



# Ten Forty Times



DELMAR, NEW YORK

EIGHTEENTH YEAR

NOVEMBER 1973

## IT TAKES EXPERTS TO SET A GOLF DATE



**SEATED (left to right):** Tim Lilac, Low Net Winner; Bill James, Sponsor for the Legion Golf Day at Normanside; and George Williams, Low Gross Winner. **BACK ROW:** Ed Vogel, Longest Drive; Pete Sowers, Closest to Pin at 17th Hole; 'Tip' Nelson, Closest to Pin at 3rd Hole; and Ray Callagan, Chairman of Event.

Blanchard Post's Fifth Annual Golf Day and Dinner was the best ever, thanks to our weather experts, Cummings, Nelson and James, who set the date (it's for sure it wasn't Callagan). A huge turnout of Post members and guests played at scenic Normanside Country Club on September 17, and the scores proved what a beautiful day it was.

We had new faces in the winner's circle this year in Tim Lilac, the Low Net Winner, and George Williams, the Low Gross Winner. They played golf the way it was meant to be played. Other winners included 'Tip' Nelson, Closest to Pin on the 3rd hole; Peter Sowers, Closest to Pin on the 17th hole; and Ed Vogel for the Longest Drive. Runners-up were Bill McDermott, Neil Cummings and Fred Lincoln.

Several gripes were registered and justifiably so, but as they say fellows, life can't always be peaches and cream. A three-man committee was set up for our next golf day in 1974. We hope they reach a decision by June so arrangements can be made in time to make plans for the event.

Special thanks are extended to our sponsor, Bill James of Normanside; 'Tip' Nelson, Joe Cummings, our weather experts; Bob Decker, prize chairman; and to the Normanside Country Club crew for their kindness.

Something to think about—if all golfers who sign up for this event would pay the fee a week before the event, better arrangements could be made for more and better prizes. And that's the way it is in 1973. Good luck! See you in '74!

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For all you Auxiliary gals out there who don't know what your officers look like, we present the above photo. From left to right in the back row are: Gloria Broom, Recording Secretary; Eleanor Blendell, Treasurer; Diane Grasser, Corresponding Secretary; and Barbara Palmer, Chaplain. In the front row we see Barbara Whitney, Second Vice President; Della Brady, President; and Marcia Turner, First Vice President. Two Auxiliary officers not shown are Betty Costigan, Historian and May Smith, Sergeant-at-Arms. Sorry girls, I'll snap you another time. *Ed.*

## AUXILIARY NEWS

BY DING A. LING

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The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York has appointed our own Barbara Palmer as Gift Shop Chairman at the VA Hospital in Albany. Open House will be held Sunday, Dec. 2 from 2 to 4 p.m. and everyone is invited to see the gifts. Workers are needed for Thursday and Friday, Nov. 29-30 and Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 3-4 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

*Wanted*—One woman to bake a birthday cake for a patient at the VA Hospital for November 6. That is Blanchard Unit Day to supply a birthday cake if there is a patient having a birthday on that date. This is just another way that we help at the VA Hospital.

Blanchard Unit will sponsor a Bingo Party for the patients at the VA Hospital on Wednesday evening, Nov. 7. Workers will also be needed to help with this.

If you are willing to help on any of the above mentioned at the VA, call Barbara Palmer, 439-5385. She needs volunteers.

Ellen Nelson, 32 Bender Lane, was the winner of the stole raffled off at the Harvest Hoedown Dance. A big thank you to Betty Worden who not only crocheted the stole, but donated it to us for the raffle.

To date, 50% of our members have paid their dues. If you are among the remaining 50%—*please!* Get your dues into our Membership Chairman, Marcia Turner, before December 10. We want our Unit to have quota before our December meeting.

We need coupons and trading stamps so we can continue the Legion Auxiliary program to furnish needed things at the Tupper Lake Infirmary. The Auxiliary receives cash and merchandise for the following:

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Won't you bring yours to our November meeting on the 20th and turn them over to Coupon Chairman, Peggy Hood.

Marie Smith was hospitalized and is now home. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Laura Howard on the loss of her mother and to Pauline Ouderkirk on the loss of her father.

P.S. All those who failed to attend the Auxiliary's Harvest Hoedown Dance in September missed one of the most enjoyable evenings of the year. The food was excellent and the band superb. It was truly a great fun evening. Only sad note is the fact that only one-third of those attending represented the Legion and the Auxiliary with the remaining two-thirds being outsiders and friends. Thanks to all 93 persons attending, the affair was a success.

## NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Nov. 3 20 Week Dinner Dance  
 Nov. 17 International Night Din/Dan

Regular monthly meetings every first and third Monday at 8:30 p.m.  
 Board of Directors meeting last Monday of each month at 8 p.m.

## The Winnah

You won't believe who was a money winner on Friday night, Oct. 12—Bill Vogel, that's who. That makes the Vogels four winners out of the last six weeks. Hey, John, how does one become a member of the Vogel family?

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Oliver H. Palmer, better known as "Ollie," was born and raised in New York City. Ollie enlisted in the Coast Guard in 1942 and received training at Manhattan Beach. While on patrol duty aboard the U.S.S. Storis, Ollie was a crew member of the ship that captured the only German ship which was returned to Boston Harbor in World War II. During this action, Ollie received a commendation for helping save his ship from loss by fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer live at 3 Maple Avenue, Elsmere. They have two daughters, Cindy and Terry.

At present, Ollie is employed by the Tobin Packing Company, where he is a 25-year club member.

Ollie has always taken an active part in Post activities and I know he will give his all (as usual) in his new position as Vice Commander in charge of activities.

Ollie's wife, Barbara, has also been an active Auxiliary member. Together they make a good team.

Keep up the good work, Ollie and Barbara!

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## BITS and PIECES

Sports Day attended by large group of men on opening day of the Series. A great day, a great job by chairman Bill Campion, and many thanks to so many helping hands. • Tuesday nights, the St. James bowlers and also Post members Frank Maio, Ed Yanni, Joe Romano, etc. dropped in for a little shuffleboard. On this subject, our Post started another Shuffleboard League season on the second Thursday in October. George Spawn is once again in charge. This is a real fun night for the 24-man-league. • The gals of the Auxiliary put on their first dance September 29. Too bad for those who didn't attend this Harvest Hoedown. Good food, good music, and a very fine time for those who came. Good show, gals. • The Post has a chap who turned his recreation room back into a cellar. That's a switch. • Bill Campbell will be off to West Point to take in the Notre Dame game with seven other pals. How lucky can you get. • A biggy for the football followers at Foxboro. 'Tis said the beer flowed freely on the bus. • Betty Pellitier sure is a whiz bang glass picker upper on Friday night. • Barb Selig did a fine job getting rid of 90 tickets on the 50/50 Club for Sept. 21. • A big pat on something or other for the printer. October's paper arrived on Sept. 25. Good show. It's about time. • Fred Grasser loves the dentist so much he just can't wait for a tooth to go bad. • Jack Brady sure does a fine job when we need a quick sign to be printed. He does a good job not only for the Post but makes sure the Auxiliary is taken care of too. • Have a large group of couples taking part in our dance classes. If you wish to partake in this fun affair, check in at the Post Bar for the info. • Grace Velie sure likes those smoked almonds. Standing order whenever she gets a drink is a pack of smokies. • Nice guys Bill Kerrigan, Fred Vogel, Jim Fanning and Tom Hassel-

barth are looking in great health. To all four is our fondest wish. • Joe and Toby Bauhoff did a fine job with their bratwurst and sauerkraut on Sept. 21. Good show! • Ralph Derby doubled up on his chores on Sports Day, taking tickets at the door and opening clams even found a little time to eat some, also. • "Bobby Riggs" Dalton defeated "Billy Jean" McKeough on the shuffleboard for the Post battle of the sexes. • October 26 Ethel Neely celebrated her birthday and the Harold Reohrs their 30th Anniversary. Congratulations ye all! • Ed and Betty Costigan's number one son Ned was wed in September. • Walt "Cookies" Van Wormer saw to it that we had a good supply of Pepperidge Farm cookies on our West Point trip. Thanks again Walt. • Bill Alwell tipped a few champagnes on his birthday; still groggy two days later. Better stick to beer Bill. • Thrills and chills at the Post watching those Mets and Reds battle. Dr. Hargrave sure lived every pitch for his Reds and followers of both teams did a lot of rooting for their favorites. • John and Carol Vogel sold out their sandwiches Friday, Oct. 5. Good going podners. • Gif and Dottie Lantz are sure looking like a million and showing us how to knock off a little weight. A little will power—that's it in a nut shell. • Sure want to give a big thank you to Jack and Barb Selig, Frank Futia, Rollie and Barbara Whitney, Gloria Broom, Helen Quinn, Ken and Vi Simpson and special thanks to George Clouthier for working so hard on October 6 for the Post at a wedding reception. • What's this about William Davison shooting a straight at the Rod & Gun Club. Nice work, Bill. • Ed Koip doing his usual bang-up job. When he works on a detail, he's right on the ball with his Membership Drive in full force. Good luck, Ed. Send that \$10 in fellas and gals, it sure could help make his

