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Eleven "Old Timers" are scheduled to be honored at the Past Commanders' Dinner to be held at the Post April 18, it has been announced by Dinner Chairman and last year's Commander, Rodger Fryer.

The honors will be in the form of longevity Legion pins. For 35-years continuous membership, pins will go to two of our members; five will be recognized for 40-years service and four will be equally honored for 45-years service.

In addition to these honors a diamond-studded Legion pin will be awarded to a Post member who has been selected for meritorious service to the American Legion and our Post during the past year

and for previous outstanding Legion service.

Highlight of the evening will be a talk by Past National Commander Edward Scheiberling of Albany.

Tickets for the dinner are \$4.00 per person. All Post members are invited to attend with whomever they wish to bring as guests. Tickets are available at the Post and through most of the Past Commanders who are on the committee for the occasion. Dinner hour is 7:30.

After the dinner there will be a dance. Chairman for the dance is Merwyn Atwood. There will be no admission fee for the dance.

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## NAME CALLERS

With the end of his tenure as Post Commander in view, Dick Dalton has selected a nominating committee to name a slate of officers for 1964-65 with Past Commander Al Greenwood as Chairman, Past Commander Joe Von Ronne as a committee member and the third committee member to be Art Quinn.

The slate this Committee chooses will be given to the Post at the first Post meeting in May. Any aspiring candidates for the office of commander, three vice commanders, adjutant, finance officer, chaplain, judge advocate, sergeant-at-arms or the board of directors may wish to make their hopes known directly or indirectly to the nominating committee. Nominations can also be made from the floor at the May 4th meeting. Elections take place at the mid-May meeting. Installation of the new officers will occur later in the month of May.

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## Best in the Swim

For the third consecutive year Blanchard Post has furnished the trophy for the swimming meet of the Helderberg District in the Fort Orange-Uncle Sam Council of Boy Scouts. The meet was held at the Bethlehem Central Senior High School Pool. This year the winner was Troop 72 of Slingerlands. Making the presentation of the trophy to the winning swim team was Blanchard Post's Scout Chairman Larry McArthur.

## Calling WW1 Vets

Blanchard's first Post Commander, Win Robinson, has in mind a program to bring together more of the Post's World War I vets. Anyone interested should contact Win. His address is 14 Forest Road, Delmar, New York. His phone is HE 9-2722.

## Taps

The March 2nd Post meeting was adjourned in memory of Roy V. Orendorf.

## BLANCHARD CALENDAR

MONDAY, APRIL 6—Post Affairs Committee meets at 7:00 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 6—Regular Post monthly meeting at 8:30 p.m. Refreshments follow.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18—33rd Annual Past Commanders Dinner; \$4 per ticket; pre-meal cordialities at 6:30 p.m.; Dinner-time is 7:30 p.m. Dancing (no fee) 9:30 p.m. until closing.

MONDAY, APRIL 20—Mid-monthly Post meeting at 8:30 p.m. Refreshments follow.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23—County Legion meets at Ruane Post in Cohoes, 8:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 27—Board of Directors meet at 8:00 p.m.

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## MEMBERSHIP

At press-time we needed approximately ninety to make our 755 quota. A study of the unpaid lists reveals that we are going to have to secure some more new members in the Post to make our quota this year.

Vice Commander and Membership Chairman Fred Stahlhut again urges all unpaid members to send their \$7.50 dues so that we can meet our goal. Also, we earnestly seek assistance from all members in signing up new members. Don't forget we have a lot to offer at Blanchard Post. We have probably the best furnished and most progressive Post in Albany County. Our members can say without fear of contradiction that the price of our annual dues is the best buy of the year.

Adding his appeal to that of Fred's, Commander Dalton says "If you know a veteran who has not joined the Legion now is the time to corral him. Let's make the quota."

## Olympic Fund

At the first Post meeting in March a motion by Past Commander Dick Lenth for the Post to donate \$25.00 to the United States Olympic Fund was unanimously adopted.

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**MARY'S CORNER**

Spring is here at last! We look forward to nice weather, house cleaning (Ha!) and, of course, a new spring hat. Through the courtesy of Anne McGoey, we will see the latest in hat fashions modeled by our Auxiliary members at the Annual Spring Card Party scheduled for Wednesday evening, April 22, at 8:00 p.m., in the Post rooms. Please note that the night has been changed from the usual Tuesday to Wednesday in the hope of avoiding conflicts which have arisen in the past.

