



# Ely-Fagan Post

## Outgoing Post Commander

Kevin Hermey

As required by our Post Constitution & By-Laws, an election of Post Officers was held at our General Meeting on April 8, 2015. Your new Post Commander will be John Compitello, effective May 13, 2015. I have known John for about 8 years and I believe him to be very intelligent, analytical, level-headed and impeccably honest. John brings a fresh perspective to the position and I have every expectation the Post will do well under his aegis. As John relieves me, I in turn will relieve Tim Tysall as Finance Officer. I will still be around, just in a greatly diminished role.

Ray McCormick, with his friendly, welcoming manner was one of the main reasons I joined Ely-Fagan. He made me feel welcome. Feeling welcome made me feel the need to contribute, so I began to volunteer and look what happened. Last May, during a time the Post was in need, at my personal request, Ray agreed to be the bar steward until I could find a replacement. Ray has put the Devil's Bar on solid footing once again. Mission accomplished, Ray has asked to be relieved, recommending Paula Orme as his replacement. I sincerely appreciate the contribution Ray has made and I would like everyone to join me in thanking he and Molly for the help they have given, and continue to give, the Post. Paula Orme, Ray's replacement, is a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and exhibits the requisite amount of knowledge, experience, energy, dedication and loyalty necessary to fill the billet. She has my complete support and trust.

We have a busy month ahead. There are plenty of opportunities for us to volunteer. Additionally, we have the summer months, if not the weather, coming up and there will be plenty of stuff for everyone to do.

I thank you all for the opportunity you have given me. It has definitely been the most pleasurable, frustrating, delightful and exasperating challenge I have ever met. Thanks again.

### For the Good of the Legion

<p align="center"><b>Post Everlasting</b></p> <p align="center"><b>William R. Wishart</b></p> <p align="center">United States Coast Guard</p> <p align="center">WWII</p>
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## Incoming Post Commander

John Compitello

As I assume duties as the new Post Commander I'd like to thank everyone for their vote in electing me to this post, I will do my best to fill the shoes of the many commanders before me who have done an excellent job. I have seen this post provide a lot of support to the community and am proud to be a member.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Kevin for his service to this post during the past few years, I think he has done an excellent job of guiding our post through some trying times and there is no way I could describe, in a few brief statements, how appreciative we are of his commitment to this organization and the personal efforts he has put in to it. I would like to say **Thank You** Kevin for a job well done!

While Kevin deserves much praise I would be remiss if I did not praise all the volunteers within the General Membership, Ladies Auxiliary and the Sons, too numerous to call by name, who stood up, took on a job and helped to improve our post in many ways and worked to regain our good image with the community and members who enjoy our post and all it has to offer, we should all be proud of our accomplishments over the last few years. I also know there are many longtime members who have served this post in different positions and events throughout many years, how do you say thank you for that kind of dedication other than we are truly grateful for what you have done and continue to do.

One item I would like to reiterate that Kevin covered in last's month's newsletter is; if you have a question about a function please take it up first with the person performing that function, they are the subject matter expert and you'll most likely get a quicker response. If you have a matter that would benefit a function or the post, bring it up at an executive or general meeting.

As the new officers move into their posts I look forward to working with each one of them and continuing our relationship with the Ladies Auxiliary and Sons of the Legion. I think we have a great organization with many dedicated members and we will continue to grow and improve in the years to come.

### For the Good of the Legion

## 2015 – 2016 Post Officers

As required by the Post Constitution & By-Laws, an election of Post Officers was conducted on April 8, 2015 with the following results:

Commander	John Compitello
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Les Bowen
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Ray Torres
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice Commander	Ralph Litzenberger
Finance Officer	Kevin Hermey
Adjutant	Ray McCormick
Sergeant at Arms	Brian Hughes
Chaplain	Bob Gruver / Rose Rossi-Williams

Officers will be installed at the General Meeting, Wednesday, May 13, 2015 with former County Vice Commander David R. Matzan administering the oath of office.

