



# Ten Forty Times

DELMAR, NEW YORK



SEVENTEENTH YEAR

NOVEMBER 1972

## HAVE A BALL

It will be called "INTERNATIONAL NIGHT"! The date is Saturday, Nov. 11 and the time schedule, menu and entertainment are as follows:

At 6:30 p.m. the downstairs lounge will have available a delicacy table laden with hot hors d'oeuvres, the specialties of other nations.

At 7:30, in the upstairs social hall, we will be greeted by two chefs in full regalia who will carve from a steamship round of beef the piece de resistance of a complete hot roast beef dinner. Your selection of dessert may be made from an assorted sweet table. Coffee of course.

Dinner will be followed by dancing to the music of Francis Murphy and his boys. International dances will be emceed by Jerry Romano who will insist on audience participation.

Tickets are available from Art Quinn in the lounge or call Sid Kaplan, dinner dance chairman. S.K.

## ON MEMBERSHIP

In 1972 we had a quota of 779  
The County gave us credit for 798 in '72  
This year our quota is 799. WOW!  
DO YOU THINK WE CAN MAKE IT?

This fall we welcome to Blanchard the following new Legionnaires:

Robert Mattice  
David F. Vogel  
David C. Barrell  
Thomas J. Kingston  
Helen S. D'Arcy  
Ronald G. Lehman  
Alvin M. Cohen  
Samuel Schenkel

and a big welcome home to  
Thomas H. Pratt, Sr.

Meeting on the first and third Mondays at 8:30. New members are urged to come and meet the members and receive their membership pins! K.B.

## Taps

We mourn the passing of our comrade Clifford E. Whitney. He was a WW1 veteran, Past Post Commander and a Charter Member. Our sympathy is extended to his widow and family.

We also mourn the sudden death of comrade Phil Hammond.

## Meet Your Officers

Again this month the 1040 Times is presenting two more of its officers.



GEORGE BUTMAN  
Chairman, Board of Directors



HANK VOORHEES, Vice Commander

## Boy and Girl Stater

We are pleased to announce that at the November 20 regular monthly meeting we are to have two visitors: Laurie Vaughn and David Houghtaling. These two young people represented our Post as our Girl and Boy Stater. Both David and Laurie will give a short talk and I'm sure it will be most interesting. Let's all try to attend the meeting to assure these kids of our appreciation. M.M.

## NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- Nov. 6—Regular monthly meeting 8:30
- 11—International Night  
Dinner-Dance
- 20—Regular monthly meeting 8:30
- 21—Auxiliary business meeting, 8
- 27—Board of Directors meet at 8

*Regular meeting every first and third Monday of each month at 8 p.m.*

*Board of Directors Meeting last Monday of each month at 8 p.m.*

## ANNUAL CALENDAR POST ACTIVITIES • 1972-73

- Nov. 11—All International Night  
Dinner Dance
- Dec. 9—Tinsel Ball Dinner Dance
- 17—Egg Nog Party
- 23—Childrens' Christmas Party
- 31—New Year's Eve Party  
Dinner Dance
- Jan. 13—20 Week Club Party  
Dinner Dance
- 20—German Night Dinner Dance
- Feb. 3—Indoor Sport Day
- 10—Valentine's Day Party  
Dinner Dance
- Mar. 15—Back-to-God Breakfast  
Family Sunday
- 17—St. Patrick's Party  
Dinner Dance
- Apr. 7—Welcome Spring Party  
Dinner Dance
- 21—Past Commanders Party  
Dinner Dance
- May 25—Installation of Officers
- 30—Memorial Day Parade

## Winter Driving

Do you think you are a "pro" driver? Do you think you can handle ice and snow? Why not come to the November 6 meeting and find out. On this night our Post is showing a film called "What about winter driving," through the courtesy of the U.S. D.O.T. (Department of Transportation, I think) and our fellow member Ed Korp. I don't think anyone should pass up this opportunity. It may come in handy some day.



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**AUXILIARY NEWS**

BY MARCIA TURNER

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Historian .....	Patricia Havill

Our retiring President Barbara Palmer was honored with a lovely dinner at Tall Timbers Country Club on September 13. Thank you to all who made this night a success and a most memorable evening for Barbara.

On September 19, we held our first business meeting of the new year preceded by a covered dish supper. We were pleased to have the men of the Post join us to hear our Girl and Boy Staters.

