



Ely-Fagan Post

Post Commander

John Compitello

April is Children and Youth Month – You can get information on this at the legion website, take a few minutes and see what you may be able to do to support our local children and youth.

As we move into April, the Sportsman Raffle tickets are all signed out, if you have sold tickets please turn them in as soon as you can so our staff doesn't have to work in a crunch to get them all logged in, if you have any you are not going to sell, please get them turned in also.

As I visit the post I see a few more volunteers helping out, this is great and we thank you for your support. And again, thanks to all who do so much.

I had to miss the last Sunday buffet; I understand it is becoming quite popular and was sorry I missed it.

We are a short time away from hosting the County Convention on Saturday June 4th, we will be making plans and preparing for the event, if you would like to help prepare or on the day of the event, please let us know as we have much to do.

Remember we are all brothers and sisters in the same cause, supporting veterans and our community, this is our mission. We are all different, yet we all have something to contribute, let's keep in mind what we do is for the good of the legion.

For the good of the Legion

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April Meetings

The House Committee meets April 6th at 5:30 pm. The Executive Committee meets April 6th at 7 pm. The S.A.L. meets April 13th at 6:45 pm. The General Meeting is Wednesday, April 13th at 7:30 pm. The Auxiliary meets April 27th at 6:00 pm. All meetings are in the Hall unless otherwise noted. Any member in good standing may attend any meeting held at the Post.

American Legion Auxiliary

We had a great turnout for our Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner. We were sold 74 dinners and were sold out by 6:00. Thanks to everyone that helped cook, serve, bake cupcakes, etc. Without teamwork these things would not be possible.

On Monday March 21, 2016 Kathy Callagee, Margaret Hayes, Betty Jane Lond, and Kacy Friedler went to the Monroe Community Hospital to work the American Legion Auxiliary BINGO night. There were approximately 45 BINGO players and everyone had a great time. Next time you see one of them ask them how you can get involved.

Nominations for officers for 2016 - 2017 will be announced at our next meeting on Wednesday April 27th. If you are interested in running for an office please let one of the current officers know.

We are at 123 paid members. Please see Kathy Callagee if you have not paid 2015 - 2016 dues or with any questions.

2016 – 2017 Post Elections

This month at our General Meeting we will elect Post Officers for the 2016 – 2017 cycle. The only requirement necessary to hold any office in the American Legion is to be a member in good standing. Nominations for office will be accepted right up to the point the vote takes place. You must be present for your vote to count. We will install the new officers at the May General Meeting.

2016 Membership Drive

As of March 21st, approximately eighty-two percent of our members have renewed their membership for 2016. We have 44 people who have yet to renew their membership as of this writing. The number of current members at our Post determines how many delegates we will have at the County Convention.

Please send your dues in as soon as you can. If you know someone who has yet to pay their dues, please remind them. If you or someone you know needs help, please let us know.

We are now serving pizza and wings at our General meetings and all non-officers attending are given a raffle ticket for a \$25 cash drawing at the end of the meeting.

If you have any questions please contact Ray McCormick or Kevin Hermey.

Post Everlasting

Charles Philip McCabe III

S/SGT USAF
Korea

Monroe County Convention Planning Committee April Meeting

We are the host post for the 2016 Monroe County Convention on Saturday, June 4th. There will be members from all 35 County posts, as well as the County and District leadership and many local, regional and state politicians at the Post throughout the day. It is an excellent opportunity for us to show everyone what we are capable of.

Our second planning committee meeting will be Wednesday, April 20th at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to participate. For more information please contact Kevin Hermey at 585-746-8450 or email at lkhermey@rochester.rr.com.

Spring Sportsman Raffle

The 2016 Spring Sportsman Raffle will be held Saturday, April 30, from 12 pm to 6 pm at the Post Home, located at 260 Middle Road in Henrietta, NY, 14467.

Tickets are \$10.00 each and can be purchased from various members or at the Devil's Bar. Ticket holders will be eligible to win any of 12 different prizes; if your ticket is drawn for a prize, you get that prize and your ticket goes back into the basket for the next drawing.

