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God Bless America

November 2017

Post Commander

For the good of the Legion.

John Compitello
585-481- 7360

American Legion Auxiliary

Our November Auxiliary meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2017. Our meeting will be held at Betty Jane Lond's home at 788 Erie Station Road. This meeting is a week early due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Auxiliary dues can be mailed to Kathy Callagee, 64 Authors Ave, Henrietta NY 14467. Senior dues are \$25.00 and Junior dues are \$6.00.

2017 Membership Drive Begins

As your dues are received at the Post, or as the Department notifies the Post your dues are paid, your 2018 membership card will be mailed to you. You can bring your renewal in to the Post, mail it, or renew online <http://www.legion.org/renew>. We need everyone to do their part: If you haven't paid your dues for 2018, please do so. If you know someone who hasn't renewed, please remind them. Let us know if we can help. If you have any questions please contact Ray McCormick.

Fish Fry Every Friday!

Join us for a fish fry every Friday from 4 pm to 7 pm, serving battered, breaded or baked 12 – 14 oz. haddock filets, shrimp, scallops, clams and a limited landlubber's menu. 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 for orders of \$25 or more.

Sunday Breakfast November 5

Our next breakfast will be on Sunday, November 5th, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

You can have eggs any style, omelets, pancakes, potatoes, toast, bacon and sausage with orange juice, great coffee, tea and a whole Hall full of friends! Come on down and see meet

old friends and make new friends and have a good meal at the same time. You won't find a better breakfast deal in a friendlier atmosphere anywhere in the county!

Devil's Bar News

Karaoke with Paulie is scheduled for 8 pm Saturday, September 16th, and 8pm Saturday, September 30th.

Wii Bowlers meet at 6:30 pm on Mondays in the Devil's Bar. Wii Bowling is fun with friends. We have two large screen televisions and two Wii machines so it doesn't take long!

We have a Euchre tournament every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Devil's Bar (and everyone is welcome!), Weekly Drawing every Wednesday at 7 pm in the Devil's Bar, and the Queen drawing at 7 pm on Fridays..

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. The cost does not include use of the kitchen. A contract is required and other conditions may apply. For more information contact, Al Purdy.

Memorial Walkway

Honor your loved ones by purchasing a brick paver for the Post Memorial Walkway. The pavers are \$75.00 each and have 3 lines with 15 characters per line for name, rank, service & period. If you would like your paver placed before Veterans Day your order must be placed soon. Order forms are available at the Post and on the Post [website](#). If you have questions please contact Ralph Litzenberger at 585-750-1854.

Legion Ladies

At the Past Commander / Past President's Dinner, the Legion Ladies presented Honor Flight Rochester with a donation of \$500.00, the Blue Star Mothers with a donation of \$150.00 and the Monroe County Honor Guard with a donation of \$500.00.

Our goals for this year still include donating \$500 to R.H.A.F.T. (local food shelf), and \$500 to the USMCR Toys for Tots, as well as supporting the Post Commander.

The Legion Ladies are an unofficial group of Post Legion Family members, including members of the Legion, the S.A.L. and the Auxiliary, both female and male, who are involved and want to support the Post and our community. For more information or to volunteer, contact Irma Hermey at 585-315-4654.

November Meetings

The Executive Committee will meet in the Hall at 7 pm on Wednesday, November 1 at 7 pm. Anyone can attend an Executive Committee meeting, but only members of the committee can vote. The Sons of the American Legion will meet in the Hall at 6:45 on November 8th. The General Meeting will be in the Hall at 7:30 on November 8th. A light meal will be served. The American Legion Auxiliary will meet November 22nd at 6:30pm. Any Legion Family member in good standing can attend any Legion Family (Legion/S.A.L./Auxiliary) meeting held at the post.

Monroe County Honor Guard

The Monroe County Honor Guard could use 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 the Post Commander.

Veterans Day Freebies 2017

The following is a confirmed listing of businesses in our area that are offering veterans freebies and discounts on Veterans Day 2017. This is not a complete listing, but is accurate at press time.

