

# Ten Forty Times



DELMAR, NEW YORK

Twentieth Year

**APRIL 1976** 

# 45th Annual Past Commanders Dinner and Blanchard Night Notice

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# SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 1976

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 Bill Campbell
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 Hugh Stowers
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## APRIL CALENDAR

Apr. 5 (Mon.)—Regular Post Meeting Apr. 12 (Mon.)—Monthly luncheon by WW2 veterans, 1 p.m. sharp at the Schrafft's Motor Inn Restaurant on Route 9W in Glenmont.

Apr. 13 (Tues.)—Monthly luncheon by WW1 veterans, noon, at the LaCasa Restaurant in Selkirk.

Apr. 17 (Sat.)—Flea Market/Bake Sale Apr. 19 (Mon.)—Regular Post Meeting

Apr. 20 (Tues.)—Auxiliary Meeting

Apr. 24 (Sat.)—Blanchard's Past Commanders Dinner-Dance

Apr. 26 (Mon.) -Board of Directors

## PHONE (518) 439-9819

COMMANDER	Oliver H. Palmer
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EDITOR, 1040 TIMES	Charles J. O'Hara

## AUXILIARY NEWS By Christine Hoffman

OFFICERS FOR 1975-1976

President	Barbara Whitney
First Vice President	Pauline Ouderkirk
Second Vice President	Christine Hoffman
Recording Secretary	Rosemary Blanchard
Corresponding Secretary	Rose Marino
Treasurer	. Christina Romanski
Chaplain	Lottie Van Dyke
Sergeant at-Arms	Helen Quinn
Historian	Freda Sherman

President Barbara Whitney wishes to express her thanks to Hank Voorhees and all the men of the Post who cooked and served our delicious Beef Stroganoff Birthday Dinner. Appreciation is also extended to Norrine Cooke, Rosemary Blanchard, Marcia Turner and Freda Sherman, who helped to make it such a successful affair.

The Annual Spaghetti Dinner was a success again this year. Barbara extends her thanks to all the Auxiliary members and men of the Post who worked on the dinner. These include: Rosemary and Jim Blanchard, Carla and Bob Burns, Norrine Cook, Carol Cummings, Alice and Charlie Herber, Barbara and Ollie Palmer, Chris and Bob Hoffman, Kathy Selig, Pauline and Clarence Ouderkirk, Lenore Smith, Marcia Turner, Grace and Bud Viele, Barbara and Rollie Whitney, Beverly and Terry Whitney, Wanda and Alan Whitney, and Betty Worden. A special thank you to Bud Shufelt from the Voorheesville Post who gave us a big hand. The raffle for the \$50 worth of meat from McCarroll's was won by Gertrude Cleary. Happy eating to Gert and Jim!

One of this year's judges for the American Legion Oratorical Contest—held in Albany—was our own Mary Woehrle. The contest was held Jan. 18 at St. Theresa's School Hall; the winner was Beth Grabowski of the Academy of Holy Names. Miss Grabowski will be competing at the state level March 13.

MAY 15—On Saturday, May 15, the Auxiliary is holding a "Picnic-Dance" with snacks provided, at the Post, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. This is a casual dance

with fun for all. Tickets are \$3.00 per person, and reservations may be made with Barbara Whitney.

Poppy Day this year is May 19th. Chairman Norreen Giacone asks that any members who can work at any time on this day contact her so that all locations may be covered. Norreen's phone number is 439-4239. You may also contact her at our April meeting. Poppies, again this year, have been made by the Veterans of the V.A. Hospital, Albany. All proceeds from Poppy Day are used exclusively for Veteran's rehabilitation work and children and youth projects.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Mary Conner, past President of the Auxiliary, who passed away in February. Louise Legler and Lillian Blanchard have been hospitalized but are now at home and on the mend.

D	ates to Remember
Apr. 20	Regular Meeting
May 15	Auxiliary Snack Dance
May 18	Regular Meeting and
•	Election of Officers
May 19	Poppy Day
May 21	Installation of Officers

#### Taps

Death has called the following members to the Supreme Commander of us all: James W. Seymour (past Commander), Walter Peterson and James Igoe.

The sympathy of all go out to the families. "Farewell, our Comrades!"

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT—1976

The proposed slate of Post Officers for 1976-77 is presented by the Nominating Committee:

Commander Daniel G. Lantz Sr. Vice Commander

William J. Blanchard, Sr.

Vice Commander Robert Ballantine

Vice Commander Milton Andre

Adjutant Ernest Gall

Finance Officer Robert Hoffman

Chaplain Rev. Charles H. Kaulfuss

Judge Advocate George Wenger

Sergeant-at-Arms John J. Brady, Sr.

Historian George Butman

Service Officer Frank Zini

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Three Years: Michael Mele

Merwyn Atwood

One Year: Oliver Palmer

County Delegates
Kenneth J. Burns
Oliver H. Palmer
Ernest Gall
Hugh Stowers
Harvey Hasen
John J. Brady, Sr.