Prizes are:

1. \$300.00 Cash
2. Fenwick Eagle GT Rod, Abu Garcia Reel, Flambeau Bag & \$75.00 Gander Mountain Gift Card
3. Henry Golden Boy .22 Caliber
4. \$300.00 Cash
5. Fenwick HMX Rod, Pflueger Presidential Reel, Flambeau Bag & \$75.00 Gander Mountain Gift Card
6. Mossberg 500 Home Defense 12 Gauge
7. Kayak
8. Fenwick Eagle GT Rod, Abu Garcia Reel, Flambeau Bag & \$75.00 Gander Mountain Gift Card
9. Ruger 10-22 Takedown
10. \$300.00 Cash
11. Fenwick HMX Rod, Pflueger Presidential Reel, Flambeau Bag & \$75.00 Gander Mountain Gift Card
12. Marlin 336-W 30/30 with 3-9x40 Scope, Rings & Base

Additional prizes may be added.

There will be side raffles before each of the above drawings.

Ticket holders will have food & beverage provided. There will be a \$100.00 Early Bird Drawing on April 1, 2016. Tickets will be available at the door on the day of the raffle. "Food only" tickets will be \$7.00 at the door.

All Local & State Laws will be rigidly adhered to.

College Scholarship Applications Due April 29

The Post awards two \$600 college scholarships annually to deserving high school seniors who have been accepted by an approved institution of higher learning. Applicants must compose a 500 word essay on Americanism and submit the application and essay to be received by April 29, 2016. Applicants do not have to be members of the Post 1151 Legion Family or residents of Henrietta. Scholarship recipients will receive their checks after reading their essays at the June General meeting. Applications and information can be obtained from Ray McCormick by email at relkml@yahoo.com or by calling him at 585-764-9548.

2016 Armed Forces Day Luncheon

The 2016 Armed Forces Day Luncheon will be held at The Diplomat Party House located at 1956 Lyell Avenue, Gates NY 14606 on Saturday, May 21, 2016. Doors open at 10:30 am and lunch will start at 12:00 pm.

There will be a pre-luncheon concert provided by the 198th Army Band. The menu is not available at this time. Todd Baxter, Executive Director of the Veterans Outreach Center is this year's Honorary Chair, Brigadier General John G. Baker, USMC is the Guest Speaker, County Executive Cheryl Dinolfo and Rochester Mayor Lovely Warren are scheduled to attend, as are numerous other area luminaries.

R.S.V.P. must be received by May 3rd. Cost is \$25 per adult and \$12 per child. Sponsor a table for \$250 and you get 8 tickets and recognition in the program. For more information, please call 1-800-845-2412 or visit www.afdlrocnny.com.

Boys State

Boys State is a week-long program that immerses high school youth (currently completing their junior year) in citizenship and leadership training. They learn the practical aspects of government as it exists in New York State, and come to recognize that the individual is integral to the character and success of government. They also participate in physical fitness, teamwork and other activities, under the guidance of American Legion counselors and U.S. Marines.

Boys State will be held from June 26 to July 2, 2016 at SUNY Morrisville State College in Morrisville, NY.

If you or a youth you know would like to apply, contact Kevin Hermey at 585-746-8450 or lkhermey@rochester.rr.com for more information.

Thank You!

I want to thank everyone who helped make our annual Auxiliary St Patrick's Day dinner such a huge success! Those who prepared and served the meal, those who cleaned up or donated cupcakes, and especially those who came to eat! It was sold out in 20 minutes! - Carolyn Davis

Hall Floor Replacement Fund

The floor replacement fund, in one year, has gone from nothing to \$6,277.02 as of our last deposit of \$805.00 on March 24, 2016.

We have obtained estimates from many different vendors and in almost every case their prices are in the \$10,000.00 – plus range and do not include demolition and preparation of the subfloor. There are two schools of thought: on one hand there are those that really want an oak hardwood floor (\$17,000.00), and then on the other hand there are those that recognize the current floor has lasted 25 years and was installed by our members at a tremendous savings to the Post. At the current rate, oak hardwood will take another two years to get the money together. We probably have enough money right now to put the floor in ourselves.

Once we have taken care of the floor we can shift our focus to the next project – updating the electrical system, replacing the stove or even repairing the driveway!

We will be discussing the floor at our April General Meeting. All members of the Legion Family are welcome to come and share their thoughts. It is OUR HOME.

Please support your Post. Help us maintain our building. Your contributions are tax deductible.

Hall Rentals

Our Hall is available to rent from 8 am to 10 pm daily. Hall rental is \$175.00 with a \$100.00 security deposit. Hall rental fee does not include use of the kitchen, which is extra. A contract is required and other conditions may apply. For more information contact Ralph Litzenberger at 585-750-1854.

Post Memorial Walkway

Honor your loved ones by purchasing a brick paver to be placed in the Post Memorial Walkway. The pavers are \$75.00 each and have 3 lines with 15 characters per line for name, rank, service & period.

