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## CALENDAR – SEPTEMBER 2013

Tues	Sept 3	7 pm	Auxiliary meeting
Wed	Sept 4	7:30 pm	Board meeting
Sat	Sept 7	All day	Carol's Ride [Banquet hall]
	Sept 7	12 pm – 4 pm	Baby Shower [small room]
Sun	Sept 8	1 pm	Legion Picnic at Raymond's Pond (subject to change – see below)
Mon	Sept 9	7:30 pm	Legion meeting
	Sept 9	7:30 pm	SAL meeting
Wed	Sept 11	12 pm	Senior Citizen's luncheon meeting
Fri	Sept 13	5:30 pm – 8 pm	Legion Fish Fry
Sat	Sept 14	12 pm till sold out	PeeWee Football Chicken & Ribs BBQ
Sat	Sept 21	9 am	Legion Golf Tournament [at Trumansburg Golf Course]
Sun	Sept 22	7:30 am – 11 am	Legion Breakfast
Mon	Sept 23	7:30 pm	Legion meeting
Wed	Sept 25	12 pm	Senior Citizen's Luncheon
	Sept 25	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Cub Scouts
Thurs	Sept 26	7:30 pm	Joint meeting
Fri	Sept 27	5:30 pm till sold out	SAL Pig Roast and Raffle Drawing for Grill

**Planning Ahead:** Oct 12 Early Bird Dinner  
Oct 19 SAL retreat

## SPECIAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Family Picnic** – The Legion family picnic is tentatively scheduled for September 8 – subject to change. Call the Legion at (607) 387-4212 to confirm the date.

**Early Bird Dinner** – Members with dues paid up by October 1<sup>st</sup> are guests of the Legion. Call the Legion for reservations.

**Legion Dues** – Annual dues will rise to \$35 per year as of January 1, 2014 due to increase from National.

**Grassroots** – Thank you to Renee Heroux and crews for making the food tent at the festival a very successful event.

### NEWSLETTER:

Contact John Daube or Patrick Richar via website [www.Post770.com](http://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](mailto:news@post770.com) or the postal address below.
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- For missing dates & times, please check our website or call the Post during business hours.

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**Trumansburg Fair** – Thank you to Don Smith and Lee Weaver and crews for making the fair food tent another successful event.

**Newsletter:** Thank you to Henry Van Ness for producing the Post newsletter for the past few years. Welcome to Patrick Richar for taking over the newsletter production effective with the current issue.

**Ithaca Gun Raffle:** Fred Asay donated his 1880-1990 Centennial Ithaca Gun, 12 Gauge, to be raffled as a fundraiser and a new tent was purchased. Congratulations to winner Jim Heroux and Thank You Fred.

**Well Wishes:** Speedy recovery wishes to Jim Heroux from his recent surgery.



## MEMBERSHIP

Our membership is currently at **279**, quota of **308**.

The AL new fiscal year started in July and dues were due by Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> for 2013 membership. Check to see if you have a 2013 card. If not, send in your dues ASAP! Thanks!



## AUXILIARY NEWS

### Meetings:

Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	7 pm
Oct 1 <sup>st</sup>	7 pm

- We made membership quota of 143 for the July 2012 – July 2013 campaign.
- Dues accepted now for 2013-2014. Seniors are \$25. Juniors under 18 are \$5.
- Sorry to say there was not a newsletter for July and August.
- Our Ladies Horseshoe Team [Sue, JJ, Joy and Marge] won first place again this season.
- Euchre will start again soon when the weather is cooler.
- Condolences to Chelsie Kenney on the loss of her Grandmother and to Billy and Amy Kenney on the loss of her mother Nancy MacCarrick.
- The Kindle raffle winner was Liz Jenner.
- We have raffle tickets for \$5 each for a Sunoco gas card [value \$300] to be drawn on October 1st.
- College Bound: Best wishes to Jamie Heroux as she begins her study at Elmira College.
- Aux Email: The Auxiliary is compiling a member email roster to keep interested members informed of Auxiliary projects and from time-to-time to request assistance with supporting functions and projects. Please help the Unit stay in touch and send your email address to Nan at: nan\_colvin@hotmail.com

Thank you to: Vickii Barry for Poppy Chairman  
Relay for Life Fund Raiser Event  
Grassroots and Fair Food Tent  
Poppy Princess Elexis Dew

-- Marge Bennett, Historian



## SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

- Our membership is currently at 12, quota of 60.
- All SAL members are encouraged to attend the monthly meetings. Your voice is important. Please help us to help you.
- Volunteers still needed for SAL functions and events.

## CHAPLAINS CORNER

**Sick Call:** n/a

**Taps:** **Sam Kramer (8/14/13)** -- Sam was a Staff Sergeant in World War II serving in Patton's 3rd Army, seeing combat in France, Belgium, Germany, and Central Europe. He was awarded several medals including the Bronze Star, German Occupation Medal, French Normandy Certificate, and the Conspicuous Service medal. In 2009, his military service was honored by the French government at a ceremony at the French Embassy, where he was awarded the Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, one of France's highest decorations.

**Doug Willis (4/12/13)** -- A Military Honors Tribute was held at his home on Saturday, August 17, 2013.

**Lewis Caveney**

**Bill Scott**

## 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](mailto:news@post770.com).

## HISTORY PETE'S CORNER

### Introduction to WWII in the Pacific

As crazy as it sounds today, Japan *wanted* war with the U.S! They believed war was the only solution to getting the U.S. Navy out of the way and to giving themselves a free hand to ravage southeast Asian and southwest Pacific nations in order to bring them under Japanese imperial rule and then steal their resources and build an iron ring of defenses around their home islands. One man, militaristic minded, Hideki Tojo, also known as "Razor Brain," like the grand poobah, held all the important offices - *prime minister, war minister, senior general of the army, and senior member of supreme council*. He believed that Americans were too decadent and too lazy to fight and that after a few quick defeats, would capitulate. He also believed that Japan's preemption of the US Navy at Pearl Harbor in 1941 would give them a 6-month head start before America could mount a response. His greatest mistake, however, like that of Germany and Italy, was to incorrectly assess America's great storehouse of resources and nearly limitless industrial capacity. Many of the ships damaged at Pearl Harbor were repaired and back in service by October 1944 when the U.S. completely destroyed the Japanese navy at Leyte Gulf. I will tell the story of the battle at Leyte Gulf at a later date. By 1943 the US had a brand new navy in the Pacific. Tojo also believed we would not be able to cope with the very long lines of communication. Not only did we meet our *own* needs, but we shipped millions of tons of food and war materials to England, Russia, and China under the *Lend Lease Act*. In the end, it was *Japan* who could not sustain their far-flung garrisons and redoubts. By war's end many thousands of Japanese had died of starvation and neglect because we had destroyed their merchant marine and their navy.

History Pete

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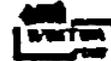
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