# CORNING AMERICAN LEGION

American Legion Commander:

**Russ Miller** 

**Auxiliary President:** 

#### Jennifer Patterson

SAL Commander: Tom Barto

Board of Directors President Tom Barto

Newsletter Editor: Russ Miller

### July 2021 HIGHLITES AT THE POST

MEETINGS

**BOD:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month 5:30 PM

**LEGION:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month 5:30 PM

**SAL:** 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month 6:00 PM

AUX: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 6:30 PM

### **Kitchen Hours**

Food Available Fri, 3:00-7:00 PM Sun, 12:00-3:00 PM

Fish Fry Fridays Dine in or Take Out 3:00-7:00 PM

# THE EATON EDITORIAL

The Newsletter of American Legion Post #746 for June 2021







### FROM THE POST COMMANDER

First, I would like to thank the Out-going Commander (OGC), Greg Jensen, for outstanding leadership over the past 3 years as Commander. I would also like to thank the Officers and members of the Aux and SAL for pulling together in unprecedented times. I'd like you to ponder for just a moment, on the expertise we have within our membership, with officials able to make a financial come-back during COVID-19. We have been able to rely on the unnamed individuals on the Bar



Committee, Game of Chance and all those throughout the Post to ensure our economically viability. Greg and his team made a monumental effort to get the Post back to financial stability. Many of our members and officers made sacrifices, in time and effort, to make this happen – and I'm pleased to say it finally has happened. Because of the diligence of others, we are now able to support the four pillars as never before. I cannot think of a better gift to the Post and Community than this.

I have 4 objectives during my time as Post Commander:

- 1). Ensure continued financial stability
- 2). Provide greater financial support of the 4 pillars
- 3). Increase membership numbers

4). Work more closely with other Veteran's organizations in the Corning area

On a personal note, like many of you I come from a family of proud veterans. My father and mother are both WWII Army veterans. My sense of patriotism, duty and service was instilled in me by them. They were proud of me when I joined the military (even though it was the Navy), and I am proud to continue my service as Commander of this Post, in their honor. I am looking forward to the next 12 months as Post Commander. I am sure we will have good days and bad days, and I am okay with that. Over the next 12 months it is important to remember we are on the same team working toward the same goal.

As you are aware I cannot be in all places all the time. If you see something you don't like or you think needs to be improved, come see me about it. I am always looking for a better way.

For God and Country,

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Russ Miller, Commander

Commander @CorningAmericanLegion.com



Greg Jensen Service Officer, Russ Miller Commander Melissa Bower-Schilberger 2nd Vice Bob Ohl 3rd Vice

# Memorial Day 2021

As many of you are aware Memorial Day for the Post is typically a weekend long event including placing flags on over 3,300 graves of Veterans at 13 cemeteries in southeastern Steuben County. On Memorial Day the Post Honor Guard also renders honors at several local cemeteries and holds it's annual remembrance ceremony.

This year, we had a tremendous outpouring of support by the community and other local Veterans organization. Corning Inc. C-Vets, BSA Troops 63, 79 and Pack 79, along with our AUX and SAL members help place flag. The Crystal City VFW Post 524 and its AUX took delivery of and posted 1,200 flags also. I would like to personally thank all of you especially Frank Williamee, who typically coordinates this event, for helping us fulfill our obligation to our fallen comrades.

The remembrance ceremony at the Post was also a success largely do to the efforts of others. Bob Ohl was able to get Fr. Jones and NYS Assemblymen Phil Palmesano to speak on behalf of our fallen comrade Fr. Lew Brown. Fr. Brown's brother, George, also spoke at the ceremony. We had a great rendition of the National Anthem and God Bless America by Timothy Skarbek and echo taps by Joe McKenna and his son. As usual, our bagpiper Steve Monroe did an outstanding rendition of Amazing Grace. I have had the honor of chairing this committee for several years and I believe each year the event has improve, not because of my leadership, but because of the great individuals we have at this Post and in the community who make sure things get done.



# **Ritual Team Update**

From May 1st, 2021 - June 30th, 2021 the Ritual Team participate in 34 events/funerals honoring veterans. Since January 1st, 2021 the team has has accumulated 1,312 volunteer hours. Dick Naylor has amassed 375hrs, Bobby Rockwell 256hrs, Gerry McDonald 191hrs and Frank Williamee 120hrs. The total hours volunteered by these individuals makes up 71.7% of the total hours volunteered. Gentlemen thank you for your continued support. The Ritual Team currently has 22 active members on its duty roster. Many of the volunteers have full-time jobs and cannot participate as they would like, so please consider volunteering to become a Ritual team member.



