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## BLANCHARD POST TO HONOR BETHLEHEM POLICE CHIEF FISH

In keeping with the nationwide program of the American Legion to "Recognize Police Achievement" our Post on April 17 will pay special tribute to the Town of Bethlehem Police Chief, Peter Fish.

"The business portion of the mid-monthly Post-meeting on that date will be reduced in order to allow more time for the program to honor Chief Fish," Commander Cannizzaro has announced.

The American Legion National Commander, John E. Davis, has on his list of accomplishments for this year a theme to recognize the law enforcement agencies of our Nation. He says, "For community peace, support your police." With this rallying cry he is calling upon the 2½-million American Legionnaires to take part in a positive program that emphasizes an important element of citizenship. "Our response to this program," states our Post Commander, "is a means of expressing a fervent respect for law and order."

To arrange for the program, the Commander has named past Post and County Commander Harold Barkhuff to be Chairman. "We of Blanchard Post", says Harold, "can be expressly proud of the man we intend to honor on April 17. He has brought distinction to our community and the splendid police force he heads".

Chief Fish has been a member of the Bethlehem Police Department since 1955. Five years ago he became its Chief. He achieved that position not only as an

outstanding police officer in the Town but for his devoted attention to the police cause. To his credit is the completion of a 27-week course in police science at the New York State Municipal Police Training School; he is a graduate of the New York State Police Academy; a participant of Federal Bureau of Investigation Seminars; a member of the International Narcotics Enforcement Officers.

In the January 1967 issue of POLICE OFFICER NEWS, our Police Chief was cited for a job well done in the past and congratulated him for being nominated "Chief of the Month" by fellow law-enforcement officers.

For the program to honor Chief Fish a special Certificate of Achievement is being prepared to present to him.

"In this tribute to Police Chief Fish," states Commander Cannizzaro, "we do honor at the same time to all of the members of the Bethlehem Police Department, the Troopers of the New York State Police and to law-enforcement officers everywhere who serve as a beacon of hopefulness in those communities where law-abiding has sunk. Proudly, we can boast our community has an outstanding record for law and order. Through that record the beacon shines even brighter. May it ever be so."

"I urge as many of our Post members who can do so," Joe says, "to attend the April 17th meeting and join personally in this salute to our Town Police Department."

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### Nominators

Commander Cannizzaro has named Past Commander Charles O'Hara as Chairman with Past Commander Rodger Fryer, Vice Commander Hugh Stowers, Bud Mosmen and John Bidell as members of the Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of officers for 1967-68. Election of officers occur at the mid-May meeting.

### New Collar for Colors

For participating in the 1966 Department of New York Convention Parade in Albany last summer Blanchard Post has been awarded another silver collar to be fastened to the standard which has the Post Colors. The emblem was presented to the Blanchard Post by the County Commander Ray Steede at the County Meeting.

### BLANCHARD CALENDAR

MONDAY, April 3 — The Post Affairs Committee meets at 7:30 p.m.  
Regular Post meeting followed by refreshments, 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, April 6—Committee That Cares meeting, "Salute to our Men in Viet Nam" at Post, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, April 11 — World War I Vet luncheon at Elsmorian Restaurant, Delaware Plaza, Elsmere, at 12:30 p.m. (Win Robinson, Chairman)

MONDAY, April 17 — Mid monthly Post meeting honors Bethlehem Police Chief Peter Fish, 8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, April 18 — Auxiliary meets at the Post, 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, April 22 — The Past Commanders Dinner, 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, April 24 — The Board of Directors meet at the Post, 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, April 27 — County Legion meets at Flynn Post, Watervliet, at 8:30 p.m.

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### TWENTY TO GO

At press time Vice-Commander and Membership Chairman Tom Patterson reports 722 paid-up members. With the goal of 742 members in sight Tom is re-echoing his call for any unpaid members to get their \$7.50 into the Post so that you unpaid members will not lose your American Legion membership privileges and benefits and the Post can maintain its record of achieving its membership quota.

Twelve of the thirty Legion Posts in Albany County have now made or surpassed their goals. "This," reports the County Legion Membership Chairman Jim Farrell, "was done before the Legion birthday last month. For that the posts will get a citation."

"C'mon, men," says Commander Cannizzaro, "let's give Tom all the help we can to put our Post over the top. He's done a magnificent job for the year. With just a little effort from all or even some of us we'll get Blanchard Post's citation for making the quota."

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**Auxiliary President's Corner**

Good News — Helen Reynolds announced at our Birthday Party that we had reached quota! It is surely a struggle to come up with those last half dozen dues in order to reach the quota set for our Unit but again you have cooperated with our Membership Chairman, Helen, and she would like to say "thank you" to the members and also to all who aided her in this big task.

Betty Costigan, our president, has made a second announcement that all our candy and nuts has been sold. This is certainly a second bit of good news. Amongst the many who helped, we had a new recruit in the person of Mike Norton, who did a wonderful job selling those last couple of cases. Thank you Mike.

