

Lunches Served Daily Monday-Friday  
11:00 AM-2:00 PM

# NEW HARTFORD AMERICAN LEGION POST 1376

Hours of Operation:  
Monday-Saturday  
11:00 AM-12:00 AM  
Sunday  
12:00 PM-12:00 AM

FEBRUARY	NEWSLETTER	2016
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DATES</b></p> <p>2nd-Board of Directors Meeting-6:30 PM 2nd-Auxiliary Meeting-6:30 PM 3rd-Executive Board Meeting-6:30 PM 3rd—SAL Meeting-7:00 PM 9th-Tuesday Night Dinner Serving 4:00—7:00 PM 14th-Valintines Day 15th-Oneida County Legion Meeting @ Utica Post 229 North Utica-7:00 PM 17th-Post Membership Meeting-7:00 PM 18th-Post Color Guard Meeting-6:00 PM</p>	<p>Fountain and Mark Grube. Mark was very lucky and won 2 trays. Congratulations, and again thank you to all who participated and supported the Auxiliary.</p> <p>The Basket Raffle in October is enabling us to make a donation to the Wilmot Cancer Institute in Rochester in Mike Nadeu's name. Mike is a Sal member and is currently in remission. We pray he continues his recovery to good health!</p> <p>Our next event coming up is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Wine Tasting which is being held on February 27th at 6:00 pm at the Legion. The past two years we have raised over \$10,000. If you are unable to attend, we would appreciate any donation of wine, spirits or gift certificates that can be raffled off. You may drop them off at the legion with your name and let them know it's for the Auxiliary or contact Monica Lawendowski, Auxiliary President. In past years we have not had much participation from our Legion and I can only hope you can find it in your hearts to help our servicemen and woman who have sacrificed so much. Please see our flyer in this newsletter for complete details.</p> <p>Ladies, please do not forget our bake sales at the Tuesday Night Dinners. We need bake goods to make this a successful venture. Please drop off your donations of bake goods between 3:30 and 5:00 upstairs.</p> <p>Remember that the 2016 membership cards are in and the dues are \$25.00. They can be sent to Janice Hurley at 1904 Redfield Ave, Utica, NY 13502 or drop off at the Post in the Auxiliary mailbox in the lounge area. Any questions, please call Janice Hurley @ 735-2633. Help us make our 100% goal!!</p> <p>Please let us know of any Auxiliary Members who are sick or in nursing homes. Please contact Janice Keesler at 724-5693 with any information.</p> <p>Gary &amp; I would like to extend our gratitude to everyone for their well wishes, prayers and words of encouragement during Gary's recovery from emergency surgery. He is doing very well thanks to all of you. We truly have a great legion family and</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COMMANDER'S MESSAGE</b></p> <p>As this article is written early in January and is for February I did not get to say I hope you all had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year. We are trying out some new events so keep an eye on the bulletin boards. In January we had a Super Bowl Party upstairs. I am sure it was a success. In February we plan on having an indoor clams and cans night and in March a karaoke night. Please come out and enjoy these events. The Christmas and New Year's eve parties were not well attended. We will have to meet and see how we can improve attendance. If you have questions about the post and what we are doing or have ideas please attend the monthly meeting. If you don't attend the meeting don't sit at the bar and complain. It is a shame as big as we are that we did not have enough people at December's meeting to make a quorum. We could not vote on anything. Lets make 2016 a <b>POSITIVE YEAR! PARTICIPATE!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">For the Good of the Legion, <i>Gary Fountain</i>, Post Commander</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AUXILIARY NEWS</b></p> <p>The next meeting of the Auxiliary will take place on Tuesday, February 2nd starting at 6:30 PM.</p> <p>The winners of the annual Christmas Cookie Raffle were: Kirk Streator, Barb Rice, Joanne</p>		

feel blessed to be a part of it.

Please pray for our service men and women and continue to support our veterans.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Monica Lawendowski*, President

## POST LOTTERY REPORT

DECEMBER 2015

### LOTTERY NUMBERS

DATE/NUMBER

1/740 2/002 3/996 4/237 5/952 6/585 7/690 8/524  
9/711 10/889 11/580 12/510 13/133 14/067 15/039  
16/669 17/399 18/207 19/136 20/069 21/105 22/116  
23/860 24/573 25/Christmas, Post Closed 26/085  
27/744 28/276 29/375 30/180 31/396

**Disclaimer:** Every effort is made to accurately report these numbers. The official numbers are those recorded on the Post Lottery Payment Log Book by the Fund Raiser Chairman. The Post will not be responsible for typos in the newsletter.

**LOTTERY NEWS:** The Post Fundraiser for 2015 netted over \$3500 for our Baseball and Children and Youth activities. I am pleased to report that the 2016 Lottery has had the best sales we have had in quite some time. That means MORE Winners and MORE Net Proceeds for the Post. Thanks to everyone who is participating and good luck. Tickets are still available at the bar and will play from when the Lottery receives them, so if you still don't have your ticket in-get it in now. .

