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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

We are currently way ahead of the last 6 years on membership renewals. For those of you that have yet to renew please make sure you do so as soon as possible, as per the National By-Laws, those that do not renew by February 1st are suspended from all privileges of the American Legion. There are only 39 of you out there, let's get 100% membership for your post, it has been 6 years since.

In regards to membership renewals it seems as though not too many members are aware that the Legion's year runs from July 1st to June 30th and not from January 1st to December 31st and therefore the reason why you must renew your dues prior to June 30th, i.e. starting July 1st of this year you will be paying your dues for the 2018 year.

The Construction Planning Committee along with the Executive Committee has approved Berenyi Inc. as the firm which will develop and build our new home. They will provide architectural, engineering and construction services.

We will be sending 6 students to the Palmetto Boys State this year and 2 young man/woman to the Law Cadet Academy. The cost per student at Palmetto Boys State is \$300.00 each while the cost for attendance at the Law Cadet Academy is \$200.00 per student. If you would like to donate the cost per For God and Country,

John Coy

Commander

student, please feel free to do so and forward your donation to our mailing address.

Proceeds from the Firework stand in the amount of \$300.00 were donated to the VA hospital veterans' services in the form of 60 \$5.00 meal cards.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the following members of the Legion Family during the January 25, 2017 General Membership Meeting for their continued support of Post activities: Jim Pearce, Carla Matthews, Karen Miller, Mark Gilbert, Beverly Ksenzak and Marc Ksenzak.

For those of you that would like to keep up with your Post's activities visit our website at www.post179.com, we also publish our newsletter in the American Legion's website at www.legion.org, and at our Facebook page American Legion Post 179 – Charleston, SC. If you have an email address and we do not have it, please send it to alpost179@gmail.com

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.

FROM THE ADJUTANT

Hope everyone had a great Happy New Year day weekend and have prosperous year. We had a great turnout to welcome in the New Year at the Post. As of this writing Post Membership stands at 317 active members. Thank you for your response on renewals. We received a couple of renewals and now are at 87 percent renewal rate for 2017 which exceeds last year's renewal rate. If you

haven't renewed yet please do so. We need 43 renewals to reach 100%. The efforts of all are appreciated.

Thank you for all participation in Post activities. We are getting more participation in the events which allow us to support our veterans and their families better. We appreciate all who volunteer their time and skills to make the events successful.

For God and Country,

Dave Lloyd

CANTEEN NEWS

Effective 1 February the opening time on the weekends will be changed to 12:00 noon (except breakfast Sunday)

Thanks to the **3Bs'**, **Karen**, **Jim and Mark**, and **Kate** and **Chastity** for being our Wednesday Night chefs. Wing night continues to be our best night. Volunteers are always welcome.

The **New Year's Eve Party** was fantastic. Thanks to all those that brought food. A special thanks to **Ms. Judy** from VFW 445 for providing soup.

Once again **Greg Ingalls** hosted a stupendous football party...Many thanks **Greg!!!**

Chili Cook-off – Congrats to **Tina** for the winning entry and thanks to all that participated.

Conference Championship night – Thanks to **Bev**, **Mark** and **Carla** for providing the soup and cornbread.

Canteen Manger: Liz

Bartenders: *Courtney, Kate and Cynthia*.
Chairman, Canteen Committee: **Kenny Miller**

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS

Future Events:

February 5, the Auxiliary will be cooking **Breakfast**.

February 11, the Auxiliary will be hosting the **Frogmore Stew Dinner**. \$7.00 per plate. 5 -7 PM.

February 18, will be **Cards against Humanity night**. Be prepared to laugh until tears start flowing.

February 25, the SAL will be hosting the annual **Oyster Roast**. \$12.00 for all you can eat. 1:00 - 5:00 PM.

Holiday schedules:

NOON - 10:00 PM

Presidents Day, February 20th, we will open at noon.

