

Ten Forty Times



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THANK YOU, GOOD PEOPLE

A deep thanks to the officers, trustees, chairmen, committee members, the hard working members and the fine ladies of the Auxiliary for all the time, work and effort that each of you has given to Blanchard Post this year. There are so many names involved that our paper would not hold them. I cannot put into words my great appreciation for all of your efforts.

We have certainly had our sorrows this year with the death of many good comrades and friends of Blanchard Post. We have had some disappointments and frustrations, but on the whole we have weathered the year in good shape.

I am sure that with this fine slate of officers Blanchard Post will have a very good 1975-76 year.

Thanks again to all.

Kenneth J. Burns Immed. Past Commander

In Remembrance of Art

......

Dear Commander Burns,

It is with deep regret that we learn of the untimely passing of Arthur Quinn. Many of our members have known and admired Art for 20 years. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

As approved by Fort Orange Post 30, enclosed is a check for \$25, payable to the Arthur Quinn Memorial Scholarship Fund.

With best wishes.

Yours for The American Legion D. Robert Casler Commander, Fort Orange Post





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20 WEEK DINNER-DANCE

The 20 Week Club Dinner-Dance was a great success. The members and guests enjoyed a family-style roast beef dinner that was ably cooked by Jerry Romano. Jerry did double duty for the party as he was the vocalist with Francis Murphy and his orchestra who gave us a fine evening of music for listening and dancing pleasure.

Ollie Palmer commended Bill Bliven and Harvey Hasen for their fine assitance in running the club.

Some of the happy, lucky people that night were: Jim VanDeusen, Tom Blair, Pete VanAmerongen, Don Jones, Gwen Grasser, Jane Martin, Bill Blanchard Jr., Dick Martin, Walt VanWormer, Pat and Ed Starkweather.



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The following were chosen to serve on the nominating committee: Chairwomen Lee Hurley, Isabella Greenwood, Ron Moessner, Barbara Palmer, Helen Reynolds, Lenore Smith and Irene White. The committee has met, and the new slate of officers will be listed in the September issue of the 1040 Times.

Mark June 17 on your calendar. This will be our final meeting of the season, and it will be preceded by a covered dish supper.

Nice to see Ann Carroll up and about again. Leora Gazell is recovering at her home after a setback.

We mourn the loss of one of our long time members, Katherine Bender. Our sincere sympathy to her family.

Don't forget to keep busy this summer making things for our bazaar to be held in November.

This is your reporter's swan song. It has been a good and productive year. Let's all get behind our new officers in September. See you then!

Baseball Anyone?

We are going to see the Mets take on the Pittsburgh Pirates on June 21. The first 40 that pay will go. The price is \$12.50 each, which includes admission to the game, bus, lunch and soda. We will leave the Post at 8 a.m. and return as soon as game is completed. Call Bill Campbell, 439-3398 or drop in to see George the bar-tender.



Supervisor Sheaffer buys a 1975 Poppy from Auxiliary President Marcia Turner

Have you bought your '76 Patch yet? \$1 at the bar, don't wait, they won't last

To My Friends at Blanchard!

The time has come for me to retire as President of Blanchard's Auxiliary. At this time, I must thank all the wonderful people who helped my year to be a very memorable one—I shall always have pleasant memories of the past year—the most cherished one will be, shortly before I became President, my son was chosen to represent Blanchard at Boy's State. A million thanks to my officers, committee chairmen, Auxiliary members and members of the Post, who were always ready to pitch in whenever help was needed.

I have always been, and will continue to be proud to be a member of Blanchard.

To next year's officers, my sincere congratulations and best wishes for a successful year. Please don't hesitate to call on me if I can ever be of help to anyone.

Sincerely, Marcia Turner

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ANGLER'S MIXED BOWLING

Another season of bowling has ended for the Anglers, with the race for first place decided on the final night. The Piranhas led by George Mayers and teammates George Butman, May Smith and Millie Harris won top honors, finishing three games ahead of the Guppies with team members Ollie Palmer, Vern Eagan, Eleanor Mitchell and Grace Franze. At one point, the Piranhas led the league with well over 15 games and it looked like a swim-a-way. However, on the final night the Guppies were 2 games back but the Piranhas won 3 to become the champions. Congratulations!

