rush members to Henrietta, we received a response fairly quickly that the transfers were complete. The next step is to turn in the forms to and update the Henrietta charter to Ely-Fagan – Stevens – Connor. We don't know how long this will take but hopefully it will be fairly quick.

We will be holding our first meeting of the combined posts on 15 January, 2020. This is the third Wednesday of the month. Our meeting schedule is not changing, we are moving the Executive Committee and General Meeting back one week due to the New Year falling on the first Wednesday.

Congratulations to Bob Jeffers for receiving the Carolyn Davis selfless service award. He certainly deserves it; he made many improvements to our bar/club and his hard work and dedication are appreciated.

We hosted the National Commander on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The turnout from throughout the county was lower than expected but we had a good time. The lunch was enjoyable and afterwards we took him on a short tour of our new VA outpatient clinic. I told him I used to take my dad to the VA outpatient when it was downtown and I get all my care through the VA. The care we receive today compared to what it was years ago is immeasurably better.

Speaking of the VA we had the chief of the VA medical team for this area as our guest speaker during our Past Commander / Past President dinner. The chief provided an overview of what the new facility provides, some of the improvements they are making in Canandaigua and more importantly how they would like to support more veterans. If you know of any veteran that is in need of healthcare they can go there on a walk-in basis and see what services they may qualify for. If a veteran has been told in the past they are not eligible that may not be the case today. They are encouraged to check out what benefits may be available. If they, or you, need a ride please call the post and we will help out. We also presented two checks for the Canandaigua hospital to support patients, the checks totaled \$1,000.00 and were from the VFW and our post.

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## Auxiliary President

This month finds our Auxiliary Charter draped once again in honor and memory of life member and Past Monroe Co. President, Shirley Danylyshyn. Members attended services and a memorial donation was made.

Thanks to all the members who came out to help with the National Commander visit. The event was well attended with many of our Department, District and County officers and members present. National Commander Oxford enjoyed our post and hospitality. While in town, he also had the opportunity to visit the new Veterans Outpatient Clinic. For those that could not attend, a video of his speech was posted on the Ely-Fagan Facebook page.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Past Commander/Past President dinner a success. Personally, I would like to thank all the members for the great support you gave me last year. It's by working together as a team and supporting one another that we can accomplish our mission to serve our veterans and their families.

At the October meeting, we reviewed our Constitution & By-laws as well as our Standing Rules. Apart from some grammatical changes to be consistent with the new membership eligibility, no major changes will be made at this time. If you have any questions, please reach out to myself, or one of the other unit officers.

## For God and Country

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## Veterans of Foreign Wars

According to a recent news article the VFW snapped a 27-year membership decline and added 25,000 new members. Won't you consider helping our post be a part of that trend? We would love to grow the post and help strengthen the veteran community in this area. The purpose of the VFW is to speed rehabilitation of the nation's disabled and needy veterans, assist veterans' widows and orphans and the dependents of needy or disabled veterans, and promote [Americanism](#) by means of education in [patriotism](#) and by constructive service to local communities. The VFW is very active with legislative issues and has done much to support their cause.

## In Comradeship

John Compitello  
Commander  
585-481-7360

**THANK YOU  
VETERANS**

## **Post Commander** *continued from previous page*

Our Past Commander / Past President dinner was a great time. I handed out quite a few appreciation plaques and I'm sure I could have handed out a lot more. Thank you to everyone who had a hand in putting this together and supports our post throughout the year!

### **FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION**

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### **Auxiliary News:**

Your 2019-2020 dues are due at this time. To keep your membership going, you must pay your dues by December 31, 2019. To date, Kathy Callagee, has collected 77 dues. That is great!! Thank you everyone for getting your dues in. We have until 12/31/2019 to get all our dues in. Let's help our Unit obtain some very deserving awards!

Also, if you know of a member who has a spouse or children that attends events and/or even volunteers at the Post home, let's all do our part and ask them to sign up for the Legion, Son's and/or Auxiliary. If you aren't sure of your eligibility, you may visit the American Legion Auxiliary ([www.ala.com](http://www.ala.com)) website and check out the membership requirements. They have recently changed!!! If you are signing up a new member, please know that the "old" applications can be used and we are encouraged to use up all that we have. The new application can be found on the website [www.ala.com](http://www.ala.com), if you chose to use the new form.

