

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

MARCH	NEWSLETTER	2016
<p style="text-align: center;">DATES</p> <p>1st-Auxiliary Meeting-6:30 PM 1st-Board of Directors Meeting-6:30 PM 2nd-Executive Board Meeting-6:30 PM 2nd-SAL Meeting-7:00 PM 8th-Tuesday Night Dinner Serving 4:00—7:00 PM 16th Post Membership Meeting-7:00 PM 17th-Post Color Guard Meeting-6:00 PM 21st- Oneida County Legion Meeting@ Sylvan Beach Post 1153-7:30 PM</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 them off at the Post in the Auxiliary mailbox in the lounge area. If you have not already renewed, you are now delinquent. Any questions, please call Janice Hurley @ 735-2633. Don't forget to tell your family, friends, and co-workers about this great organization! Applications are available by the stairway in pamphlet holder. Help us make our 100% goal!!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">COMMANDER'S MESSAGE</p> <p>As I sit here writing this it is hard to believe that by the time you get this it will be March. The time has flown by. There are new ideas that the board's are working on to bring more people out to enjoy our post. The Super Bowl party was a success. The Cans and Clams night was a big success. We are planning on more of these. There was Karaoke on a Sat. night that I am sure was a success. There are more events in the works so keep an eye to the message TV at the bar. We are also making plans for fund raisers. We need to do work on the parking lot and other items. The fund raisers will be well advertised and we can use all the help we can get. Please volunteer if you see an event that you are interested in. In closing, we are still not getting the attendance at our legion membership meetings that is necessary to pass any business. I hear complaints from individuals around the bar but never see them at the meeting to voice their complaint. It would be great to see more than 10 to 15 people attend these meetings. Please support YOUR post.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For the Good of the Legion, <i>Gary Fountain</i>, Post Commander</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AUXILIARY NEWS</p> <p>The next meeting of the Auxiliary will take place on Tuesday, March 1st starting at 6:30 PM. We welcome and encourage all our new and current members to attend.</p>		<p>The 3rd annual wine tasting event was a huge success, and we were able to help keep this much needed program going. This program provides comprehensive care for service members and veterans who have post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injuries, amputations, spinal cord injuries and other combat-related conditions. This program is funded solely by the generosity of the community and other donors. Sitrin does not receive any state or federal aid. Service members or veterans who choose to be treated at Sitrin do not pay anything for their care, not even a co-pay. This is one of the reasons why your contributions are so important!! A heartfelt thank you to all who generously supported the wine tasting event. A special thank you to the Legion, Sons and Riders for their time and sponsorships, and my hard working team of ladies who go above and beyond to make it all happen. I am proud to be a member of the New Hartford American Legion Family!!</p> <p>We also have glasses left over from the wine tasting for purchase. This year the soldiers field cross is etched on them. Please see Janice Hurley or myself. Donations: \$6/pc or 4/\$20</p> <p>Ladies, please do not forget our bake sales at the Tues 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>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>

The New Hartford Auxiliary Unit 1376 would like to welcome the following new members to our Unit.

Please Welcome: Jane Tarkowski, Ashley Likki, Patricia Lekki, Patricia Manley, Darcel Excell, Cynthia Gatesman, and Sharon Felicita.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Monica Lawendowski, President

POST LOTTERY REPORT JANUARY 2016 LOTTERY NUMBERS DATE/NUMBER

1/298 2/804 3/988 4/356 5/872 6/024 7/560 8/566
9/845 10/630 11/455 12/347 13/899 14/773 15/285
16/433 17/467 18/202 19/005 20/888 21/056 22/868
23/151 24/315 25/278 26/795 27/770 28/400 29/452
30/832 31/068

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.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Johnson PC, Lottery Chairman

COLOR GUARD REPORT

The next meeting of the Color Guard will be held on Thursday, March 17th, starting at 6:00 PM. If there are any changes you will be notified by Janice Hurley.

This winter has been slow for us with a Naturalization Ceremony at the Federal Courthouse in Utica and the changing of the Post's main flag.

So far this year we have taken part in 7 Events with 62 hours of service time. As always we are very proud of service to our Community.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donald Wisnoski, Historian

THE QUEEN OF HEARTS REPORT

The Queen of Hearts is at \$27,775 as of February 18, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Brucato, Manager

NEW HARTFORD POST 1376 LEGION RIDERS REPORT

The first official meeting of the Riders will take place on March 20th at 12:15 PM at our Post.