very tough job that much easier. • Off to Lake Placid March 8-10 for a large group of Blanchardites. Bill Campbell put up the sign and sold out the capacity of the chalet in three days. For anyone who hasn't made this trip, they should get with it, as it's a dandy lodging—and all on the menu: prime ribs, seafood, fillet, etc., at \$12 per day. • Wrap up from the Catbird Seat, till then.

## ANNUAL CALENDAR

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| Dec. 8  | Tinsel Ball Dinner Dance     |
| Dec. 16 | Egg Nog Party                |
| Dec. 22 | Children's Christmas Party   |
| Dec. 31 | New Year's Eve Party         |
| Jan. 19 | German Night Dinner Dance    |
| Feb. 2  | Indoor Sports Day            |
| Feb. 16 | Valentine's Day Dinner Dance |
| Mar. 16 | St. Patrick's Day Din/Dan    |
| Mar. 24 | Back-to-God Breakfast        |
| Apr. 6  | Blanchard Night Dinner Dance |
| Apr. 20 | Welcome Spring Dinner Dance  |
| May 19  | Memorial Day Church Service  |
| May 24  | Installation of Officers     |
| May 27  | Memorial Day Parade          |

## ALOHA!

*On International Night a Hawaiian Luau*

Dress wild, colorful, flowery, casual or formal—anyway you wish—but come and enjoy the atmosphere, food, drinks and danceable music of this exotic night.

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## Winnah

The 50/50 winner of the October 5 Friday night drawing was Don Ryan.

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| Navy        | 832  | 2386 | 14   | 10 | 8  | 13678 |
| Air Force   | 817  | 2333 | 14   | 10 | 8  | 13669 |
| Coast Guard | 884  | 2366 | 12   | 9  | 9  | 13649 |
| Tanks       | 883  | 2339 | 11   | 9  | 9  | 13602 |
| Infantry    | 818  | 2352 | 11   | 8  | 10 | 13372 |
| Army        | 866  | 2413 | 10   | 8  | 10 | 13617 |
| Marines     | 817  | 2328 | 10   | 7  | 11 | 13241 |

**INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS**

| Class A      |        | Class B   |        |
|--------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Havill       | 15 177 | Brady     | 18 149 |
| Tangora      | 18 176 | Feiden    | 15 148 |
| G. Roach     | 18 170 | Eagan     | 15 148 |
| Aupperle     | 18 169 | Vail      | 18 147 |
| Berry        | 18 167 | Pauquette | 15 147 |
| Lantz        | 18 166 | Johnston  | 15 147 |
| Larkin       | 15 166 | Volk      | 15 145 |
| Korp         | 18 162 | Beckmann  | 12 144 |
| Foy          | 18 162 | Campbell  | 18 144 |
| Bender       | 18 161 | Dybas     | 15 143 |
| Mitchell     | 18 161 | Mosmen    | 12 139 |
| Andre        | 18 160 | Haker     | 18 136 |
| Palmer       | 18 160 | Pugliese  | 18 136 |
| D. Roach     | 15 157 | Burns     | 18 134 |
| Oates        | 12 157 | Cole      | 15 131 |
| Whitney      | 18 153 | Butman    | 18 128 |
| Marino       | 18 153 | Buker     | 15 125 |
| Ristau       | 15 152 | Monette   | 15 123 |
| Cummings Sr. | 18 151 | Alwell    | 18 123 |
| Cummings Jr. | 15 150 | Stowers   | 18 114 |

