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July 2017

EDITOR' NOTE

On June 22nd, my AT&T email account was hacked and all of my contact information was lost. If you receive an email from <u>curtis.samson@att.net</u> do not open it, it's a scam. I deleted that account and opened a G-mail account. My new email address is: <u>curtissamson67@gmail.com</u>. If you ever receive an email from my email address requesting you to send money somewhere, it is a SCAM. I will never, ever ask for urgent help or beg for money.

Curtis Samson

Editor

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

As we start a new year within our Post there are many challenges ahead, the first one being construction of our new Post home, although it seems to be going slow, our Post member Craig Crowe is working very hard in the background to get to that point, our major delay has been in dealing with Charleston County Planning Commission.

I'm hoping that we will be able to celebrate our Post 30th Anniversary on December 15, 2017 in our new home.

We now have a "Donate" button in our Facebook Page – American Legion Post 179 – Charleston, SC the current donation is to be used towards the American Legion Palmetto Boys State if you desire to donate.

I'm hoping that we have a great year in membership, this past year which ended on 30 June 2017 we had the highest percentage (97.16) of renewals for our Post since 2011, don't forget, for those of you that renew for the year 2017-2018 prior to 30 September, 2017 your card will be stamped as an "Early Bird". There are many options for you to renew, in our website www.post179.com, by mail, by visiting the Post and paying the bartender, on the national website www.legion.org.

As previously mentioned, all honorably discharged veterans will be able to shop online at the exchanges beginning November 11, 2017. All honorably discharged veterans interested in shopping online at the military exchanges can begin their verification process immediately. Some veterans who register at <u>VetVerify.org</u> will be invited to be beta testers, with the ability to shop online earlier than the planned November 11 launch date. Officials said the sooner veterans register on the site, the better their chances of being chosen as a beta tester. Once registered and verified, veterans will be able to shop at the following websites: <u>shopmyexchange.com</u>; <u>shopcgx.com</u>; <u>mymcx.com</u>; and <u>mynavyexchange.com</u>. Remember there are no taxes to worry about.

On July 15, 2017 commencing at 7:00 pm we will be having our yearly Flag Retirement Ceremony, this is a very somber ceremony that you will not want to miss.

Should any member need to contact me please feel free to do so at 843-991-6308 or via email at alpost179@gmail.com, remember however that matters pertaining to the Post are best brought up at your General Membership Meeting.

For God and Country,

John Coy

Commander

AMERICAN LEGION POST 179

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2017-2018

COMMANDER JOHN COY

ADJUTANT DAVID LLOYD

FIRST VICE JIM BARGER

SECOND VICE JIM PEARCE

FINANCE OFFICER HEATHER CROWE

JUDGE ADVOCATE CRAIG CROWE

SERVICE OFFICER JERALD JOSEPH

CHAPLAIN CURTIS SAMSON

SGT AT ARMS JEFF ZSARNAY SR

HISTORIAN VACANT

COMMITTEEMAN 1ST YEAR TONY FIEM

COMMITTEEMAN 2ND YEAR TOM LYNES

COMMITTEEMAN 3RD YEAR DENNIS LEMON

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Let's get started for the 2017 – 2018 year.

We have our first meeting for the new year on July 5th at 6:30 pm. We don't have much going on right now, but we will certainly change that...

We will be having a cookout for the guys at the VA on August 19th (I had the month wrong in June's newsletter) everyone is welcome to join in. These guys love it when we visit and interact with them, we include their family members and caretakers. We will serve hamburgers, hot dogs and the fixins...

I would like to thank **Allen Crane** for his generous donation to the Auxiliary.

Please join us for our meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm.

If you have any ideas for functions or anything else to help with our veterans, Speak up!

Stay cool because it is hot out there!

Jill Comar

President

CANTEEN NEWS

Our Canteen is doing great. Installation night was a good time. Jim Pearce's 70th Birthday Party was a blast.

Wing Nights are getting better and better every Wednesday. Volunteer's call Liz.

There will be no breakfast served at Post 179 in the month of July.

We hope everyone has a great 4^{th} of July. We will be having Fireworks sold in our parking lot. We will have some Chicken and sides for our members that come in on the 4^{th} .

A Flag Retirement Ceremony will be held on July 15th @ 7:00 pm. A Tomato Pie cook-off will be held following the Flag Retirement. Winner gets a \$50.00 Bar Tab.

Thank you for supporting your Post.

