



# Ely-Fagan Post

## Post Commander

Happy New Year to every one of our members, we had a great 2018 and I expect we will do many great things this new year.

What a wonderful Christmas Party we had with a very good turnout, lots of door prizes, an excellent meal and much Christmas cheer. We donated \$500.00 each to Toys for Tots, Blue Star Mothers and the Rush Henrietta Food Cupboard along with a pile of canned goods. What a great way to end the year! The evening was followed by a great night of karaoke and much fun in the Devil's Bar. **Thanks to all who helped make this a truly great Christmas Event!**

We have post and charitable fundraisers coming up. In February we will have our first meat raffle, I think it will be exciting and benefit our Post. The Auxiliary is having a Pink the Post fundraiser for the Pluta Cancer Center and in April we are having our spring Sportsman's raffle, come on out and support these events, I'm sure you'll have a good time! Remember if each member purchased one ticket and sold one, half our sales would be complete even before we start. If you need us to get tickets to you just give us a call.

Our goal within the Post is to support the community and local veterans issues. We are blessed to be in Rochester and Monroe County where many needs are met locally, either through contributions, government funding, volunteers or paid workers. When you cross paths with any of these folks, take a moment to thank them for what they do. Many times all they hear are the complaints. They are working hard to take care of our veterans and their families and deserve much credit for their hard work and commitment.

The Executive committee wishes all members the best for the New Year!

### FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION

John Compitello  
585-481-7360

## Membership Card Check in effect for January

As always, January is card check month. Please show your card when asked. This is necessary to comply with existing laws & regulations. If you don't have a current membership card it may be time for you to renew. Thanks in advance!

## American Legion Auxiliary President

A new year is upon us and with it new, hopes, dreams, experiences and expectations. One thing that is unchanging is our dedication to the Auxiliary mission of helping our Veterans, Active Duty military and their families. It's this common goal that binds our Legion family together and gives such support to so many.

We have several events coming up in the next couple of months. Our Department Mid-Winter conference is January 25th-26th in Albany. National President Kathy Dungan will be in attendance. The Monroe County Department visitation will on Sunday, February 3rd (Yes. Super Bowl Sunday.) at the 40/8 in Rochester. Cost is \$12/person and registration is due by January 18th. This will be a casual Super Bowl event with multiple TVs available to watch the game. If anyone is interested in attending, please let me know and I'll get you the registration information. On Saturday, February 9th, our unit will host our 2nd Paint the Post Pink event to benefit Pluta Cancer Center Foundation. There will be a delicious spaghetti dinner and lots of raffle items. It will be a fun filled event. Make plans to attend!!

Reminder. . . Membership renewal was due by December 31st to be considered a member in good standing. If you haven't already, please get your dues in ASAP!

As you sit making your New Year's Resolutions, consider rededicating yourself to our mission of Service Not Self. We have so many opportunities to get involved. We would love to have you.

Have a Happy and Blessed New Year!

### For God and Country,

Sandy Seacat,  
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## Annual Post Inventory

January is post inventory month. If you are currently in possession of any post property, such as tables, chairs, kitchen gear or canopies, please return them as soon as possible so they can be included in the inventory. Please contact the post to ensure someone will be there to receive the property.

## January Meetings

The Executive Committee meets January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm. Rice-Hallick VFW Post meets at 7 pm January 8<sup>th</sup>. Sons of the American Legion meet at 6:45 pm on January 9<sup>th</sup>. The American Legion General Meeting is at 7:30 pm on January 9<sup>th</sup>. A light meal will be served. The Post Planning Committee will meet in the Hall Saturday, January 12, at 9 am. Gun Owners of America meets Tuesday, January 15 at 7 pm. The MG Club meets Thursday, January 17 at 7 pm. The American Legion Auxiliary meets at 7 pm on January 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Hall. Wii Bowling meets each Monday at 6:30 pm beginning January 7. T.O.P.S. (Take off Pounds Sensibly) meets every Thursday morning at 9 am. Any member in good standing can attend any meeting held at the Post.