Laurie Vaughn and David Houghtaling gave very complete and interesting reports on Girls and Boys State, each one explaining what these schools are all about, and a typical day there. Only the teen-agers could keep up the pace! Both were very happy to have been chosen to attend, and thanked the Auxiliary and Legion for giving them the opportunity.

President Lenore gave a complete report of the Auxiliary Convention held in Syracuse last July. She also reported that our Unit addressed 1451 envelopes for the March of Dimes in June, that \$5200 was donated by the Auxiliaries to the New York State flood relief, and that over \$7000 was raised by the Auxiliaries for the laryngectomy project.

October 3 was our annual Fall Card Party. Chairman Laura Howard wishes to thank all those who helped make it a success. The fashions were from The Fashion Wheel, on Western Avenue. The models were: Pat Havill, Gwen Grasser, Dianne Grasser, Mary Spencer, Gayle Vanderwood, Noreen Giaccone and Marcia Turner. A big thank you from the models to Betty Costigan and Ada MacTague who were in charge of zippers, hangers, and getting the right dress on the right girl!

It was suggested that one of our projects be to keep a floral arrangement on the back of the bar downstairs. The fall arrangement was done by Mary Spencer and Lynn Cummings—nice work girls!

A reminder that DUES ARE DUE—see Della Brady at the next meeting for your new membership card.

During the summer Gloria Broom, Viola Knapp, Christine DiNucci and Ruth Potter were confined to hospitals. Hope all are well and can be back with us soon. We were saddened to hear of the death of Grace Heidel, who was an Auxiliary member for many years.

Happy Halloween!

M

**Shuffleboard**

The Shuffleboard League started on October 12. What do you say chairman—how about some scores and shuffleboard news?

**The Winnah**

The lucky people for the 50/50 drawing on September 29 were Sid and Mary Kaplan. (Money goes to money.)



**M-M-M-m-m-m — Whatever it is that Wally and Roxy are celebrating looks like a complete success. Someone should tell Wally to try and control his ardor at least till he gets outa site.**

**WHERE THE ACTION IS**

Friday night is *thee* night at the 1040 Post Lounge. The action on this night includes live music—fifty-two weeks a year. We have two musical groups that alternate each week. One group is known as "The Glenn Haber Trio" and the other as "The Aristocrats." These musicians are playing the sweetest music this side of the Norman's Kill Creek.

To communicate with good people and good music for dancing, just make a note to yourself and be at the Post this Friday night—and every Friday night. We will enjoy having you and we believe you will enjoy being with the action people of 1040. Come early—the music starts at 9:30.

M.M.

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## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

OCTOBER 2, 1972

- Regular meeting called to order by Commander Mele. 26 members present.
- Minutes of previous meeting were read. Al Woehrle moved minutes be accepted; seconded by Hank Voorhees.
- Hank Voorhees reported on Post's 20 Week Club progress.
- Giff Lantz reported in Ken Havill's absence on New Orleans Night results. 87 tickets sold for a gross of \$529. Party expense: \$405; net on food of \$124.00.
- Board of Directors report was made by Chairman George Butman. Six members of the Board were present. Faulty ice machine was found to be repairable. Rodger Fryer reported on Post insurance, facilities, equipment, and the need to increase the Post insurance to a minimum of \$30,000. Building maintenance and parking lot improvement discussed.
- Sid Kaplan announced plans for International Night on Nov. 11. It will be catered by Al Stiglemeyer.
- Under unfinished business, Commander Mele re-read the request by the County for 250 members to serve as a community project on election night reporting. Mr. Mele asked for volunteers.
- Under new business, Sid Kaplan requested that coffee and donuts be served on the night the "Lions" are sponsoring the free eye exam. Unanimously passed.
- Commander Mele reported on the County meeting. Nine members attended. Al Woehrle commended at that meeting for 100% Americanism. Next County meeting was announced: fourth Thursday of October at Voorheesville Post.
- Ken Burns reported on membership. Our next year's quota is 799 members.
- Al Woehrle reported on the area conference. Al made a motion to donate \$10 to the State Disaster Fund. This was seconded by Bill Blanchard. Al asked that the Post acquire a manual on Americanism. The next District Meeting is to be at the Greenville Post on October 15.
- New member David Vogel sworn in.
- Meeting closed in memory of our departed Commander, Clifford Whitney.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. F. Edwards, *Adjutant*

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## BEYOND THE POST

By Al Woehrlé

The Post meeting is the base for all American Legion Programs. It is there that ideas are born. When the idea has no conflict with American Legion policy the Post, through its officers and members, puts the idea into action. Where a question about Legion policy arises it can be resolved by going forward to a higher Legion echelon.

