

UNIT 376 E-NEWS



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Merry Christmas Greetings ALA Members!



Half of you have paid your dues- KUDOS! Now the other half – please pay your dues. This will be even more important next year.* Online works very well now so just drop me a message if you pay online.

PLEASE NOTE: There has been a date change for our next meeting! While it was planned to be on Dec. 12th (usually the 2nd Tuesday), it will be on the following day-- **Wednesday, December 13th** (same time) at 6:30 p.m. This is because the Chenango County American Legion is meeting at our Post 376. We can figure this will happen every year so mark your calendars! We will be wrapping the Christmas Community Basket family's gifts and getting into the Christmas spirit. It will involve a little business, maybe, and lots of friendly chit-chat. Maybe we'll even eat some yummy Christmas sweets. What have you got?

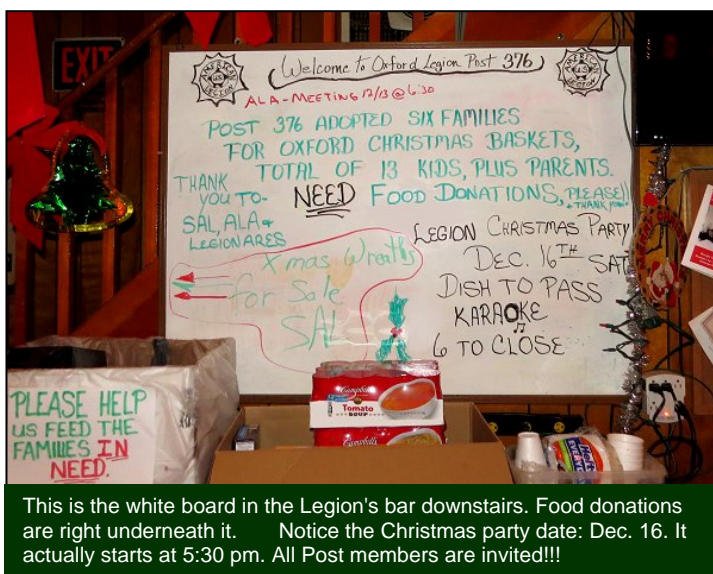
Community Baskets: There is a donation box in the Legion for non-perishable foods. *'Tis the Season – please give!!!*
Deadline is Dec. 8th.

The next Chenango County ALA meeting will be this **Monday, Dec. 4th**, 6:30 pm. Post #876, 15 S. Main Street, Sherburne. This is the County ALA's *Christmas party*. Two things to bring: 1) a finger food to share and 2) bring a \$10 gift (raised from \$5 as in years past) in a closed bag for a gift exchange.

Julie Blanford and Cindy (Hubschmitt) Newkirk are chairing the Luncheon for Vets' Home Volunteers which will be on Dec. 9 at our Post.

Decorating for Christmas – Jan organized décor for the bar downstairs, and with the help of some Legionnaires and SAL members, it looks fantastic! They have lights and garland on the ceiling and two Christmas trees and decorations everywhere! It's quite magical.

Jeanie P (me) and Jeannie B set up the white patriotic Christmas tree with red, white and blue décor in the dining room on Nov. 26. (See photo above.) The tree is a "work in progress" because of, **new this year**, are the military framed photo ornaments. (I sent you an email about sending



This is the white board in the Legion's bar downstairs. Food donations are right underneath it. Notice the Christmas party date: Dec. 16. It actually starts at 5:30 pm. All Post members are invited!!!



Here's a close-up of one of our military photo ornaments of US Army Captain Craig Champlin. Although he is deployed to the Middle East, he is also shining on our tree in Oxford.

me photos of your military loved ones both vets and active military – preferably in uniform.) The number of ornaments is growing and they're looking sharp! I will keep making them all December. Be sure to come in (why not have a Sunday breakfast at the Post!) and have a look. *It'll make you proud!*

If you notice, there's a mention on the white board (photo above) of wreaths for sale (\$20). They're made by Talon's Tree Farm in Oxford. If you're in the market, their work is beautiful and they're donating 10% to the SAL.

We donated 10% of our net profit from the Harvest dinner, to the Legion, to help them offset what it costs them (for heat, kitchen use, dining room use, etc.).

*In case you haven't heard, we have to raise the annual dues next year by \$3 for seniors and \$1.25 for Jrs. I will get confirmation on this, but I was told that if you paid your 2019 dues by Dec. 31st, 2018, you could pay at the old rate of \$25.00. A small savings, but "\$3 saved is \$3 earned." (Didn't

Benjamin Franklin say that?)

Remember the Christmas Party is Dec. 16th – come as early as 5:30 pm.

Also, the Breakfast with Santa will be on Sunday, December 17th (7:30-11 am). The breakfast special: Sausage Gravy and biscuits. The Oxford Community Youth Center will be serving.

Hope to see you on Dec. 13th!!!

Happy Holidays!!!

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The Fort Hill American Legion Post 376 Presents

Breakfast with Santa

SUNDAY
December 17, 2017
7:30 - 11 am

It's All-You-Can-Eat:
Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage, Eggs, Home Fries, French Toast, OJ, Tomato Juice, Milk, Tea, Cocoa, & Coffee. Special: Sausage Gravy and biscuits.
All For: \$7 - Adults (13-61 yrs.), Senior Citizens, \$6 Children (7-12 yrs.), \$5, under 6 FREE!

Parents: bring your cameras!

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