## Auxiliary news

Membership: Your 2018/2019 dues are now past due. Please be sure to pay your dues as soon as possible to keep your membership in good standing. Please remit payment to Kathy Callagee, 65 Authors Avenue, Henrietta, NY 14467. If you have questions regarding your membership, please give her a call at 585-334-0786.

January meeting: Our January regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the post.

Upcoming events: The Auxiliary will be hosting our 2nd Pink the Post for Pluta Cancer Center Foundation Spaghetti dinner on Saturday, February 9, 2019 from 5 to 7 p.m. We will be collecting donations from local businesses for our side auction through the month of January. We look forward to another successful event! Tickets will be \$10.00.

For God and Country,  
Kacy Friedler

## 2019 Membership Drive

As of this writing, eighty-one percent of our members have renewed their membership for 2019. Those members who have yet to renew are currently delinquent. Dues are now \$45.00 a year. You may be asked to show your membership card during the month of January.

Our post receives an award and recognition at the annual county convention in June. Our membership on the day of the county convention (June 2 this year) is reported at the National Convention and that number is used to influence all levels of governmental legislation.

You can pay your dues by mailing them in, going on line at <http://www.legion.org/renew>, or bringing your dues in to renew. We need everyone to do their part: If you haven't paid your dues for 2019, please do so. If you know someone who has yet to renew, please remind them. Let us know if you or someone you know needs help. Together, we can reach one hundred percent!

## Post Meat Raffle

We will have our first Meat Raffle on Saturday, February 2, 2019, starting at 6 pm. Fresh, Prime Rib, Strip Loins, Pork Loins, chicken, Beef Roasts, shrimp and Full Dinner packages will be awarded to 31 lucky winners!

There will be 31 different prizes and 31 raffles for those prizes. Each raffle will consist of 100 tickets. Tickets will cost \$1.00 or \$2.00, depending on the prize being raffled. The winning ticket number will be determined by spinning a prize wheel. We will continue to sell tickets, spin the prize wheel and award prizes until all prizes are handed out. The prizes will be well worth the cost of the tickets. The public is welcome. Any profits will be used to fund post operations. Volunteers are needed. We need friendly, but aggressive raffle ticket salespersons on the day of the raffle. For further information, contact Kevin Hermey by email: [lkhermey@rochester.rr.com](mailto:lkhermey@rochester.rr.com) or call 585-746-8450.

## Post Planning Meeting

There will be a Planning Meeting on January 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the Hall to coordinate support for post activities during calendar year 2019. 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. For further information, contact Kevin Hermey by email: [lkhermey@rochester.rr.com](mailto:lkhermey@rochester.rr.com) or call 585-746-8450.

## Spring 2019 Sportsman's Raffle

The Spring Sportsman's Raffle is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019. The Spring and Fall raffles are the Post's largest source of revenue. The success of the raffles is vital to our Post's financial health.

Our Post Legion Family has approximately 400 members. We order 1,600 \$10 tickets to sell for each raffle. If every member of the Post committed to purchasing two tickets, we would only have about 400 tickets left to sell. If every member committed to selling at least one additional ticket to a friend, the sale would be over almost as soon as it began.

Tickets will be available at the Devil's Bar to purchase or to sign out to sell. Volunteers are needed to manage ticket sales on weekends at Field & Stream, Pep Boys, and Canandaigua National Bank. If you are interested in selling tickets at one of these locations on a weekend, please contact Al Purdy for more information. Al's number is 585-329-8540.

## January Sunday Breakfast

Will be on Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 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!

## American Legion Boys State

American Legion Boys State is one of the most respected educational programs for high school students. Boys State was founded in 1935 to teach young men the benefits of citizenship. The Auxiliary sponsors a similar program for young women called Girls State.

At Boys State, participants learn the rights, privileges and responsibilities of franchised citizens. The training centers on the structure of city, county and state governments. Operated by students elected to various offices, Boys State activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law-enforcement presentations, assemblies, bands, choruses and recreational programs. This year, Boys State will run from June 22 through July 2 at Morrisville College in Morrisville, NY. Our Post selects at least one deserving high school junior to attend the program each year and pays the cost of tuition. To be eligible for the program, individuals must be in their Junior year of high school, be in the top 50% of males in his class and may be attending public, private or home school.

