



THE BOUTON BUGLE



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CALENDAR – DEC 2018

Sat	Dec 1	4 pm - 7 pm	Legion Buffet for WinterFest
Sun	Dec 2		Small room rental
	Dec 2		Bell Ringing, Salvation Army at ShurSave. Sign up at the Post, one hour shifts
Mon	Dec 3	7:30 pm	SAL meeting
Tues	Dec 4	7 pm	Boy Scouts, Troop 13
Wed	Dec 5	7:30 pm	Legion Board of Trustees meeting
	Dec 5	6 pm	Wednesday Pub Food
	Dec 5	6:30 pm	Dart League
Sat	Dec 8	5 pm - 9 pm	Trumansburg Robotics Dinner
Sun	Dec 9		Bell Ringing, Salvation Army at ShurSave. Sign up at the Post, one hour shifts
Mon	Dec 10	7:30 pm	Legion Membership meeting
Wed	Dec 12	6 pm	Fruit Baskets & Caroling with the Scouts, Juniper Manor, meet at the Post
	Dec 12	6 pm	Wednesday Pub Food
	Dec 12	6:30 pm	Dart League
Fri	Dec 14	5:30 pm - 8 pm	Legion Friday Night Fish Fry
Sat	Dec 15		Red Cross Blood Drive
	Dec 15		Veterans Open House, Benefits Forum
Sun	Dec 16	1 pm - 3 pm	Children's Holiday Party
Tues	Dec 18	7 pm	Boy Scouts, Troop 13
	Dec 18	7 pm	Auxiliary Holiday Party
Wed	Dec 19	12 pm	Senior Citizens Holiday Luncheon
	Dec 19	7:30 pm	Legion Board of Trustees meeting
Thurs	Dec 20	5 pm	Pot Roast Dinner by Auxiliary
Mon	Dec 24	4 pm - 6 pm	Christmas Eve Open House
Tues	Dec 25	POST CLOSED	MERRY CHRISTMAS
Mon	Dec 31		NEW YEAR'S EVE
Tues	Jan 1	POST OPEN	HAPPY NEW YEAR

NEWSLETTER:

Contact Lee Stepp or Patrick Richar via website at www.Post770.com or call the Legion at (607) 387-4212

Newsletter Deadline:
15th of the Month

- If you have news or information to share with veterans and members of the post send the details along via email to news@post770.com or the postal address below.
- Questions? Concerns? Want to be notified as soon as the newsletter is online? Please let Patrick Richar, our newsletter producer, know via the contact form at www.Post770.com or via the postal address below.
- For missing dates & times, please check our website or call the Post during business hours.

Upcoming Events:			
Jan 13	2 pm	Bingo with Veterans at Bath VA Residence	
Jan 19	2 pm sign up	January Cornhole Tournament	

Post Hours			
Monday	2 pm - 9 pm	Saturday	2 pm - 11 pm
Tuesday - Thursday	4 pm - 9 pm	Sunday	1 pm - 6 pm
Friday	4 pm - 11 pm		

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

For current event information seek us out on Facebook and join American Legion – Post 770, Trumansburg, NY
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1382301362099616/>

Sunday, December 2 and December 9, Legion Volunteers needed for Annual Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. Sign up at the Post for 1 hour shifts.

Children’s Holiday Party is Sunday, December 16th, 1 pm - 3 pm. Ages 0-12. Sign up at the Post or call 607-387-4212 by December 12th.

Come out and enjoy a Pot Roast dinner, Thursday, December 20th, 5 pm - sponsored by the Auxiliary.

Auxiliary Holiday Party is December 18th at 7 pm. Bring a snack and a \$10 gift to exchange and enjoy. The Auxiliary will also be wrapping gifts for our Holiday Family.

Friday Night Fish Fry and Steak Dinner: December 14th, 5:30 pm - 8 p.m. Join us and enjoy your meal while supporting the legion. Dinner includes salad bar, dinner roll, choice of baked potato or French fries, and homemade desserts. Fish for \$12.00, NY Strip Steak for \$14.00, and Chicken Tenders for \$6.00. Prices include tax.

