The American Legion - Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 - Delmar NY

May-August 2016

Trail of Memories

s the seasons change in the Northeast, we look forward to the Spring and Summer seasons. All of us have special memories during these wonderful times. It may be a memory of home from college, kids finishing grade school or high school, starting a garden or planning a summer vacation. Many things are in the Summer breeze, some feeling the Summer sun, relaxing with a Summer rain or taking a Summer walk or bike ride. It seems the four months from May to September fill our life with memories. Many times you hear the phrase "do you remember when?" A pleasant conversation normally follows.

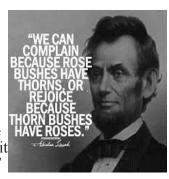
We all have fond memories or a great memory of special times. A memory of a graduation, a wedding, a found love motivates and moves the spirit. A memory is so special because 'the memory is mine'. A special event, a special song, that special person in your life are memories for you to keep and cherish. Life is one big and most often bright memory.

In May each year we remember with the national holiday of Memorial Day. A day when memories of times past pay tribute to and respect the memories of people who engaged in wars and conflicts so that we can live the way we do. Memorial Day brings the opportunity to show our reverence and pay respects to the Veterans of wars and also reflect on those unfortunate times in our country's life when we fought and defended our liberties and freedom.

The Delmar Memorial Day Parade has become an event to which the community is very dedicated and devoted. Over the last 20 years the parade has risen to be a premier community effort spearheaded with community involvement and our Post. The Post will host various other events during the Summer that will add to your memory bucket. A walk or bike ride on the newly completed Rail Trail will bring you past our Post and it seems like a nice area to stop and reflect. An American Legion Post and a Volunteer Fire Company side by side to represent the two most important volunteers in our lives today.

During a four month period of May through August, we recognize and enjoy three national holidays (Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day (early September)). We should ponder the meaning of each of these holidays, enjoy them, have respect for them and truly appreciate what occurred to make them national holidays.

As you walk or bike ride on the Rail Trail, allow some time to reflect back on the people and events that make this community so special. Memories are special every Memorial Day. A Rail Trail once a meant a railroad came through our town. However, it is now a 'Trail of Memories.'



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MEMORIAL DAY PARADE



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From The Commander

rom the Commander Scott Anson,

Hope everyone is getting ready for a great Summer season; I would like to thank the Son's and Auxiliary for help and hard work all year on events here at the post.

Again the 1040 News, is now all electronic copy, Also hard copies will be available at the lounge for pick up in person at some point after it is E-Mailed. This is working great and saving the Post a lot of money on printing and mail. I would like to thank the committee for all the work they do putting it together and chase everyone to get the information to put in the 1040 NEWS. Keep your e-mail address up to date at nabpost1040@gmail.com.

We are looking for anyone with Craftsman and Trade skills that would be able to help out from time to time on projects at the building if you can help let us know. Cliff Thompson or Mark Burke can always use your expertise, electrical, painting, plumbing, carpentry to name a few. Volunteers' help is always welcome.

The Legion Cruise on Royal Caribbean was a great time we ended up with 30 people on the trip and it was great! We had over 100 veterans on the ship. We also had a meet & greet event. Our own Al Hofaker was the oldest person on the

ship and the oldest veteran. We hope to go again in two or three years so start to save now.

As always, be sure to check out the calendar of events and stop by your Post from time to time so you don't miss out on the fun.

The Queen of Hearts game has been growing with a large pot to win but you need to be in it every week to hit it.

20-Week Club is always looking for new members please join. So stop by, check out the Post, say hello to old friends and make some new ones AT OUR POST!

Thanks for your support!

Legion Officers

Commander	Scott Anson
1st Vice Cmdr	Al Hofaker
2nd Vice Cmdr	Lyle Maddock Sr.
3rd Vice Cmdr	Jeremy Martelle Sr.
Adjutant	Mike Kanuk
Finance Officer	Joe Vandeloo
Chaplain	Ralph Rahm
Sergeant-at-Arms	Vacant
Compliance Officer	Steve Riedel
Judge Advocate	Larry Justice, Esq.
Service Officer	Vacant
Historian	Vacant





Sons of the Legion News

he Sons will be having a clam bake on August 20th. There will be a Spring clean-up on May 14th please volunteer. The pancake breakfasts went well thanks to Bill Griffiths and crew. During the summer you will see a new building for outdoor functions. Our membership is at an all-time high. Have a safe Summer and stop by to see what is going on.

Commander Butch Levine

SAL Officers 2015-2016

Commander	Butch Levine
1st Vice Commander	Bob Wagner
2nd Vice Commander	Wes Hotaling
3rd Vice Commander	Mark Burke
Adjutant	Don Guertze
Treasurer	
Chaplain	Bob Martin
Sergeant-at-Arms	
Historian	Russ Atwood

SAL - Annual Election of Officers



The Sons annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 11 and will include election of officers for 2016-2017. If you are interested in stepping up to be a leader in the Sons please contact Eric Swett (438-9500) or Frank Wickham (fwickham@ieee.org or 573-2764).

Past Commanders' Dinner



Sunday, May 1st

Cocktails 4-5pm - Dinner 5:30 PM

Legion Auxiliary News

his may be my last article so I want to thank you all for your help for the last three years and to Harriet for her help and for driving me to the various County venues.



A nominating committee will be appointed at our May meeting and elections will take place in June. If able, please plan to attend. Also, if anyone is interested in becoming an officer, please let me know and I will advise the nominating committee. One position that will need filling is Secretary as Stephanie's new job conflicts with our meetings.

