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BLANCHARD CALENDAR

MONDAY, March 3—The Post Affairs Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. Regular Post meeting at 8:30 p.m. with presentation of charter to Boy Scouts. SUNDAY, March 9—"Go to Church"

SUNDAY, March 9—"Go to Church" breakfast at the Post, 8:00 a.m. Guest speaker: Rev. Gerard J. Van Heest.

SATURDAY, March 15 — Irish Night Dinner and Dance.

MONDAY, March 17—The mid-monthly Post meeting at 8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, March 18—Blanchard Auxiliary meeting.

SATURDAY, March 22, Twenty Week Club Dinner.

MONDAY, March 24—Board of Directors meet at 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, March 27—County Legion meet at Ruane Post, No. 476, Cohoes, New York.

IRISH NIGHT MARCH 15

Ali arrangements have been completed to hold our 17th annual Irish nite program. Bill McGoey and Ollie Palmer, co-chairmen, announced that our good friend and Irish chef, Herman O'Leibeck, will again be with us to prepare a wonderful corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the trimmings. All committees have been selected and it looks like everything is "Erin" go-go-go.

On word of advice: See Art Quinn to reserve your tickets early because the sale will definitely be limited.

Here are some of the Irish committee members that will make this night outstanding: Dick Dalton, Ed Kork, Fred Grasser, Gene Fitzpatrick, Ken Simpson, Lew Leger, Dick and Ken Lenseth, Bill Atwell, High Stowers, Ray Colligan, Ed Costigan, Bob Strickland, Dick O'Connell, Dan Dynko, Red Kernahan, John McDermott, Tony O'Pallone, Andy Rooney and Len Sellner.

Dinner will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Marv O'Hirchburg and his band will supply the music starting at 10 p.m.

Legion Caps

Legion caps are now available at \$6.50 apiece. Also plastic Legion cap covers at 50c. If interested see our adjutant, Gene Fitzpatrick, or leave your name with Art Quinn at the bar.

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By MARCIA ROSENFIELD

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Department President Mrs. John Mazzie will make her official visit to the Albany area March 13th. On the evening of that date, she will be honored at a dinner at the Bucci-McTague Post in the city. If you would like to attend please contact President Maud before March 10th.

On March 20th another dinner will be held at picturesque Patricia Murphy's in Yonkers, N. Y. to present the National President Mrs. Arthur B. Hanell. If you would like to form a car pool and travel down the Thruway with President Maud please inform her early in the month.

Another dinner-but this time right around the corner at our Post-in place of the regular monthly meeting the Auxiliary will have a covered dish supper—inviting the husbands of auxiliary members to attend. The occasion is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the American Legion. Honored guests will be members of the Blanchard Post who have attained the golden years of membership and Commander Bill Campbell. Norrine Cooke is program chairman for this Anniversary dinner. She had our sides aching with laughter when her original playlet (a comic spoof of our monthly business meetings) was presented at the February Birthday Dinner.

So plan now to be a gourmet on March 18th to enjoy delicious food and witty entertainment.

The Auxiliary received a letter of appreciation from the Indoor Sports Club. They expressed their gratitude and thanked everyone who helped to give them a pleasurable afternoon. President Maud also extends her 'Thank You' to all who worked at this annual affair.

If you need an official American Legion Auxiliary hat—President Maud is taking orders now. The hats are not expensive (about \$3.00). Besides being attractive they are used on several occasions; when selling poppies, marching on Memorial Day, during the Auxiliary Memorial Service, etc. If we order early we can be wearing our hats when distributing poppies in May.

Remember, March 18th, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.—covered dish supper with the husbands.

Auxiliary Calendar

TUESDAY, March 18—Covered dish supper at the Post at 6:30 p.m. FRIDAY, March 21—County meeting at 8:00 p.m. Place to be announced.

OUR PATRONS MERIT YOUR PATRONAGE

GO TO CHURCH

The 15th annual Blanchard Post "Go to Church" breakfast will be held at the Post rooms on Sunday, March 9, 1969 at 8 a.m.

The Reverend Gerard J. Van Heest, pastor of the Delmar Reformed Church will be the guest speaker.

All Post members are invited to attend and to bring their sons and/or friends. Tickets sell for \$1.00 and are available from the following committee members: Bill Johnston, chairman; George Butman, "Bud" Mosmen, Bill Tougher, Art Quinn or the Commander.

As in the past, the Ladies Auxiliary will prepare and serve the ham and egg breakfast.

If you have not attended this affair in the past, make this a "must" this year. It will be an hour filled with good fellowship, inspiring talk and good food.

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After a switch to the Maplewood Inn in Altamont, for the mid-season dinner, the end of the season banquet has been scheduled back at Joseph's on 9-W in Selkirk, announces League President Al Beckman. The date is May 17.

At mid-February Artillery led the league one point ahead of Engineers followed by Navy. Coast Guard and Army tied in the middle of the scoring with Tanks a half point behind and scraping mud is the Infantry with the Marines sloshing under. Those sloshers, however, were in the center of the top three high triple bracketed by the Engineers and the Tanks and with a 912 was the last of the top three singles in the wake of the Tanks and the Engineers.