Walk of Honor: Contact the Post to purchase a brick (\$77) for your veteran loved one for the Post Walk of Honor.

For veterans benefits visit this site: <http://www.benefits.va.gov/benefits/>
 More info at: <http://www.post770.com/veterans-benefits.htm>

For Suicide Prevention: https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/suicide_prevention/

Current VA reporting indicates that an average of 20.6 suicides every day. Of those, 16.8 were veterans and 3.8 were active-duty service members, guardsmen and reservists, the report states. That amounts to 6,132 veterans and 1,387 service members who died by suicide in one year.
 Source: <https://www.military.com/daily-news/2018/06/21/va-reveals-its-veteran-suicide-statistic-included-active-duty-troops.html>

Please reach out to Veterans & Service members at all times of the year but especially during the holidays. Send suitable packages to oversees / deployed service members that are away from family during the holidays. Send appreciation of the sacrifices that are made on our behalf.

To learn about Scouting visit: <https://beascout.scouting.org>

Our Troops Abroad – please keep the Post up-to-date on our troops abroad by providing names and addresses. Thank you.

DD Form 214 - All members who have not placed a copy of their DD214 on file with the Legion are requested to do so.

Membership – please renew your membership and encourage other eligible veterans to join. We all know how important our membership is and how important it is to support your Legion. Dues are \$35.

Post Honor Guard - If interested in helping to honor our fallen members with this important function, please call Phil Colvin at (607) 351-7394 for information.

Newsletter – please share your news with the members via the newsletter. Send items to Patrick, our publisher, at: newsletter@post770.com.

MEMBERSHIP

- Dues for 2019 now accepted (\$35). 144 paid to-date, quota 209. The AL new fiscal year started July 1 and dues were due by Aug. 1st. Send dues payable to Post 770, PO Box 456, Trumansburg, NY 14886. Check to see if you have a 2018 card. If not, send in your dues ASAP for continuous membership 2018 and 2019.
- **HONOR GUARD HELP!**
Post 770 is requesting assistance from Veterans within our community to assist with our honor guard from February through April 2019. Please volunteer for the following positions:
 - Bugler (pre-recorded device used)
 - Firer (need three volunteers)
 - Chaplain



Please contact Phil Colvin at 607-351-7394.

COMMANDER'S CORNER

American Legion Post 770 has been informed that an anonymous donor has offered to match donations to the Post up to \$5,000.00 if those donations are made prior to Christmas Day 2018!

Here are two ways to participate in this:

1. Send a check to the post made out to "American Legion Post 770" and write in the memo line "Christmas Donation Challenge" (Address: American Legion Post 770, P.O. Box 770, Trumansburg, NY 14886)
2. Go onto our Post's webpage (<http://www.post770.com>) and click on "Post 770 Online Store" - that will take you to a page with several donation options (<https://squareup.com/store/arthur-e-bouton-american-legion-post-770>) that can be made using a credit card. If you choose "Christmas Donation Challenge" you will be able to donate and have your donation matched.

Please take advantage of this generous offer. Merry Christmas to you and yours.

New Members, Community Initiatives & Volunteers are always welcome! – Please see below for ways you can volunteer:

- Help with a fish fry, dinner or breakfast. Fish Fries are every 2nd Friday of the month. Breakfasts can be scheduled with involvement of a solid crew to run them.
- For Youth & Community Groups: We offer that you partner up with the American Legion for your next fundraiser in an effort to help your organization while keeping the money within our local community. Seek us out, we can likely do far better locally than partnering with organizations outside of our community.
- Volunteer a few hours here and there as a bartender. We'll train you.
- Organize a community event at the Post. We're up for new ideas in an effort to provide fun activities for the community at the post. Ideas are great but someone to organize an event are needed as well.
- With more volunteer involvement, we can offer more programs which will benefit the community.