**THE EXTRA FRAME**


... A big right-on to Della BRADY and the Auxiliary for the Harvest Hoe-down! One of the best times we've ever had at the Post. The gal who put it all together and made it go is Barbara WHITNEY, that's who! ... 'n on 9/28 George BUTMAN made the 5-7 split not once but twice! ... and Milt ANDRE made one of those difficult shots, but for the life of me I can't tell you which one. ... Sorry Walt Ray ROACH had to drop outta the League due to work schedule. ... A big welcome to the League to Jim CUMMINGS (on the same team with Pa Joe yet) and also a big welcome to Dick "U.S. Mail" OATES ... 'n if ya up and hear Genial Al PUGLIESE saying some unpleasant things it's about that new finger-tip ball that's what. ... and why do you suppose Hugh STOWERS and Hank RISTAU keep saying, "Gee, it's dark in here!" ... 14 of our bunch out to County Meeting at Voorheesville and four (Al Woehrle, Mer ATWOOD, Jack BRADY, Ken BURNS) out to 3rd-4th District conclave at Melvin Roads Post.

... I think Doug ROACH is going all out this year to cop the big prize. ... 'n howja like putting Giff "The Airplane Pilot" LANTZ and George "The Motorboat Captain" FEIDEN on the Infantry team. ... and hasn't that trio of Skip LARKIN, Dick COLE and Bill ALWELL been awfully quiet lately? Look fer sumpin' to pop soon from dose guys! ... 'n I'll have to ask Ed VAIL if that slave driver Matt DYBAS has been leaning on hard lately. ... and rowdy-dowdy the man behind the Golden Tornado is Prez. Bill MITCHELL! ... and we had some great square dancers at that shindig including Lottie and Cliff VAN DYKE and Barb SELIG among others. ... 'n I tell you one and all that those Friday night hamburgers are really g-r-E-A-T! (and there was Sid KAPLAN sniffing the great aroma of hamburgers and onions on a night when he couldn't eat any.) ... Not only does Al DAVIS come up with a first class spread on meeting nights but with some ritzy beer yet! ... and I betcha Bill BLANCHARD, Jr. is still catching up on sleep from his double duty stint. ... and always a nice couple to have at the table at a party are Ann and Frank FUTIA along with Betty and Ed COSTIGAN. ... and what happened to those old-fashioned novels which used to read something like, "She was subject to the vapors and could not engage in a vigorous game of pom-pom pullaway." ... 'n where has our buddy, that Color Guardsman Jack McDERMOTT been of late? ... Good to see pal Lou BOEGLER out to a recent meeting. ... Let's all chip in with V. Comdr. Ed KORP and git that '74 membership up to a new Blanchard record! ... 'n I hope we see that swell couple Marcia and Bob CLARKE before too many weeks go by. ... 'n I suggest you put your name in early for that West Point football trip next year. Bill CAMPBELL had everything arranged to perfection. Good parade, swell lunch, good company, excellent game, and Bill even arranged for good weather. ... Bob STRICKLAND and other elite were at the game whooping it up. ... Better get the okay from the family boss and get

our New Year's Eve reserves in early—last year we missed out! ... and best of luck to Fred TROMBE on his new venture. ... So until the jolly ho-ho month, I leave you with this thought, "We have our faults; we are still learning; we are still growing; but all in all Blanchard Post is by far the greatest organization around!"  
*The Gutter Duster*

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### MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FOR OCT. 1, 1973

Commander Atwood started off the meeting with committee reports.

1. *Ali Palmer*—Activities, reported on Sportsmen Day, Italian Night and the Ladies Auxiliary open house at the VA Hospital on December 2, 1973.

2. *Ernie Gall* reported on baseball. He said the banquet was set for late December and a date would be forthcoming.

3. *Ken Burns*—Bowling, reported the tournament would be in Williamsville during April and May.

4. *Bob Rosenfield*—Special Activities, gave a report concerning the appearance at next meeting of the Naval Sea Cadets and also reported on Friday night food detail in which everything is going well.

Commander Atwood commented on the fine turnout at the County Meeting by Blanchard Post members.

Bill Alwell made a motion that Blanchard Post donate \$50.00 to the Elsmere Fire Co. for their yearly drive. Motion was accepted.

Commander Atwood closed the meeting in memory of our departed comrades.

John A. Vogel, *Adjutant*

### Welcome Aboard

The American Legion Post sets out the welcome to three new members: Bill Gordon, Mayar Hart and Rene Laurent. Mr. Laurent and Mr. Gordon are brand new Legionnaires while Mr. Hart transferred from New York City. To each of you, the 1040 Post says "Welcome" and we hope you take an active part in the Post activities.

