





American Legion Mohawk Post No.1450

** <u>Hours</u>: Weekdays = Noon-10:30PM / Sat, Sun, & Holidays = Noon-7PM **

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COMMANDERS MESSAGE

Ahhhhh YES, 'Tis the Season to avoid the cold, and move indoors !!! On a personal note, those Damn Leaves that I'm NOT picking-up better be All-Gone once the snow melts !! Mo think we have Plenty to be Thankful for this year !!. First &

Me thinx we have Plenty to be Thankful for this year !! First & foremost being: Hopefully the Pandemic is finally GONE !!!

And, we look forward to seeing you All on **Veterans Day: Friday, Nov 11th,** to Celebrate & Honor ALL our Fellow-Veterans with Food, Roll-Back Bar-Prices & the "CMOH" on display.

Also, now is the perfect time to give a heartfelt <u>Thank You</u> to ALL our Volunteers for devoting the time & effort necessary to keep our Post Going !! ** Also, a special Shout-Out of Gratitude to the Sons & Auxiliary for ALL they DO !!

Speaking of Volunteers, Why not spice up your life & pitch-in for a few hours ? You won't believe how much Fun & Truly Satisfying it is !!

Now, More than Ever, please Remember that America's freedom is guaranteed only through the dedication and service of all the Men and Women in uniform and their families left behind, who are currently engaged in personal sacrifice to support the war against terrorism. Please revere them each and every day and always let them know how much we appreciate them. God Bless Post-1450 and God Bless America !! Lippy Lepine, Commander

On behalf of the Board of Directors & the Entire Legion-Family Leadership Team, We wish you a Very-Merry Christmas & the Happiest of Holiday Wishes !!!



Navy leads the series 62-53-7

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Bloodmobile

** Walk-In's <u>may</u> be available, BUT Appointments are <u>Highly Recommended</u> Please Visit: redcrossblood.org or Call: 1-800-733-2767

~~ <u>No TRIVIA for the Holidays ~~</u> See you on the Last-Thursday in January

SAL NEWS

Fall must be here, cuz the Pavilion is closed the Yanx are still playing & the Sox are done... Plus, there's a Heavy Scent of Flannel in the air !!!

Many-Thanks, to All our Dedicated Volunteers & Hungry-Diners too, who once again made another SONS Chicken BBQ a HUGE Success !!!

Of course, the onset of Fall also means Veterans Day will soon be here & I look forward to seeing all of you at the Post with your \$5 donation to "Stick in B-K.'s Can" for the V.A. X-MAS Party. ** Let's all help him exceed \$1,000 again this year !!!

Snacks with Santa on December 10th. Please sign up at the bar.

As for Membership, 2023 Dues-Notices have already been sent & many thanx to all who have already renewed !! ** Please keep G.G. Busy by paying your DUES ASAP either by mail or at the Post !!!

As always, please make the Time to Honor and Remember All our Service Members, their Families, and All Veterans, both on Veterans Day, and throughout the year.

Todd Spinner, SAL Commander

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#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

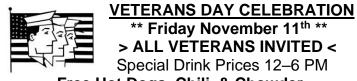
We currently have 362 Paid to date, or 59% of our 2023 goal of 612. **\*\*Membership Cards should** have 2023 at Top, If Not, Please Pay ASAP by Mail or at the Post. **\*\*** <u>NOTE</u>: Unpaid Door-Cards will be Locked-OUT on Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. *"Luv, Lip"* 

## >> "<u>SNAX"</u> With SANTA << Sun Dec 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10AM

Children / Grandchildren of Post-1450 Members, Ages 1-10, are Invited to Sign-Up for a FREE **<u>SNACK</u>** & a small Gift from THE Real SANTA.



 \*\* Menu = Juice-Boxes, Mini-Muffins, & Doughnut Holes \*\* Coffee available for adults.
Must Sign-Up By FRI, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, <u>NO Exceptions</u>. Chuck "Ho-Ho-Ho" Lafountain



Free Hot Dogs, Chili, & Chowder From: 1:00 to 1:30 & 4:00 to 4:30 PM \$5 Donation = 100% to VA Xmas Party

## AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello All !! With the Holidays quickly approaching, now is the perfect time to offer thanks to our family, friends, & especially our Veterans. Your Auxiliary plays a special role in this "time of giving", Come join us at our meetings and see how YOU can contribute.

We have exciting these activities coming up: **Nov. 9** – AUX MEETING – 7pm. Let's plan our December Holiday Pot-Luck / Party! **Nov. 11** – VETERAN'S DAY – Distributing Poppies at Clifton Park Walmart and Ugly Rooster in Malta. Volunteers needed! Contact Kathy Hedlund.

**Nov. 16** – BLOODMOBILE – 1-6pm. Contact Kathy Hedlund to VOLUNTEER.

**Dec. 14** – AUX MEETING – 6:30pm – POT-LUCK/HOLIDAY PARTY, Bring a covered dish and a gift of \$10 or less to exchange.

Many-Thanks to those who volunteered their time and/or baked goods towards another very successful Craft Fair. Also, Many-Thanks to all those who participated in our Trunk-&-Treat. Which is Always a HOOT!

