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Commander's Comments



Here's wishing all well as we enjoy a great season in Charleston! It appears most of the horrific pollen is subsiding.

At The American Legion Convention (June 1-3m 2012), John Lowe of our Post 147 will be receiving the 'Distinguished Public Service Award' from the State of South Carolina American Legion for his exemplary performance and dedication to our Veterans, this is a very prestigious award and it's great that one of our members is the recipient. All are invited to attend this ceremony to be held in Greenville, SC. Congratulations to John!

We ask all to exercise caution during entrance and exit to our Post. This is particularly critical at this time of the year when beach traffic is heavy. Obviously, traffic is usually heavy going to the beach from approximately 10 am—noon and heavy from the beach approximately 3:30—6 pm. Of course, these times may vary due to severe weather or accident(s).

God Bless our Military and Veterans, their families, and this great nation. Don't forget to watch your calendar in the bulletin and see you at the Post!

Respectfully,
Dwight Cargile
Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

Thank you Cheryl and all the Auxiliary members (Lynda Murray, Emily Brown, Joyce Miles, Joyce Simmons, and Barbara Stoffer) who helped make Chicken Saturday a successful night. On Saturday, May 12, 2012, Melody and John Lowe will be preparing delicious Ham with all the fixings. Please come and support the Post, mingle with your friends and have a good time.

I would also like to thank Pat Wand, Nellie Powers, Vicky Blihar, Debbie Caddell and Pat Caddell for helping me make poppy corsages and poppy boutonnieres on project day. These corsages and boutonnieres will be used for fund raising on Memorial Day in May.

May is election month. Elections will be held on May 15, 2012 in place of our meeting. Forms for the election are behind the bar. These forms are for any current member who is interested in holding one of the following positions: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Chaplain, Treasurer, Secretary, Sergeant at Arms, Historian, or Member at Large. These positions have responsibilities that should be taken seriously. Support your Auxiliary and submit your name. It is always good to see new faces and new minds in action.

Membership is important to all organizations. We have exceeded 100%. Please pay your dues of \$30.00 today. All membership renewals should be put in an envelope, marked to the Attention of Mary Wade or Barbara Evans. Our membership Chairman, Mary Wade, has our new membership cards for 2012. Please check the roster in the Canteen. If your name is not in the roster, you have NOT paid your dues.

Our next meeting will be held on May 15th at 6:15 pm. E-Board members should plan to arrive at 6:00 p.m. for a brief chat.

If you are aware of any member who is sick or in the hospital, please contact Toni Stramm, our Chaplain, at 795-5042. If you cannot reach her, please call me at 209-7456.

May God Bless America and our Veterans

Barbara Evans

Barbara Evans, President

SAL NEWS

Our meeting will be held on May 8th. We will be having our Elections. If you want to run for an office, please see me. Dinner on the 26th will be Ribs. Sign up at the Bar—\$12.00. Only 60 dinners will be cooked.

Danny Rubin, SAL Commander

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The elections of Post Officers for the 2012/2013 year will be held Thursday, May 24th at 7:00 p.m. Come early so we can start on time and have your 2012 Legion Membership card with you. As of the submission date for this issue of the *Banner*, the following members have indicated a desire to run for office: COMMANDER: Dwight Cargile; FIRST VICE COMMANDER: Kehm LeCroy; SECOND VICE COMMANDER: Sammy Brown; THIRD VICE COMMANDER: Harold Blum, Don Wallace; ADJUTANT: Bill Wade; FINANCE OFFICER: Pat Clute; SGT@ARMS (2): Denny Sherrod, David Vierra; SERVICE OFFICER: Don Morillo; JUDGE ADVOCATE: Dick Walsh; CHAPLAIN: Bill Farmer; HISTORIAN: Joe Brinson; EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (6): Lee Bower, Jim Churchill, Mike Garvin, Nard Ladson, Bob Oswald, John Rodgers and John Thomson.

Nominations for all offices will be accepted from the floor. Candidates for office must be present or have a designated proxy standing in for him/her.

ADJUTANTS NOTES

Cash payment of dues are accepted as a courtesy at the Canteen but please ensure your correct full name is included if you are not enclosing your renewal notice or a copy of your old card. The National Headquarters has a glitch

in their renewal notice program and some members have received duplicate notices and the duplicate payments are returned.

The 2013 renewals will be mailed beginning in June and all are encouraged to participate in the early Bird program as this funds the Post Banner and miscellaneous expenses incurred by the general fund. If you move please submit a change of address to us as it costs 45 cents postage for every returned Banner.

God Bless America and our deployed Troops.

Bill Wade,
Post 147 Adjutant

LEGIONNAIRES FOR KIDS

Please continue to consider the Penny Jars as you leave the Canteen. They are located on the table below the message board. Every little bit helps at this time of the year.

Our Pool Tournament got under way on April 2nd with thirteen contestants and will conclude on April 17th. The winner will be announced in the next month's edition. Shuffle Board is next on the horizon and is open to everyone to participate. Please consider the tournament as we continue our efforts to support Courageous Kidz. Sign up slips will be available in the Canteen and notices will be posted throughout the Legion.

