UNIT 376 E-NEWS



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From Jeanie Petersen, Membership-Treasurer-Publicity Chairman

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March 31, 2019 Hi ALA-ers,

Thank you to those ALA members who have paid their (\$28) annual Sr dues AND \$6.25 Jr dues. Our memberships are at 75% and holding. I'd like to raise that number!!!

- •MEETING: Monday, April 1, 2019, 6:30 p.m., is the Chenango County ALA dinner-meeting and we are hosting it! Dinner will be hot turkey sandwiches and French fries. Ice-cream for dessert with chocolate syrup and whipped cream. All ALA members are invited. All CCALA meetings are [usually] on the first Monday of each month [except not in Jan, July, Aug. It's on Tues in March].) Business meetings begin at 7 p.m. County ALA officers are Pres: Joy Lawrence; 1st Vice: Sophie Liberatore; 2nd Vice: Barb Pierce; Membership: Mary Lou McAvoy; Treasurer: Resi Fuller; and Secty: Angela Jones.
- •MEETING: Tuesday, April 9, 2019, 6:30 p.m. Our seventh (regular) ALA Unit 376 meeting. (Meetings are on the 2nd Tues of the month). All ALA members are welcome! Non-members are welcome too, but they can not vote. FYI- We do not serve dinner at our meetings. (If you want to bring something like cookies to share you could, but it's not expected.) We will discuss the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny April 21, Poppy poster contest, Poppy Princess, EGS, officer nominations and more.
- April 21
 Sunday Community Breakfast with the Easter Bunny! Basket Raffles too!



Our Oxford Post 376 celebrated its 100th anniversary on March 16, 2019. We received 2 beautiful proclamations from US House of Representatives Anthony Brindisi and NYS Assemblyman Clifford Crouch! At left are Post 376 Legionnaires Ernie Spicer, Commander Darlene Ardron and Ron Blanford with the Assembly proclamation.

Did you know: there are 3 American Legion Posts in Chenango County that are "Centennial Posts"? They are Norwich Post 189, Oxford Post 376, and New Berlin Post 348. A beautiful commemorative coin is available at the Oxford Post Sunday

Breakfast (by the register) and by the bar and the Norwich Post bar for \$8. The reverse side features a list of all 11 Posts with the Centennial ones listed at the top.

The joint Chenango County AL, SAL, and ALA meeting was a special day: **Tuesday, March 12, 2019**, held at Post #876, 15 S. Main Street, Sherburne, NY- it was the American Legion's 100th Birthday meeting! There were historic pictures, a WW1 - Vietnam era uniform display from the Oxford

Historical Society, and 20's era music (provided by our own Ernie Spicer) to reflect on these first 100 years. (Pictured are L to R: CCALA president Joy Lawrence, PJ Cobb, and CCAL cmdr. Bill Olsen.)

The Poppy committee is gearing up for a 2nd annual "Poster Contest". See last year's winning posters here-http://oxford-ala.chenango.org/poppy-program.php

The American Red Cross is back at the Fort Hill Post 376 for another blood drive on Saturday, May 11, 2019, from 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (It's usually on



the 2nd Saturday.) They ordinarily take walk-ins, but making an appointment is a much better idea. You can even go online for the screening questions. Visit the website: http://www.redcrossblood.org/FMI/to find a location near you. "Urgent: Blood Donors Needed!"

2019 NYS Veterans' Home at Oxford Upcoming Activities & News:

Any questions, contact Tami Zebrowski-Darrow, 6th D. Field Service Rep. The complete schedule is on our website - http://oxford-ala.chenango.org

- April 6, Saturday, 10 a.m. Easter Bonnet Decoration day and
- May 10, Friday, 10 a.m. Mother's Day Flower Arrangements.

Volunteers always wanted! [You can call Tami at: (607) 722-5994 or email: tzebrowski@stny.rr.com (but she prefers phone) for questions.

Best wishes,

Jeanie

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P.S. - Check out Chenango County Legion's NEW website: ChenangoLegion.org