Legion policy, most of which we read in the *American Legion Magazine* commences at National Headquarters in Indianapolis. For the Department it starts from New York City Headquarters. On occasion it may start at the County level. Between the county and the department there is the district. The district includes the same counties that are in a judicial district of our State.

It is from attending the County and District meetings that one gets involved with Legion matters on upper levels.

### County Meetings

While the Albany Legion County Meetings are generally attended by some Blanchard Post officers and members except for me, none seem to be interested in the District or higher echelon meetings which are open to all Legionnaires.

The 1972-73 Legion year is well on its way. Already the September and October County Meetings have been held. For the next seven months they will take place on a Thursday night at 8:30. Usually, it is good to report, they start on time. The remaining schedule is: Nov. 30

at Scully Post, 348 Central Ave., Albany, with the host being Fort Orange Post 30 which is temporarily without a home while its members meet at the New Scotland Ave. Armory; Dec. 28 at our Post; Jan. 25 at Joseph E. Zaloga Post 1520 in Albany; Feb. 22 at Colonie Post 1256 on Osborne Road in Colonie; March 29 in Legnard Curtin Post 927 at 35 Cohoes Road, Green Island; April 26 at Helderberg Post 977, Altamont; and May 31 in North Albany Post 1610 at 29 North First St., Albany, where it has become traditionally preceded (about an hour prior to the County Meeting) with a Post Memorial Day Service which is memorable and meaningful in its presentation.

To wind up the Legion year the County Convention occurs late in June at a date to be announced at (traditionally) the Ambrose J. Scully Post 1019, 348 Central Avenue in Albany.

### Other Local Meetings

An important annual Legion function is the Mid-Winter Legislative Conference. A two-day affair it takes place at the Thruway Hyatt House in Albany on Sunday and Monday, Jan. 28-29. It is at this session that the major operating committees of the New York Department discuss matters which require consideration before given to the Legislative Committee for it to present to the Department Commander for presentation to the New York State Legislature. Most of the committee meetings commence at 9 a.m. on

Monday. The affair ends Monday night with a cocktail party and banquet which the National Commander always attends and frequently among the dinner speakers is the Governor of New York State.

To pay his special recognition to Albany County the Department Commander's Visitation date is Saturday, April 7 at which time Department Commander Herman Harrington of neighboring Rensselaer County will be the guest. In the course of the year he does this for all 62 counties in the Department. The site for this function has not been noted on the schedule.

It has also been the practice for a caucus to be called by the Post which is offering a candidate for the County commandership.

### Higher Echelon Sessions

To personally bring policy directives and strengthen the line of communication from the Department Headquarters to the Posts there is a schedule of meetings which began with the first of two Area Conferences for the Third (ours) and Fourth Districts on October 1st, at Amsterdam. The next takes place April 8 at the Rosendale-Tillison Post 1210 in Tillison in Ulster County.

On October 15 was the first Third District Meeting at which District Commander Danny O'Brien of Gilboa, N. Y. presided. His next meeting is set for Jan. 28 at the Melvin Roads Post 1231 in Clinton Heights, Rensselaer, followed by April 29 at the Jennings-Willets Post

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## Individual Standings

CLASS A			
	Games	Pinnage	Avg.
1 Bender	12	2140	178
2 Palmer	12	2138	178
3 Lantz	9	1493	165
4 G. Roach	12	1970	164
5 Aupperle	12	1970	164
6 Tangora	8	1315	164
7 Johnston	9	1468	163
8 Korp	9	1468	163
9 Pugliese	12	1948	162
10 Cummings	12	1932	161
11 Foy	12	1930	160
12 Andre	12	1904	158
13 Havill	12	1884	157
14 Pauquette	12	1877	156
15 Ristau	12	1868	155
16 Whitney	12	1854	154
17 Donnelly	11	1693	153
18 Berry	12	1825	152
19 Mosmen	12	1807	150
20 Mitchell	6	900	150