### "IT WAS NICE"

Sports Day was a big success. Everything couldn't have been better. Chairman Bill Champion was ably assisted by Dick Cole, Frank Futia, Hank Voorhees, Bob Smith, Joe Miller and Fred Mosmen. Tickets handled by the Chairman Ralph Derby; Milt Andre and Pierce Green. The bar was tended by Jack Brady.

Drawing winner was George Brown; ball game winner was Frank Futia.

Thank you Bob Sowers for the use of your TV sets for the day; also his son, Jeff, who set up the televisions.

### Sports Dinner

On December 28, Blanchard Post will have a Holiday Sports Dinner to honor the Blanchard Post Baseball Team. The affair is open to the public. We will have a well-known speaker, and more details will be in next month's issue. If you desire more info, contact Ernie Gall.

### Taps

We mourn the passing of our departed comrades Randall W. Vaughn, Donald Kerr, Paul Dickinson and Fred Stahlhut who passed away recently. Our sincerest sympathy is extended to their families. The Editorial Staff of the 1040 TIMES must apologize for portions of the above being late. The information was received too late to be placed in the October issue.

### Albany County Meeting

The next Albany County meeting will be at Scully Post, 348 Central Avenue, Albany. The host for the meeting will be Fort Orange Post 30. All members are invited. Please plan to attend.

### Sick Call

During this past summer we had a rather long list of members bedded down due to illness and hope they are all well on the road to recovery. Our best wishes were sent to Tom Hasselbarth, Jack Chetney, Doug Moore, Fred Vogel, Jim Fanning, King Rabineau and James Blanchard. If other members were ailing and we have not mentioned their names, we apologize and wish good health to all. Everyone knows George Reeber and it is wonderful seeing him up and going again and looking so good.

We want to extend sincere sympathy to Guy Switzer and "Bud" Rukwid on the passing of their fathers.

In order to report those members who are ill or hospitalized and send them a card of good wishes, we would appreciate your cooperation by contacting Commander Merwyn Atwood or Hugh Stowers at 439-3848. Art Quinn also will be happy to pass on such information.

### Another Winner

The 20 Week Club winner for Oct. 12 was Freda Sherman. That should make her eyes light up.

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Last year, Blanchard Post received dues from more than 800 members. This was greatly appreciated. But do you also know that at a great many of the meetings conducted throughout the year, the lack of participation by our members made it difficult to even call a meeting to order!

A quorum of 20 is needed to begin a meeting. And although we always seem to squeak by every first and third Monday, it seems to me that 20 out of 800 shows a great need for improvement. If all of you out there would try to make at least one or two meetings a year, perhaps even help out at a party or two, I know at least 20 people would be happy.

**Shuffleboard League**

Fall is here and our Shuffleboard League opened in full swing October 11 under the direction of our President, George Spawn. The following are league members but we can use a few more if anyone is interested. Just come at eight o'clock on Thursday nights. Al Adams, Dick Dalton, Joe Cummings, Bill Flint, Stan Brooks, Pierce Green, Phil Lee, Ed Korp, Fred Grasser, Bill Campbell, Bill Stelle, John Vogel, Bruce MacDonald, John Handerhan, Henry Engel, George Spawn, Ken Havill, Rollie Whitney, Joe Marino, Jack Brady, Harold Reohr, Jim Cleary, Joe Kevlin and Dick Cole.

**PARTY ANYONE?**

Saturday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m. is the date for the 20 Week Club member/guest dinner dance. The cocktail hour is at seven sharp and dinner will be served at eight. The main course is stuffed chicken breasts with all the trimmings. Music is to start at nine and the name of the band is "The Old Wazoo Goodtime Band." (Honest it is.) Guest tickets are \$6 each and may be secured from Pat or Ed Starkweather, phone 439-3323.

The new 20 Week Club tickets are now available, so get your lucky number now! You can have fun and win money at the same time. Remember, your dinner ticket is included in the price of your 20 Week ticket.

The next 20 Week hop is scheduled for some time next April. Jump on the band wagon — help Ed out — buy your ticket *now*.

**A Call to Arms**

A call to arms, legs and everything else that goes to make up a person who is willing to help the Post in its many activities. As you have heard many times over, we need all the help we can get to put across the monthly dinner dances. Don't be bashful—seek out Ollie Palmer and let him know you would like to become more active. You'll be surprised how many new friends you will meet, and how much fun you'll have.

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