Other ways to assist Post 770:

If you have the skills indicated in the list below, we would love for you to volunteer in an effort to help.

- Newsletter Preparation

- Social media coordination / promotion of events
- Audit experience (we have an annual audit to perform and would like to avoid additional costs if possible)
- Carpentry, HVAC, Plumbing, Electrical, Painting, Masonry, Locksmith experience. (We can always use help maintaining the facility.)
- Snow Plowing / Lawn Mowing (Volunteers could help offset the costs of these monthly expenses)
- Grant Writing experience. (Help us to find applicable grants and aid in the pursuit of opportunities way may not be realizing presently.)
- Appraisal services (If someone with the experience would volunteer to aid us in determining the current value of the Post we would be grateful.)
- Food preparation, servers

ATTENTION VETERANS: Sheen Housing offers a Veterans Access to Home Grant available for owner occupied single family homeowners in Schuyler, Seneca and Tompkins Counties. For more information please contact (585) 657-4114 or via email at sheen2@rochester.rr.com

Thank you to the Vice Commander Stacie VanDeusen for your continued service to our country.
Thank you to Sarah Short for thinking of our active duty members serving overseas at this time of year and for your care package for Zachary Yaw.

Lee Stepp
Commander
Arthur E. Bouton American Legion Post 770

MILITARY NEWS

- Our thoughts are with the troops!
- Welcome Home to those soldiers returning from combat duty.
- Send info to share about soldiers serving via email to news@post770.com.





AUXILIARY NEWS

Meetings:

Dec 18	7:30 pm
Jan 8	7:30 pm

- Dues are due (\$25 for seniors, \$5 for juniors [under 18]). Please mail payment payable to Unit 770, American Legion Auxiliary to: Dawn Smith, 26 Cayuga St., Trumansburg, NY 14886. Our quota is 117. Paid to-date 60 [57 seniors, 3 juniors]. If you have not paid for the membership year 2018 please do quickly for continuous membership, the 2019 membership year began July 1, 2018.
- Be sure to review the calendar and announcements for other Legion functions. Come, enjoy, and support your Legion.
- Come out and enjoy the Friday Night Fish Fry, December 14th, 5:30 pm - 8 pm, to support your Legion.
- Thank you to all who are baking desserts for our Dinners.
- The Children's Holiday Party is Sunday, December 16th, 1 pm -3 pm. Ages 0-12. Sign up at the Post or call 607-387-4212 by December 12th.
- The Auxiliary Holiday Party is December 18th at 7 pm. Bring a snack and a \$10 gift to exchange and enjoy. The Auxiliary will also be wrapping gifts for our Holiday Family.
- Come out and enjoy a Pot Roast dinner, Friday, December 20th, 5 pm sponsored by the Auxiliary.
- BINGO with the Veterans at the Bath VA Residence, Sunday, January 13th, 2 pm. The Auxiliary is sponsoring Bingo for the Bath VA Residents. Legion and SAL invited to join the Auxiliary. The event is voluntary and interested individuals need to provide their own transportation and costs.
- Enjoy a Happy and Safe Holiday Season.

– Marge Bennett, Historian



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

- Dues for 2019 are \$20 (\$8 for Junior members). If you haven't paid your dues, please do.
- SAL t-shirts are still available. Get yours now.
- All SAL members are encouraged to attend the monthly meetings. Your voice is important. Please help us to help you.

CHAPLAINS CORNER


Please contact the Legion with news of loved ones for inclusion in the newsletter [members not feeling well, passing of loved ones, arrival of new children and grandchildren, accomplishments of our members. We would like to keep in contact.]

Taps:

Condolences to Legion member Bill Housworth who recently lost his sister, Bonnie White


Newsletter Sponsors:

Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri., 1-7pm
 Tues., Thurs., 5-7pm
 Saturday 1-4pm
 ALL other times by appointment



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