Senior dues are \$28.00 and Junior dues are \$8.00. Please send your payment to Kathy Callagee, 65 Authors Avenue, Henrietta, NY 14467. Once your dues are paid, Kathy will send your membership card to you. If you are a new member, you will only get a handwritten membership card for the first year, then the 2<sup>nd</sup> year, your card will be a printed one. *As always, if you have questions about your membership status, please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Callagee @ 334-0786 and she will answer your questions.*

### **Auxiliary Community Service:**

I have left a few blank Community Service reporting forms around the legion. Please try and record your volunteer hours and send them to me, so that our Unit will get credit for all the great things we do!! The hours can be for volunteer hours at the legion (bartending, dinners, breakfasts, etc.), and hours worked helping the community in many ways, i.e., helping the elderly by taking them to the doctors office or a hair appointment, even caring for a pet while your neighbor is away or in the hospital counts, volunteering at the library, school, etc. Please be sure to send me your volunteer hours, so that I may submit them in my monthly report to Monroe County. I also send in reports 3 times a year to the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York for our Unit to also be eligible for a Community Service Award. Let's try and get our Unit the attention it deserves by all of us reporting our volunteer hours. Thank you in advance for helping me out with this important task each month.

My e-mail address is [kacy1547@yahoo.com](mailto:kacy1547@yahoo.com). If you aren't sure if your hours belong to community service, please send to

me anyhow and I will get the reported hours to the correct committee chair.

**The holidays are fast approaching. Have you considered donating, but find that you don't have enough extra to give? Giving can be as simple as instead of using Amazon or Amazon Prime, switch your membership to Amazon Smile. This program allows you to pick a charity of your choice (American Legion Auxiliary Foundation and/or Toys for Tots / USO, for example) and designate that 5% of your purchase will go to your charity of choice. You can also change your charity for each purchase, or simply choose a charity and each purchase 5% will automatically go to that charity? The 5% does not come from your \$, but it is 5% of Amazon's profit, which they will designate to your charity. Same Amazon you know, separate website. Same products, same prices, same service - but to generate donations you must always shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) instead.**

**So, in essence, you are giving to your favorite charity, but using Amazon's money to donate. Great idea! Try it out. Giving can be that simple.**

### **November meeting:**

Our November meeting will be held at President Sandy Seacat's home at 10 Amador Parkway, Rochester, NY on November 20 @ 7 pm. We hope to see you all there! \*\*This meeting is moved one week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday!\*\*

For God and Country,  
Kacy Friedler, Secretary

### **Sons of the American Legion**

I am happy to report, that once again the SAL has gotten a 100% membership for the 2019 year. But on that same note, we are now working on dues for 2020 year. The dues are the same as last year. \$20 for 21 years and older, \$9 for under 21 years old. Dues money can be mailed to Kevin Yost, 1474 Middle Road, Rush, NY 14543. Checks Payable to Sons of the American Legion #1151. Eligibility dates for the SAL have been changed to follow the current Legion dates. So if you know someone who previously was not eligible to join, double check, because they may be able to join now. Our next meeting is November 13 at 6:45 PM.

### **Tom Hayes**

### **Fall Meat Raffle**

Our next Meat Raffle will be Saturday, November 2 from 1 to 5 pm in the Hall. We will have turkeys, hams, shrimp and roasts. The Hall will open at 12 with first spin at 1 pm. There will be a total of 20 prizes. Get your turkey now! Avoid the rush! Stock your freezer for the winter! Mark your calendars!

### **Vote as if your life depends on it!**

If you need a ride to and from your polling place contact the post before 9 pm Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Call 585-334-8228 and leave a message. Someone will call you back to make arrangements to get you to the polls on time!

## Annual Auxiliary Veterans Holiday Gift Shop

Our Auxiliary will be holding our annual Holiday Gift Shop for Veterans on November 20<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm. Our members will serve the Veterans a meal and then help them shop for their families. Gifts will be wrapped and shipped to a designated family member. The Canandaigua VA will hold their Holiday Gift Shop on November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Canandaigua VA Hospital from 10 am to 3 pm.

## Daylight Savings Time Ends

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>! Remember to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night before bed!

## 2020 Membership Drive

Our 2020 membership drive is underway. The Legion is the nation's largest veteran organization and has helped secure many of the benefits veterans enjoy today. The more members the Legion has, the more impact the Legion will have in legislative affairs. Please pay your dues as soon as you can. If you or anyone you may know of needs help, let us know. You can pay your dues by mailing them in, on line at <http://www.legion.org/renew>, or bring them to the Post.

## Hall Rentals

Our Hall is available to rent from 10 am to 10 pm daily. Cost is \$175.00 with a \$100.00 security deposit. Use of the kitchen is extra. A contract is required. For more information contact the Hall Rental Coordinator, Ray Torres, at 585-737-8976.

## Devil's Bar News

The Devil's Bar will close at 9 pm on Wednesday, November 27 and will not reopen until Friday, November 29 at 4 pm in observance of Thanksgiving.

We have a Bluegrass band, "Lehigh Lyin' Dog" coming in on Saturday, November 2, at 5 pm, following the Meat Raffle. Please stop by for a moment, even if just to listen.

