



Ely-Fagan Post

Post Commander

As you all know we have been discussing a merger with Stevens – Connor Post 1330 for some time. Last month the Board of Directors and The Executive Committee met, discussed the pros and cons of a merger and both voted strongly in favor of merging. They feel it is in the best interest of The American Legion and the veteran population of each community.

This month we hope to have everything in place to vote at the next general meeting. The main issue I hear about a merger is the name, the proposal will be to merge the post and have the post name as Ely-Fagan – Stevens-Connor. At this time, we do not know if their will be another number or if it will remain the same.

The Department of New York is very interested in our efforts to merge as they receive inquiries from other posts in the state who would like to merge with other's. Currently the County is in the process of closing a few posts due to a lack of membership, some of these are posts no one ever thought would close. With declining membership both Executive Committees feel this is a prudent course of action.

The Town of Henrietta sent us a very heartfelt Thank You to those that volunteered to help out at the Time Capsule Burial Ceremony. I also thank you for your hard work and dedication. It was a great event that will be remembered for years – especially when the capsule is opened.

Kudos to the Ladies Auxiliary, they worked one of the Tuesday night dinners in October, did a great job and will be doing more Tuesday night's in the future. These dinners have been a great support to our bottom line and the more crews we have the better for everyone involved. Thanks again for the tremendous support!

We are working towards a meat raffle fundraiser and may hold several per year. Thank you to Kevin Hermey for heading this up, there is a lot of legwork that goes into planning and execution, especially for the first one. While our Sportsman's Raffle's have been quite successful we are hoping a meat raffle will have much less manhours involved and yet be very beneficial for the time involved. I think it will be a great event! *(Continued next Page)*

American Legion Auxiliary President

As we roll into Fall, we enter the busy holiday season.

November 11th is Veterans Day, the day we celebrate the service of all our Veterans. It is also the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. There will be a number of celebrations and ceremonies throughout Monroe County including one at our Post. Please plan to attend and honor all those who serve.

Our Auxiliary will be holding our annual Holiday Gift Shop for Veterans on November 14th. 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 16th and 17th at the VA.

With Thanksgiving comes prep for Black Friday and Cyber Monday sales. This year, let's not forget Giving Tuesday (11/27) a global day of giving back. Whether it's through a monetary gift or giving of your time/talents, please consider giving back this year.

Our next meeting will be November 28th at 7pm. We will have a guest speaker from Full Circle Home, a local non-profit that helps our deployed service members send holiday gifts to their loved ones. www.fullcirclehome.org

For God and Country

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In Memoriam

Edward O'Meara

Roland T. Bowks

Wendell Schillinger

Post Commander (continued)

What a great Past Commander / Past President dinner we had, the attendance, atmosphere and food were all great. We had our Boy's State attendee share his experience with us and it's great to hear what he learned and got out of the program. We had Randy Hoke, the training coordinator from the Veterans Outreach Center (VOC) as our guest speaker. He informed us of the numerous programs they provide for veterans and their families. It was an eye opener for many, we presented the VOC with a check for \$500.00 and we presented the Monroe County Honor Guard a check for \$500.00.

And congratulations to Kevin Hermey, he was this year's selection for the Carolyn Davis Selfless Service Award. We appreciate all that Kevin does for our post, this is a well-deserved award.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION

John Compitello
Commander
585-481-7360

Auxiliary News

Auxiliary membership dues are due at this time. Please be sure to send your checks payable to Ely-Fagan American Legion Auxiliary and mail to Kathy Callagee, 65 Authors Avenue, Henrietta, NY 14467. If you aren't sure of your membership standing, please give Kathy a call [585-334-0786](tel:585-334-0786). She will help you with your membership needs.

Dues are as follows: Senior Dues \$28.00
 Junior Dues \$8.00

Our November meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. All Auxiliary members are welcome!

For God and Country,

Kacy Friedler,
Secretary

November Meetings

The Executive Committee meets November 7 at 7 pm. Rice-Hallick VFW Post meets at 7 pm November 13. Sons of the American Legion meet at 6:45 pm on November 14. The American Legion General Meeting is at 7:30 pm on November 14. A light meal will be served. American Legion Auxiliary meets at 7 pm on November 28. Any member in good standing can attend any meeting at the Post.