**For further information, please contact Ray McCormick at 585-764-9548**

## College Scholarship Applications Due April 28

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 are required to compose a 500-word essay on Americanism and submit the application and essay to be received no later than April 28, 2019. Applicants do not have to be members of the Post 1151 Legion Family or residents of Henrietta. Scholarship recipients receive their checks at the June General meeting where they will read their essays. This is an excellent opportunity to get extra money for school. Applications and information can be obtained from Ray McCormick by email at [relkml@yahoo.com](mailto:relkml@yahoo.com) or by calling him at 585-764-9548.

## Monroe County Honor Guard

The Monroe County Honor Guard needs new members, are you ready to help out? The Honor Guard has about 25 active members, they perform a great and needed service rendering a final salute in honor of a Veteran's service to our nation. Many times, the Honor Guard has to turn down funerals as they do not have the membership to support all requests. Some members have continued to perform funerals as long as they could but due to age or health reasons can no longer continue to be active members. Whether you are retired or still working you could volunteer to assist during the week or strictly weekends if that is what your schedule allows. It is a great organization that performs an honored tradition which is much appreciated by the families. If you would like more information, please contact John Compitello at 585-481-7360.

## Good of the Legion

A big "thank you" to Tim Stack, who donated a 6x10 American Flag and a 3x5 POW/MIA flag to the Post. Thanks to the Auxiliary for putting together a team and entering into the Tuesday night dinner rotation! Earl Morris took the initiative and swept our parking lot. Thanks to Ray Pipitone for helping out with the marquee!

## Christmas Party Report

Our 2018 Christmas party was a resounding success! We had 96 people attend (including workers) this year, which is the most members to attend a "members only" function in a long time. We prepared and served a whole lot of shrimp cocktails, prime rib, and roast turkey dinners. We gave \$500.00 in Visa gift cards and cash, Tupperware and 6 bottles of quality wine as door prizes. We donated \$500 each to the US Marine Corps Toys for Tots program, the Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal, and the Blue Star Mothers of Rochester. We followed all that up with a "standing room only" crowd for karaoke in the Devil's Bar.

A huge "THANK YOU!" to the Wii Bowling League which donated \$1,500.00 towards this year's Christmas party, Rubino's Italian Foods for supplying us with 110 pounds of prime rib at a very good price, and the Stars and Stripes Committee for pulling everything together and making it work.

## Devil's Bar News

We hope everyone has enjoyed the Holidays! This year, so that volunteers can spend time with their family and friends, the bar is **closed on New Years Eve and New Years Day..**

Wii Bowling resumes on Monday, January 7, at 6:30 pm. Our weekly Euchre tournament continues every Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm. Gentlemen's Card night is Saturday, January 12, at 7pm. Trivia will be Thursday, January 17 at 7pm; it costs \$5.00 to play and you want to get here early enough to pick a team! Karaoke will be Saturday, January 19 at 8 pm.

We are currently soliciting donations to replace our beer keg cooler behind the bar. It was donated by Bowl-a-Roll last year and worked for several months, but stopped working. We have been informed it would be cheaper to buy a new cooler than it would be to fix the current cooler. To that end, we have several ongoing activities to raise the funds needed to purchase a new cooler. We have a weekly 50/50 drawing in the bar, we have a prize wheel, a weekly drawing and a dice game. We have several events planned for January and February. We also accept straight up donations too!

The Devil's Bar is in constant need of volunteer bartenders. If you can donate 4 hours of your time (1 shift) a month, you would make a huge difference. If you are interested, please contact Bob Jeffers at 585-281-5932.

## Serve Safe Training

We are considering holding a Level 1 food service certification class at the Post and need to know who would be interested in attending such a class. The Post will pay fees for those attendees who commit to working in the kitchen for a meal, start to finish, 2 nights a month. Once we have an idea of the class size, we can call and get more information. If you are interested contact Kevin Hermey call 585-746-8450 and leave a message with your name and telephone number or by email at [lkhermey@rochester.rr.com](mailto:lkhermey@rochester.rr.com).