**Bingo-Kitchen VOLUNTEERS Needed** – Monday nights any-time between 5 & 8:30pm. Contact Sandy Mincher or Cheryl Jay.

Alexander the Great once said: "An army of sheep led by a lion is better than an army of lions led by a sheep."

Here's wishing you all a Healthy and Joyous Holiday Season!!!

### President Sheila & Secretary Kathy Bonk

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### **BINGO REPORT**

Balance 8/31/22 = \$34,060.01 Receipts = \$3,180 / Total Avail. = \$37,240.01 Disbursements \$6,013.18 Balance as of 9/30/22 = \$31,236.83

### WELCOME ABOARD

Malcolm Ford - Waterford George Lajeunesse -Clifton Park Robert Martinek - Waterford Ann O'Brien – Troy Kelleen O'Rourke – Ballston Spa Tom Rankin - Waterford John Roberts – Waterford Sally Sambrook – Clifton Park Glenn Taylor – Ballston Lake

| Sun                  | Mon                | Tue           | Wed                                                                       | Thu                                                  | Fri                          | Sat |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|
| XXX                  | XXX                | 1             | 2                                                                         | 3<br>B.O.D. MTG<br>6:30 PM                           | 4                            | 5   |
| 6<br>D-S-T<br>Ends   | 7<br>BINGO         | 8<br>ELECTION | 9<br>AUX MTG                                                              | 10<br>POST MTG                                       | 11<br>VETERANS<br>DAY        | 12  |
| Turn<br>Clox<br>BACK | 7PM                | DAY           | 7 PM                                                                      | 7 PM<br>USMC 1775                                    | Close<br><u>@ 7pm</u><br>AUX |     |
| JACK                 |                    |               |                                                                           | USINC 1775                                           | Poppies                      |     |
| 13                   | 14<br>BINGO<br>7PM | 15            | 16<br>Bloodmobile<br><u>1-6 PM</u><br><u>Appt's</u><br><u>Recommended</u> | 17<br>SAL Meeting<br><u>7PM</u>                      | 18                           | 19  |
| 20                   | 21<br>BINGO<br>7PM | 22            | 23                                                                        | 24<br>Happy<br><u>Thanksgiving</u><br>Post<br>CLOSED | 25                           | 26  |
| 27                   | 28<br>BINGO<br>7PM | 29            | 30                                                                        | XXX                                                  | XXX                          | XXX |

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| Sun                                  | Mon                           | Tue                    | Wed                              | Thu                   | Fri | Sat                                              |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|--------------------------------------------------|
| XXX                                  | XXX                           | XXX                    | XXX                              | 1                     | 2   | 3                                                |
|                                      |                               |                        |                                  | B.O.D.<br>MTG 6:30 PM |     |                                                  |
| 4                                    | 5                             | 6                      | 7                                | 8                     | 9   | 10                                               |
|                                      | BINGO<br>7PM                  |                        | Remember<br><u>Pearl Harbor</u>  | POST MTG 7PM          |     | 10-AM "SNAX"<br><u>With SANTA</u>                |
|                                      |                               |                        |                                  |                       |     | Army / Navy<br>Game 3-PM                         |
| 11                                   | 12                            | 13                     | 14                               | 15<br>SAL MTG         | 16  | 17                                               |
|                                      | BINGO<br>7PM                  | Nat'l<br>Guard<br>1636 | AUX-MTG &<br>Pot-Luck<br>6:30-PM | 7PM                   |     | Adult Holiday Mixer<br>& Ugly Sweater<br>7-10 PM |
| 18                                   | <sup>19</sup><br>BINGO<br>7PM | 20                     | 21                               | 22                    | 23  | 24<br><u>X-MAS EVE</u><br><u>Close @ 7PM</u>     |
| 25                                   | 26                            | 27                     | 28                               | 29                    | 30  | 31                                               |
| MERRY<br><u>X-MAS</u><br>Post CLOSED | BINGO<br>7PM                  |                        |                                  |                       |     | <u>NEW YRS EVE</u><br>Close @ 7PM                |



Come Join us on Sun, Jan 1<sup>st</sup> from Noon-7PM for some Great Football, New Year's Day on any one of 5 TV's, PLUS: The Big Screen !! Jim Keith, Beer-Kahuna Mike Knise, Beverage-Facilitator

Adult "Holiday-Mixer" -&- UGLY-SWEATER Contest Sat, Dec.17<sup>th</sup> from 7-10PM - In the Lounge This year is Less-Formal so that Everybody can Relax & Enjoy it !! \*\*Featuring a Cash-Bar with: Free Finger-Foods / Snax, Free Juke-Box, & Free Bell-Jar-Tix "Raffled" on the Hour \*\* Fantastic Prizes for UGLY SWEATERS !! \*\* \*\* NOTE: A Sign-Up sheet is Posted in the Lounge Just to gage Interest / crowd size.



\*\*\* IN MEMORIUM \*\*\* Walter "Wally" Catallo- Waterford John "Jack" Kline – Waterford Mac McCarthy – Mechanicville William McDonald – Waterford Albert "Bud" Taylor – Ballston Lake Theodore "Ted" Thomas – Cary, NC

\*\* Our Prayers & best wishes go out to All of our Men & Women in Uniform !!! \*\* Please notify Lippy if you know any of our Members who are "Forward Deployed", to support the War on Terror, <u>so we can Pay their Dues.</u>

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