



Ely-Fagan Post

Post Commander

What a great day we had for our fall Sportsman Raffle. We had great weather, great food and a great turn out. The only thing not so great is I didn't win anything. We had nice side raffles and everyone seemed to have a good time. As usual we received many compliments on our food and more than a few people told me what a friendly post we have. Thank you to Al Purdy, as chairman of this raffle, for all his (and everyone who helped) time effort and hard work. BACA came to help with parking as they have done for several years and this year we had students from the McQuaid Jesuit High School Volleyball team, along with coaches, come help before, during and after the event. It was great to have some young people help with the tent's tables and chairs, our regular volunteers were able to leave much earlier than usual and not so much worn out for their efforts. We truly appreciate the help from our volunteers and the students.

During the raffle we also raised 14 bags and 4 boxes of food along with \$72.00 for the Rush Henrietta Area Food Terminal. They have an ongoing need all year and greatly appreciate our support.

Our merger packet with Rush is submitted to the state. We expect a fairly quick response however; when it comes to actions from the state you never know.

On Oct, 19th from 11:30 -1:00, we are hosting a luncheon for the National Commander. There is no cost for attendees. Come on out and meet the commander.

We have several fundraisers coming up in the near future along with our Past Commander / Past President dinner on October 19th. The guest speaker is the director (or his assistant) for the Canandaigua VA which includes the Rochester Outpatient Clinic. *(continued next page)*

Auxiliary President

Our new Auxiliary year started on a somber note with the passing of beloved member and unit Chaplin, Carolyn Davis. Our 7th District Chaplin, Suzanne Gates, helped us honor Carolyn during the visitation. At the start of our regular September meeting, we draped our charter in her memory. Carolyn gave selflessly of herself and could always be found at all Legion family events. She truly lived and embodied the Auxiliary motto of "Service not Self." As we all visit the post throughout the month, let the draped charter be a reminder of Carolyn's gracious and giving spirit. She will be greatly missed but live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

October will be a busy month

Our Post will be having a special breakfast buffet on Sunday, October 13th. Later that day, the Auxiliary 7th District Fall conference will be held in Henrietta.

Our Post will be hosting the National Commander, Bill Oxford, on Saturday October 19th. There will be a light lunch. Later that evening, we will have our annual Past Commander/Past President dinner.

Volunteers for the breakfast, luncheon and dinner are always appreciated.

This is the Auxiliary's Centennial Year! We are kicking off with two significant changes to membership eligibility. First, the LEGION Act, which was signed into law over the summer, changes the Legion family eligibility criteria from seven war eras to two: April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918 and December 7, 1941 to a time to be later determined by the federal government. Second, at National Convention the Auxiliary membership criteria was changed from "wives" to "spouses." Both of these changes open up membership to millions of previously ineligible veterans and spouses. If you have any questions regarding these changes or are interested signing up, please reach out to me or one of our other unit officers.

For God and Country

Sandy Seacat, President
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In Memoriam

Carolyn Davis

"A good woman is hard to find, and worth more than diamonds"

Theresa 10/21/19

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I had the privilege of attending the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new VA Rochester Outpatient Clinic (ROPC). This is a state-of-the-art facility which will enhance the great care our area veterans currently receive. The ROPC serves about 19,000 veterans each year and they ask that we help veterans get enrolled in the VA healthcare system. We owe a lot to the VA and yes, even some politicians, for the great care the VA provides.

Check out our calendar of events, we hope to see you at the post.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION

John Compitello
Commander
585-481-7360

October Meetings

The Executive Committee meets October 2 at 7 pm. Rice-Hallick VFW Post meets at 7 pm October 8. Sons of the American Legion meet at 6:45 pm October 9. American Legion General Meeting is at 7:30 pm on October 9. A light meal will be served. American Legion Auxiliary meets on October 23 at 7:00 p.m.

VFW Commander

This month I received two notifications of former leaders passing.

Past Commander in Chief – John A. Biedrzycki and Past Department Commander Allan E. Davenport. These members served our organization well and, as we do with all members, we appreciate their service and commitment to our organization.

This month we did not have enough members to have a meeting and conduct normal business.

If you would like to attend a meeting and need a ride, call and we can get you there.

We no longer have our ceremonial rifles. We were issued 10 in 1959 and they may have been used in the past but they haven't been touched in years. We are missing 2 that have been gone for a long time. The rifles were on loan and belong to the Army, since they are not being used, we turned them back in. If you know where either of the missing 2 may be let us know so we can clear our records with the Army.

If there is anything the post can assist you with don't hesitate to call.

I hope to see you at a meeting or just enjoying an event at the post!