CLASS B			
	Games	Pinnage	Avg.
1 Marino	12	1790	149
2 W. Roach	12	1785	148
3 Volk	3	444	148
4 Eagan	9	1317	146
5 Vail	12	1756	146
6 Beckmann	12	1745	145
7 D. Roach	6	864	144
8 Haker	12	1725	143
9 Vanderwood	12	1704	142
10 Brady	12	1695	141
11 Butman	12	1670	139
12 Burns	12	1666	138
13 Dybas	12	1649	137
14 Campbell	6	827	137
15 Greenwood	9	1199	133
16 Alwell	12	1566	130
17 Cole	9	1173	130
18 Feiden	6	776	129
19 Monette	9	1110	123
20 Stowers	12	1360	113

## THE EXTRA FRAME:

... and a solid greetings, Brother! to our new member, Ed 'Medics' VAIL... and a 'get well in a hurry, Friend!' to our buddy Fred BUKER—we all wanna see ya back in action but *soon!*... and how about Al VANDERWOOD going crazy with a 186 after he bought those new bowling shoes... and on 10-6-72 Bill ALWELL creamed the opposition with a 195 and 550—not satisfied with that he takes on ex-trooper Ken HAVILL and ex-marine Bill DONNELLY in a vague argument about Scotch whisky and Liberty Ships. (Figure that one out) ... Is it true big Milt ANDRE threatened to take back Hughie STOWERS' most improved bowler award of 71-72 because of his showing the other night at the lanes? Don'tcha let 'em, Hughie! Remind Milt of 9-8-72 and tell 'em to

take a motorcycle ride! ... and that Dot and John ENNIS have just gotta be one of the Post's best couples ... and the way the Duster has been bowling I feel like a Hodad who got wiped out on his surf board ... and Wm. Joseph BLANCHARD, Jr. can really say, 'I look down on youse guys!' (Bill bowls upstairs; we are downstairs on Fry-Nite.) ... and a big congratulation to Mr. and Mrs. John VOGEL on the arrival of an 8 lb. plus baby son ... and look at Ray BENDER go with that big 226 game, 607 triple and 178 average ... and if ya wanna see 4-ice cold eyes ask Rose and Tom FOY to help ya sell your house! ... hafta ask Bud MOSMEN and George BUTMAN what sunshine climate they'll visit this winter ... and howabout Adjutant Bob EDWARDS and the interesting way in which he presented hi-lites of meetings in the 1040 *Times!* ... and what did the flies say to each other when they were stuck in honey? How would I know! Whadda ya think I'm some nut who goes around talkin' ta flies! ... and it looks like the HAKER, AUPPERLE, BERRY families will all have those wedding bells a clagin' judging by the engagement notices in the papers ... and just where is that postcard that came from Bermuda ... and the ole Duster has been a backslider on these Friday night shin-digs and missin' out on all the doins ... and whadda bout that Post crowd at the first County Meeting (9) Al WOEHRLER, Bill BLANCHARD, Sr., Jack BRADY, Mike MELE, Bill BLANCHARD, Jr., Fred TROMBE, Artie BLANCHARD, Gutter J. DUSTER and John VOGEL ... and certainly give that Duster 13½ lashes with a soggy, wet noodle for not sayin', "Welcome to the League" to that esteemed gent Al (a 100% Blanchard Legionnaire) GREENWOOD! ... and another Duster goof was when I made Gloria and Bob BROOME (like the county) when I shoulda had it BROOM (like ya sweep with) ... when I see the score sheet show Bill JOHNSON and not Bill JOHNSTON, I dont' feel so bad ... a big, 'right on, lad!' to Ernie GALL and the Blanchard Post Baseball Team for their fine showing this year ... still ain't found out who that swell dancin' couple at the Post are! (amongst all the other swell dancers o'course—maybe that rascal Claude WHITE would know)... and Who's the guy who likes his booze/And left the Post without his shoes?/He's fed you all from his little tan truck/But his shoes I've got, that's my luck! ... ain't got much ta say—better go away ... till December: remember—the Duster's a muster on yer holiday greetings to read.

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Picture shows Al Beckmann presenting trophies to Peter Sowers, Low Net Winner and Bill James, Low Gross Winner. Chairman Ray Callagan at left.