## 2015 Membership Drive

With about a month to go before the county convention we still have about 21 members from 2014 who have yet to renew. At the same time we are experiencing problems with the way the Department is processing renewals as we have at least 2 members who have paid their 2015 dues months ago and are still showing as delinquent. That throws a big question mark (?) on the whole system. Let's not make this any more complicated than it already is. If you haven't renewed your membership for 2015, please do. If you know someone who has yet to renew their membership for 2015, please remind them. If you or someone you know needs help, let us know. Our County Convention is in June and we need 100% to have our maximum vote. If you have any questions please contact Tim Tysall, Ray McCormick or Kevin Hermey.

## American Legion Auxiliary

### 2015 – 2016 Officers

President:	Kacy Friedler
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President:	Kathy Callagee
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President:	Wendy Hayes
Secretary:	Dianne Meli
Treasurer:	Betty Jane Lond
Sgt-at-Arms:	Julie Lincourt

Next Monroe Community Hospital BINGO is Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm – We need to get to hospital by 6:30 pm. Volunteers needed !!

Next meeting May 27, 2015 @ 7:00 pm.

Thanks to everyone who attended the Auxiliary / Legion Pancake Dinner on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The pancakes were very good! Our next Pancake Dinner will be May 21<sup>st</sup> from 5 pm to 7 pm.

## Memorial Day 2015 Activities

Memorial Day is the most important day on our Post calendar. Honoring the Veterans who gave their all so that we will be free deserves the very best we can offer. Volunteers are desperately needed. Memorial Day is an excellent opportunity for us to show our community what we are capable of.

### Memorial Day Grave Flagging

We are responsible for flagging the Veterans graves in the several Henrietta cemeteries. Volunteers are needed for this noble function. This year we will meet at the Post on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.

### Maplewood Cemetery

We will hold a ceremony with the reading of the names of our honored Veterans who reported for their final muster at Maplewood Cemetery at 9 am on Memorial Day. Everyone is invited to attend. Volunteers are needed for the Color Guard and Rifle Squad. The Color Guard and Rifle Squad are also needed for the ceremony at the Veterans Memorial.

### Memorial Day Parade / Ceremony

The Memorial Day Parade is Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. The parade will begin at 12:00 pm at the Rush-Henrietta Senior High School and end at the Henrietta Town Hall. After the parade there will be a brief ceremony at the Veterans Memorial to honor those who gave their lives for our country.

### Memorial Walkway Groundbreaking

Following the ceremony at the Town Veterans Memorial there will be a brief groundbreaking ceremony for the Memorial Walkway at the Post flagpole.

### Open House

We will have an open house immediately following the Memorial Walkway Groundbreaking Ceremony. Volunteers are needed to help set up, cook, serve and then clean up afterwards.

### Volunteer Sign Up Log:

There is a "Volunteer Sign Up Sheet" on the bulletin board in the Devil's Bar where you can sign up to volunteer for a specific activity or just place your name to help out when needed. When signing up, please give a phone number & time you can be reached, the time you are available and specific activity, if desired.



## Current Post Officer Listing

Have a problem? Have a suggestion? Contact a Post Officer! If you would like a Post Officer to call you, please call the Post at 585-334-8228 and leave your name, number, and best time to call. You will be contacted within 72 hours of your call.

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## Post Memorial Walkway

The purpose for the "Post Memorial Walkway" is to create a permanent legacy to honor past & present members of the American Legion Family, and any veteran who served honorably in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Family members and friends can honor their loved one by purchasing a Brick Paver to be placed in the Post Memorial 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. We will have a Groundbreaking ceremony on Memorial Day 2015 and then will dedicate the Walkway on Veterans Day 2015.

Funds generated will be used to enhance our facility and fund our projects. Order forms are available at the Post or you can call and we will mail them to you.