The next paver order will be submitted by April 15th. This will allow time for the order to be processed and us to get the pavers and have them placed in the walkway in time for our Memorial Day activities. If you would like to have your loved one's paver in the walkway by Memorial Day, please be sure to complete your order by April 15th. Order forms are available at the Post and on the Post [website](#). If you have any questions please contact Ralph Litzenberger at 585-750-1854.

NY Strip Steak Dinner Canceled

Due to scheduling conflicts the NY Strip steak dinner originally scheduled for Saturday, March 28th, then rescheduled for April 16 has been canceled. Watch the newsletter and website for the next dinner.

Tuesday Dinners

Tuesday, April 5 / 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 **\$8.00!**

Tuesday, April 12 / 5-7 pm: Spaghetti & Meatballs / Italian Sausage. Angel hair pasta, smothered in our classic secret sauce, with your choice of meatballs and/or Italian sausage! House salad & toasted garlic bread included for only **\$8.00!** (extra meat is \$2.00 more).

Tuesday, April 19 / 5-7 pm: Goulash Dinner Hot and meaty, with just the right amount of sauce and macaroni. Roll and house salad. **\$8.00**

Tuesday, April 26 / 5-7 pm: Meatloaf Dinner A thick slice of our classic meatloaf, with mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable and house salad, only **\$8.00!**

Tuesday, May 3 / 5-7 pm: Country Fried Steak A healthy portion of delicious fried steak, with mashed potatoes & smokehouse gravy, Southern-style green beans and a house salad; or instead have French Fries and cole slaw, either way, only **\$8.00!**

As always, smiles, coffee, tea & water are included with all dinners at Ely-Fagan. Soda in cans is available for \$1.00 each. Eat here and let us clean up or take it out and eat it in the comfort of your home. Call us (585-334-8228) and we will have it ready when you get here. We can deliver for orders of \$25 or more.

Fish Fry Every Friday!

We have a fish fry every Friday from 4 pm to 7 pm. We serve golden brown, battered or baked 12 – 14 ounce haddock filets, shrimp, scallops, clams and a limited landlubber's menu. Meet friends in the Devil's Bar before coming up to dinner or just come on in and make friends at dinner. Call us at 585-334-8228 and we will have it ready when you get here. We deliver locally for orders of \$25 or more.

April Sunday Breakfast

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

Sunday Breakfast Buffet

We will have a Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, April 17th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Help yourself to regular or western style scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, home fries, pancakes, French toast, sausage gravy and biscuits, fruit, juice and coffee. \$8.00 for Adults & \$5.00 for children 6 – 10 years and free for children 5 & under.

Devil's Bar News

Karaoke nights for April are Saturday, April 9th and Friday, April 22nd starting at 8 pm and lasting to midnight. There will be drink specials and free popcorn, and at the end of the night on April 9th we will award the best singer present \$25.00 cash!

The **Queen of Hearts** jackpot is in excess of \$700.00! Hurry! There are only 4 cards left! Tickets are \$1.00 and the drawing is every Friday at 7 pm. You must have your ticket stub to claim your prize. The **Weekly Drawing** pot is almost \$500! The drawings are every Wednesday at 6 pm. Pay a dollar & sign the book. If your number is chosen, you win! The **Dice Game** is almost \$500! Pay a dollar and get 3 chances to roll 5 of a kind and win it all. We have a variety of **pull tabs** with prizes ranging from \$1 to \$100.

The **Wii Bowling League** meets every Monday at 6 pm. Dues are \$5 each night for three games. Money collected is used for league dinner at a nice restaurant with the remainder used to improve our Post. All members of the Post Legion Family and their guests are welcome!

Euchre Night is every other Tuesday starting at 6 pm. April Euchre nights are the 12th & 26. This is another great opportunity to support your Post by coming to dinner, making friends and having a good time! Everyone is welcome!

Come to the Devil's Bar on your birthday and have a **birthday drink on the Post!** Just show proof to the bartender that it is your birthday & order your favorite drink on the house. Bring your friends with you to help you celebrate...

TIPS Training is designed to familiarize bartenders with New York state laws regarding the sale and consumption of alcohol products. While it is not required, it is desirable to have all of our bartenders attend the training. Recently, Diane Kreutzer, Les Bowens, Doug Platt and Kevin Hermey attended TIPS training and received their TIPS certifications. If you are interested in attending the training please let the bar steward know. If an opportunity arises you will be contacted. There is no charge for the training, just a bit of your time.