The Flounders led by Frank DiSanto and the Bullheads by Jim Berry ended

in a tie for third spot.

Other team finishes were: Smelts, Joe Marino—5th; Barracudas, Gus Franze —6th; Muskies, Bill Mitchell—7th; and Perches, Franklyn Harris—8th.

The following top three scores for the men included:

High Av	erage — Gus Franze	181
0	Jim Berry	
	Frank DiSanto	168
High Tr	iple — Ollie Palmer	619
	Jim Berry	616
	Bill Mitchell	610
High Sin	ngle — Bill Mitchell	247
	Frank DiSanto .	246
	Gus Franze	245
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 High women scores included:
 153

 High Average — Grace Franze
 153

 Barbara Palmer
 145

 Millie Albright
 136

 High Triple — Grace Franze
 540

 Barbara Palmer
 510

 Millie Albright
 509

 High Single — Marie McMillen
 205

 Belle Mayers
 200

 Grace Franze
 198

Prizes for most improved bowler went to Gus Franze and Jim Berry who improved their averages by 8 points. Most improved women bowler was by Belle Mayers with an improvement of 8 points while Gini DiSanto and Grace Franze also improved 8 points, but with a less of a pin percentage.

Millie Harris received an WIBC recognition for an all-spare game.

The annual banquet was held at the LaCasa Restaurant on May 3. Millie and Franklyn Harris were in charge.

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TO THE COLORS

This being the month of June it is fitting that we devote our column to the Flag of the U.S., which is now the third oldest of the national standards of the world, only those of Switzerland and Turkey being older. June is the month in which we pay particular honor to our Flag because it was first authorized by Continental Congress on June 14, 1777, and June 14 is now observed throughout the nation as Flag Day.

Many claims have been made as to where the Stars and Stripes was first unfurled, or displayed, or carried by troops or under fire in battle, etc. None of these claims have ever been substantiated by definite. incontrovertible evidence, although the Bennington Flag, which is now being widely displayed in our community, and which is claimed to have been carried at the Battle of Bennington on Aug. 16, 1777, is believed to be the oldest Stars and Stripes in existence. Some other unsubstantiated claims relative to the first appearance of the Flag include the Battle of Hubbardton, Vermont, on July 7, 1777; at Fort Ann, New York, on July 9, 1777; at Ft. Stanwix (now Rome), New York, on Aug. 3. 1777, and at the ensuing battle of nearby Oriskany on Aug. 6, 1777; at the engagement at Cooch's Bridge, Delaware on Sept. 3, 1777; at the Battle of Brandywine, Pennsylvania on Sept. 11, 1777; at the surrender of Burgoyne at Saratoga on Oct. 17, 1777; at the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, North Carolina on Mar. 15, 1781; at the Battle of Cowpens, North Carolina on Jan. 17, 1781; and at Yorktown, Virginia during the battle and at the surrender of Cornwallis in October, 1781.

There are others, too, all of which are genuinely sincere and steeped in tradition, and which offer modern day America and all the world an insight into the

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love and fierce devotion in which the Flag was held by the Revolutionary soldier and citizen. It really is immaterial. except for local reasons of pride and sentiment, where the Flag was first unfurled or carried or otherwise displayed. Suffice it is that we have a Flag which is claimed and loved by all 50 states today, just as each of the 13 Colonies were proud to claim it as a symbol of liberty. freedom and justice. Hence, to show our eternal devotion to Old Glory, let us all fly it or display it in some appropriate manner on June 14. We can do no less to keep faith with those who have answered the call to win and preserve our freedom and freedoms everywhere, from Lexington and Concord to Saratoga, Gettysburg, Chateau Thierry, Iwo Jima, Omaha Beach, Seoul and DaNang.

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Tug-a-War: June 15

Another fun day. We are challenging Voorheesville in a tug-a-war at 2 p.m. at Voorheesville across the creek in back of the Post. All are invited. It will be our best against their best ten. Losers pay for the beer. Can't see how we can lose with Mitchell and the Moose on the end of the rope. Wives, bring a salad or beans and we will provide franks and hamburgers.

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1975	Oliver H. Palmer		

Welcome, Jake!

A big Blanchard-size welcome to our new man behind the mahogany, Jacob Cappallo. Jake is certainly a friendly, quiet gentleman and has made a big hit with the members in a short time. With Jake and George, we've got it made!