## Pancake Dinner

The Auxiliary and Legion will host a joint Pancake Dinner on Thursday Evening, May 21st, from 5 pm to 7 pm. For \$6.00 get all the pancakes you can eat with two sausage patties or two strips of bacon. (Extra serving of sausage or bacon is \$2.00) Takeout orders are limited to 4 pancakes.

## Mother's Day Breakfast Buffet

Our annual Mother's Day Breakfast Buffet will be May 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Help yourself to regular or western style scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, home fries, pancakes, sausage gravy and biscuits, fruit, juice and coffee for \$10.00, \$5.00 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!

## Father's Day Breakfast Buffet

Our annual Father's Day Breakfast Buffet will be June 21st from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Help yourself to regular or western style scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, home fries, pancakes, sausage gravy and biscuits, fruit, juice and coffee for \$10.00, \$5.00 for children 6 – 12 years and free for children 5 & under. Kids and Mothers, make Dad feel special on his Day by allowing him to buy you & the kids breakfast! Get a great meal at the same time! Please call 585-334-8228 to reserve a spot!

## NOW! Every Tuesday Night Dinners

We will be serving **Chicken & Biscuits** Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 pm. The menu will include chicken & vegetable gravy over biscuits with a salad and dessert for only \$8.00. We'll have **Spaghetti & Meatballs / Italian Sausage** May 12<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 pm. The dinner includes a plate full of angel hair 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). Then, May 19<sup>th</sup> we will have **Beef Tips & Noodles** from 5 to 7 pm. The menu 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. Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> will be **Grilled Chicken Breast**, with a healthy portion of grilled boneless/skinless chicken breast marinated in our special seasonings, rice, vegetable blend and house salad for 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 clear the table and do the dishes or take it out and eat it in the comfort of your home. Call us and we will have it ready when you get here.

## Bazaarbecue!

This year the Post is partnering with our Scout Troop to host our annual Spring Flea Market /Garage Sale and Scout Barbecue on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. 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: You can rent a space and bring your stuff in on the day of the event and sell it. What you don't sell you must take home, or you can donate your 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 and are selling quickly.

We will need volunteers for this event. Interested volunteers should contact Ralph LITZENBERGER or Joe Rinaldo for more information.



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## Celebration of Stephanie Matzan's Life

Our longtime and very good friend, David Matzan, will be hosting a "Celebration of Life" for his lovely wife, Stephanie, who recently passed away after a long illness. David has asked all of his and Stephanie's friends to please attend the Celebration, which will be held at the Perinton VFW on June 20, 2015, at 300 Macedon Center Road, Fairport, NY, 14450

## May Karaoke Nights

We will have karaoke with Paulie on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 8 pm and again on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> starting at 8 pm. There will be drink specials, plenty of fresh popcorn and a lot of live entertainment! The kitchen will be open with a light menu from 8 pm to 10 pm.

## "Sausage Gravy & Biscuits" Saturday

This month's "S.O.S. Saturday" has morphed into Paul Davis' Sausage Gravy & Biscuits Saturday and will be on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 11 am. The meal is free for Post members and their guests, but donations to the Floor Replacement Fund are encouraged. Paul claims he makes pretty darned good sausage gravy and biscuits. Come on down and see if he's right. While you're there, join our discussion on heart disease prevention! What a delicious & enjoyable way to stay informed! Meet your friends & neighbors. Free. Can't beat it.

## 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. For more information contact the Post at 585- 334- 8228.

## July 4<sup>th</sup> Legion Family Celebration

As in previous years, the Post will have a Legion Family July 4th celebration. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, side dishes, watermelon, child and adult games (with prizes!) and a jump house. We will have door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. Food will be served from 5 to 7pm. The Town Fireworks Show will start about 9:30 pm, so bring lawn chairs or a blanket to watch.

Cost is \$5 per family in advance. We need to do this so we can have a head count of how many people are coming. Tickets may be purchased at the Devil's Bar.



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## Spring Sportsmen's Raffle

Our Spring Sportsmen's Raffle will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2015, from 12 pm to 6 pm. The tickets will again be just \$10.00 each and will allow the holder to be included in all 12 major prize drawings and free food & beverage.

