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## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Santa in all his jolly glory will slide down the chimney of Blanchard Post on the afternoon of Saturday, December 19 when the annual Christmas Party for the children takes place at 1:15. In addition to the children of the members of the Post, youngsters up to 10 years of age from the community are invited.

Before Santa makes his appearance, bearing gifts for all, there will be entertainment headlined by Legionnaire Bob George, who will give an exhibition of magic guaranteed to amaze his audience. Jerry Romano will lead the carol singing and an ice cream treat will conclude the afternoon for our guests. Parents are requested to pick up their children no later than 4:30.

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## Nice to Hear

Richard Laffin, our representative for American Legion Boys State of New York, at State University of New York Agriculture & Technical College at Morrisville on June 21 through June 27, reported at the regular meeting on November 16 and gave a very enlightening talk concerning the events at this annual affair. He was impressed to learn all about Boys State and thanked the Post for the honor of being our representative.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

BE IT RESOLVED that paragraph "3." of ARTICLE III of the Constitution and By-Laws of NATHANIEL ADAMS BLANCHARD POST No. 1040 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK, INC., which presently reads as follows:

"3. Any officers of the Post may be removed from office for disability, neglect of duty, or for conduct unbecoming a member upon two-thirds vote of the members of the Post Affairs Committee and ratification of their action by two-thirds of the members present at the next regular meeting of the Post held after such action of the Post Affairs Committee. The vacancy created by such action shall be filled by the Post Affairs Committee for the unexpired term of the office so vacated."

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that paragraph "2." of ARTICLE IV of said Constitution and By-Laws which presently reads as follows:

"2. The Commander, and in his absence, the First, Second or Third Vice Commander, in the order named, shall preside at all meetings of the Post and of the Post Affairs Committee. In the event of their absence, such meeting may elect their presiding officer."

*be amended to read as follows*

"2. The Commander, and in his absence any Vice Commander, shall preside at all meetings of the Post and of the Post Affairs Committee. In the event of their absence, such meeting may elect their presiding officer."

This resolution will be presented at the first Post meeting in December and voted on at the second monthly meeting of December, 1970.

## BLANCHARD CALENDAR

MONDAY, Dec. 7—Regular Post meeting at 8:30 p.m.; the Post Affairs Committee meets at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, Dec. 12 — Tinsel Ball at 9:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, Dec. 19 — The Children's Christmas Party at 1:15 p.m.

MONDAY, Dec. 21 — Our regular mid-monthly Post meeting at 8:30 p.m.

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George Reeber, Flag Chmn

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## German Night

German Night is coming up Saturday, January 23, and it is not too early to contact Bob Strickland, chairman, or Art Quinn for reservations.

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By MAY SMITH

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Christmas is an ideal time of the year for us to reflect upon the goodness radiated by the American Legion Auxiliary. During this period of conflict between nations, unrest within our own country, on the campuses, between races, the ever growing use of drugs, the upsurge of crimes, and the increasing number of teenage runaways, the Auxiliary replies to this confusion by doing all that it can to improve conditions, building schools and hospitals in foreign lands, offering scholarships, striving for law and order, emphasizing Americanism, giving monetary contributions toward research, supporting legislature for the benefit of our veterans and prisoners of war, etc. This is our "star of Bethlehem."

Let's pray that strength and courage abundant be given to all our members who work for a world of reason and understanding. That the good that lies in every man's heart may, day by day, be magnified. That man may see more clearly not that which divides them, but that which unites them. That the true spirit of this Christmas season, its joy, its beauty, its hope, and above all its abiding faith may live among us. That the blessings of peace be ours.

May you and your family have a very blessed Christmas and a very joyous Happy New Year.

November 4 was Bingo Night at the V.A. Hospital. Noreen Giaccone, Diane Grasser, Gwen Grasser, Laura Howard, Barbara Palmer, Marcia Rosenfield, May Smith and Marie Smith assisted Maud Hafley, Rehabilitation Chairman in distributing canteen books as prizes for winning at bingo. All the patients were served coffee and donuts.

Win a \$50 basket of "spirits" or a case of champagne by taking chances at 25¢ each or 5 for \$1. You may get them from Chairman Noreen Giaccone, her co-aiders Laura Howard and Bernice Lawson or from Art Quinn at the bar, and even at the night of the Tinsel Ball, Saturday, December 12. The drawing will occur at the dance.