Just the officers will be getting together this month as it is not necessary for All Riders & Supporters to attend.

Then April will bring us the nominations for office and in May the elections, along with our first ride of the season, followed by the Memorial Day Parades. (So think of warm weather ahead.)

At this time we are asking for your help. We have secured permission to raffle off a TV and tickets will be available ASAP. Please consider helping us sell tickets as quickly as possible. (There are only 100 tickets @ \$10 each so this should not be a problem)

Please visit our face-book site... New Hartford American Legion Riders... or browse the website: www.AmericanLegionRiders.net, or national at 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, March 2nd 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

BOY SCOUT REPORT

Troop #4 plans to present their 2016-2017 Organizational Charter to Commander Fountain at the Post's March membership meeting. Once again American Legion Post #1376 was very generous with their annual donation to the Boy Scout Troop #4 and many thanks are extended to both the Post and its membership for always keeping Scouting

as one of their top priorities. The annual donation was approved at the January membership meeting. On that same night I received yet another check donation for Troop #4 from Adjutant Bob Byrd and the Son's of Post 1376 which will serve to help offset any other 2016 monetary deficiencies in Troop #4's 2016 budget. The Troop as well as myself commends both our Legion and Son's for both their monetary and moral support throughout the years. The sense of common purpose with respect to Troop #4 exhibited by our Legion and Son's is what Esprit De Corps is all about!

Yours in Scouting,
Rick Watkajtyz, Post Scout Chairman

NOTICE!!

At the February 2, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting it was decided to raise the price of our monthly Tuesday Night Dinners to \$10.00. Also approved at this meeting was to increase the price of food served downstairs 25 cents. These increases will take effect starting April 1st.

Post 1376 Board of Directors,
Terry Tesak, Chairman

NOTICE TO ALL OFFICERS AND LEGION MEMBERS

Anyone wishing to run for the two open seats on the Board of Directors this year or to run for a position on the Executive Board are required to do so in writing and give to Adjutant Vic Gazzilli before the April membership meeting to be held on April 20, 2016. You may give them to me personally or leave them in the Adjutant's box or leave at the bar. Please consider to be more involved in our legion. It is a great Post and we are trying to make it better and better. No nominations will be accepted after the April meeting. Voting will take place on May 18, 2016.

Vic Gazzilli will poll all officers at the March members meeting and continue to accept nominations until the meeting in April. Please be advised that in order to run for Post Commander, you must have served on the executive board for at least one year.

For The Good of the Legion,
Vic Gazzilli, Adjutant

NOTICE

The following is a letter to the Post Commander that was presented to the members at the January 20, 2016 Membership Meeting concerning our Post By-Laws. These proposals will again be published in the April Newsletter and voted upon at the May 18, 2016 Membership Meeting.

Commander Fountain,

I would like to propose two amendments or a change to our New Hartford American Legion Post 1376 By-Laws dated January 2016.

First,

Any member who wishes to run for elected board member for either Executive Board or Board of Directors must be able to attend more than half the years meetings. Medical reason will be the only eligible excuse.

Second,

Any lifetime New Hartford American Legion membership or any free membership should be brought in front of the full Membership meeting. Membership should listen to the reasoning of free membership and vote on each one individually. No one single person IE Commander or any of the two Boards-Executive or Board of Directors member should not offer any free membership for any reason.

Thank You,
Terry Tesak

NH AMERICAN LEGION POST 1376 CORNERED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

Tuesday March 8, 2016

Dinner includes Potatoes, Salad, Bread,
Coffee & Tea

Serving 4-7 PM—Donation \$9.00\
Inside Dining & Take Out Available
Call 736-7041

Visit us @ [www.newhartfordamerican
legionpost 1376.com](http://www.newhartfordamericanlegionpost1376.com)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Our next membership meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 starting at 7:00 PM.

We currently have 771 members paid so far, which includes 34 new members. This gives us 87% of our quota of 880.

New Hartford American Legion
8616 Clinton St.
New Hartford, NY 13413-3400

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Cont.)

New Hartford American Legion Post 1376 would like to welcome the following new members to our Post. Please welcome: Ronald Sacco, Taran Smith, Bradley Bohling, and James Hawley Jr.

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:

**JOHN F. STONE
SAM J. SACCOIA
RICHARD L. WHITE**

GRANT THEM ETERNAL REST O'LORD