We will have karaoke with Paul Cannon on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8 pm.

Saturdays well drinks are \$2 from 1 pm to 6 pm. On Sundays, during the football games beer by the pitcher will be \$6, cans and bottles will be \$2

We serve fresh Beef on Weck for \$5 on Thursdays from 4 to 7 pm. We also have Hot Dogs for \$2 and Personal Pizzas for \$3. Just let the bartender know you would like one.

Wii Bowling is every Monday at 6 pm. The cost is \$5.00 per week. Euchre Tournament every Tuesday Starting at 6:30 pm. You don't have to be a member to play, but you must be signed in as a guest.

We sell tickets for our monthly 50/50 and weekly Queen of Hearts drawings and be sure to stop by & sign up for our weekly drawing.

Please support your post!

## Kitchen News

Join us for a **fish fry every Friday from 4 pm to 7 pm**, serving battered, breaded or baked 12 – 14 ounce haddock filets, shrimp, scallops, and clam strips. Meet friends for dinner or make friends at dinner. We apologize, but we are no longer able to deliver meals. Call 585-334-8228 and we will have it ready when you get here..

The **Sunday Breakfast** will be November 3 from 9 am – 12 pm! Order eggs any style, omelets, pancakes, potatoes, toast, bacon and sausage with orange juice, great coffee, or tea. You won't find a better breakfast deal in a friendlier atmosphere anywhere in the county!

## Tuesday Night Dinners

**November 5, 5-7 pm: Sloppy Joe Night** Dinner includes a tasty, hot, healthy serving of delicious Sloppy Joe piled high on a fresh bun with sides of baked beans and homemade macaroni salad. \$9.00.

**November 12, 5-7 pm: Chicken Cordon Bleu:** Thin slices of chicken, wrapped around ham & Swiss cheese, coated with bread crumbs, served hot with mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, and house salad. Only \$9.00!

**November 19, 5-7 pm: Goulash Dinner: BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!** Hot and meaty, with just the right amount of sauce and macaroni. Roll and house salad. \$9.00

**November 26, 5-7 pm: Stuffed Pork Chops** A thick, tender, tasty, boneless pork chop, stuffed with stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable and house salad \$9.00

As always, smiles, coffee, tea & water are included with all dinners at Ely-Fagan. Soda in cans and bottled water are available for \$1.00 each. Call us (585-334-8228) and we will have it ready when you get here.

## Veterans Day Free Meals 2019

The below listed businesses have confirmed they are offering the listed deals on Veterans Day, Monday, November 11, 2019. The list is not all inclusive.

- Golden Corral Free Meal
- Chili's Free Meal
- Olive Garden Free Meal
- Applebee's Free Meal
- Texas Roadhouse Free Lunch
- Red Robin Free Meal
- Free Pancakes at IHOP
- Denny's Free Breakfast
- Famous Dave's Free Meal
- Free Meal at Bar Louie

Each business has their own standards for establishing military status. If you have a retired, reserve, or active duty, or veteran ID card you should be okay. If you have questions please call the business directly or go to their website. Happy Veterans Day!

## Christmas Party

The 2019 Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 14. Social hour starts at 5 pm and dinner will be served at 6 pm. There will be karaoke starting at 8 pm in the Devil's Bar.

The menu will be Shrimp Cocktail and Prime Rib & Baked Potato, or Roast Turkey, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Vegetable Blend with House Salad and Cheesecake for dessert.. The dinner will be buffet style.

**Tickets must be purchased in advance!** Cost is \$10.00 per meal if ticket purchased by December 6<sup>th</sup>, \$15.00 if purchased after December 6<sup>th</sup>, if available. Tickets will be on sale in the Devil's Bar and at dinners starting Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. Remember, we have a limited number of seats available in the Hall and tickets usually go fast.

Bring a non-perishable food item for the Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal (RHAFT) and get a chance to win one of the neat door prizes! Extra chances may be purchased for \$1.00 each. All food items and cash will be donated to RHAFT.

## November Meetings

The Executive Committee meets November 6 at 7 pm. The VFW meets November 12 at 7 pm.. S.A.L. meets a November 13 at 6:45 pm. The General Meeting is November 13 at 7:30 pm. The Auxiliary meets November 20 at 7:00 p.m.

## Veterans Day Ceremonies at War Memorial

On Veterans Day, November 11, 2019 the Monroe County American Legion, along with various other patriotic organizations, will conduct ceremonies honoring Monroe County Veterans. This will take place at the Rochester Community War Memorial.

An Ecumenical Service conducted by 7<sup>th</sup> District Chaplain Connie Corwin will be held at 9:30 am, followed by a Wreath Laying Ceremony at 11 am.

