

UNIT 376 E-NEWS



American Legion Auxiliary

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January 9, 2021 Hi ALA-ers,

★ **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!** ★

Here's what's happening:

- ★ Thursday, January 14, **CHICKEN BBQ Take-Out Dinner**. It includes: half chicken, salt potatoes, baked beans, roll and dessert. \$10.00 **TAKE OUT ONLY** ~ 4 – 6 p.m. until gone 125 DINNERS AVAILABLE. First Come, First Served **ONLY**; no pre-orders Cooked by Tim & Tim & Team. Proceeds support American Legion Post 376 programs, including Boys State, community events, etc.
- ★ **SUNDAY BREAKFAST** resumes! Thank you for your continued support!
- ★ The Legion Post 376 bar is open (with restrictions) specific days & times. Closed on Mondays. **New Tuesday hours:** Open on Tuesdays starting January 12th from 4-8. p.m.) Open Wednesdays - Saturdays from 2:30 - close. Sunday open 2:30 - 6 p.m. Shuffleboard and pool playing available (with stipulations). Current paid up membership cards are required for admission. Call if you have questions: 843-8166.
- ★ **NEXT ALA UNIT MEETING:** (No meetings in January) **Tues., Feb. 9, 2021, 6:30 p.m.** - Our 6th meeting of the (fiscal) year. *Come to a meeting and share your thoughts and ideas! Please wear your mask.*



January Birthdays – Esther, Jeanne, Judy, Lou, Carol, Dawn, Susan, Connie, Sharon, Karen, Mabel, Mickey, Jenna, & Joyce ~ "**Happy Birthday to you all!!!**"

2021 Membership Renewals: thank you for your renewals! We are at 80% right now – a little bit to go before April. (That's when Nat'l closes their books.) If you haven't renewed, please do so. In case you're wondering, the online renewals have increased. About 12% pay that way, and it may still rise.

All ALA County meetings, First monthly Mondays, are planned to be held at the Sherburne Post #876, at 15 S. Main Street, for the rest of the year. ***If*** they have them, due to Covid-19, they have more rooms to spread out. ***If*** the numbers in Chenango County are still high, they will cancel the meeting again.

This just in: The 2021 session of the American Legion Auxiliary Empire Girls State program will be **June 27 to July 3, 2021** and it will take place as a virtual learning experience.

If you like to feed the birds (like I do) consider using peanut butter to make your own "suet" -like cakes. (We got a 64 oz jar of PB from Walmart for \$4.34, pretty cheap!) It needs to be made 1 part fat to 2 parts: seeds (your choice mixed, thistle, sunflower, etc.), quick oats, crushed cracker/bread, corn meal, cooked rice (not dry), some raisins/dried apple. If you have meat fats like bacon, keep it in a

container in the freezer and use that!



I make my "suet" with 3 cups PB, 3 cups seed, 1 cup cooked rice, ½ c quick oats, ½ c raisins, and 1 cup corn meal. (That's 3 cups fat to 6 cups "other".) Melt the PB in the microwave 2 minutes and it mixes well. Add all other ingredients and stir. Spoon and pack into empty plastic containers (makes 4), wrap in plastic and freeze. Pop them out and hang them for the birds in either suet hangers or empty onion bags. Birds love it!

Stay Safe & Stay Healthy!

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