Bartenders: Liz — Kate — Courtney — Shannan

Canteen Manager: Liz

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

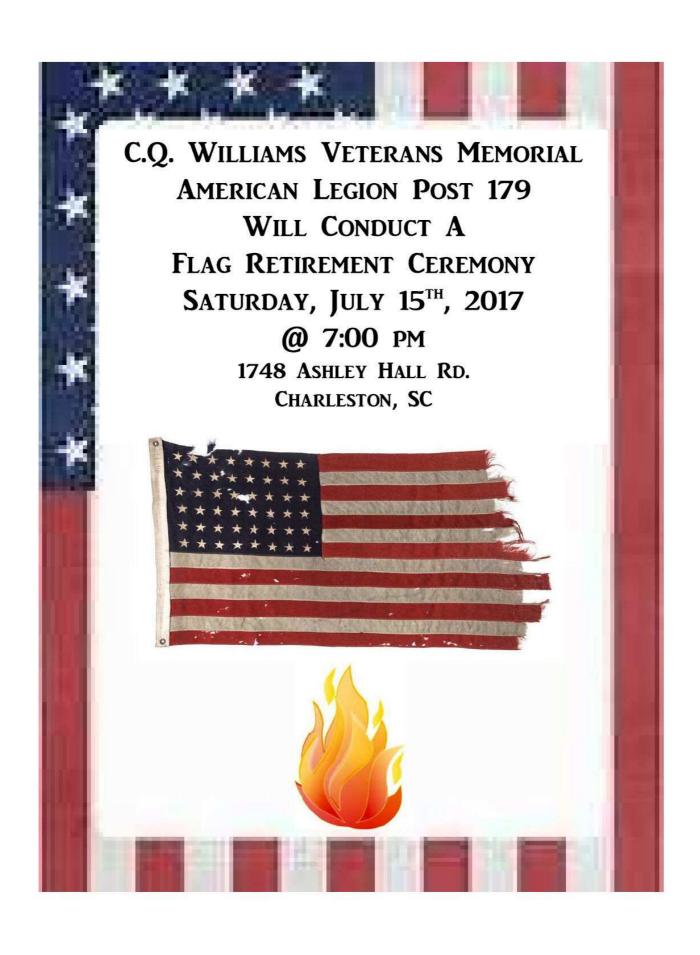
Not much happening in July. Dues are due again for the new SAL year. We meet on the 1st Thursday each month at 1800 hours.

Norm Meyer Jr.

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

The ALR meets on the 3^{rd} Wednesday each month at 1830 hours. Time to pay your dues for the new Legion year.

Norm Meyer Jr.



TOMATO PIE COOK-OFF

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY



WINNER RECEIVES A \$50.00 BAR TAB

AMERICAN LEGION POST 179

American Legion Riders

12th Annual



Christmas in July Ride

When: **Sunday July 16th 2017** (Rain Date: **Sunday, July 23rd, 2017**

Where: **Meet at Post 166** for Breakfast (breakfast starts at 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 am **Kickstands Up** at 11:00 a.m. for Ride to the V. A. Hospital

What to Bring: Christmas Wrapped Gifts (See List on Back)



Post 166

American Legion Riders



116 Howe Hall Road, Goose Creek, SC (843) 553-5454
Contact: Bruce Richburg, Director at 843-834-3193 for Any Questions
See Page 2 For List Of Needed Items





Everyone is Invited to Join the Fun



What The Vets Need:

Personal Care

(Regular Size)

Deodorant; Toothbrushes; Toothpaste; Denture Adhesive Shaving Cream; Twin Blade Razors Hand Lotion Mouthwash (Non Alcohol) Nail Clippers (VA Needs) Body Wash Deodorant

> Foot Powder Shampoo

Recreation/Reading Items

Crossword Puzzle Books; Word Search Books Chess and Checker Sets; Dominoes Magazines (within last 3 Months); Paperback Books Newspaper Subscriptions

Clothing Items

White Cotton Socks; Slippers (nonskid); Ball caps with Patriotic themes are POPULAR (POW/MIA, USA, etc.)
Flip Flops Various Sizes; Sweat Suits size M to 2XL; Ladies Cotton Undies Various Sizes
(only new clothing is accepted)

(Don't forget 10% of our Veterans are female!)

Other Ideas

Backpacks; Patriotic Travel Mugs; Patriotic/Veteran pins/magnets/picture frames
Snack packages like you get at Sam's (8 packs of cheese crackers, etc.)
Postage Stamps
Over the Counter Reading Glasses (+ 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00,)

(Remember some of these Patients will be going home at some time and may need these things after leaving.)

Tip: Please attach a small tag to your gift stating what is inside and Sizes

It helps enormously with the actual distribution to our VETS!

Thank You Very Much For Your Help And Support Of This Annual Event
This will Be Our 11th Anniversary For The Christmas In July

Ride Safe

SUNDAY	MONDA	Υ	TUESDAY	WEDNESD	AY	THURSDA	Υ	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
EVERY WEDNES	G WEDN SDAY EVENIN WINGS & TH	G 5	РМ то 8 РМ						
2	6:00 PM Honor Guard Drill	3	July 4	6:30 PM Auxiliary Meeting	5	6:00 PM SAL MEETING	6	7	
9		10	11	6:00 PM CANTEEN COMMITTEE 7:00 PM E-BOARD MEETING	12		13	14	7:00 PM FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY TOMATO PIE COOK-OFF
POST 166 ALR CHRISTMAS IN JULY RIDE 16	6:00 PM HONOR GUARD DRILL	17	18	6:30 PM ALR MEETING	19		20	21	2
23		24	25	7:00 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	26	AUGUST NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE TODAY	27	28	2
30		31							

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NOTES:

POST/CANTEEN HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 4 PM - 10 PM

FRIDAY: 12 NOON - 12 MIDNIGHT

SATURDAY: 12 NOON - 12 MIDNIGHT

SUNDAY: 12 NOON - 10 PM

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS: 12 NOON - 10 PM