## CPR/AED Training

Are you interested in learning or recertifying in CPR / AED use? We are going to hold a class at the post this spring. We can call and get more information as soon as we know how many people will attend. Interested people should contact Kevin Hermey at 585-746-8450 or [lkhermey@rochester.rr.com](mailto:lkhermey@rochester.rr.com).

## Wii Bowling League

Wii Bowling resumes on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm and will meet every Monday thereafter until the end of April. Cost is \$5.00 per bowler per night. At the end of the season we have an outrageous dinner. Truly a great annual event! Wii bowling has donated over \$5,000.00 to post projects since it started.

## Digital Legion

Go to Facebook, search **Ely Fagan Post 1151** and our page will appear. "Like" the page and you will receive updates as they are made. Our website, [alpost1151.org](http://alpost1151.org) goes into more depth. If you want us to include something, contact us at [elyfaganpost1151@gmail.com](mailto:elyfaganpost1151@gmail.com). Keep up to date with Post events and share your news with the post.

## Memorial Walkway

Memorial Walkway pavers are a permanent legacy to honor past & present members of the Ely-Fagan American Legion Family, and any U.S. Armed Forces veteran. The pavers are \$75.00 each and have up to 3 lines with up to 15 characters per line for information about the individual. Order forms are available at the Post, online at [alpost1151.org](http://alpost1151.org), or you can call and we will mail them to you. Pavers ordered by March 15<sup>th</sup> will be placed in the walkway by Memorial Day.

## 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. A contract is required. For more information call the post at 585-334-8228.

## Friday Fish Fry

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. Call 585-334-8228 and we will have it ready when you get here. We will deliver for orders of \$25 or more (Limited Delivery Area / Depending on availability of a driver)

## Tuesday Night Dinner Menu

**January 8, 5-7pm: Meatloaf Dinner:** Our meatloaf, with mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet corn and house salad. \$8.00

**January 15, 5-7pm: Goulash Dinner:** Hot, meaty, with just the right amount of sauce and macaroni. House salad. **\$8.00**

**January 22, 5-7pm: Country Fried Steak:** Delicious breaded, fried steak, with mashed potatoes & smokehouse gravy, Southern-style green beans and a house salad. \$8.00

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**February 5, 5-7 pm: Stuffed Pork Chops:** A thick, tender, tasty, boneless pork chop, stuffed with stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable and house salad. \$8.00.

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.

## Out and About with Jimmy O . . .

We have a meat raffle coming up on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. There will be some excellent cuts of fresh meat and several dinner baskets as well. The Devil's Bar is scheduling a best chili contest and a Daytona 500 party in February. Kevin & Ray are talking an all you can eat roast beef dinner sometime in February or March. We have our spring gun raffle in April, there is talk of a flea market & chicken BBQ in May, and we may hold the county convention here in June. I have even done up new calendars so we can keep track of all the ideas coming in! A committee has been established to develop a business plan and research our needs to determine the best way to proceed with our proposed expansion. There is a certain kind of "harmony" going about the Post lately. People are coming together and working towards common goals. We are trying to get food service and CPR courses going here for our members and wouldn't it be great if we could get a yoga instructor in here once a week? I still think we should look into getting at least a 9 hole miniature golf course. Miniature golf is a popular family activity and we also have a bunch of old duffers that could use some help on their short game. Think about it. We aren't going to get to where we want to be unless we move! Until next month! Up, Up and away!

# January 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> New Years Day	<b>2</b> 7 pm Weekly Drawing 7pm Executive Committee Meeting	<b>3</b> 9 am T.O.P.S.	<b>4</b> Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 9-12 Sunday Breakfast	<b>7</b> 6:30 pm Wii Bowling	<b>8</b> 5-7 pm Meatloaf 6:30 pm Euchre 7pm VFW Mtg	<b>9</b> 7pm Weekly Drawing 7:30pm General Meeting	<b>10</b> 9 am T.O.P.S.	<b>11</b> Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	<b>12</b> 9am Planning Committee Meeting 7pm Gentlemen's Card Night
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