Thank you to all who have renewed their membership or called me to advise of their decision not to renew.

Our Poppy Drive is scheduled for May 21st through Memorial Day. Thank you to all who have signed up to help and to the Bethlehem High School Key Club for their help.

Looking forward to a good turnout for the Parade.

Have a good Summer and remember to bring coupons, stamps, soup labels, Boxtops for Education, Christmas cards, items for soldier boxes and articles fot the Veterans' Miracle Centers. These projects continue throughout the year.

See you at the Post or when we resume in the Fall.

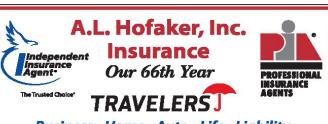
For God & Country, Roseann Lohrey President Legion Auxiliary

Auxiliary Officers

President	Roseann Lohrey
PresidentVice President	Harriet Minick
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<u>Poppy Drive</u> May 21st through May 30th



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May 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			Queen of Hearts		Cocktails 6 PM	
WE HONOR AND LOVE YOU			Drawing 7:30 PM		Dinner 7 PM	
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			Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM		(Out Back)	2
						karaoke 8 pm
						20-Week Club Dinner 4 to10 PM
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Poppy Day	Parade					
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	Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM					



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June 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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r.	Post Affairs 6:30 PM Legion Meeting 7 PM	Auxiliary Meeting Elections 7 PM	Sons Meeting 7 PM Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM	6	Golf Outing (All Day) Thunderhart C.C.	Scout Troop 58 Car Wash
12	13	14	215 Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM	16	17	18 Karaoke 8 pm
Happy Father's Day	20	21	22 Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM	23	24	25
26	Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM	28	29 Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM	30		

July 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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e	HAPPY 4TH OF JULY	5	6 Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM	7	8	6
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24	25 Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM	26	27 Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM	28	29	30

August 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM			
28	29	30	31			
Rolling Thunder Salute to Veterans	Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM		Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30 PM			



WELCOME BACK PARTY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11+h!! 5 P.M.

Join the American Legion!

POST 1040 Annual GOLF OUTING



Friday, June 10th 8:30AM Shotgun Start Thunderhart C.C.

- See John Rees to Sign Up-



VFW Auxiliary Steak Roast June 11, 2016





Help is appreciated from all available to prepare and serve luncheon to our Veterans at the Albany Stratton VA Hospital. Please contact Joe Benoit at 339-0854 or joepbenoit@gmail.com for more information!

Serve Our Veterans

Albany Stratton VA Hospital Luncheon Schedule

05.15.16 06.12.16 08.14.16 09.11.16 10.09.16 11.13.16 12.11.16



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From The Chairman

A round the House.

I hope all had a good Winter, and are looking forward to a nice Spring and Summer.

The Legion cruise was a huge success. The weather was with us all the way. Our next cruise will be in April of 2018. Details will be available at a later date.

The overnight trip to Mohegan Sun is sold out, but you can still sign up on the wait list.

There are a lot of events coming up in the months of May and June. Watch your calenders and e-mails for details.

I wish all a great summer, and will see you in September, at the Welcome Back Party!

- Phil Giacone, Chairman

Board of Directors

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Spring Cleanup

Saturday, May 14th Volunteers Welcome!

Welcome New Members

SAL: Richard Frielich, Alan Fritz

AUX: Olivia Pope, Ainsley Pope, Deborah Garrison, Kate Noelle Popolizio

Final Salute



LEGION: Alan D. Craw

AUX: Noreen Giacone

20 Week Club Dinner Saturday, May 21st 4 PM to 10PM





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Memorial Day Parade Honor Roll

For the past three years, we have published a Memorial Day Parade Program which we have titled the "Honor Roll". The book is published in full color and contains historical information, business advertisements, memorial ads and information helpful to both Veterans and non-veterans in the community. In the past four years, we have donated over \$15,000 to Veterans' Programs at the Stratton VA Hospital. Please help us to make this year's Honor Roll a continuing success. Here's what you can do to help:



- If you own a business, support the Honor Roll by advertising your business.
- If you are a descendant of a Veteran, consider placing an Honor Roll ad in his/her memory.
- If you have a non-veteran family member who is deceased, consider placing an Honor Roll ad in his/ her memory.
- If you know someone who owns a business and may be interested in supporting The American Legion, please call Janet Morris at 461-6811 or John Osterhout at 396-8245.

Advertising forms for both business ads and memorial ads are available at the Blanchard Post. They are located on the small table right inside the lounge door. Advertising forms are also available for download from the Blanchard Post web site at: www.nabpost1040.us. Deadline for advertisements is April 15.

> There are only two words that describe the meaning of Memorial Day: "Thank You."

DEL ANES The Blanchard Post Bowling League, which has existed at Del Lanes for many years, is looking for new members. Season starts right after Labor Day, and ends in early May. Non-sanctioned, fun, mixed league. For information, contact Doug Hasbrouck at 439-9484 or ezpar57@verizon.net.

Enjoyment guaranteed!





Lunch 1 pm 'til 3:30 pm Burgers / Hot dogs / Sausage, and clam chowder soup

Draft Beer & soda, water - Cash Bar Also all day.

Raw Clam Bar - Opens from 2:30 'til 4:30

Dinner @ or around 5:30 pm Chicken BBQ, Potatoes/corn on cob, 1 doz steam clam, Dessert—ice cream cup & coffee.

All this for \$35!!