Major Prizes (Does not include side raffle)

1. Ruger 10/22
2. Remington 870 Combo 12 Gauge
3. Henry Golden Boy .22
4. CVA Optima V2 Muzzleloader with Scope
5. Savage 111 .30-06 Nikon Scope Combo
6. Ruger American .243 Bolt
7. Liberty Revolution 18 Gun Fire Safe
8. Diamond Outlaw Compound Bow
9. Perception Conduit 9.5' Kayak
10. Fishing Package # 1
  - a. Flueger President Spinning Reel
  - b. St Croix Triumph Rod
  - c. Tackle Bag with Gift Card
11. Fishing Package # 2
  - a. Abu Garcia Pro Max Low Pro Baitcast Reel
  - b. St Croix Mojo Bass 1 piece Rod
  - c. Tackle Bag with Gift Card
12. Fishing Package # 3
  - a. Abu Garcia Cardinal Spinning Reel
  - b. Abu Garcia Veritas 2.0 1 piece Rod
  - c. Tackle Bag with Gift Card

Tickets will be available for sale and selling shortly. This year, instead of having an "early bird" drawing, there will be three separate monthly drawings leading up to the Raffle. Once a month, there will be a drawing from the tickets sold the previous month with the winner getting \$100.00. So if you sell a lot of tickets, your chance of having your name drawn is pretty good.

You can purchase tickets from the Devil's Bar, from any member of the Legion Family that is selling them, you can mail us a check and we will send the tickets right out to you. You can also sell tickets!

The next Early Bird Drawing will be May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm in the Devil's Bar. Someone who has already purchased their tickets is going to be \$100.00 richer!

## Fifty Cent Wing Night

Chicken wings for 50 cents each on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 6 pm to 8 pm. Burgers, Fries, Hots, Italian sausages, Poppers, Mozzarella sticks, and Mac&Cheese wedges also available.

## Southwest Airlines Vacation Giveaway Refunds

If you have yet to receive a refund for the Vacation Giveaway Raffle please bring your ticket stubs to the Post for refund.

# May 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Wii Bowling	<b>28</b> <b>Euchre</b> <b>Tuesday Dinner</b> Country Fried Steak	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b> Fish Fry Friday! Queen of Hearts	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> <b>Breakfast</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Tuesday Dinner</b> Chicken & Biscuits	<b>6</b> Weekly Drawing 6pm House Committee Mtg 7pm Executive Committee Mtg	<b>7</b> <b>Wing Night</b>	<b>8</b> Fish Fry Friday! Queen of Hearts <b>Karaoke!</b>	<b>9</b> <b>S.O.S Breakfast</b>
<b>10</b> <b>Mother's Day</b> <b>Buffet</b> <b>Breakfast</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Euchre</b> <b>Tuesday Dinner</b> Grilled Italian Chicken Breast	<b>13</b> Weekly Drawing 6:45p S.A.L. 7:30p Gen Mtg	<b>14</b> <b>Genesee Valley</b> <b>Hasta Society</b>	<b>15</b> Fish Fry Friday! Queen of Hearts	<b>16</b> <b>Bazaarbecue!</b>
<b>17</b> <b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>SCOPE Meeting</b> <b>Tuesday Dinner</b> Beef Tips & Noodles	<b>20</b> Weekly Drawing 7pm Auxiliary	<b>21</b> <b>Pancake</b> <b>Supper</b>	<b>22</b> Fish Fry Friday! Queen of Hearts	<b>23</b> <b>Karaoke!</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Euchre</b> <b>Tuesday Dinner</b> Spaghetti	<b>27</b> Weekly Drawing	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Fish Fry Friday! Queen of Hearts	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Weekly Drawing 6pm House Committee Mtg 7pm Executive Committee Mtg	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Fish Fry Friday! Queen of Hearts	<b>6</b>



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