County Alternates
William Alwell
Francis Futia
Michael Mele
William Mitchell
Albert T. Davis, Jr.
William McGoev

Submitted by: Charles O'Hara, Chmn., Richard Dalton, Sidney Kaplan, Hugh Stowers and Alvin Greenwood—Nominating Committee.

## YOUR AMERICAN LEGION—IT'S GREAT TO KNOW YOU BELONG

(Theme for the 1976-77 American Legion Year)



Another happy group of new Legionnaires is pictured after their formal induction at a recent regular Post meeting. Uncle Miltie is now on his way to that magic number: 1000. He has already proved that we can do it, so let's all dig in and support his superlative efforts of this year.



#### THE FLUSTERED DUSTER

.....and ye olde Duster feels like the sword of Damocles is hanging over my head what with Blanchard Night coming up-I've never handled a party before plus April 24 is one big, fat competitive night! ...and it's good to have 'nother Burns in the Post, namely Bob BURNS (son-in-law of Pauline and Clarence OUDERKIRK) ...and t'was swell ta see all the new members being sworn in 1st meeting in March including 2 ex-Delaware lads Chick ADALIAN and Les CARSON—and our esteemed Bd. 'o Dir. Chmn, is now official as I see the Hon. Daniel Gifford LANTZ amongst the initiates, that's who! ...and Jolly Ollie whatz-hiz-name really whooped it up as he bowled 2-4-6! ...Lou Bob LEGLER heading south in April fer a visit ...and gonna miss Bill CAMPBELL on the 24th -he has to be in Georgia, Alabama or somewhere on business. ...'n t'will be a Happy Anniversary to Christine and Bob HOFFMAN on 4/24/76, a swell couple. ...and it's always nice ta see Liz and Will SCHRAA on a Fri-Nite. ...'n Ang TANGORA and Skip LARKIN 'r both part of ye olde Delawares (learn sumpin new allatime!) ...I've missed seeing Bernice LAWSON that's who I've missed seeing! ... Betty and Pierce GREEN look like they've enjoyed a nice winter's vacation! ...and howz-about-that Walt 'Cookie' VAN WORMER-right off the plane from a vacation junket and over to the Post—that's loyalty! ...CP Telethon duty saw Harv HASEN, Jack BRADY, Bill BLIVEN, Bob HOFFMAN, Ken BURNS, Ernie GALL in action as well as that dynamite of a bowler Bill VOLK. ...Someways I hate ta see the nice weather come-I've got so much painting to do. ...'n when I bring the paper to print, twil be nice to say hi to our esteemed printer Boyd PETERSa nice gent! ... Always a friendly greeting from Joe PELLETIER on a Fri-Nite 'n from Ann and Gus WILLIAMS that's who! ...and congrats to Bob SCHENK on hiz promotion. ...'n Jake CAPPELLO advises that a Blanchard jacket, size XL and with the name "Chuck" on it has been at the Post about a year! C'mon, Chuck, pick up yer jacket! ...Bill AL-WELL, Pat IGOE, Jack BRADY, Bob EDWARDS and others enjoyed the Old Albany pictures brought to a recent meeting. ...and t'was good to say howdy to Betty WORDEN and Gwen and Fred GRASSER recently. ...and always a nice couple 'r Betty and Bill TOUGHER. ...'n, by golly, I've missed seein' Barb and John HORNBERGER that's who! ...and from the sounds going up Bob BALLANTINE has some super-duper Memorial Day Parade coming up this

year. ...'n did Lenore, Bob and John SMITH come back from Florida in posh fashion-but indeed they did! ...and if that genial gent in the Delmar P.O. looks like our buddy Lou PICARAZZI it could be because that's who it is! ...and there go Mr. and Mrs. Jules AUP-PERLE off on one of those great cruises gadfrey, I envy those folks! ...'n it's difficult to have happy thoughts about our Editor Chas. O'Hara basking in the Florida sunshine while I look out at the snow flurries while I am typing this non-sense! ...According to April '73—1040 Times on March 9, 1973, we had a record-breaking 819 members. Sr. V.-Cmd. Milt ANDRE beat that by a country mile this year. ... Well, if ya think life gits boring, supposing ya had to play a game with paper towels to see which absorbs more like they do on TV! Gadfrey, that is real boresville! ... Well, by the time yez git this paper the 1040 Times will be back in the proper hands of the Hon. Chas. J. ...'n if ya do misplace a few Easter eggs, sooner or later ya can smell them out! ...Our sincere sympathy to Dan Giff LANTZ on the recent loss of his mother. ...Till May (boy oh boy does May sound good!) The Gutter Duster

## GIVE YOUR \$\$\$ TO FIGHT CANCER

The American Legion War on Cancer isn't news. You've probably read about it in our national magazine. You were, if a paid-up dues member this past year, sent a letter via National Headquarters.

What is news is your Post's mobilization action for this war. At the Feb. 2 meeting it was voted we get actively involved. Here's how we're doing it:

► There's a collection jar at the Post to make your contribution;

► Let this article be a reminder for you to send your donation, in the form of a check issued to Blanchard Post 1040 Cancer Fund, to the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post No. 1040, The American Legion, Delmar, New York 12054; and

If you've already given (at the office or otherwise) do it again through

the Post.