President Mary Conner, assisted by Tony Spinosa, will be in charge of general arrangements with the following serving as chairmen of the other committees: Tickets, Anne Heilmann; Table Prizes, Maud Hafley; Door Prizes, Irene White and Tootie Flint; Tables and Tallies, Betty Costigan; Hostesses, Viola Knapp and Ruth Dalton; Refreshments, Esther Cooke; Hat Fashions, Anne McGoey assisted by Tony; Commentator, Fran Hynds. It is hoped that sufficient trading stamps can be obtained from members to provide the door prizes. All kinds are welcome and whatever you can contribute will be most appreciated. Please send them to Irene White, 206 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, or call HE 9-1975. Let's all get behind the committees and help make this party a great social and financial success! For those who do not play cards, there will be "talk tables". Have fun visiting, enjoying the show and feasting on those luscious sandwiches for which our Auxiliary is noted.

It was reported at the March meeting that an additional \$12.00 was turned over to the Treasury from Fran Hynds' egg project. Sincere thanks, Fran, and we mean "eggsactly" that!

We heard via the wave lengths that congratulations are also due Fran for her know-how in naming ski trails. She was recently awarded a life-time pass to the Gore Mountain ski area because her suggestion was used for the name of one of its new trails.

Hats off also to Charlotte Johnston who always can be depended upon to get behind any worthy cause or civic project, in spite of her otherwise busy schedule! Charlotte has taken on the job of raising the \$50.00 which the Auxiliary pledged for the Bethlehem Memorial Park Fund. The raffle of a portable Hamilton Beach electric hand mixer, donated through the generosity of Fran Hynds, is in progress. Chances are 10¢ each or 3 for 25¢ and returns are requested by next meeting, April 21. The lucky number will be picked the following night, April 22, at the card party. Won't you please call Charlotte, HE 9-3448, and help her by taking a block of tickets? Since this joint effort on the part of all Town organizations is something in which we all wish to share, Charlotte's endeavor gives us the perfect opportunity.

April is Child Welfare month and the time when this program, which is carried on without fanfare through the entire Auxiliary year, is particularly brought to our attention. Lee Hurley, our Unit Chairman, is constantly alert to any request presented which involves a child in need of help. The program is one of which our Auxiliary can be justly proud, and over the years much good has been accomplished through it.

Maud Hafley, Rehabilitation Chairman, in her March report advised that in the future instead of sending money for cigarettes to be distributed to the patients in Ward 8 at Sunmount Hospital, Tupper Lake, New York, the \$10.00 monthly allotment will be used to purchase canteen books for those patients. Ward 8 was adopted by Blanchard Unit several years ago as the special recipient of our monthly help made possible through the Rehabilitation program.

Maud also reported that an orientation night will be held on Wednesday, April 29 at 7 p.m., at the V. A. Hospital in Albany. Any Auxiliary member interested in donating time for hospital work must take this orientation course to be eligible. The course is completed in one evening and consists of lectures by various doctors on the hospital staff. No exam is given at the completion of the course. For applications or additional information, please call Maud (HE 9-4185).

Chris Barkhuff was recently awarded a pin for having served 1000 hours at V. A. Hospital in the name of Blanchard Unit. We're mighty proud of you, Chris!

Our Unit will entertain the County Committee in the Post Rooms on Friday, April 17, at 8:00 p.m. Ruth Dalton is in charge of refreshments and reports the following on her committees: Chris Barkhuff, Maud Hafley, Irene White, Tony Spinosa, Esther Cooke, Vi Knapp, Betty Costigan and Norrine Cooke.

Chaplain Esther Cooke reported the following on the sick list: Marge Niver (Mrs. Andrew), Glenmont, New York, who was a very active member in the early days of Blanchard; Ginny Cavanaugh (Mrs. David) who is now back in circulation but suffered a broken arm in a fall during a recent icy period; and June Wilcox (Mrs. Donald) who is now recuperating at home, 319 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, following a recent operation. Sincere best wishes go out to these members from us all!

"Welcome Home" to Lee Hurley who recently returned from a trip to Bermuda. We sincerely hope Lee and Bob enjoyed every bit of their brief respite away from wintry Delmar.

See you at the card party on the 22nd!

'Bye, Kay Mosmen

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## BOWLERS

League President Fred Buker and his committee have set May 6 for the Bowling Banquet to close this season. As in past years, the dinner will be at Beck's Tavern in Colonie.

At press-time Secretary Charley Wiley's scoreboard showed:

TEAM STANDINGS					
	Pts.	W	L	Pinnage	%
Army .....	74	54	27	62879	.667
Navy .....	63½	47½	33½	62835	.593
Artillery .....	54	43	38	64601	.531
Tanks .....	50½	36½	44½	62887	.457
Engineers .....	50	40	41	62455	.494
Infantry .....	48	36	45	62289	.444
Marines .....	46½	35½	45½	62449	.444
Coast Guard .....	44½	32½	48½	64495	.407

INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS					
		Games	Pinnage	Avg.	
1	K. Stinson .....	75	13159	175	
2	M. Andre .....	78	13501	173	
3	W. Berry .....	81	13968	172	
4	B. Greene .....	81	13774	170	
5	E. Loftus .....	78	13270	170	
6	W. Johnston .....	72	12083	167	
7	C. Smith .....	78	12971	166	
8	D. Williams .....	81	13392	165	
9	B. McCarthy .....	78	12892	165	
10	T. Noonan .....	57	9456	165	
11	H. Kindberg .....	69	11367	164	
12	R. Cole .....	81	13162	162	
13	S. Klett .....	75	12021	160	
14	R. Strickland .....	72	11556	160	
15	J. Aupperle .....	78	12467	159	
16	P. Lawler .....	57	9071	159	
17	H. Drew .....	72	11417	158	
18	W. Flint .....	57	9045	158	
19	P. Smith .....	75	11791	157	
20	C. Loftus .....	72	11309	157	
21	G. Butman .....	78	12201	156	
22	O. Voelmle .....	72	11269	156	
23	W. Tougher .....	75	11584	154	
24	R. Adams .....	39	6030	154	
25	C. Wiley .....	81	12395	153	
26	P. Devio .....	75	11517	153	
27	W. Volk .....	72	11005	152	
28	H. Lockhart .....	66	10092	152	
29	A. Wickert .....	66	9945	150	
30	B. Mosmen .....	80	11944	149	
31	A. Greenwood .....	54	7937	147	
32	G. Geurtze .....	66	9525	144	
33	G. Wenger .....	63	8970	142	
34	R. Callagan .....	72	9908	137	
35	J. Haker .....	78	10633	136	
36	F. Buker .....	66	8967	135	
37	E. Cassidy .....	74	9764	131	
38	G. Feiden .....	65	8417	129	
39	E. Boyd .....	78	10053	128	
40	A. Woehrle .....	69	7777	112	

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## MIXED MATE BOWLERS

Twenty-five weeks and seventy-two games of Sunday night bowling at Sporthaven finds the Post's Husband and Wives Bowling League with this standing: first place is the "Perches", Doc Stan Klett, George Butman, Fran Hynds and Belle Mayers; second spot, the Bullheads, captained by Bill Flint; third, the Piranhas with Chet Becker at the helm.

Top men bowlers are Clarence Lephart, 175 pins, and next, each with 164 are Gus Franze, Stan Klett and Bill Flint.

Women top bowlers are Ruth Andrews (taking Kay Becker's place) with 149; Grace Franze, 147 and Fran Hynds, 145.

Hi-Lo Bowling date is April 12 and the closing banquet of the season is on April 18 at Sleasman's.

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## Cortland Bound

Blanchard Post will have at least one team of bowlers in the Department of New York American Legion Bowling Tournament this year at Cortland, New York. Scheduled to bowl the first weekend in May is the team of Frank Walsh, Dick Williams, Bill Tougher, Lloyd "Barney" Greene and Commander Dick Dalton.

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## WELCOME, BUDDIES

Last month an American Legion induction ceremony was conducted by Past Commander Ralph Butler for the following new Blanchard Legionnaires. Their sponsor's name is in parenthesis.

Russell Roach (Ken Jopp); Robert Buttercase (George Reeber); William J. Campbell (Membership Committee); Louis Legler (Fred Glasser); Ralph B. Smith (Merwyn Atwood); Don Estey (Membership Committee); Richard Gorman (Membership Committee).

We also welcome the following new members to the Post and look forward to their induction ceremonies. Vice Commander and Membership Chairman asks them to attend the mid-May Post meeting for the next ceremony.

Robt. H. Dugan (Al Woehrle); James T. Timmis and Robert T. Craig, Jr. (Lee Maiden, Jr.); William Drislane (John Devine); Richard P. O'Connor (Julius Aupperle); Richard H. Winchell (Bruce MacDonald); Wakeman Gardner (Reinstatement); Paul D. House, Jr. (Pat Russo); Harold Bates (Jim Fanning); James E. Igoe (Pete Roche); Harry H. Sheaffer (Merwyn Atwood); Paul E. Colyer (Dick Dalton); Donald W. Jones (George Reeber); Paul J. Simmons (James Williams).

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## SALUTE TO TROOP 58

At the March 2nd Post Meeting the formal presentment of the Charter for the current year of Boy Scout Troop 58, which is sponsored by Blanchard Post, was made to Commander Dick Dalton.

Serving as master-of-ceremonies for the program was our Post Scout Chairman Larry McArthur. He outlined the programs in which the Troop participates in the Fort Orange-Uncle Sam Area Council. The emphasis, he pointed out, is on physical fitness of the young lads and the training of them for better citizens in both the woods and in the community.

Troop 58 had its initial charter on November 8, 1920. Blanchard Post has been its sponsor for most, if not all, of the time our Post has been in existence. Blanchard Post was founded in 1931.

