

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

**JANUARY**

**NEWSLETTER**

**2016**

**DATES**

1st-New Years Day  
5th-Board of Directors Meeting-6:30 PM  
5th-Auxiliary Meeting-6:30 PM  
6th-Executive Board Meeting-6:30 PM  
6th-SAL Meeting-7:00 PM  
12th- Tuesday Night Dinner  
Serving 4:00—7:00 PM  
18th-Oneida County Legion Meeting @  
New Hartford Post 1376- 7:00 PM  
20th-Post Membership Meeting-7:00 PM  
21st-Post Color Guard Meeting-6:00 PM  
22nd-24th-Mid Winter Conference-Albany

**COMMANDER'S MESSAGE**

We are beginning a new year with plans to make our post more enjoyable to all of the members. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who made our events last year a success. If there is something you would like to see happen please attend the membership meeting and make your feelings known. There are plans to try a few new things this year so keep your eyes on the bulletin boards and newsletter. Events will also be posted on our Facebook page. Winter is here and if you are looking for a place to eat and enjoy yourselves afterwards why not come to the post. John Dooley has an expanded menu with specials every Friday night and after that there is music downstairs. Let's support our events. I would like to see a better attendance at our monthly membership meetings. This is your post learn what is really going on at this meeting, you may be able to determine which rumor is real or false. I look forward to a fun year!

For the Good of the Legion,  
*Gary Fountain*, Post Commander

**AUXILIARY NEWS**

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be on Tuesday, January 5th starting at 6:30 PM.

The Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who participated in our annual Christmas Cookie Tray

**Raffle.**

The winners will be posted in February's newsletter since raffle was not drawn at the time of submission. You may also check the board in the lounge.

The Post Children's Christmas Party was held Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The children had a great time making headbands and ornaments. A visit from Santa was enjoyed by all along with the reading of 'Twas the Night Before Christmas by Mrs. Claus. A heartfelt thank you to Cheryl & Ron Bowen for doing such a great job! I also want to thank all the auxiliary members for their commitment of making this another success.

The annual Veteran's Christmas Party was held Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Area nursing homes brought veterans to a luncheon from 12:00-2:00pm. The Christmas season is when many of our vets are alone and we enjoy giving them some holiday cheer. Good conversation and laughter was held by all.

Ladies, our bake sale at the Tues Night Dinners have started. 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.

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!!

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.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

*Monica Lawendowski*, President

**A GET WELL SOON NOTE!**

Monica Lawendowski, Auxiliary President's, husband Gary recently under went major surgery. Our Best Wishes for a full recovery.

## COLOR GUARD REPORT

The next meeting of the Color Guard will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2016, starting at 6:00 PM.

Our Unit did services for the Bello, Cellini, Giffune and Stys families. Our sympathies go out to their families.

During the final weeks of this Fall we have been very active doing events at the 40-8, Sitrin Home, Clinton Holiday Parade, Pearl Harbor Day, Naturalization at the Federal Courthouse and the Veterans Christmas Party at the Post. We have enjoyed this Fall.

At this time we have given back to our community 1160 hours of service while participating in 71 functions. As always we are very proud of this.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Donald Wisnoski*, Historian

## POST LOTTERY REPORT

NOVEMBER 2015

### LOTTERY NUMBERS

DATE-NUMBER

1-226 2-046 3-848 4-721 5-023 6-048 7-757 8-575 9-213 10-034 11-810 12-973 13-167 14-933 15-635 16-509 17-118 18-084 19-836 20-665 21-764 22-269 23-035 24-732 25-021 26-Post Closed 27-362 28-974 29-598 30-552

**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:** To date, 2016 Lottery Tickets have been going well. Every Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL address that we have on file at the Post should have received a ticket in late October. If you have not yet bought or sold your ticket and returned the stub and money, do so now as the new tickets start playing on January 1, 2016. All tickets will play from when they are received by the Lottery Chairman. If you did not receive a ticket or wish to buy or sell additional tickets, they are available at the bar or by contacting Terry at 797-8660 or at [eveman@adelphia.net](mailto:eveman@adelphia.net). Please return your blank ticket if you are not going to buy or sell it as we do not have a lot of extras since we mailed out so many. We still offer a free 2017 membership if you sell 10 or more. A free Tuesday

dinner in 2016 for selling 5 tickets. Special thanks to all the "early bird" ten plus ticket sellers who got their tickets in by December 1: Heather Wisnoski, Linda Cienava, Terry Johnson, Francis Perkins, Ray Zdanowicz, and Susanne Burkhardt.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Terry Johnson* PC, Lottery Chairman

## SAL NEWS

The next meeting of the Son's of Post 1376 will be held on Wednesday, January 6th, starting at 7:00 PM.

Membership renewals for 2016, are going well. We have over 450 members, who have paid their dues for 2016, If you don't have a membership card that has 2016, on it, you owe your 2016 dues. Dues are twenty dollars. You can put your dues in the S A L Mailbox at the Post or you can also send them to Bob Byrd, 4 Foxcroft Rd. New Hartford, N.Y. 13413. If you pay by check, make it out to S.A. L. Post 1376. Have a great Christmas and a Safe and Healthy New Year.

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

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Robert Byrd*, Adjutant

## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Our Post awards two scholarships each year. One goes to a graduating senior from New Hartford High School and one goes to a child or grandchild of a Post 1376 member. This includes the Auxiliary and the SAL as well as the Legion.

Scholarship applications will be available at the Bar after the 1st of the year. The last day to submit an application is April 1st.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Ron Quimette*, Chairman

## QUEEN OF HEARTS UPDATE

The Queen of Hearts is at \$13,661 as of December 10, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Bill Brucato*, Manager

## A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

As you have noticed, our Post Newsletter has been shortened quite a bit.

I have received several comments with members voicing their dissatisfaction with the current newsletter and the way it is published. I have been doing our newsletter for over 13 years and I agree with them, but with the cost of the newsletter by US Mail the Executive Board of this Post decided that this is what they want in order to realize a cost savings. The following is an e-mail sent to me by the commander dated November 7th when I asked what the Board wanted:

Fred,

“As discussed in our board meeting. The minutes reflect what the BOARD wanted, shorten, no humor, no pictures, and do not rewrite articles, pertinent information only. I will submit the Commander's message 1 day late, because I want to wait until Veteran's day is over.”

I would suggest that you contact the commander or any member of the Executive Board and they can answer any questions you may have.

In Service to Our Post,

*Fred Williams*, Post Member

## AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS REPORT

The Post 1376 American Legion Riders are on winter break at this time. The next official meeting will be held in March 2016 after a quick start up meeting in February - details to follow.

2016 membership dues are now due. Just use our mailbox in the lounge; please make sure that your name is on it so that you will receive your ID and receipt.

Feel free to visit our facebook site... New Hartford American Legion Riders ... or the state...

[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,

*Tim Converse*, President

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Our next membership meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 20, 2015 starting at 7:00 PM.

We currently have 727 members paid so far, which includes 28 new members. This gives us 82% of our quota of 880.

New Hartford American Legion Post 1376 would like to welcome the following new members to our Post. Please welcome: John S. Robertson, Charles R. Wilson Jr., Donald W. Long, Eunice D. Hanson, Bernard Solan, Janek Mruczek, and Robert C. Liadkq.

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:

LAWRENCE CELLINI  
KENNETH GIFFUNE  
GEORGE N. DEBEJIAN  
LEONARD R. MAIDA  
DONALD M. WEISSFLOG

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