Woodlawn National Cemetery Memorial Day Observance Dick Naylor, Dave Warunek, Bob Ohl , Frank Williamee, Les Hampton

DATE	NAME	AME DUTY LOCATION		BRANCH
05/01/21	Thomas J. & Mildred E. Doody	Funeral	Corning, St. Mary's Cemetery	Navy
05/04/21	Robert J. Mills	Funeral	Fremont, Stephens Mills Cemetery	Air Force
05/05/21	Edward L. Holmes	Funeral	Woodhull Cemetery	Navy
05/06/21	Paul A. Dykeman, Sr.	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Army
05/07/21	John J. Roof	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Air Force
05/10/21	Steven J. Olmstead	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Air Force
05/10/21	Hammon L. Sly, Jr.	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Army
05/15/21	Eugene A. Randall	Funeral	Presho Cemetery	Marine
05/18/21	Joseph A. Vieira	Funeral	Corning, St. Mary's Cemetery	Army
05/19/21	Ritual Team	Training	Corning Legion Post 746	_
05/20/21	Delbert C. Power	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Marine
05/21/21	Fallen Police Officers' Memorial	Rifles	Steuben Co. Sheriff's Dept., Bath	_
05/22/21	Willard R. Grant	Funeral	Painted Post, Victory Hiway Church	Air Force
05/27/21	Arthur E. Hann, Jr.	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Army
05/28/21	Justin G. Waring	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Army
05/31/21	Memorial Day Ceremony	Rifles	Elmira, Woodlawn National Cemetery	_
05/31/21	Memorial Day Parade	Military vehicles	Elmira Memorial Day Parade	_
05/31/21	Memorial Day Ceremony	Rifles	Corning Legion Post 746	_
06/05/21	Wallace L.Twist	Funeral	Knoxville, Pa, Riverside Cemetery	Army
06/08/21	Willis H. Barney, Jr.	Funeral	Bath, Nondaga Cemetery	Army
06/10/21	Change of Command Ceremony	Colors	Corning Legion Post 746	_
06/11/21	Richard A. Eygabroat	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Navy
06/11/21	Darrell D. Wilson	Funeral	Addison, Rural Cemetery	Navy
06/12/21	Richard C. Gerbes	Funeral	Canisteo, Cline Hill Road residence	Marine
06/14/21	Ronald W. Mayer	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Army
06/15/21	James E. Brugger	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Marine
06/15/21	Duane L. Scouten	Funeral	Corning, Hope Cemetery	Marine
06/17/21	Richard Wenzel, Jr.	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Marine
06/18/21	Leon E. Kegresse	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Army
06/18/21	Simon A. St. Laurent	Funeral	Corning, Hope Cemetery Annex	Navy
06/19/21	George R. Brewster	Funeral	Corning, St. Mary's Church	Army
06/23/21	Ritual Team	Training	Corning Legion Post 746	_
06/25/21	James E. Hart	Funeral	Bath National Cemetery	Marine
06/30/21	Richard K. Morseman	Funeral	Tuscarora, Addison Hill Cemetery	Army

### RITUAL TEAM DUTIES & EVENTS 2021

# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

2021-2022 Election on of Legion Auxiliary Officers

We are hoping for a great year with our new Ladies Auxiliary Officers;

President: Jennifer Patterson 1st Vice President: Ann Pierce 2nd Vice President: Joyce Nehring Secretary: Elizabeth Mashanic Treasurer: Mary Ann Mineo

We would like to thank our past officers for the last 2 years. Through all of COVID-19 we were able to reach our 226 goal for membership. Welcome to our new members!

As an Auxiliary group we are hoping to do many great things through the year. Dinners will be starting back up in the fall. Bingo with Kim Schreppel will be coming back in the fall starting in October.

If any of our Auxiliary members would like to volunteer for anything we do please contact a board member!

Meetings will start back-up in September!