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GOD GIVE US MEN

I came across the following short poem which I thought was so apropos to today's world that I thought you too would like to read it. Note particularly the years during which the author lived — how true the old adage which says, "There is nothing new under the sun." The "Big Lie" has been used by mass murderers down through the ages to enslave peoples, and in this century was very effectively used by Hitler and by his fellow murderers the Communists down to this day.

God give us men. A time like this demands. Strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands.

Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have honor; men who will not lie;
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And damn his treacherous flatteries without
winging;

Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog In public duty and in private thinking; For while the rabble and their thumb-worn creeds:

Their large profession and their little deeds Mingle in selfish strife, lo. Freedom weeps, Wrong rules the land, and waiting Justice sleeps.

Josiah Gilbert Holland (1819-1881)

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Sid Kaplan

Congratulations and thank you to Sidney Kaplan on his acceptance of the chairmanship of the Blanchard Post Bi-Centennial Committee. Sid has done a fine job of representing Blanchard Post at the Town Committee meetings.

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GLAUCOMA SCREENING

Dr. Robert M. Gold, Sight Conservation Chairman of the Bethlehem Lions Club, announced a Glaucoma and Vision screening to be held at the Blanchard Post on June 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. All Post members and families and all Town of Bethlehem families are urged to attend.

By using a noncontact tonometer, Dr. Gold and his assistants will measure the vital inner pressure of the eye — but without ever touching the eye, and it all takes a few seconds! It could mean your sight. See to it.

FRED TROMBE

On May 4, 1975, Blanchard Post lost a loyal member with the death of Fred Trombe. Fred had served as chairman of the Boys' State Committee for several years and was the 1975 chairman. He was very faithful in attending County Meetings. Indeed, we will miss Fred and his participation, including Acting Chaplain for meetings, in so many functions. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Dorothy and the family.

Fred would be pleased to know of the fine committee that will carry on for 1975 and they are Robert J. Smith, Sidney Kaplan and Charles O'Hara, with a big assist from Eugene FitzPatrick.

County Membership 4/24/75

5th Place — Bucci-McTague	384
4th Place - North Albany	386
3rd Place — Zaloga	449
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Class A Honors: KORP—average WHITNEY—triple; LANTZ—single Class B Honors: PUGLIESE—average EAGAN—triple; DYBAS—single

Most improved bowler: BUKER. Six had perfect attendance for the 30 weeks: BENDER, BRADY, BURNS, LaFORGE, MITCHELL and TANGORA.

The high-low tournament was won by WHITNEY & BRADY and the following teams won money: LARKIN-HASEN, ALWELL-FOY, TANGORA-MOSMEN, AUPPERLE-PAUQUETTE, LaFORGE-MARINO, JOE CUMMINGS-EAGAN, BENDER-CAMPBELL. Low prize triple LANTZ-BURNS. Team single DYBAS-

ANDRE. High team triple LARKIN-HASEN. Individual winners of single and triple prizes included Aupperle, Bender, Butman, Larkin and Tangora.

Our banquet is history, being held at LaCasa on Saturday, May 10 with Prez HANK RISTAU in charge. The nominating committee named the same slate of officers for 1975-76 season. Bowling will start on FRIDAY, SEPT. 5. Gals—please make note for your bowling half.

Have a good restful summer, and a happy vacation. Uncle Miltie

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Marines894	2466	651/2	491/2	401/2	69425
Navy886	2568	65	49	41	69219
Air Force 932	2611	64	46	44	69707
Infantry 931	2599	631/2	461/2	431/2	70130
Tanks915	2518	61	45	45	69556
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Coast Guard 862	2464	56	43	47	69425
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Class A		Class B	
Korp81	170	Miller45	158
Havill84	167	Pugliese87	156
Foy86	167	Marino84	153
Palmer68	167	Eagan 84	153
Lantz84	166	Dybas75	151
Oates82	164	Feiden58	151
Johnston 87	163	Pauquette 75	151
Whitney87	163	Volk81	150
Mitchell90	163	Hasen78	146
Bender90	162	Mosmen 81	145
Larkin 78	161	Campbell78	144
Tangora 90	161	Ristau77	143
Cum'ingsJim 75	160	Brady90	143
DiSanto60	159	Haker84	141
Andre87	158	Buker63	140
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...'n fer sure a nice couple 'r Grace and Bud VIELE.... and we see Dapper Dick DALTON returned from the sunshine state smiling—the gees-gees musta been good to him... Who sez we ain't gotta Super-Star? Jack SELIG belted the pins for a 720 triple (give or take a few pins) the other week... and I miss seeing that swell couple Gay and Ed RUKWID....'n have Kitty and Tony PELONE returned from their Florida stay yet?... For sure you'll never talk to a nicer couple than Doris and Joe ROEHR. I think that Mike MELE was right, D. R.!... and it's always a pleas-