Applebee's Veterans Day Free Meal (Saturday, November 11, 2017) Stop into Applebee's on Saturday, November 11, 2017 to get your Veterans day free meal from a special menu.

Golden Corral Veterans Day Free Meal (Monday, November 13, 2017) On Monday, November 13, 2017, from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Golden Corral will be giving out Veterans Day free meals and a beverage to any person who has ever served in the U.S. military or is on current active duty. **Over the last 16 years, Golden Corral served over 5.1 million veterans a Veterans Day free meal!**

Texas Roadhouse Veterans Day Free Lunch (Saturday, November 11, 2017) Texas Roadhouse will be treating

veterans to lunch on Saturday, November 11, 2017. This is for dine-in only. Hours may vary by location, so be sure to check a Texas Roadhouse near you for specific details.

Red Robin Veterans Day Free Meal (Saturday, November 11, 2017) Veterans can stop into any participating Red Robin location on Saturday, November 11 to get a free Red's Tavern Double burger and Bottomless Steak Fries Be sure to bring your military ID to take advantage of this offer.

Free Veterans Day Pancakes at IHOP (Friday, November 10, 2017) This year on Friday, November 10, IHOP will be honoring veterans with a free stack of Red, White, and Blue pancakes. Must show proof of service, such as coming in their uniform, showing a photo of them in their uniform, or showing a military ID card.

Outback Steakhouse Free Bloomin' Onion & Beverage (Saturday, November 11, 2017) Stop into any Outback Steakhouse on November 11, 2017 to get a free Bloomin' Onion and beverage. This offer is for all veterans with ID.. Outback Steakhouse is also giving out a military discount of 15% off the total check from November 12 to December 31, 2017, valid for anyone with a military ID.

Free Haircuts at Great Clips (Saturday, November 11, 2017) Veterans can stop into Great Clips for a free haircut on Veterans Day, November 11. If they don't want a haircut that day, they can get a haircut card that they can redeem before the end of the year. Anyone else can stop in to get their haircut on November 11 and receive a free haircut card that they can give to a veteran, which is redeemable from November 12 until the rest of the year.

Free Car Wash and Oil Change at Delta Sonic (November 11, 2017) Delta Sonic is giving out free car washes and oil changes to all veterans this Veterans Day.

Free Veterans Day Haircuts at Sports Clips (Saturday, November 11, 2017) Veterans with proof of service can stop in on Saturday, November 11, to get a free haircut at any participating Sports Clips. Sports Clips is also donating \$1 from every haircut service to the Help A Hero Scholarship Program.

Tips Before Heading Out

- Review the official site information and rules before heading out. Many websites are listing previous years promotions that are no longer valid. We link to the official information.
- Be sure to bring proof of military service, uniform photo or be in uniform. Proof of military service varies by company. See the list of states now offering a Veterans designation on a driver's license.
- Pay attention to the dates on the Veterans Day offer as some offers are for days to other than Veterans Day or extended over several days.

- Most of the restaurant free meals are for dine in only.
- Verify that you're eligible for the offer.
- You should tip your server. They're working hard to serve you and depend on the income. We recommend tipping on the actual cost of the meal.
- Many of these promotions include small print that says participating locations only. Unfortunately individual franchisees may choose not to participate. Fortunately, some franchisee's participate even if the corporate company does not.
- Call ahead if you're unsure about anything.
- Thank you for your service!

Past Commander / Past President Dinner

The 2017 Past Commander / Past President Dinner was held Saturday, October 21st. The hall was full of participants, including officers from Stevens-Connor American Legion Post 1330 and Rice-Hallick VFW Post 5465. The dinner menu included salad, roast beef or roast turkey breast, mashed potatoes, gravy, Normandy blend vegetables and cheesecake for dessert.

A very informative audio/visual presentation was given by Honor Flight Rochester detailing their history, who is eligible, the cost, and other requirements for Honor Flight participation.