In Comradeship

John Compitello
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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. Did you know that our Unit (and all others) earn awards for membership that is turned in on time? Each month the membership numbers are sent out by the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York, and we are eligible for an award. Our 2nd Vice President, Kathy Callagee, works very hard at getting our membership in on time and for her to earn our Unit many awards and recognition. **Let's help Kathy and our Unit out by getting your dues paid on time, before December 31, 2019!!!**

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 2nd 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:

For Monroe County, I am the Community Service/Cancer Chair. On the 3rd Monday of the months of September, October, November, March, April, and May, Monroe County Auxiliary hosts a BINGO at the Monroe Community Hospital. Our Unit works many of the months, and you may join us any month to volunteer at the Community Hospital. I will put in the newsletter when it is our Unit's turn to work the BINGO. I am in charge of this Community Service event and welcome any volunteers! It is a rewarding feeling helping the patients at the Community Hospital.

If you volunteer at the Post, you should be writing down your volunteer hours (or you may e-mail me @ kacy1547@yahoo.com) and send me your hours. This can be for hours worked 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, volunteering at the library, 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.

October meeting:

Our next Auxiliary meeting is Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Post home. We hope to see you all there!

For God and Country,

Kacy Friedler, Secretary

Past President/Past Commander Dinner

The Past President / Past Commander Dinner will be Saturday October 19, 2019. Dinner will be \$12.00 a plate. Cocktail Hour begins at 6:00 PM with Dinner at 7:00, with awards presentations at 8. The Director of VA Medical Center in Canandaigua will make a presentation. The dinner menu will be a choice of roast beef or roast turkey breast.

Tickets are on sale at the post and must be purchased by October 16th. Bring an item to donate to the Canandaigua VA Hospital and receive a chance to win one of several fantastic door prizes. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Kevin Hermey at lkhermey@rochester.rr.com or call/text 585-746-8450.

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.

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.

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 Hall Rental Coordinator, Alan Purdy, at 585-329-8540.

Post Planning Meeting

There will be a Planning Meeting on November 9th at 9:00 am in the Hall 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. For further information, contact Kevin Hermey by email: lkhermey@rochester.rr.com or call 585-746-8450.

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. Call 585-334-8228 and we will have it ready when you get here. We deliver orders of \$25 or more when drivers are available.

The **First Sunday Breakfast** starts up again October 6th 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!

We will have one more **All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, October 13, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**. Serving regular or western style scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, pancakes, French toast, sausage gravy and biscuits, fresh fruit, juice, coffee & tea. Cost is \$10.00 per diner.

Tuesday Night Dinners

October 1, 5-7pm: Goulash Dinner: Hot and meaty, with just the right amount of sauce and macaroni. Roll and house salad. \$9.00

October 8, 5-7 pm: Chicken Cordon Bleu: Thin slices of chicken, wrapped around ham & Swiss cheese, coated with breadcrumbs, served with mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, and house salad. **\$9.00**

October 15, 5-7 pm: Beef Tips & Noodles: a hot, healthy serving of tender & delicious sirloin beef tips in a special, savory mushroom gravy over a bed of buttered egg noodles, House Salad. **\$9.00**

October 22, 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. **\$9.00**

October 29, 5-7 pm: Roast Beef Dinner Tender, slow-roasted, sliced roasted beef, with mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, and house salad \$9.00

November 5, 5-7 pm: Mac & Cheese with Sliced Ham: A good helping of our homemade macaroni and cheese with sliced, smoked ham and vegetable. House salad. **\$9.00**

November 12, 5-7 pm: Grilled Chicken Breast: a boneless, skinless breast, marinated in our special sauce, grilled to perfection and served with seasoned roasted potatoes and vegetable. With house salad, only **\$9.00**

November 19, 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.

Devil's Bar News

We're having a Halloween Party on Saturday, October 26th starting at 7 pm. There will be a prize for best costume. Bring a spooky snack. Karaoke with Cody starts 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 have Karaoke with Paul Cannon Saturday, October 19th, following the Commander's Dinner. Bar Trivia will be Thursday, October 17 at 7 pm. \$5 to play & the winners get half the pot!

We will continue to serve fresh Beef on Weck in the bar on Thursdays during the month of October from 4 to 7 pm. For just \$5.00 you'll get a stack of thin sliced roast beef piled high on a Kimmelweck bun with au jus and optional horseradish. We also have Hot Dogs for \$2 and Personal Pizzas for \$3. Just let the bartender know you would like one.

Wii Bowling starts Monday, October 7th at 6:30 pm in the Devil's Bar. The cost is \$5.00 per week. You roll three games and have a great time. At the end of the season we take the dues and have a gastronomic blowout at one of the area's finer establishments. Any money left over is donated to the Post for specific projects. You don't have to be a member to play, but you must be signed in as a guest. Wii Bowling has contributed over \$5,000.00 to post projects since it started.

We have a Euchre Tournament every Tuesday Starting at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. Again, you don't have to be a member to play, but you must be signed in as a guest.

We have a Bluegrass band, "Lehigh Lyin' Dog" coming in on Saturday, November 2, at 5 pm, following the Meat Raffle. More to come in next newsletter.

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!

Christmas Party

The 2019 Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 14, with social hour at 5 pm and dinner at 6 pm. The dinner will be buffet style, with choice of either prime rib or turkey breast.