Jennifer Patterson



Swai (like Catfish) - \$10+tax Haddock - \$12+tax Perch - \$10+tax Sea*fo*od Platter - \$15+tax Chicken Tenders - \$10+tax

Friday Fish

Dinner – Fish, Cole Slaw, and Roll \*\* Choice of two sides: Mac 'n' Cheese, French Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Onion Rings or Seasoned Green Beans

\*\*\*\*Extra side - \$2.50 \*\*\*\*

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Call: 607-329-8635

3:00 PM — 7:00 PM American Legion - 8 River Road, Corning



# Proud Possessors of a priceless heritage we male descendants of veterans associate ourselves as "Sons of The American Legion"

The SAL does not meet during months of July and August. Our next meeting is Sept.13, 2021. Below is the list of SAL Officers for 2021-22:

> Commander - Thomas Barto 1st Vice - Dave Shaddock 2nd Vice - Jim Ely 3rd Vice - Zain Schoonover Treasurer - Harold Cutler Sgt.at Arms - Frank Croft Chaplain - Joe McKenna Historian - Richard Stirpe Adjutant - Brad Aulin



Tom Barto SAL Commander 2021-22

The SAL held a golf tournament last week to generate income to support the four pillars. The event was well attended and a great success. We would like to thank all of our sponsors and participants.

# CORNING SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

# GOLF TOURNAMENT

#### Thank You To All Our Sponsors !!

**Buds & Blossoms** Chilson Wilcox **Corning Goodyear** Willow Creek Golf Course **Tops Riverside** Tallman's **Oil Express Gang Mills Miniers Big Flats Corning Country Club** Village Pizza and Subs **Crystal Lanes** New Image Salon Park Ave **Cutlers Carpet and Tile** Indian Hills Golf Course **Bath Country Club** Mizzy **Ryan distributors** 

Ted Clark's Waverly **Tom Barto** Seneca Distributors Sean Eighmy- Stinger Sports Streeter Associates Jim Ely **Ryan Distributors** Serendipity Hair Salon Picnic Pizza Sue Fowler R & M Forever My Emma Sit n Bull A L George Distributors **Coons Sit N Sleep** Palace Theater Swanny's Garage Caton

Our thanks also to the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary and Bob Perkins for their assistance and making the meal for our dinner '



### SERVICE OFFICER:

As the new Service Officer for our Post, my focus is to improve our Post's support of Veterans in our Community and to cooperate with the other area Veteran's organizations for the same mission. As such, a new collaboration group has been formed with the Corning Inc. C-Vets and the Corning VFW as a "Service to Community" group to support the local area Veterans. This group came together by the C-Vets participation in the Post's monthly meetings and our new Commander networking with the VFW Commander to learn of Veterans in need; and each group has brought new contacts in the community from word of mouth for how we can support them. From as simple as a phone call to the Post for grave site campaign flag holders, to handicapped ramps and construction to support a wheelchair bound Post member and a terminal Veteran at

the Bath VA to come home, the Service to Community group has helped 6 local area Veteran families in May and June already.

If you know of a local area Veteran, especially if it's a member of our Post, please email Post746ServiceOfficer@Gmail.com or leave a message with the Club Coordinator at 607-654-7735. Please help communicate to our community that if there is a Veteran in need, we want to help and can only do so if we are notified.

For God and Country, Greg Jensen, Service Officer Past Commander



The Four Pillars of

# THE AMERICAN LEGION

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

National Security

Americanism

Children & Youth

### **Corning American Legion**

Weekly members drawing is back starting this Thursday July 2 at 6 PM. Steak drawings begin next Saturday July 4th at 4 PM Get your tickets today !!

Thursdays at 6 PM

100% Pay Out Based on Ticket Sales Tickets 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5 Need Not Be Present To Win

### Get Your Tickets Today !! See Your Bartender



#### Three for \$5

DRAWINGS CONDUCTED BY THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION (SAL)



July 2021									
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
				1 Celebration of Life 5-9pm	2	3			
4	5	6	7	8 Post Mtg 5:30pm	9	10 SAL Golf Tournament			
11	12	13 BoD Mtg 5:30pm	14	15	16	17 Birthday Party 12-7pm			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Manxx Club 3-7pm			
25	26 Quilters 8-3pm	27	28	29	30	31			

# CLUB HOURS

Monday-Thursday 12 Noon to 9:00 PM

Friday and Saturday 12:00 Noon to 12:00 AM

Sunday 12 Noon to 6:00 PM





# Glance at August

Saturday 21st– Celebration of Life 1pm Tuesday 24th- Blood Drive 1-6pm Monday 30th– Quilters 8-3pm

# Weekly Happenings

Mondays-Wednesdays-Thursdays-Fridays-SaturdaysQueen of Heart Drawing 6pm C & J Serving Food 1-4pm Weekly Raffle Drawing 6pm C&J Eatery Fish Fry 3pm-7pm Steak Drawing 4pm

If you know people who are eligible to join The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, or the Sons of the American Legion, Please invite them to join. **REMEMBER:** It's not the price you pay to be a member; it's the price you paid to be eligible