The Christmas dinner will be a complete roast beef dinner for \$3.50 with a cocktail hour from 6 to 7:30 on Tuesday, December 15. Remember, all reservations must be made by December 9 per Maud Hafley, chairman. Marcia Turner assisted by Della Brady have been busy with decorations. Diane Grasser is in charge of entertainment, so all come and enjoy yourself.

Help cover a Christmas tree with coupons to show that we can save more this year than in the past few years. String them, hang them, put them in an envelope or make a garland of them for the tree. Bring them to the Christmas dinner or give them to May Smith and she will wrap them for the tree.

We offer our sincere sympathy to Jane Dearstyn on the death of her husband, Frederick.

Chaplain Ruth Burns also reports that Maurie Flanigan will have to take it easy for a year or so due to major surgery.

Kitty Williams has been recuperating from two operations since July.

President Marcia would like to thank all those who served at the County Meeting, including everyone who made those delicious cakes and Lee's baked beans.

Refreshment Chairman Shirley LeMoy would like to thank Barbara Palmer and Marie Smith for serving the refreshments at the October meeting.

May Smith is taking Lee Hurley's place as County Delegate.

Membership Chairman Barbara Palmer reports two more new members: Mildred Connelly and Barbara Whitney. Total membership to date—Nov. 17—is 137. Quota is 170 by Dec. 19, so let's get our dues paid soon.

**WANTED:** Used ditto or mimeograph machine that could be donated to the Auxiliary, or anyone in business whose machine could be used for duplicating material. Any information please contact Marcia Rosenfield at 439-6225.

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Tuesday, Dec. 15 — Christmas Dinner  
 Tuesday, Jan. 19 — Business Meeting

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## TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR TEEN-AGERS

1. Stop and think before you drink.
2. Don't let your parents down. They brought you up.
3. Be humble enough to obey. You'll be giving orders yourself some day.
4. At the first moment turn away from unclean thinking *at the first moment*.
5. Don't show off when driving. If you want to race, go to Indianapolis.
6. Choose a date who would make a good mate.
7. Go to church faithfully. The Creator gives us a week. Give Him back an hour.
8. Choose your companions carefully. You are what they are.
9. Avoid following the crowd. Be an engine, not a caboose.
10. Keep the original Ten Commandments.

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## Tinsel Ball

Wally and Roxie Erlickman, chairmen of the Tinsel Ball, are sorry to announce that the dance to be held December 12 is so popular that the tickets have now all been sold.

Let this suffice as a warning to all that coming up in the very near future are the New Year's Eve Party and German Night, and that the tickets are moving fast, so make your reservations *now*!

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## Individual Standings

	Pins	Games	%
1 Loftus E .....	5448	30	181
2 Unser R .....	2636	15	175
3 Andre M .....	4618	27	171
4 Berry W .....	4895	30	163
5 Larkin S .....	4415	27	163
6 Pugliese A .....	4361	27	161
7 Johnston W .....	4820	30	160
8 Tangora A .....	4788	30	159
9 Bender R .....	4248	27	157
10 Hanrahan E .....	4655	30	155
11 Mitchell W .....	2786	18	155
12 Beckmann A .....	4176	27	154
13 Lantz G .....	4136	27	153
14 Aupperle J .....	4131	27	153
15 Lenseth R .....	1836	12	153
16 Volk W .....	4469	30	149
17 Eagan V .....	3982	27	147
18 Brady J .....	4357	30	145
19 Roach W .....	3918	27	145
20 Cole R .....	3474	24	144
21 Foy T .....	2146	15	143
22 Pauquette J .....	4257	30	142
23 Switzer G .....	4253	30	142
24 Butman G .....	3385	24	141
25 Bollman E .....	4224	30	140
26 McCabe L .....	4181	30	139
27 Mosmen B .....	3758	27	139
28 Roach D .....	3758	27	139
29 Buker F .....	3332	24	139
30 Alwell W .....	4154	30	138
31 Haker J .....	3745	27	138
32 Wiley C .....	4012	30	134
33 Burns K .....	3898	30	130
34 Monette L .....	3703	30	123
35 Campbell W .....	3607	30	120
36 Fanning J .....	2454	21	117
37 McDermott J .....	2213	20	110
38 Stowers H .....	2873	30	96