Irma Hermey accepted a plaque on behalf of all the Legion Family kitchen crews in recognition of the food service operation's contribution to the Good of the Legion. Timothy Tysall was presented with the 2017 Carolyn Davis Selfless Service Award. Bob Jeffords and Earl Morris were given individual plaques in appreciation for their contributions to the Legion. Ralph Litzenberger was awarded a golden Sportsman Raffle ticket for his many years of dedication to the success of the Post Sportsman Raffles. Irma & Kevin Hermey and Carol & Joe Rinaldo received plaques in appreciation for their support, contributions and dedication to the post food service operations.

Irma Hermey, on behalf of The Legion Ladies, presented Honor Flight Rochester with a \$500.00 donation, a \$500.00 donation to the Monroe County Honor Guard, and a \$150.00 donation to The Blue Star Mothers.

There were numerous door raffle prizes given, including Jenny O roast turkeys, Barefoot wines, cheese and fruit platters, cheesecake and \$25.00 Wegman's gift cards.

The food, the recognitions, the donations, the camaraderie, they all came together for a very good night. We are looking forward to next year's dinner!

Veterans Day Wreath Ceremony

On Veterans Day, Saturday, November 11, 2017, the Monroe County American Legion, will conduct ceremonies honoring all veterans, from Monroe County, who have served our Great Country. This will take place in the Atrium of the Rochester

Community War Memorial, located at the corner of Broad & Exchange Streets in the city of Rochester.

An Ecumenical ceremony beginning at 9:30 am will be celebrated with 7th District Chaplain Connie Corwin and Monroe County Legion Chaplain John Lindsay officiating.

At 11:00 A.M. a wreath ceremony will take place with several Veteran and Patriotic organizations participating. Legion Family members attending should wear appropriate caps.

Refreshments will be served by the Monroe County American Legion Auxiliary between the Ecumenical service and wreath service.

All members of the Legion Family, Legionnaires, Auxiliary and Sons and their families and friends are urged to attend this solemn event that honors all veterans. This is a good way to teach the younger generation about the sacrifices that were made to protect the freedom all of us enjoy.

I look forward to seeing you on Veterans Day

Post Veterans Day Activities

In support of the Monroe County American Legion Veterans Day Ceremony, we will be doing things a bit different this year. Instead of visiting elderly veterans in the area nursing homes, having a flag raising at the Town Park and an open house at the post, this year we will visit the elderly veterans, then go to the Monroe County American Legion ceremony at place in the Atrium of the Rochester Community War Memorial, located at the corner of Broad & Exchange Streets in the city of Rochester.

We believe that pooling our resources with the County would be much more effective by improving the uniformity of our message and reducing the redundancy and expense of each post conducting their own ceremony.

We will meet at the post at 9:00 am and proceed to the Hurlbutt and leave from there to go to the War Memorial. This is our day, and it comes just once a year. If you can't go with us to the Hurlbutt, you can still meet us at the ceremony. We look forward to seeing you there!

Why Don't We Serve More Meals?

Today I ran into several members of the post Legion Family at a restaurant in Greece. They asked me why I stopped Tuesday night dinners and the breakfast buffet and why haven't we had a steak night? My answer was simple: we don't have enough volunteers to make it work. We started Tuesday night dinners with two crews. After a few months some of our crew members were burned out and left for some much needed rest and respite so we combined the two crews into one and it worked for quite a while, but then burnout struck again and two more crewmembers had to stop helping. This year we lost another two members and we are on the verge of losing 1-2 more, not counting myself and Irma. We love to cook, we love

to serve meals, we love to make money for the Post. We need more people to step up.

I will make a promise – if I can get 8 dependable people for Tuesday nights, we will start the dinners up again. If I get 4 dependable people we will start the Sunday buffet again.

If you're interested, please contact me at lkhermey@rochester.rr.com or call me at 585-746-8450. The more people who volunteer the less we have to work.

Thanks,

Kevin Hermey

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