

American Legion Riders of Western New York
Posts of Chautauqua County
9 Meadow Lane – P.O. Box 928 Frewsburg, New York 14738
(716) 569-3321 Director Paul Oyer
Meeting Night 2nd Wednesday of the the Month

From the Director

We held our first meeting of 2017, with 4 members and 2 new members. Discussion was on the following – Nominations of Officers, Bike Blessing, Meet and Greet, Spring Fundraiser, and a possibility of a Memorial Run in the Summer. Next meeting will be held on April 12, 2017 – 6:30 p.m. and May 10th at 6:30 p.m. Hope to see more people there.

Annual Bike Blessing



Was cancelled due to weather, watch for rescheduled date.

Welcome to Our New Members

Burt and Stephanie – they moved back here from Cape Canaveral Florida. They look forward to meeting new riders and friends. If you see them say hello! Now we have two more new members Kenneth Olson and David Anthony. David comes to us from Lakewood Memorial Post 1286. Welcome and we look forward to riding.

**Lakewood Memorial Post 1286
1st Annual Poker Run - Aug 26
Mark your calendar**

To get an application for the American Legion Riders
Go to Frewsburglegion.homestead.com and click on the newsletter.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

June Meeting is election month of Officers, we need a Director, Assistant Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Road Captain, and more. If interested come to April – May – June Meeting and let us know. We need to show we are rebuilding and starting a strong chapter of the American Legion Riders. Summer Riding to other American Legion Post and Riders Chapters...Local Rides. Looking to order patches and each member will have their home post listed on their Legion Riders Patch, because we are made up of all American Legion Post of Western New York (Chautauqua County).



CLUB AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT RON WAID

Hello all and thank you for your support and participation in your club functions, entertainment and food service. We are listening to some of the many ideas coming some with new additions and some taken away.

We would like to extend a big Thank You to Harvey and our entire work crew, volunteers, and officers for their hard work to make your club a great place to visit and enjoy.

At the bar, the Queen of Hearts is over the half-way point and growing rapidly.

Our draft beers will now include a few Southern Tier IPA's.

*see the calendar for bands, menu selections and other noteworthy events.

Many of you have heard about plans for our canoe/kayak river run this will be on August 5th. More to come. Food after Race and music by Smackdab.

Weekly we have specials –Tues, is burger night – Wed, all you can eat spaghetti night – Thur. wing night – Friday and Saturday night full menu and dinner special. * see calendar for more items of interest.

. Bar Gun Tickets and Drawing

Two guns are displayed at the post – winner gets a choice of which he/she prefer, once all tickets are sold it will be drawn. The next gun raffle will see some changes.

Upcoming Events For May

May 13th – **Dioxin information Town Hall Meeting** and how it, is spread from veteran to generations to come 2:00

May 18th, 19th, 20th – **Poppy's Fundraiser** come stand an hour at either Tops, Kwik Fil or Drug Store Sign up at the Post

May 22nd – **Placement of Flags at Cemetery**, Meet at Post at 5:00

May 29th – **Memorial Day and Parade** – Come join us or participate in the Parade. Meet at Post 8:00 or Ethan Allen at 9:30

June

June 5th – **Installation of Officers** – 6:00 pm – sign up at Post

June 10th – **Community Yard Sales and BBQ** at Frewsburg Legion

June 17 – Old Home Week and **Fireman's Parade**

July 29 – Frank McCullough **Annual Golf Scramble** - \$75 per person

Sons of the American Legion
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Commander Jim Roberts
Meeting Night 2nd Monday of the Month

My time as Commander is coming to an end, and I would like to Thank, everyone for all their support. A big thank you goes out to Paul Yeskey, since do to ill health I have passed the gavel to him. I would like to congratulate those newly elected officers, come and meet them at the installations of Officer on June 6, 2017.

Commander Elect Paul Yeskey/ 1st Vice Commander

Hello Fellow Sons:

It looks like spring has sprung.

To let you all know, our Commander Jim Roberts has had some health issues this year, so he has passed the gavel on to me. So, if you see Jim reach out or just give him a call and wish him a speedy recovery.

We just had our spring gun raffle, and it was a great success. Thanks to all of you who helped make it great.

It is that time of year again when we elect our New Officers. Our meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month, and I encourage each member to attend. At our May 8 meeting new officers were elected and look forward to meeting you at the Installation of Officers Dinner June 6, 2017.

Come sit in on a meeting and share some of your ideas.

Enjoy the Spring, and hope to see you at the next meeting.

For God and Country – Paul Yeskey 1st Vice Commander/ Commander Elect

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 556
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President Edith Moore
Meeting Night 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 p.m.

Hello Ladies: It is coming towards the end of the year and we will be looking to elect new officers for Jun 2017 to Jun 2018, if you are interested we would really like to have you. New members' involvement comes with new ideas and views. Remember we are here to help our veterans and American Legion Family.

Nominations and Elections of officers will be held on May 16th meeting, the 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 pm. Come and learn what the Auxiliary is about and the many things we do for veterans and the children, families in the community.

I would like to throw out a thank you to all those who helped with our Chinese Auction by donating items or their time at the Activity Night on April 8th. Remember many hands make light work.



POPPY'S DAY SIGN UP: MAY 18, 19, 20TH – Sign-up sheets are at the Post...come sign up for an hour and help us help veterans. All monies collected goes to veterans programs.

We would like more members to attend our meeting and be aware of what is going on.