## Team Standings

	Points	W	L	%
Engineers .....	26	20	10	.667
Infantry .....	25	18	12	.600
Coast Guard .....	22	16	14	.533
Tanks .....	21	17	13	.567
Marines .....	21	16	14	.533
Army .....	18	14	16	.467
Navy .....	15	11	19	.367
Artillery .....	11	8	22	.267

## THE EXTRA FRAME . . . .

Welcome to the league to Tom "I only sing Irish sons" Foy, Ron "the manager" Unser, and Jack "Color Guard" McDermott . . . Sorry to learn that Al Vanderwood had to drop out of the league because of his work schedule, but he hopes to be back next year. Pat Lawler will not be bowling with us this year either . . . How about the quarter bet between the two Bills—Campbell and Alwell—it was a dead tie after Bill Alwell threw his last ball and Bill Campbell only had to get one pin with his last ball; he gave it a mighty heave and the quarter stayed in Bill Alwell's pocket . . . Everyone is glad to see Harry Stannard back from his trip to the hospital, but especially the Engineers who could only break even during his absence . . . It looks like the Coast Guard is still looking for a skipper after losing their Admiral, Wickert that is . . . And did our bowling league really come out good at the last 20 Week Club drawings with Guy "Marines" Switzer, Capt. Jack "Tanks" Brady, and Ken "Engineers" Burns all getting a share of the loot and top prize going to the sister of Capt. Bud "Artillery" Mosmen . . . And we are glad to see Capt. Bill "Infantry" Mitchell making so good a recovery after his unfortunate accident. Bill, could you say that you literally, figuratively, and actually got shafted? — and it sure must be tough getting used to a fingertip ball . . . Watch Hughie "Engineers" Stowers' average climb during the season's second half after he gets that new bowling ball for Christmas—or did I let the cat out of the bag? . . . Lots of interest being exhibited in this year's American Legion Bowling Tournament by Ed "Tanks" Bollman and other league members . . . Congratulations to Bill "Navy" Johnston on his November victory . . . And Director John "Tanks" Haker really studies those maples before throwing the ball like he was deciding whether or not to approve them for State Aid . . . And that's all for this issue.

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Congratulations to Vern Eagan and Peggy, on their 25th Anniversary, November 20. I don't know how Peg felt, but it helped Vern's bowling.

Hugh Stowers may be banned from bowling. His little stories between the frames keep his opponents off balance.

Turkey Night was Friday, Nov. 20 at the bowling alley and Bill Campbell did so well he is thinking of taking up shooting *real* turkeys.

Mentioned for "heat artists of the league" are Skip Larkin, Angie Tangora and Ed Loftus.

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### In Appreciation

Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post  
The American Legion

Gentlemen:

Never have I been so deeply moved and so completely surprised as I was at the wonderful party, given to me at the Post on October 19 in honor of my 80th birthday.

The wonderful turn-out of the Post and Auxiliary, the fellowship and honors bestowed on me, leaves me humble and grateful. Never has vintage meant so much. Thanks fellows, thanks a million. Thanks to the ladies and all others who worked so hard to make this 80th birthday of mine the greatest ever.

May all of you wonderful people have a joyous holiday season with health and prosperity in the New Year.

Sincerely,  
Guy Smith

## QUORUM

"A funny thing happened to me on the way to the quorum." That's what one of our brethren recently exclaimed. "Especially when I realized that here at Blanchard Post we require a quorum of only 20 members for a meeting. Today with over 750 members that's the same quorum requirement Blanchard had 30 years ago when the Post began with little more than 100 members."

This remark led to a discussion of what might happen if the quorum ratio was altered to fit into today's membership quota. The wind-up of the discussion was that if we increased the quorum we may never get any Legion and Post business accomplished. That is where the discussion ended.

For the benefit of those 95% of our members who seldom get to a Post meeting we offer here for their thinking the Preamble to the Legion Constitution which is recited aloud by the Blanchard members who do attend Post meetings at which a quorum is present:

*For God and country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes: to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the great wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good-will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.*

