

UNIT 376 E-NEWS



American Legion Auxiliary

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Hi ALA-ers,

2020 ALA dues renewals... we're up to 105! – thank you very much for taking care of




*You're invited to the
American Legion Auxiliary's
100th birthday party!*

*When: November 10, 7:30 - 11 a.m.
Where: Post 376 Dining Hall
Sunday Community Breakfast*

*Come for the breakfast and get one
of 100 birthday muffins and "toast"
our National birthday!*

*If you can't make it, consider making
a donation to StopSoldierSuicide.org*

that. If you haven't paid, you can do so by credit card online, mail a check, or pay cash at the Legion bar (just ask for a receipt). This is my job folks;-) **Incentive:** Pay before Veterans Day (11/11), -which is coming soon- and you will be an "Early Bird." You may go to the free Early Bird dinner at the Legion on Saturday, November 16th, 4:30 to 6 p.m. (cocktail hour: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.) The menu is: roast pork loin, "Party Potatoes" (mashed with cheese and bacon;-), a vegetable medley, and dessert. You must RSVP the Post 376 at (607) 843-8166.

● **SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST:** Nov. 10th is the **100th birthday** of the National ALA and we need your help to mark this special occasion. If you would be willing to bake some muffins (any size or flavor such as blueberry, banana, pumpkin, etc. – your choice) please bring them to

the Legion by Nov. 9th. We are trying to have **100 muffins to represent 100 years**. We will take a photo to send to the National ALA and show them how we celebrated. We will offer each Sunday breakfast diner a muffin to celebrate with us! If you would bake, please email/call me. *Please hurry!* Just one/two dozen from a few members and we'll reach our goal of 100 in no time! Sorry this is last minute. If you'd like, please come to the breakfast too and we'll "toast" with a muffin!

● **SPECIAL EVENT: Veterans Day, Monday, November 11.** There will be a ceremony (11-11) at 11 a.m. at our Post 376 and light refreshments after. Please attend. (FYI- Veterans Day celebrates **all those who served honorably in the military, whether in war or peace**, whereas Memorial Day is for remembering and honoring military personnel who died in the service of their country.) Our big, annual **Harvest Dinner** Oct. 11th, for our "Finch Book and Education Fund" was a wonderful success! We served 138 dinners!!! Thank you to all the members who brought us pies and quick breads!!!

● **MEETING: Monday, Nov. 4, 2019, 6:30 p.m.** The next CC ALA meeting will be held at the Frank H. Arnold American Legion Post #348, 8 Academy Street, New Berlin, NY. *Dinner will be provided.* All 2019-20 CCALA meetings are 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month (but not in Jan, July, Aug). (Desserts/dinners at 6:30 p.m./ business meeting begins at 7 p.m.) Any member can go to this meeting.

● **MEETING: Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019, 6:30 p.m.** Our 3rd meeting of the (fiscal) year. *Come to a meeting and share your thoughts and ideas!*



Sue Hubbard and Mickey Castaldy-Race pause for a pic at the Harvest dinner.

Happy diners at the Harvest

dinner on Oct. 11th, 2019.

● The 6th District Fall Conference was Oct. 12th (which I went to) at Post 189, Norwich; with special guest 2019-20 NYS ALA President Linda Tome. (Some of you may have seen the photo album on my Facebook page.) Linda's fundraising for **Stop Soldier**

Suicide, a very important cause. On Fri, October 25, I also went on the Dept. of NY Legion Family's Visitation tour of the NYS Veterans' Home in Oxford and then the Dinner in Sherburne. (I took more pictures!) The NYS guests of honor were Mike McDermott-Commander, Linda Tome-



L to R: Joy Lawrence Unit 348 Pres., Linda Tome- Dept Pres., me, and Sophie Liberatore - 6th D Pres., at Sherburne Post 876, during the Dept. of NY Legion Family's Visitation. (Photo by Wayne Dunckel)

President, and Dennis George- SAL Detachment Commander. Cmdr McDermott was cracking little jokes and kept everyone in great humor! Doing what they do, going from County to County to tour Veterans' Homes, share news, meet vets and hear their views, and fundraising must be very hard work.

FYI again: The **Legion's Sunday Community Breakfast-** (since 1994) raised their rates (just .50¢). Seniors- 62 years & older \$7; Adults- 13 to 61 years \$8; All Firemen --Thank You! \$7; Juniors- 6 to 12 years \$6; Children 5 to 2 years

\$2; Children under age 2- Complimentary; Re-Orders – Complimentary; and Take Outs - \$8. Time: 7:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. The Breakfast longevity has/does depend upon help from volunteers like **you**. If anyone wants to help out or knows of an organization (adult or youth) that can volunteer, please contact Jan.

Best wishes,

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