Thank you for your support – Edie Moore, Auxiliary President

Vietnam Veterans of America
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President Robert 'Bob' Lewis

TOWN HALL MEETING ON DIOXINS AND HEPATITIS C
MAY 13, 2017, SATURDAY 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

How much is your family members' health worth to you? Were you exposed? If so, it can spread to your off springs and then passed on for generations. Come learn more! Representatives from the Veterans Affairs Office, VA Hospitals, and many more to answer your questions.

Did you serve during the Vietnam Era? If so, come and join David L. Woodburn, VVA Chapter 978. David was a medic who served and ended up losing both legs and then his battle with agent orange. We are proud to preserve David's memory by spreading the word of this dreadful diseases caused by this poison. Remember many hands make light work!

NEXT MEETING WILL BE June 6th, 2017 AT 7:00 PM HERE AT POST 556, FREWSBURG AMERICAN LEGION all Vietnam Veterans and family members are welcome to attend.



ANTHONY'S APPETIZING AND AMAZING MEALS

I would like to take this time to Thank everyone who has come to the Club and enjoyed our weekly specials and dinner menu items. I continue to look forward to preparing those items for you. If there is anything we can do to make your dinner better, please let us know.

MAY DINNER SPECIALS

Friday Night Fish Fry – Broiled or Crunchy
12th & 13th – Prime Rib – This is Mother's Day
14th – Happy Mother's Day – enjoy the day with Loved Ones
12th - Music by Swamp Yankees 7:00 to 10:00 pm
14th – Mother's Day menu can be seen at the club
19th & 20th – Stuffed Peppers
26th & 27th – Lasagna

JUNE DINNER SPECIALS

2ND & 3RD – Pulled Pork Sandwich
9 & 10th – Prime Rib
16 & 17th – French Dip – Special for Father's Day
18th – Happy Father's Day enjoy the day with family and friends
23 & 24th – Meatloaf
30th – July 1st – Chicken and Biscuits

Our kitchen has experienced some important additions and improvements. Thanks to Anthony, Volunteers, Kitchen Crew, Donations, and the Panni Press, new Work tables, warmers and other things: our kitchen is now much better able to serve our Club.

Kitchen Open

Tuesday – Saturday: 4:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday Nights 4:30 to 9:00 p.m. Full Dinner Menu and Specials
Sunday 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.



We have a new addition to the Kitchen – a Panini Press – now we have the famous Panini Specials nightly.

Kitchen Staff has been working hard to update our menu...come and see the new selections and new snack menu....Daily Specials on the Board....or go to frewsburglegion.homestead.com



Placement of Flags at Cemetery

Come join us and place flags at Maple Grove Cemetery – May 22nd, 5:00 meet at the Post and then to the cemetery.



LUNCH IS SERVED
Starting May 17th the Post will be open for Lunch on Wed/Thur/Fri at 11:00 am



Frewsburg American Legion Annual Ralph McCullough Golf Scramble – July 29, 2017 – Blueberry Golf Course - \$75 per person. More information to come

Peek n Peak PGA Tournament

July 6th – July 9th

6th – admission free to veterans with ID
9th – Honoring WWII veterans on the 18th hole – More information to come
Transportation provided by Veterans Van – any WW II veterans' who wants to partake contact Greg Carlson, Chautauqua County Veterans Service Officer at 661-8255

Helping the Community
Relief Zone Golf Outing
May 20, 2017

Contact Ron Lemon for more info..



Come join us and stand an hour to help our veterans. All proceed go to help Veterans' Poppy's Days May 18, 19, 20th – early morning to evening – sign up at the Post

Canoe – Kayak River Run/Race/Regatta
See below or more info.



Canoe/Kayak Fall Fun :August 5, 2017 – More information to come. Music by Smackdab 2 to 5 pm Planning meeting coming up soon to finalize all plans. Watch on facebook Frewsburg American Legion Kayak Race/Regatta From old Vac Air to Route 62 (Main St) Bridge. Looking for volunteers contact Brandan Yeskev

Burger Night Tuesday's



All u can Eat Spaghetti Wednesday



Wing Night Thursday



Parade Come and remember our departed veterans. Parade will start at Ethan Allen (assemble at 9:30) and continue along Main St to Frew Run to Maple Grove Cemetery. Get together after services at Post 556



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Commander Stephen Nelson



MAY – JUNE 2017

COMMANDER'S CORNER

At the meeting of May 1st – Election of Officers, with the following results"

Commander Branden Yeskey

1st Vice Commander Perry "Chip" Wenzel

2nd Vice Commander Jim Rossing

3rd Vice Commander John Greenwood

Finance Officer Keith Rosendahl

Service Officer William "Sarge" Karasek

Historian Karen Cummings

Sgt @ Arms David Cummings

Chaplain and Adjutant to be selected by incoming Commander

Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.

June 5, 2017 – INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS – 6:00 P.M.

Please sign up at the Post if you plan on attending

This will be my last newsletter. I would like to thank everybody that supported the projects and events during these last two years.

Recently our Facebook page posted some historical Post pictures.

Those pictures, some dating back to the 1940's, created a lot of interest. I will continue to work on the Centennial project. The American Legion Centennial project includes the Son's and Auxiliary so dig out your memorabilia. This year's Boys State delegates have been selected. The Samuel L. Derby post 556 and the Sons of the Legion together sponsored three boys. The County sponsored another for us. With the County Legion's help, that means four will be coming from the Frewsburg High School Junior Class: Caleb Terhune, Drew Pownal, Tyler Marchincin, and Trent Gray.

Congratulations to all of you.

Again, Thank You All – I have had a very enjoyable two years.

Stephen Nelson – Commander 2015 - 2017