As a change of pace, we will be holding a drawing for a Kindle which makes an excellent addition to a person's library or as a gift for a student. As with past drawings, only 200 tickets will be sold and Kindles are fast becoming one of the most sought after pieces of technology on the market. Tickets will be \$5.00.

The Committee

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

There are many in our American Legion Post who have illnesses or are shut-in and unable to get out. I have started a list of all our sick and shut-ins and each month placing the list in our monthly newsletter.

Eddie Rourk is currently at home with Hospice. He would enjoy short visits but please call before you come.

As of April 15th, David Brown was hospitalized in Room 4017 at Roper Hospital. He is on the mend and by the time you get this newsletter will probably be recuperating at home.

SHUT-INS: Claude Horton at Home—Phone 795-9113; Frank Elam—Savannah House; and Richard Plummer—800 Affirmation Blvd., Apt. M3.

Our thoughts and prayers are extended to any members who are sick or in the hospital who we do not know about. Our fellow comrades of Post 147 wish all a complete recovery.

If you or someone you know has an emergency and is in the hospital please call me at 843-276-7422. If you know of someone who is sick or shut-in, please call me or send an Email to: wffarmer1@yahoo.com

May God Bless each and every one of you.

Bill Farmer, Chaplain

BASEBALL FANS

I would like to thank the following people for their dedicated work with the letters requesting donations or the Baseball Program. Barbara Evans, Jeanie Wood, Linda Dane, Miriam Johnson and Sid Sellars. Two and half hours for Knot. Recent screening and postal changes to the letter content made it impossible to reuse, so, this year I'm appealing to everyone to mail donations to either of the address below or drop your donations off at the Post: (Make checks payable to "AL Post 147 Baseball Program") The American Legion Post 147, 968 Folly Road, Charleston, SC 29412 or Curt Thomas, 76 Oyster Point Row, Charleston, SC 29412. Attn: Curt Thomas, Baseball Program.













Thanks for your patience.

The Baseball Program has again received a golf bag by Nike Extreme Sport for Cheerwine and a set of irons from Cleveland Golf to benefit the Baseball Program. Those interested in purchasing tickets for his benefit drawing may contact me by calling 343-2023. Tickets are \$5.00 each and the winner will be identified in July at the Legion Baseball Banquet.

For God and Country,



May 2012

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 SPAGHETTI NIGHT 6:00—8:00 P.M. GREATER CHARLESTON AIRBORNE UNIT 7:00 P.M.	2  HONOR GUARD 7:00 P.M.	3	4 LUNCH TBA	5 STEAK DINNER 6:00—8:00 P.M.
6  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM AUXILIARY	7  DAV 7:00 P.M.	8 SPAGHETTI NIGHT 6:00—8:00 P.M.  SAL 7:00 P.M. V-E DAY	9  HONOR GUARD 7:00 P.M.	10  EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 7:00 P.M.	11 LUNCH FRIED SHRIMP (PAT & FRAN)	12 HAM DINNER 6:00—8:00 P.M. AUXILIARY
13  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM HONOR GUARD MOTHER'S DAY	14	15 SPAGHETTI NIGHT 6:00—8:00 P.M.  AUXILIARY 6:15 P.M.	16  HONOR GUARD 7:00 P.M.	17	18 LUNCH SPAGHETTI (MIKE)	19 STEAK DINNER 6:00—8:00 P.M. ARMED FORCES DAY
20  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM SAL	21	22 SPAGHETTI NIGHT 6:00—8:00 P.M.  40&8 Cabanne 6:00 p.m. Voiture 7:00 p.m.	23  HONOR GUARD 7:00 P.M.	24  GENERAL MEETING 7:00 P.M.	25 LUNCH GREEK CHICKEN (JIM)	26 RIB DINNER 6:00—8:00 P.M. SAL
27  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM 40 & 8	28 MEMORIAL DAY MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE 11:15 P.M.	29 SPAGHETTI NIGHT 6:00—8:00 P.M.	30	31	Monday—Thursday 10:00 am—10:00 pm Friday & Saturday 10:00 am—12:00 midnight Sunday 9:00 am— 8:00 pm bartender's call after time.	

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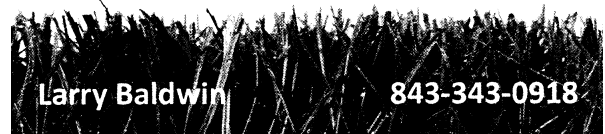
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This fund is used for minor repairs and building / grounds upkeep

General Fund—Current balance \$ 2,869.04

This fund is used for membership processing and office supplies.

Escrow Fund—Current balance \$10,561.84

This fund is used for big ticket items, i.e., liquor license and insurance

A club has been established to help meet the financial needs of the Post. All members are urged to support this endeavor for the betterment of our Post. Club rules for members who wish to participate are \$20 per month for individuals and \$30 per month for families. Please indicate which fund you wish to assist.

2011 Membership List: Mel Clayton, Tom Conrey, Paul Cormier, Harvey & Margie Dick, Pat & Barbara Evans, Doris Garner, Milan Glumac, Denny Sherrod, Harry & Inge Sproles, David Vierra, Irene Parmenter, James Lawrence, Stephen Driscoll, Ed Yarnell and Barbara Leary.

Pat Clute, Finance Officer