## WOW... DID IT RAIN!

You guessed it—Callagan, the Little Rainmaker, did it again. Rain—for the fourth annual golf day and dinner. That makes it three out of four. What a lousy batting average. Anyhow, 61 stout-hearted men (or whatever else you'd like to call them) braved the rainy weather at Normanside Country Club on September 13 for the big event. We all believe the saying, "You can't fool Mother Nature." But after the men shaved and showered, things didn't seem so bad. Perhaps the open bar helped out quite a bit, then the dinner and prizes rounded out the evening.

Two sets of prizes had to be awarded. They are as follows:

*For 18 holes*—Bill James, Low Gross; Peter Sowers, Low Net; Dick Lenseth, 2nd Low Gross; James Spencer, 2nd Low Net; Bob Sowers, tied for third; and Bruce Wayman, tied for third.

*For 9 holes*—Bill McDermott, George Kass, Matt Klapp and B. Hutchinson, tied for Low Net. Tied for third are Mike Peno, Tip Nelson, Jim MacDonough, Jim Cummings, Dom Camineti, Ed Steffer and Bob Broom. Closest to Pin (17th Hole) is Cliff Van Dyke. Closest to Pin (3rd Hole) is Bob Neaton.

Special thanks are extended to the Prize Committee consisting of Al Beckmann, Dan Lantz, Bill Carrigan, Marv Hirschberg; Tip Nelson and Bill McDermott, our Handicappers; Jack Chetney and Dick Lenseth who co-sponsored the event and to the Blanchard Post members and guests who made the event such a success.

*P.S. We need a volunteer to select a date for the Fifth Annual Golf Day. R.C.*

## Report on New Orleans Night

Hats off to the hard working crew who made our kick-off dinner party for this season a big success: Peg and Ed Korp, Barb and Rolly Whitney, Barb and Ollie Palmer, Dottie and Giff Lantz, Joan and Hugh Stowers and Pat Havill, who hustled all evening serving the super

secret dinner prepared by Hank Voorhees. Thank you one and all.

A new group made music for us—all kinds of music—and the crowd loved it. Applause all night, and would you believe—a standing ovation when the last note had been played.

H.H.

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**S-Q-U-A-W-K B-O-X**

Well, there hasn't been too much time gone by since my first squawk appeared in the *Times*, so I will have to be patient for awhile. I must admit though that I received many comments (verbal that is) about the sandwich situation at the bar on Friday nights. If you would push this view at the Post meetings, Commander, I'm sure we would come up with enough names to handle the job.

You 'guys' out there—come on—don't wait for the other fellow to start the ball rolling—do it now!

For this month, our squawk is the lack of the sound system downstairs (on Friday nights). I am told that we have a 'mike' unit upstairs not being used.

I don't mean we need a microphone for the music. To me, the sound of the music is fine, but when the name is selected for the 50/50 winner, no one can hear—at least I can't hear. As long as we have the equipment, why not use it.

As a reminder, let's hear some of the comments or ideas you have. I am sure most of you have thoughts on different situations you would like changed. Let's hear it. Put it on paper and submit it to the 1040 *Times* for all to read.

**Another Winnah**

Ann Carroll and Red Kernahan were the happy 50/50 winners on October 6 drawing. I tell you—money goes to money every time!

**Sick Call**

Was so good to see Ed Bollman (and looking so well) attending with his wife, Jo, at Ladies' Auxiliary Sept. meeting. Husbands were invited to join in covered dish supper and meet the Boys and Girls State representatives. Ed sure seemed to enjoy testing many of the dishes!

Also good to see Phil Giaccone, Jr., getting around just fine following his misfortune. Fred Buker is convalescing at home.

Members who have been hospitalized recently are Randall Vaughn, Bill Volk, Fred Stahlhut, Fred Burleigh and Milford Campbell. Best wishes that they will return to good health in the near future.

**★ Gem of the Month**

A trouble maker is one who rocks the boat and tries to persuade every one that there is a storm at sea.

**BEYOND THE POST**

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346 in Germantown (Columbia Co.) The Third District Caucus takes place at the Department Convention next July, presumably at Binghamton.

The National Convention for 1973 is to be in Hawaii. Special charter flights are now being prepared on a first-come, first-served basis. Details about it were given at the September County Meeting. Anyone interested in going should contact Post Commander Mike Mele.

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