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 4th! Remember to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night before bed!

2019 Membership Drive

Sixty-five percent of our members have renewed their membership for 2019. We still have two months to go and easily make 100 percent before the end of the year.

In addition to having adequate representation in Washington to ensure the government keeps its' promises, another very good reason to pay your dues now is effective December 15, 2018, annual dues will increase \$45.00 a year. Any renewals received after December 15 will be at the 2019 rate of \$45 vice the current rate of \$40.

You can bring them in, mail them, or go to <http://www.legion.org/renew> 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.

Good of the Legion

A huge "thank you!" Sandy Seacat, Kathy Callagee, Kacy Friedler, Julie Lincourt, Lisa Burkhardt Tony Seacat and Matt Callagee for their help in the kitchen! We now have three teams for Tuesday Night Dinners and three teams for Friday Fish Fry! Thanks to Al Purdy, Paul Kreutzer, Les Bowens, Irma Hermey, Diane Kreutzer, Ray Pipitone, Pam Lentine, Donna & John Compitello and all the other folks who helped make last month's Past President / Past Commander Dinner a success! Thanks to Sandy & Cassie Seacat, Ray McCormick & Rick Page for their support during the Henrietta Town Time Capsule activities.

Christmas Party

This year the party will be on Saturday, December 15, 2018 with cocktails at 5 pm, dinner at 6 pm with entertainment and karaoke afterward in the Devil's Bar. The menu will be Prime Rib with Shrimp, Baked Potato, House Salad, or Roast Turkey, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Vegetable Blend and Cheesecake for dessert. All attendees must bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal. **Tickets must be purchased in advance!** Cost will be \$10.00 per meal if ticket purchased by December 12, \$15.00 if purchased after December 12. There will be a 50/50 Drawing and Door Prizes. Tickets will be on sale in the Devil's Bar and during dinners starting Friday, November 23.

Vote as if your life depends on it.

If you need a ride to your polling place contact the post before 9pm Monday, November 5th. Call 585-334-8228. We'll do what we can to help you VOTE.

Devil's Bar News

Happy November! Trivia will be hosted on Thursday, 11/15 at 7pm by Kevin Hermey this month! As usual, \$5/person to play and pick teams when you arrive! Karaoke this month will be held on Saturday, 11/17 at 8pm. Hope to see you there! There will be a "Gentlemen's Card Night" starting at 7 pm Saturday, 11/10, in the Devil's Bar. Wishing everyone a safe and joyous Thanksgiving!

Tupperware Party

We will have a Tupperware Party in the Hall on Wednesday, November 7, from 6 to 9 pm. Demonstrations and discussions of new products, meet old friends and make new friends while learning new life hacks! Light snack and beverages will be served. Questions? Call Irma at 585-315-4654

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)

November Sunday Breakfast

Will be on Sunday, November 4th 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!

Wii Bowling League

Wii Bowling meets every Monday in the Devil's Bar for fun and camaraderie. Scores aren't important, having fun and getting to know one another is. 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** goes into more depth. If you want us to include something, contact us at elyfaganpost1151@gmail.com. Keep up to date with Post events and share your news with 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. A contract is required. For more information contact the post at 585-334-8228.

Memorial Walkway

Our Memorial Walkway is a permanent legacy to honor past & present members of the American Legion Family, and any U.S. Armed Forces veteran.

You can honor family members and friends with a brick paver in the Walkway. The pavers are \$75.00 each and have up to 3 lines with up to 15 characters per line for information about the individual.

These make great gifts and they will last virtually forever. Order forms are available at the Post, online at alpost1151.org, or you can call and we will mail them to you.

Tuesday Night Dinner Menu

November 6, 5-7 pm: Spaghetti

Thin pasta, smothered in our classic secret sauce, with your choice of meatballs and/or Italian sausage! House salad & bread included for only **\$8.00!** (extra meat is \$2.00 more).