The Devil's Bar Reserves the Right to Refuse Service to Anyone Who Appears Intoxicated.

Mother's Day Breakfast Buffet

Our third annual Mother's Day Breakfast Buffet will be Sunday, May 8th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Help yourself to regular or western style scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, pancakes, sausage gravy and biscuits, smoked ham and turkey breast, fruit, juice and coffee for \$8.00, \$4.00 for children 6 – 12 years and free for children 5 & under. Make Mom feel special on her Day and get a great meal at the same time! Please call 585-334-8228 to reserve a spot!

Ely-Fagan Spring Flea Market

Our annual Spring Flea Market /Garage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 14th. The Post will handle the advertising. Spaces are \$10.00 each. We also have a limited number of 6 & 8 foot long tables available to rent for \$5.00 each.

There are two ways to do this: 1) Rent a space and a table, bring your stuff in on the day of the event and sell it. What you don't sell you must take home. 2) Donate usable items to the Legion and we will sell them and use the money for Post operations. The Legion will provide you with a receipt for income tax purposes. Spaces are available now.

We need volunteers for this event. Interested volunteers should contact the Post for more information.

S.A.L. Improves Lighting In Devil's Bar!

For a long time, lighting in the Devil's Bar has been a problem. The fixtures did not give off enough light away from the bar making it difficult to play cards or read at the tables, and if you sat at the bar the lights were usually too bright. There was no in between. Bartenders and clientele both longed for a dimmer switch so the lights could be adjusted. The Bar Steward, the House and the Executive Committees, all were aware of the need to upgrade the lighting but has been focused on much more urgent needs, such as replacing the Hall floor, upgrading the electrical service and driveway repairs.

Well, along came Legion Family members Tom & Terri Sesock. Tom saw the need and proposed replacing the existing half-century old incandescent overhead light fixtures with state of the art L.E.D lights in the Devil's Bar and to install it himself. Tom & Terri further offered to pay half the cost of the light fixtures. The Post Commander, John Compitello, recognized an opportunity to resolve the lighting issue in the Bar area and to save the Post money and took Tom's proposal to the Executive Committee where it was quickly approved. When Tom Hayes, President of the Ely-Fagan Squadron of the Sons of the American Legion, heard about Tom's proposal, he immediately declared that he was making the issue a "Sons" project and pledged payment for the entire project.

John Compitello, our Post Commander, after guiding the initiative through the approval process, said "this is a very good example of how our Legion Family should work; there is a "problem", someone works out a solution, they get others involved, and the Legion Family responds and the problem is solved. We can move forward. It should always be like this"

The Commander described the high levels of cooperation he is experiencing in his dealings with Auxiliary President, Kacy Fiedler, and S.A.L. Commander, Tom Hayes. "We all agree the Post is OUR home, and that when one of OUR groups modifies OUR routine, it affects OUR entire Legion Family. We all agreed to always put OUR Legion Family and OUR Post Home first.

April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28 6pm Wii Bowling	29 630pm Euchre Tuesday Dinner Fried Chicken	30 Weekly Drawing	31	1 Fish Fry Friday! 7pm Queen of Hearts	2
3 Sunday Breakfast	4 6pm Wii Bowling	5 Tuesday Dinner Chicken Cordon Bleu	6 6pm House Mtg 7pm Exec Mtg Weekly Drawing	7	8 Fish Fry Friday! 7pm Queen of Hearts	9 8pm: Karaoke!
10	11 6pm Wii Bowling	12 630pm Euchre Tuesday Dinner Spaghetti & Meatballs	13 645 SAL Mtg 730 General Mtg Weekly Drawing	14	15 Fish Fry Friday! 7pm Queen of Hearts	16
17 Breakfast Buffet	18 6pm Wii Bowling	19 Tuesday Dinner Goulash	20 Auxiliary Mtg Weekly Drawing	21	22 Fish Fry Friday! 7pm Queen of Hearts 8pm Karaoke!	23
24 Newsletter Input Due	25 6pm Wii Bowling	26 630pm Euchre Tuesday Dinner Meatloaf	27 Weekly Drawing	28	29 Fish Fry Friday! 7pm Queen of Hearts	30
1 Sunday Breakfast	2 6pm Wii Bowling	3 Tuesday Dinner Country Fried Steak	4 6pm House Mtg 7pm Exec Mtg Weekly Drawing	5	6 Fish Fry Friday! 7pm Queen of Hearts	7

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Fireside Grill & Sports Bar
Lamartina's Italian Restaurant
MacGregor's Grill & Tap Room
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Olive Garden
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