Larry introduced Ken Bauer who told of the recent re-organization of the troop which happens every so often because its members grow out of it. Making the presentation of the Charter to Commander Dalton was George Simmons an ex-Scoutmaster of Troop 58 who is now a Neighborhood Commissioner for the Boy Scouts of America.

Our Troop 58 now has 21 Scouts. The Scoutmaster is Francis G. Denson with Assistant Scoutmasters Russell E. Johnson and Allen G. LaPierre. The Troop Committee Chairman is Allan Raymond. Other members of the Committee are C. Stanley Snyder, Advancement Advisor; William L. English, Treasurer; Roger L. Creighton, Transportation Director; and F. W. "Monty" Montanari in charge of camping. Also, all fathers of the Scouts in the Troop are automatically members of the Committee. The Patrol Dads are: Joe Doherty, Al LaPierre, Jack Fitzgerald, Bud English and Ken Bauer.

The Scouts in the Troop are:

Kenneth S. Bauer, Kenneth P. Blodgett, Scott J. Bowers, Michael R. Brandon, Denny T. Cleary, Russell Creighton, Donald F. Darmer, David J. Doherty, Kuno Egger, Lea T. English, Barron Fitzgerald, Thomas Guiley, H. Bruce Heilpern, Joseph M. Koonce, Bruce E. LaPierre, William Mack, F. P. Bucky Mansuy, David L. Montanari, Robert A. Montanari, Steven L. Montanari, John R. Montgomery, Gregor S. Mosely, Francis P. Nasner, David W. Nasner, Gary Palmer, Gary A. Raymond, Larry A. Snyder, Wayne N. Thwing, Malcolm Travis, James Walsh, Jack W. Waserbach, Bruce C. Williams, David M. Wood, and James M. Tomiko.

In accepting the Charter, Commander Dalton stated: "It is a great pleasure for me to accept this Charter on behalf of Blanchard Post. Sponsorship of a Boy Scout Troop is one of the more important activities in the American Legion program. It is through this manner that we as Legionnaires are aware of one means by which we can help to prepare our young people of today for the community tasks of tomorrow."

## BASEBALL

With the coming of spring a few notes on Blanchard Post baseball are in order. Our season does not open until mid-June but preparations are already being made. League meetings are now being held and it has been determined that Albany County will again have twelve teams. Blanchard Post should have a strong entry. You will recall that last year we won the Southern Division Championship but lost the League title in a two out of three playoff with the Northern Division winners, Colonie.

We have lost some very good players, but have a strong nucleus returning from last year including our star hurlers Don Boone and Dick Broom. Jim Shea, Jim Gallaher, Jock Walsh, Chip Estey, and Jeff Arnold all will be back plus some outstanding prospects from the Babe Ruth ranks. We also have been fortunate in obtaining the services of Warren Boutelle as Coach for 1964. Warren, who recently joined the Post has long been a power in Bethlehem baseball. He has served as manager and coach in the Little League and Babe Ruth League and knows our players well. Warren has a fine knowledge of the game, particularly in the pitching department where he has plenty of experience.

At this writing Blanchard Post does not have a baseball sponsor. If any member knows of a company who would like to take on this project at a cost of approximately \$300 per annum, now is the time to step forward. At current advertising rates this investment is unbeatable. Our Legion team has become a prominent part of summer activity in the Town of Bethlehem, and a sponsor is sure to get maximum exposure.

*Junior Baseball Committee*

## It Was A Good Jim Katcavage Night

By means of a so-called deal engineered by Royce Day, Blanchard Post was fortunate to have Jim Katcavage, All League defensive end of the New York Football Giants visit the Post on February 27. Royce, through his friend Marcel LaPlante of P. Ballantine & Sons made the arrangements. We had very short notice on this event because Jim was originally scheduled to attend another function which was suddenly cancelled.

With the help of George Laird, Gene Fitzpatrick, Joe Canizarro, Larry McArthur, Chuck Kelly and numerous others we filled the hall. Jim Katcavage proved a real hit, especially with the youngsters who tossed many questions at him, some of them really tough. Finally after an hour Toastmaster Herb Drew rescued Jim from his inquisitors. After that however, Jim was cornered downstairs by some football experts like Hank Kindberg and Don Burton. Mr. Burton was even drawing diagrams. Better watch Don next fall.

## Added to the Greenery

All who attended proclaimed it the best Irish Night ever at Blanchard Post. There were 250 dinners served. The Post rooms glistened with green. Dick Lenseseth and his help-mates on the Committee did a superb job with the cooking and the serving of the corned beef and cabbage and the dancers jammed the Post Building after the meal. To help the program, Joe Bauhofer donated a piece of jewelry which served as a prize to collect additional funds to help defray the cost of the evening. Fred Grasser had the luck of the Irish to take the prize home with him.

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