November 13, 5-7 pm: Meatloaf Dinner

A thick slice of our classic meatloaf, with mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet corn and house salad, only **\$8.00!**

November 20, 5-7 pm: Beef Tips & Noodles

Perfect for a cold autumn night! Includes a hot, healthy serving of tender & delicious sirloin beef tips in a special, savory sauce over a bed of buttered egg noodles, House Salad and bread for only **\$8.00.**

November 27, 5-7pm: Stuffed Pork Chops

Thick, tender, tasty, boneless pork chop, stuffed with stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable and house salad \$8.00

December 4, 5-7pm: 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!**

December 11, 5-7 pm: Country Fried Steak

A piece of delicious breaded, fried steak, with mashed potatoes & smokehouse gravy, Southern-style green beans and a house salad for only **\$8.00!**

December 18, 5-7 pm: Chop Steak:

A half-pound of ground Angus beef, smothered in delicious brown gravy (with or without mushrooms and onions) corn and house salad for only **\$8.00!**

There will be no Tuesday Night Dinner on Christmas Day or New Years Day.

Tuesday Night Dinners needs your help. If you can spare just 4 hours a month it would make it a lot easier on us. Please! Interested people please contact Kevin Hermey 585-746-8450 or lkhermey@rochester.rr.com

VOTE!

Your Country Needs You!

I AM A VETERAN

By Chaplain Paul Swerdlow

I shivered that cold winter in Valley Forge
And rejoiced at the glorious surrender at Yorktown.
I wept as the flames engulfed Washington
And said "Never again."

I wore blue and I bled red.

I wore gray and I bled red.

The blood I spilled was to reunite a nation
Of the people, by the people and for the people.

I am a veteran.

I was at Little Big Horn and I prayed;
I was at Wounded Knee and I prayed.
I prayed that one-day the old Americans
And the new Americans would be one people.
I was there to charge up the hill at San Juan;
Knowing that my country was emerging beyond its borders.
I was prepared to make the world safe for democracy.
Young and idealistic, I came to France
To turn back the hordes in this war to end all wars.

I am a veteran.

It was with disbelief that I became
A part of the day that will live in infamy.
Once more I said goodbye to those I loved to protect my
country. Across the vast desert I met the enemy.
I met him on island after island.
I kept my promise to return.
I met him on the beaches of Normandy.
I repelled him from the gates of Bastogne.
I freed thousands from the shadow of death.

I am a veteran.

A small nation cried out for help
And I came because others had been there for me.
A nation was saved.
Ask not what your country can do for you.
Ask what you can do for your country.
Inspired by these words, I responded with courage and bravery
In a war that was hot and a war that was cold.

I am a veteran.

From Ground Zero to the Pentagon to the fields of
Pennsylvania,
I saw the carnage and heard the cries. At that moment,
I pledged my life, my property and my sacred honor
Until there will be peace and freedom on earth
For everyone, everywhere.

I am a veteran.

VOTE

as if your life depended on it.

Veterans Day Freebies

The following is a listing of confirmed local merchants for 2018 that will be offering discounts to veterans in honor of their service. Generally your American Legion membership card will be sufficient proof of service. **If you have questions please contact the merchant / restaurant directly.**

Corning Museum of Glass – Corning, NY

All military veterans will receive free admission through the month of November. All others in the veteran's party are welcome to enjoy 15% off of their regularly-priced admission.

Applebee's

Veterans and Active Duty Military can select a free meal from a limited menu on Veteran's Day. Provide proof of service required.

Golden Corral

On **Monday, November 12th, 2018** from 5 PM to 9 PM, Golden Corral offers a free sit-in "thank you" dinner for Military veterans, retirees, and active duty members.

Olive Garden

Olive Garden is having a Veterans Day free meal for all active-duty military and military veterans on Sunday, November 11, 2018.

Red Robin

Veterans and active duty military can stop into any participating Red Robin location on Sunday, November 11 to get a free Red's Tavern Double burger and Bottomless Steak Fries.



Every day should be

Veterans Day!

Thank you for your service!

From:

Mercy Bridges Adult Literacy Ministry

<http://www.mercybridges.org/about.html>

November 2018

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VOTE

Tuesday November 6

If you require assistance getting to your polling place on Tuesday, November 6, please call the Post at 585-334-8228 before 9 pm on Monday, November 5 and we will do our best to get you to your polling place to cast your vote on Election Day!

Support Your Post!