The March issue of the LEGION magazine tells us the halfway mark for the \$1 million goal has been passed. But it's only five months from the National Convention at Seattle, Washington, and the deadline to meet that goal. Any amount, large or small, will help. Let's get in the fray and say, "Here's mine!"

Alexander Woehrle

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## COME to Blanchard Night! Saturday, April 24, 1976 "I NEED YOUR SUPPORT!"



WE WILL BE HAPPY TO SEE ALL OF YOU! For tickets, call ...

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or ask George-Jake at the Bar

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT TO DATE: 890; POTENTIAL: 926

As of this date, Post membership stands at 890. OUR GOAL of 900 is within easy reach. Since I have 36 dues cards for 1976 which have not been processed, we could wind up the year with 926 members.

EVERY MEMBER—whose dues have not been paid to date—has been mailed a THIRD DUES NOTICE and ALL within the local area have been contacted by phone by me. Let's not have any "drop by the wayside." If you know any of these members or they are your friends or neighbors, PLEASE URGE THEM TO GET THEIR DUES PAID NOW!!!

THE NEXT TIME YOU VISIT THE POST LOUNGE PLEASE READ "help wanted"

Welcome aboard to the following new members who have joined the Post since the last report:

Theodore Howard Arthur Curran Peter Applebee Arthur Mosley, Sr. John McDonald James Carazza

Paul Martin Arnold Searles Arthur O'Donnell

On March 1, we had a turnout of over 80 members, at which time 27 of our new members and several "old timers" (who had never been sworn in to the Post), were indoctrinated and presented their Legion pins. A pleasant "get acquainted gathering" took place after, and from all reports, everyone had an enjoyable time.

LET US ALL PULL TOGETHER AND GET OUR "ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP" OF MEMBERSHIP COMPLETED! Thanks once more to the entire membership for their first-rate cooperation during the year.

Enjoy another prosperous and healthy month. Telephone me at 434-6904 if you have any questions.

Milt Andre, Membership Chairman

#### **Bicentennial Celebration News**

Blanchard Post is continuing active participation in the Bicentennial Celebration. Many hours of work went into the building of stage sets for the Bicentennial Pageant. A committee of Post Legionnaires worked many hours on the project, including Sid Kaplan, Henry Turner, Bob Hoffman, Harvey Hasen and son Mark Hasen, and—last, but by no means least—Charlie Blanchard, son of Bill Blanchard. They were part of the working committee representing Blanchard Post.

Plans for the Memorial Day Bicentennial Parade are forming. The participation application forms are coming in to our Parade Committee indicating the great interest in this event. Our members are encouraged to pass the word that floats and marching bands are more than welcome for this community event.

Sidney Kaplan

#### PICNIC-DANCE

The Auxiliary of Blanchard Post will hold a Picnic-Dance, with snacks provided, on Saturday, May 15, from 9 to 1 at the Post. Ronnie Nelson will provide the music for your dancing pleasure. You name it and he can play it! Come in casual dress for an evening of dancing and fun. Tickets are \$3 per person and reservations may be made through Barbara Whitney, 439-1057. Reserved tickets must be picked up by May 7.

#### Colonial Ball

Every occasion at the Post in the past has been a success and the recent Colonial Ball-celebrating our Bicentennial Year was by far no exception. However, in order to be successful a great deal of planning is necessary by the chairman; but being chairman is only a small part of the success of any party. The real success lies in the efforts of all of the committees - the kitchen, decorations, and all the willing volunteers who gave so freely of their time and efforts. As chairman of the Colonial Ball, I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank all of you who contributed your time and efforts to make our party a huge success. Thanks again!

Joe Marino

#### COUNTY MEMBERSHIP REPORT AS OF 2/26/76

Top Ten Posts in Membership

1. Blanchard	•878
2. Scully	630
3. Zaloga	396
4. Fort Orange	346
5. Bucci-McTague	335
6. Ruane (Cohoes)	•276
7. North Albany	266
8. Legnard-Curtin (Green Island)	197
9. Voorheesville	167
10. Flynn (Watervliet)	156
· Have surpassed their 1976 quota.	

Balance of 18 Posts have memberships ranging from 16 to 152.

# Blanchard Post and Auxiliary FLEA MARKET/BAKE SALE

All proceeds will go to The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary Cancer Fund National Project this year.

The date is Saturday, April 17 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Post Rooms.

Luncheon will be available at a nominal cost. Anything you have to donate for the sale should be left at the Post on Wednesday, April 14 or on Thursday, April 15 between 7 and 9 p.m.

Baked goods should be at the Post on Saturday, April 17 between 9 to 10 a.m. Please help your Post.

George Butman Cancer Fund Chmn.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

The annual election of Post Officers and members of the Board of Directors of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post No. 1040, The American Legion, Delmar, New York, will be held at the meeting on May 17, 1976 (Monday) at 8:30 p.m. Meeting will be at the Post.

8:30 p.m. Meeting will be at the Post. ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED AND URGED TO ATTEND AND TO

PARTICIPATE!

## Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post No. 1040

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