Cost will be \$10.00 per diner. Each Ely-Fagan Legion Family member may bring two guests. Spouses who are not members will count as a guest. Tickets will go on sale November 1 and must be purchased by December 6. Bring a non-perishable food item for the Rush-Henrietta Food Cupboard and get a chance to win one of the many fabulous door prizes (cash & merchandise) we will be giving away. If you have any questions please contact Kevin Hermey at

lkhermey@rochester.rr.com or call/text 585-746-8450.

Veteran's Bridge Fundraiser

Veterans Bridge is non-profit organization that collects used furniture & household goods, cleans & repairs them and then distributes the furniture to veterans in need. The only cost Veteran's Bridge incurs is for storage rental. A successful fundraiser will go a long way to helping the organization fulfill their mission. Veteran's Bridge will be having a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Saturday, October 26 from 1-6 pm. For more information vetsbridgeny.org

Meat Raffle November 2, 1 – 5 pm

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

Out & About with Jimmy O!

The Post raised \$164.00 for the Blue Star Mothers during the Fall Sportsman Raffle. They were grateful for the donation.

Our post contributes a lot to our community. We help families in need, we partner with the Town on the Memorial Day Parade and the Annual Youth Fishing Derby, we provide cooks and grills for Town events. We support the RHAA, we have a baseball team and we award at least two scholarships and send at least one deserving youth to Boy's State every year. We have both a Cub Scout Pack (350) and a Boy Scout Troop (350). We support The Marine Corps Reserve "Toys for Tots", Honor Flight, Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal, Veteran's Outreach Center and several other causes. We donate meeting space to Bikers Against Child Abuse. We host fundraisers for the Pluta Cancer Center, the Crohn's & Colitis Disease Foundation, and the VA, to name a few. We are very strong supporters of the Monroe County Honor Guard.

We aren't your father's American Legion. Sure, we have a bar, it is well-stocked and the drinks are cheap, where you can listen to old guys talk about the way it was when they were in the service. But that isn't what we are about today. We are moving forward, still looking out for those who came before us, taking care of our own, their families and our community, and preparing for the next generation who will come after us.

If you want to be a part of what we are doing, if you want to enjoy the camaraderie, all you need to do is step up. The Legion is like a lump of clay. It is what you make it.

While I'm on the subject, why don't you go a little bit out of your comfort zone and volunteer for one of the activities we have going on during the month? Who knows? You might enjoy yourself and make new friends. At the very least you'll be able to say you tried.

Happy trails to you . . .

October 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30 Wii Bowling	1 5pm Goulash 6:30 pm Euchre	2 7pm Weekly Drawing 7pm Exec Mtg	3 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 9 am T.O.P.S.	4 Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	5
6 Sunday Breakfast	7 Wii Bowling	8 5pm Chicken Cordon Blue 6:30 pm Euchre 7pm VFW Mtg	9 7pm Weekly Drawing 7:30 pm General Meeting	10 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 9 am T.O.P.S.	11 Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	12 8 am MG Club Fall Foliage Rally Breakfast
13 9-12 Sunday Breakfast Buffet	14 Wii Bowling	15 5pm Beef Tips & Noodles 6:30pm Euchre 7pm GOA Mtg	16 6:30 Cub Scouts 7 pm Weekly Drawing	17 9 am T.O.P.S 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 7pm MG Club 7pm Bar Trivia	18 Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts	19 11:30 am Nat'l Commander Visitation 6 pm Past Pres/ Cdr Dinner 8pm Karaoke
20	21 Wii Bowling	22 5pm Country Fried Steak 6:30 pm Euchre	23 7pm Aux Mtg 7 pm Weekly Drawing	24 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 6:30 Cub Scouts 9am T.O.P.S.	25 Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Drawing	26 Veteran's Bridge Spaghetti Fundraiser 7 pm Halloween Party 8 pm Karaoke
27	28 Wii Bowling	29 5 pm Roast Beef Dinner 6:30 pm Euchre	30 7 pm Weekly Drawing	31 4-7 pm Beef on Weck 9am T.O.P.S.	1 Fish Fry 7 pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Drawing	2 1pm Meat Raffle 5pm Lehigh Lyin Dog
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Veterans' Bridge Inc.
1st Annual
Spaghetti Dinner
Fundraiser

Oct 26th, 2019. 1pm till 6pm
Hosted and Catered by
Ely Fagan Legion Post 1151
260 Middle Rd, Henrietta NY, 14467
Music and Food.
Adult Pop at the Bar (Cash Bar)

Pasta Menu
Pasta and Sauce, Meatballs
Italian Bread, Salad
Coffee & Water

\$10.00 a Person at the Door.
Crossbow Raffle and Drawing for 50150 Raffles. Misc Raffles
Stop out and join in with the fun, and help support Veterans in Need at the same time. Win Win for everyone!
Visit us @ vetspridgeny.org

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