Going back a bit to our Card Party that was held February 28th we would like to say that it was a tremendous success and a night enjoyed by all who attended. Betty would like, at this time, to express her appreciation to *all* who helped in any way on all the committees, etc. First, of course, she would like to thank Anne McGoey, who put on the hat show. (The hats were just beautiful and everyone loved seeing a breath of spring during this long winter). Addie Jackson was commentator and Mary Connor, fashion coordinator. Ruth Bush demonstrated on our President beauty counseling make-up which was also a big hit. Anita Shaming who was in charge of the door prizes did a marvelous job as did Maud Hafley, who had table prizes, and all our lovely models, namely, Mary Kaplan, Lucille Cole, Maud Hafley and Fran Tymann. Then also there was Chris Barkhuff, on hospitality, Janet Setzer, who helped me on tickets, and Esther Cooke, our refreshment chairlady who was snowed under with all those marvelous sandwiches which were donated by all you nice people. This is the kind of working together that results in a successful venture. Again, thank you, from

Betty and Helen Reynolds, who served as chairmen for our card party.

On Sunday, March 12th, the "Go To Church" breakfast was held at the Post. The breakfast was prepared and served by Auxiliary members who have been on this committee for many years. Working with Kay Mosmen, the chairman, were Betty Costigan, Grace Von Ronne, Cathy Buker, Madalyn Lawler, Helen Kemnitzer, Peg Mosmen, Marge Haeusser, Mary Woehrle and Helen Reynolds. From all reports heard from the Post members, as usual, the breakfast was wonderful and with all their experience these women work like clock-work.

County meeting for March was held on Friday, March 17th at the Ambrose J. Scully Post. A talk on current legislation was given by Stephen Maney, Legion legislative chairman. Raymond J. Steede, Albany County commander, and his staff of officers were also in attendance.

Due to the recent changes in the Auxiliary Constitution concerning the "new" Auxiliary year, a nominating committee will be selected in April to present the new slate of officers at the May meeting.

Looking ahead, next month we will be holding POPPY DAY. Fran Tymann, our chairman this year, has ordered the poppies and will be looking for volunteers shortly. As you all know, the funds collected on this very important day are what are used for our Rehabilitation and Child Welfare work during the year. Whatever time you can spend selling poppies will be greatly appreciated by Fran and the Unit.

See you at the meeting April 18th and even if I am a week late, I hope everyone had a very Happy Easter.

Zen

**Urgent**

If the TEN FORTY TIMES is to be continued, a successor to your Editor must be found by June 30. Because of the pressure of his business and personal affairs your Editor, after 10 years, reluctantly finds it necessary to announce his "retirement" from this position.

Any volunteer or volunteers interested in continuing the Post publication should make their thoughts known to Post Commander Cannizzaro and to Al Woehrle.

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Could we but draw the curtains

That surround each other's lives,

See the naked heart and spirit,

Know what spur the action gives,

Often we should find it better;

Purer than we judge we should;

We should love each other better

If we only understood.

Could we judge all deeds by motives,

See the good and bad within,

Often we should love the sinner,

All the while we loathe the sin;

Could we know the powers working

To overthrow integrity,

We should judge each other's errors

With more patient charity.

If, we knew the cares and trials,

Knew the efforts all in vain

And the bitter disappointments,

Understand the loss and gain,

Would the grim external roughness

Seem, I wonder, just the same?

Should we help where now we hinder?

Should we pity where we blame?

Ah, we judge each other harshly,

Knowing not life's hidden force;

Knowing not the fount of action

Is less turbid at its source.

Seeing not amid the evil

All the golden grains of good.

Oh, we'd love each other better

If we only understood.

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## On Exhibit

Through the kindness of Blanchard Legionnaire and past Albany County Commander, before he became a member of Blanchard Post, Bob Coburn, there is on display at the Post a framed scroll bearing the signatures of the original signatories who in 1918 attended the initial caucus for an American Legion at St. Louis, Missouri.

The scroll was presented to Blanchard Post as a "birthday present" in honor of the American Legion's anniversary to be celebrated the week of April 17.

Commander Cannizzaro expressed the thanks of the Post to Commander Bob for this generous and noteworthy gift.

## Re-Chartered

Blanchard Post sponsored Boy Scout Troop 58 recently enjoyed a ceremony for the renewing of its charter. Presenting the new charter was Past Commander Edward J. Costigan. It was accepted by Scoutmaster Ed Packenham. The 32-member Troop was then treated to a movie of the Indianapolis auto races which was followed by refreshments. Guests for the program included Post Commander Joe Cannizzaro and Blanchard Legionnaire Larry McArthur who has long been associated with the Boy Scouting program. Bill Campbell, John Brady, Sr., and Ken Simpson, Jr., assisted with the arrangements and refreshments for the party.

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## Get Your Legion Cap For The Memorial Day Parade

Adjutant Warren Moessner has on hand a small supply of the regulation American Legion cap. The price is \$6.25. A cap protector is available for another fifty cents. If Warren hasn't your size, arrange now for him to get it in time for Memorial Day and other American Legion functions.

GET A NEW MEMBER

## Hot Water

Through the effort and work of Gus Williams there is a new hot water heater in the Post kitchen and shelving has been installed in the spare room on the ground floor.

FLY OLD GLORY

## Post Commander Going To The National Commander's Dinner

Blanchard Post Commander Joe Cannizzaro and his wife, Pat, will be among the guests at the April 19th dinner at the Commodore Hotel in New York City to pay honor to National Commander John E. Davis.

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