Respectfully Submitted,

*Terry Johnson PC*, Lottery Chairman

## COLOR GUARD REPORT

The next meeting of the Color Guard will be held on Thursday, February 18th, starting at 6:00 PM. If there are any changes you will be notified by Janice Hurley.

December and January have been quiet for us with the exception of Funerals for the Astafan, Ruffrage and Saccoia families. Our sympathies go out to their families.

As of this writing we have taken part in 73 Events and have given back to our local community 1200 hours of time. We are very proud of this.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Donald Wisnaski*, Historian

## NEW HARTFORD POST 1376

### LEGION RIDERS REPORT

The Post 1376 American Legion Riders are on Winter break at this time but we will have a brief meeting to be held Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 12:15. Please bring your ideas for 2016.

Also, your 2016 membership dues are now due. Just make your check out to the American Legion Riders Post #1376 - attn: Tom Liesch, and drop it off in our mailbox at the lounge; and please make sure that your name is with it so that you will receive your ID and receipt.

Please visit our face-book site... New Hartford American Legion Riders... or browse the website: [www.AmericanLegionRiders.net](http://www.AmericanLegionRiders.net), or national at [www.legion.org/riders](http://www.legion.org/riders).

For the Good of the Legion,

*Timothy Converse*, President

## SAL NEWS

The next meeting of the Son's of Post 1376 will be held on Wednesday, February 3rd starting at 7:00 PM.

Dues remain at \$20.00 and can be mailed to: Bob Byrd, 4 Foxcroft Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413 or put them in the SAL mailbox at the Post. Checks for dues can be made payable to SAL Post 1376. PLEASE NOTE; If you pay by cash, ask for a receipt and make sure your name is on the envelope. Also, if your address has changed please let me know so we can be sure you will receive your newsletter.

To all of our loyal members, we thank you for your support of our veterans and our Post.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Robert Byrd*, Adjutant

## GOLF REPORT

**CALLING ALL GOLFERS:** The Oneida County American Legion Golf League has openings for teams and individuals for the 2016 season. Play is Monday afternoons at Crystal Springs in Vernon, NY. The season is 16 weeks long and includes two outings and prizes. This league is one of the least expensive leagues to play in this area. The organizational meeting will be held at New Hartford Post on Monday, March 28, 2016 at 7 PM. If interested, please attend. For more information, contact Terry Johnson, PC at 797-8660 or Trevor Wheeler at 269-7854.



## *The New Hartford American Legion Ladies Auxiliary*

*Presents*

**The 3rd ANNUAL  
Wine Tasting  
FUNDRAISER**

**\$25 Per Ticket  
LIMITED TO  
225 TASTERS!**

**More than 20  
Wineries  
Participating!**

**Saturday, February 27, 2016**

**\$25 Wine Tasting  
6:00 – 9:00 pm**

Includes hors d'oeuvres and a  
Custom etched wine glass

**New Hartford American Legion  
8616 Clinton St.  
New Hartford, NY 13413**



*To Benefit  
Sitrin's  
Military  
Rehabilitation  
Program*

*Sponsored by  
**SENECA**  
Wine & Liquors  
&  
**SMITH PACKING  
COMPANY***

*- To Purchase Tickets -*

**Contact: Monica Lawendowski - President Ladies Auxiliary @ 723-0504  
Or**

**Cheryl Jassak - Sitrin Special Events / Planning Associate @ 737-2245**

### **BOY SCOUT REPORT**

On Sunday January 24th I attended the Eagle Court of Honor for Troop 4's newest Eagle Brandon Wilbur which was held at the First United Methodist Church in New Hartford. Brandon is our 65th Eagle Scout & I extended my best wishes and congratulations along with those from Commander Fountain and NH Post #1376. For his Eagle project Brandon was in charge building raised garden boxes for the Brookside assisted living community in Clinton. Eagle Scout is the highest youth achievement in Scouting and requires many hours of dedicated work to complete. Scouts looking to earn Eagle need to complete 21 merit badges as well as plan, coordinate and lead the execution of a service project to fulfill the community service requirement which Brandon has done rather nicely.

Yours in Scouting,  
*Rick Watkajtyz, Post Scout Chairman*

### **THE QUEEN OF HEARTS REPORT**

The Queen of Hearts is at \$19,029 as of January 20, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Bill Brucato, Manager*

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Our next membership meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 3, 2016 starting at 7:00 PM.

We currently have 748 members paid so far, which includes 29 new members. This gives us 85% of our quota of 880.

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8616 Clinton St.  
New Hartford, NY 13413-3400

**NOTICE!!!**

Please be aware that our dues have been increased \$5.00 to \$40.00, effective January 1, 2016. This increase is due to National raising their portion of dues received from each Post by \$5.00 at their Convention back in August of 2015.

New Hartford American Legion Post 1376 would like to welcome the following new members to our Post. Please welcome: David L. Lashbrook and William H. Karn.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Janet Keesler & Rand Kennedy*  
Post Membership Chairpersons

**TAPS**

New Hartford American Legion Post 1376 regrets to report that the following members have left us:

**FAY W. BRANDIS  
ED RUFFAGE**

**GRANT THEM ETERNAL REST O'LORD**