We hope for your continued support, and look forward to your next visit.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 179 POST/CANTEEN HOURS OF OPERATION EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2017

MONDAY – THURSDAY 4:00 PM - 10:00 PMFRIDAY NOON - 12:00 AMSATURDAY NOON - 12:00 AMSUNDAY NOON - 10:00 PM

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

We have an exciting ahead...

We will be cooking breakfast on February 5th, although we didn't know it, but several people stepped up, so thank you **Susie**, **Carla**, **Karen** and **Nichole**...

We will be cooking **Frogmore Stew** on February 11th from 5 to 7 PM, \$7.00 a plate, so bring your friends...

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We also have a **California Dreaming** gift card worth \$100.00, 6 tickets for \$5.00. Please feel free to buy as many as you like. See your bartender or an Auxiliary Member, the winner will be drawn during the Frogmore Stew function.

Remember your dues need to be paid by January 31st or you could lose your Canteen privileges. We don't want that to happen to anyone. Ladies please bring your red Auxiliary shirts for a bon fire.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION (SAL)

....This just in, if you have not paid your dues by the first of February, we have to vote you back in! Don't hesitate!

Our Charleston wide famous **SAL Oyster Roast** is coming on the 25th of this month! This has annually been one of the favorite functions this Post has ever

Norman W. Meyer, Jr.

done and we do not intend this will be any different. Shoot, it could even be better, if that is at all possible. \$12.00 at the door for all you can eat. **50/50 and Chili** from **Greg** for them that don't eat Oysters.

We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 1800. All are welcome.

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS (ALR)

I am proud and honored to be able to proclaim that our American Legion Riders Post 179 is solid. Our membership has grown and we stand ready to help any way we can. To thank you all, we will be hosting a free dinner to be announced at a later date. First we have to figure out who is going to cook, what are we going to serve and when are we going to do this. Just minor details, you know. But it will be good and exciting!!!

Rubber side down!

Excited!

Norman W. Meyer, Jr.

You should know that we meet the third Wednesday of the month at 1830, which is also Wing night at the Post. You can bring a friend, have a meeting and a dinner all in one place. Pretty cool, huh?

We would like to thank **Jim Pearce** and **Dave Lloyd** for making the trip to Columbia last Saturday for the big meeting of ALR in South Carolina. They said they didn't even get wet.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 179

Susie – Carla – Karen – Nichole
Are cooking the Monthly Breakfast
Sunday, February 5, 2017
0900 – 1100

\$6.00 A PLATE



Frogmore Stew Dinner

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 179 Saturday, February 11, 2017



5 — 7 PM \$7.00 per Plate



Sons of the American Legion Squadron 179

1748 ASHLEY HALL ROAD, CHARLESTON, SC



Saturday, February 25th 1300 — 1700 \$12.00 all you can eat While Supplies Last

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | 6:30 PM AUXILIARY MEETING 1 | 6:00 PM SAL MEETING 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 9-11 AM AUXILIARY COOKING BREAKFAST 6 PM SUPER BOWL 5 | 6:00 PM HONOR GUARD DRILL 6 | 7 | 6:00 PM CANTEEN COMMITTEE 7:00 PM E-BOARD MEETING 8 | 9 | 10 | 5 – 7 PM AUXILLIARY FROGMORE STEW 11 |
| 12 | 13 | Happy Valenties's Day 2 | 6:30 PM ALR MEETING 15 | 16 | 17 | Cards Against Humanity Aparty game for hourzble people. |
| 19 | 6:00 PM HONOR GUARD DRILL 20 | 21 | 7:00 PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 22 | 23 | 24 | 1 – 5 PM SAL OYSTER ROAST 25 |
| | MARCH NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE TODAY 27 | 28 | | WING WEDNESDAY Every Wednesday Evening 5 PM to 8 PM Wings & Things | | |

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NOTES:

POST/CANTEEN HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 4 PM — 10 PM

Friday: NOON — 12 AM

Saturday: NOON — 12 AM

Sunday: NOON — 10 PM

National Holidays: NOON - 10 PM