Milt Andre is basking in the limelight of high triple with only Cookie Van Wormer trailing him in the top three of that class. Uncle Miltie is also high single champ with 265. Skip Larkin is runnerup with 247 and close behind is the Cookie with 244 who, with a 178 average and 69 points, is top man of the 40-member league.

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GERMAN NIGHT

The committee for German Night wishes to thank all of those who helped in any way to make this evening a success. An effort of this nature required teamwork and that we had!

A special word of praise goes to our chef, Herman Habich, who prepared the delicious dinner with the help of Henry Engel's ovens.

Those professional touches adding to the decor were supplied by Verstandig's and John Irmer of Lufthansa German Airlines. With appropriate music by the Hofbrau Six annd plenty of people to enjoy it, thanks to Artie Quinn and his super sales technique of "only twenty tickets left for German Night", the evening progressed with gaiety and good fellowship.

How can a post fail to achieve success on such a night with so many dedicated Legionnaires and their equally dedicated wives willing to work in the kitchen, dining room or wherever needed?

We are happy to announce that a substantial profit was realized and in the words of our new President of the United States, "Let us go forward—together!"

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BETHLEHEM "FAMILY NIGHT" TO HONOR HOME-FOLK OF MEN IN VIETNAM

"I really didn't know that there were so many people that cared," writes SP/4 Ronald T. Deitz from his post with the 25th Infantry Division in South Vietnam. In a thank you note for the packages and letters he receives through the Town of Bethlehem Committee that Cares, he expresses the sentiments of all the men whose names are on the committe's list.

Currently there are forty names on the list. To do honor to the parents and families of these men, mostly from Bethlehem, the committee has designated the March 6 meeting date as "Family Night". This will be the third annual occasion for this event to be held at Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 American Legion in Elsmere. The session starts at seven-thirty. It will be open to the public.

Major General Almerin C. O'Hara, Chief of Staff to the Governor, as head of the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs will address the gathering. Last year he visited the Republic of Vietnam and made a tour of the battle-torn nation.

The committee is made up of twenty-five of the veterans, women's, church, fraternal, social, fire and other organizations of the town. It meets the first Thursday of the month at the Legion hall. The "family night" is among the several morale-boosting activities sponsored by the committee.

Says Committee Chairman Alexander J. Woehrle, "As much as we abhor the war in Vietnam we recognize that our men are there to do a duty for our country and all who believe in freedom for mankind. Our prayers since the committee was formed have been for an end to this war. Only time can reveal when our prayers will be answered. Meanwhile, the organizations which form this committee have pledged themselves to a cause which brings responses such as appear in the letter from Ronald Deitz."

The Family Night chairman is Raymond A. LaMoy of the Delmar Rotary Club. Mrs. R. Haberer of the Delmar Progress Club is mailing invitations to the families of the men in Vietnam. The list of men in Vietnam is kept up-dated

by Laurence R. Moses, a member-atlarge on the committee. He is among the several individuals in the group who has a son in the armed forces if not necessarily currently in Vietnam. The list of men in Vietnam is kept posted at the Delmar Post Office. Through the Reverend Charles H. Kaulfuss, pastor of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Elsmere the list is distributed to the various churches in the Town of Bethlehem. William J. O'Neil of Bethlehem Lodge of Elks is chairman of the budget committee. Mrs. Patricia Baldwin, memberat-large, is treasurer; secretary is Mrs. Norrine Cooke of the Delmar Fire Auxiliary.

Here is the current list of men in Vietnam:

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The regular meeting of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post No. 1040 was called to order at 8:40 p.m. on January 20, 1969 by Commander William Campbell. There were 32 members present. Sid Kaplan said the prayer.

Henry Knauf presented to the Post a gavel and block that he had made and was promptly thanked by Commander Campbell.

CORRESPONDENCE—A card was received from the family of the late Erwin R. McLaughlin acknowledging the Post's expression of sympathy.

ACTIVITIES—Hank Kindberg reported all his committees are functioning well— Next Saturday, January 25 is German Night with Guy Switzer in charge. Sold out.

Indoor Sports Day will be held on February 1 from 1:30 to 4 p.m., with Fred Grasser chairman.

Italian Night, headed by Gus Williams, will be held on February 8.

Hank reported that nine dozen sets of china dishes had been purchased from Horton Company, Albany. He also thanked the Post members who spent all last Saturday cleaning the kitchen and rear storage room.

MEMBERSHIP-Hugh Stowers reports 662 members to date.

TELETHON—Bill Alwell asked for volunteers to assist as guard at the up-coming Telethon.

NEW BUILDING—Gus Williams states that plans are well underway. Both he and Joe VonRonne stressed the financing and that to date there is approximately \$8,000 in the building fund.

FLAGS—George Reeber reminded the membership to display their flags on February 12 and 22nd. He has flag kits available at \$3.50 per set.