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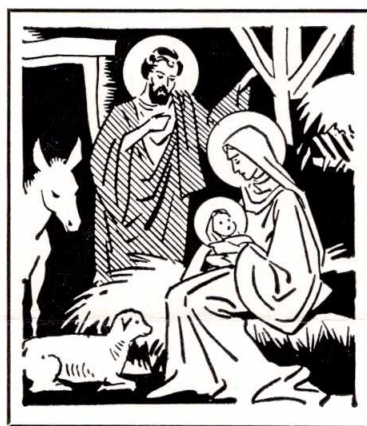
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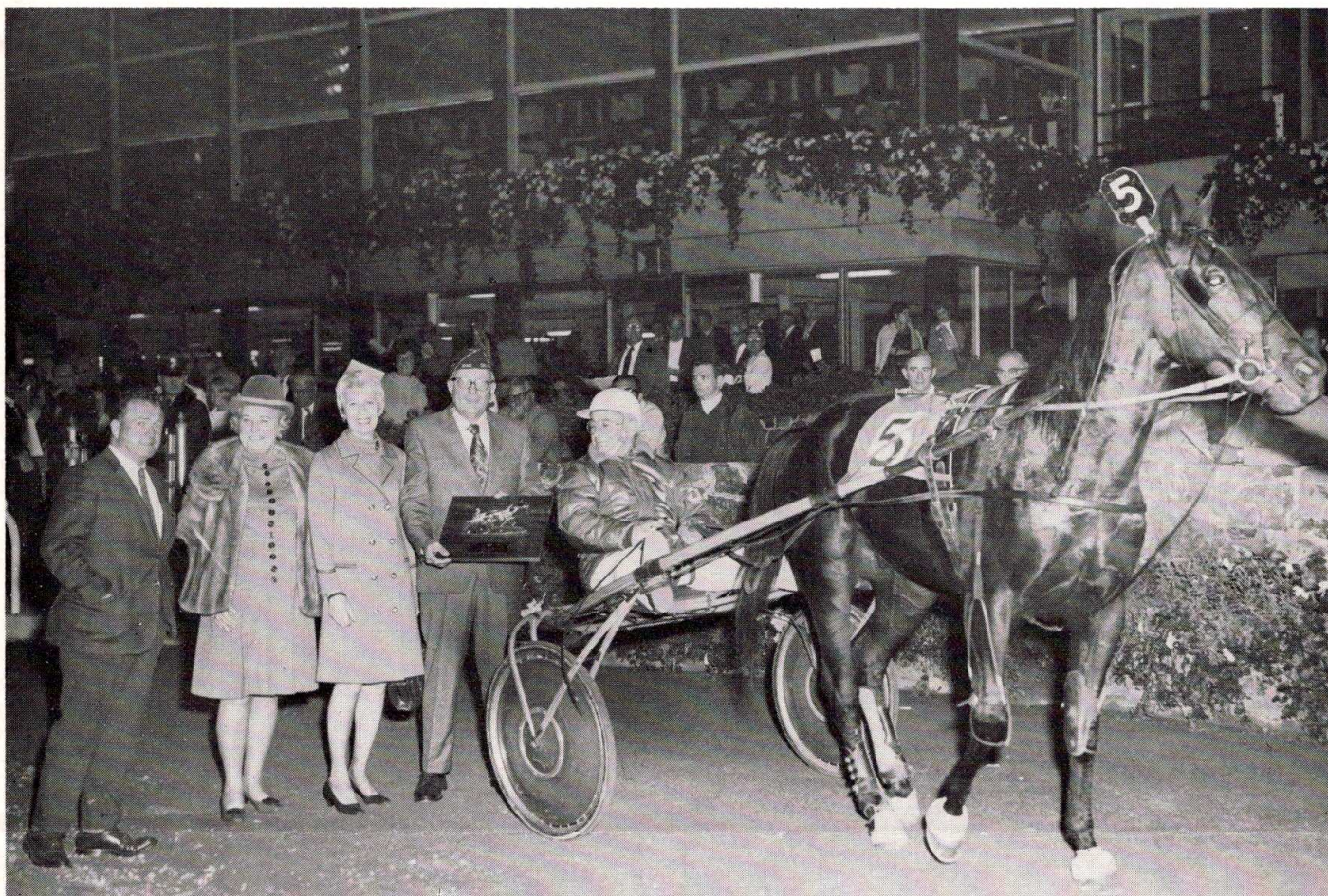


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# SARATOGA NIGHT



Once again, Post Time at Saratoga was a huge success. A little late for publication, nevertheless photo shows part of the crowd enjoying themselves. No count was made of the members who played No. 5, but this was the winner of the race named for Blanchard Post. Chairman Bill McGoe (seems to be holding on to his winnings) and his charming wife Anne, as well as Commander John Ennis and his wife, seem to enjoy this annual event.

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