The Monroe County American Legion Color Guard will render a proper rifle salute.

Between the Ecumenical Service and the Wreath Laying Ceremony refreshments will be served by the Monroe County American Legion Auxiliary.

All Legionnaires, Auxiliary & S.A.L. members are encouraged to attend this solemn event. Please wear Legion Caps. Please inform your members, at your meetings, and encourage them to attend and bring their families, neighbors and friends. This is a great way for us to educate our youth about the sacrifices of our veterans.

## Post Planning Meeting

There will be a Planning Meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the Devil's Bar to coordinate support for post activities during calendar year 2020. All Post officers are required to attend. Officers of the Auxiliary, Sons, VFW, Scouts and other organizations are urged to attend to ensure their project or organization gets the support needed.

## Out & About with Jimmy Oh!

### Happy Veterans Day!

Welcome to the new members from Stevens-Connor Post!

Some of you are receiving our monthly newsletter by the mail man, some are getting it by email. If you need to receive the newsletter by mailman, please let us know. Ideally, you want to have the newsletter emailed to you, and if that is the case, please let us know by emailing [elyfaganpost1151@gmail.com](mailto:elyfaganpost1151@gmail.com). This will help us keep costs down, reduce clutter & waste at your end and save a tree or two every month.

Ely-Fagan / Stevens Connor Post 1151 will never give out your email address to anyone. If you have input for the newsletter it must be received no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month if you want it in the next month's newsletter. Items received after the 15<sup>th</sup> will be placed when space is available.

Thanks to Ted Miller and Scout Troop 350 for their support during the Past President / Past Commander's Dinner. They did a great job! Thanks to everyone who worked hard to make the dinner a success. There are a lot of people who throughout the month come together to make sure things get done here at the Post. If I could name them all I would, but I will forget someone and feelings will be hurt. You all know who they are. Why not tell them Thank You when you see them? That's way better than having your name in the newsletter.

Tuesday night dinners will lose its cook at the end of the year. There isn't a problem, he is just tired of working every Tuesday for the last 6 years and wants to do something else.. If someone wants to step forward, the cook will give you his recipes and show you how it is done. If no one steps up, Tuesday night dinners will end in 2020. It would be a shame to lose this source of revenue.

October was an extremely busy month for the Post. November brings our final meat raffle of the year and December brings our Christmas party. 2019 has been an extremely busy year with the crescendo reaching its' peak in October. Hopefully the load will lighten for a while. . .

Wegmans donated a case of Aleve, several multi packs of TopCare Day cold treatment and Night cold treatment, several multipacks of Alka Seltzer Plus and some Ben-Gay and some Dr Scholl's orthotic inserts. The expiration dates are at least a year away. If you are interested come to the post and stock up for the winter. You know it is coming . . .

Happy 244<sup>th</sup> Birthday to the United States Marine Corps. If the Army and the Navy ever gaze on Heaven's scenes, they see the streets are guarded by the United States Marines (and a few good Navy Hospital Corpsmen)

Remember, if it is in the newsletter, IT WILL HAPPEN. If it is on the website, check the newsletter to be sure. Our Facebook page gets 97% of its information from the newsletter. If it says Roast Beef on the marquee, don't come in expecting spaghetti.

Happy Trails until we meet again. G'night Jon-Boy!

I'll be back. ...and that's the way it is. 6 full pages.

# November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Wii Bowling	<b>29</b> 5pm Roast Beef 6:30 pm Euchre	<b>30</b> 7pm Weekly Drawing	<b>31</b> 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 9 am T.O.P.S.	<b>1</b> Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Sunday Breakfast	<b>4</b> Wii Bowling	<b>5</b> Election Day 5pm Sloppy Joe Dinner 6:30 pm Euchre	<b>6</b> 7pm Weekly Drawing 7pm Executive Meeting	<b>7</b> 9 am T.O.P.S.	<b>8</b> Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	<b>9</b> 9am Planning Conference 8pm Karaoke with Cody
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Wii Bowling Veterans Day	<b>12</b> 5pm Chicken Cordon Bleu 6:30pm Euchre 7pm VFW Meeting	<b>13</b> 7 pm Weekly Drawing 7:30pm General Meeting	<b>14</b> 9 am T.O.P.S 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 7pm MG Club 7pm Bar Trivia	<b>15</b> Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Wii Bowling	<b>19</b> 5pm Goulash Dinner 6:30 pm Euchre	<b>20</b> 10am Auxiliary Gift Shop 6:30 Cub Scouts 7 pm Weekly Drawing	<b>21</b> 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 6:30 Cub Scouts 9am T.O.P.S.	<b>22</b> Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Drawing	<b>23</b> 8pm Karaoke with Paul Cannon
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