AMERICANISM—Charlie O'Hara read a resolution he had prepared, to ban the use of public school facilities to the organization known as "Students for a Democratic Society". Following a discussion Charlie made the motion which was seconded by Tony Palone, to adopt this resolution (copy attched). This motion was passed unanimously and this resolution will be forwarded to the County and Departmental Headquarters.

COMMUNITY SKATING POND—Donald MacMillen, 26 Elwood Road, Delmar, a non-member of the Post spoke on having the Post sponsor a winter skating program, more specifically, skating on Herrick's pond in Slingerlands. He was invited to attend the recreational program meeting next Monday, January 28 at the Bank. Representing our Post at this meeting will be Hank Kindberg, Sid Kaplan and Gene Fitzpatrick.

ORATORICAL CONTEST—Harold Barkhuff announced that our representative, from the Bethlehem Central Senior High School, Edward Stringham, a 10th grader, came in third in the American Legion, Albany County Contest, held January 19 at the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Social Center in Albany. The Post awards our representative each year a \$50 government bond.

DISTRICT MEETING—Al Woerhle reported on the last meeting held at Cairo, New York.

SICK CALL & RELIEF—Hugh Stowers reported that Roger DiNucci is sick. Harold Barkhuff thanked the Post for the cards sent to his wife, Chris, during her recent illness.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE—Commander Campbell advised that Ed Korp has accepted chairmanship of the parade and will be assisted by Ollie Palmer.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE—Commander Campbell appointed the following members to serve on the nominating committee: Edward Costigan, Rodger Fryer, Phillip Lee, Warren Moessner, Sid Kaplan.

GO TO CHURCH BREAKFAST—This breakfast is scheduled for March 9th, with Bill Johnston, George Butman and Bud Mosmen in charge.

HELDERBERG SWIM MEET—Gif Lance requested and received permission to pay on behalf of the Post, for the trophies and ribbons to be awarded the upcoming meet of the Helderberg District, Boy Scouts of America. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Resolution:

WHEREAS the Students for a Democratic Society have openly proclaimed aims which are anarchistic and nihilist, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, by Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post, American Legion, at its regular meeting of January 20, 1969, that it opposes the recognition of a chapter of this organization by the school board or administration of any high school or college supported by public funds, and that it opposes the use of any public school facilities by such a chapter.

ITALIAN NIGHT

Italian night was a night to remember! About 300 people were fed with the ease and skill of a professional eatery. I had the opportunity to work with the crew, and I must say congratulations to Gus Williams (what a job he performed). Everything was coordinated to a tee, and hats off to all the wine girls, waiters, bus boys and kitchen help. And let's not forget Hank Kindberg, our entertainment chairman, who, with Tip Nelson, kept the crowd moving orderly. I met a lot of fine people enjoying the dinner, people like Mr. and Mrs. Stowers, Mr. and Mrs. Fiato, Mr. and Mrs. Chetney, the Swazees, past Commander Joe Cannizzaro and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reohr and many, many more. Again, congrats.

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INDOOR SPORTS DAY

The following letter was recently received by Commander Bill Campbell from the Indoor Sports Club:

Dear Commander:

To you and the members of the Post our heartfelt thanks for a most enjoyable visit with you. The party which has become an annual affair because of your continued generosity, has become a highlight in the activities of the Albany Chapter, Indoor Sports Club.

Words of thanks were spoken at the Party but you will all have a special place in the hearts of every Indoor Sport throughout the year.

Thanks again and our best wishes for continued success!

Sincerely yours, Thomas S. Maxwell Correspondence Secretary

It is gratifying to receive a letter such as this and we in turn would like to thank our willing members which included the ladies. We want to express our thanks to President Maud Hafley and the women of the Auxiliary who prepared the luncheon, the young men, the Images, who played the music that afternoon and also to Fred Grasser who lined up all the transportation and his drivers who included: Ollie Palmer, Bill Alwell, Jack Brady, Bill Mitchell, Hugh Stowers, Phil Lee, Frank Freeman, Joe Cummings, Bill Davidson, Ralph Stilan, Bob Gentner, Bill Campbell, Harold Jorgensen, Tom Hasselbarth and Ed Korp.

Award

Vice Commander Hugh Stowers and Bill Alwell represented Blanchard Post at the Four Chaplains Award program which was held at Chancellor's Hall on Sunday, February 16th, 1969.

The award was presented by Philip Schuyler High School Principal Ben Becker to Mrs. Castoria Young, leader of the forces which organized the South End Youth Center.

Cerebral Palsy Telethon

On Sunday, February 9th the annual Cerebral Palsy Telethon took place at the Washington Avenue Armory in Albany and as in the past many of our Legionnaires were present to offer their help as aids throughout the various hours during the day. Those Blanchard members present were: Ollie Palmer, Fred Grasser, Jim Fanning, Bill Alwell, Hugh Stowers, John Mullen, Phil Lee, George Sykes, Bob Rosenfield, Ed Korp and Al Woehrle.

A donation was sent from the Post in the amount of \$50.00 and the evening before at the Italian Nite dinner a collection was taken which realized another \$75.00. We wish to thank all those who contributed in any way to make this another successful Telethon.

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