ure to see Rose and Joe MARINO, Harold and Ann ROEHR, Barb and John HORNBERGER, Liz and Will SCHRAA, Audrey and Joe FIATO, Betty and Pierce GREEN, Madeline and Lee BRYANT.

... and Minnesota might have an Albert Lea, but N.Y. State has a Tilly Foster (in Putnam County).... 2 super gents who keep the Post in good acoustics are Matt KLAPP and Bob STRICK-LAND. . . . 'n ya gotta ask Dunker John ENNIS what he has in mind if the flood returns to the Post Lounge. . . . As Jack BRADY sez our Post number depresses him-that 1040 reminds him of the Income Tax Form. . . . and over a cool one the other PM, I see my ole buddy Bill DONNOLLY—where ya been, brother? ... Glad ta hear that our genial Celtic gent Pat Igoe is recovering slowly but surely. Hope we see ya soon, Pat! ... One interesting gent who knows the U.S. of A. is Ken SIMPSON, Jr., that's who! .. and I think that Art PRUE 'n Ed KORP are natural maitre d's. Whatta great job they do! ... and I'll have to ask Bill McGOEY how that great gal Ann BURNS McGoey is these days. ... When you're at a table with Madeline and Norb SCHMITZ, Betty and Ed BLATZHEIM, Joan and Hugh STOW-ERS yer in for a fun evening! ... and it's always nice to talk with Marge and

Ernie GALL how you can support the Blanchard Post American Legion baseball? ... Talkin' with Lois and Larry MONETTE the other PM and the Big Boy hopes to re-up in bowling. ... Did ya ever see a sign, "Believe in America" affixed to a foreign-made car? ... Glad to hear Jack McDERMOTT is recovering nicely-nicely from his bout with Slugger Medico. ... Look-alikes—Ron HOFAKER and Paul JORALEMON.

... and it was good to see Ann and Gus WILLIAMS, Grace and Bob GET-NER a few PMs ago. I think Bob, Jr. tops the family in heighth! ... Good to see that Mr. & Mrs. Ed VAIL returned safely from their Euro-Afri travels. ... 'n when Al PUGLIESE says, "I'm way above you!" he is by 25 floors. . . . and Salud to Frank ZINI-a No. 1 Service Officer. . . . Can'tcha see that golf-gleam in the eyes of Milt ANDRE, Al DAVIS, Al BECKMANN and Ray CALLAGAN! ... Morey MASKIN and Warren MOES-SNER must be 10 feet tall after seeing their alma mater Syracuse U. get into the NCAA semi-finals. ... Gotta ask Ralph STILES a few hints on vegetable gardening what with prices these days.

... What wife sez to what husband at Blanchard Lounge, "Don't look at me in that tone of voice!" ... BUT always ya can count on Ken HAVILL for a big assist in Post matters and that goes for the lovely Pat HAVILL, too! ... Have not seen Warren REYNDERS, Gen. Bill DONOVAN, Dick BENJAMIN, Ed BLENDELL or Allie GATOR in quite a spell! (I knew that last one would grab ya!).... Had a good chat with Johnny BENSON and Nora BENDER the other night. . . . 'n always a pleasant lad and quite a bowler is Walt ROBERTS. . . . Surely a swell couple to talk with are Dawne and Bernie McHUGH. . . . Have not heard how those two Docs 'r these days-namely Dud HARGRAVE and Stan KLETT. . . . A big thankee to Mer ATWOOD for mailing the April 1040 Times. . . . and when I see Marcia and Bob CLARKE, I'll have to ask 'em how Bill EHLERS is! See ya.

The Duster

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