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## Commander's Comments

THANKS TO ALL FOR A GREAT YEAR AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT AT THE POST FOR THE NEW YEAR. MOST OF YOU KNOW THAT OUR ELECTION YEAR RUNS FROM JUNE TO THE FOLLOWING MAY ELECTIONS WITH INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS IN THE FOLLOWING MONTH (JUNE). CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO WERE ELECTED AND WILLING TO SERVE THIS NEW TERM. WE LOOK FORWARD TO MANY NEW IDEAS AND MUCH PROGRESS.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL BE DISCUSSING PRIORITIES FOR THE YEAR INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE POST AND OUTSIDE THE BUILDING. ANY THOUGHTS OR SUGGESTIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AND WILL BE DISCUSSED. AS ALWAYS, WE WELCOME ANY VOLUNTEERS IN ANY AREA OF OPERATIONS.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS AS WE WISH THE VERY BEST OF HEALTH TO ALL. FOR THOSE HAVING PROBLEMS OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES PLEASE NOTIFY THE POST IF ONE OF OUR MEMBERS IS HOSPITALIZED TO ENSURE WE ENTER THEIR NAME ON OUR CHAPLAIN'S BOARD.

REMEMBER TO REVIEW THE CALENDAR IN YOUR BULLETIN FOR UPCOMING EVENTS AND CEREMONIES. THE BULLETIN IS A QUICK SNAPSHOT OF THE MEALS FOR SATURDAY EVENINGS AND BANDS THAT WILL BE PLAYING IN THE CANTEEN. OUR ORGANIZATIONS POST INTERESTING ARTICLES TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF THEIR PROGRESS AND LATEST NEWS.

OUR MEMBERSHIP IS DOING WELL IN ALL ORGANIZATIONS WE ENCOURAGE EACH OF YOU TO SPREAD THE WORD FOR OTHERS THAT QUALIFY TO JOIN. WE HAVE A GOOD REPUTATION FOR ATTRACTING GREAT MEMBERS AND WE WELCOME ALL TO ENJOY OUR POST.

GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE PERSONNEL AND ALL WHO SERVE AND HAVE SERVED THIS GREAT NATION. PLEASE KEEP THE PRAYERS GOING FOR THE SAFE RETURN OF ALL OVERSEAS AND FOR ANY INJURED.

WE WILL SEE YOU AT THE POST!

RESPECTFULLY,  
DWIGHT CARGILE

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## Auxiliary News

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Ladies –

Dear Ladies - This will be my last column as President of Unit 147. That being said, I wish all our new Officers a most successful year and with YOUR help it will be. Our new officers are: President: Barbara Evans, Sr. VP: Mary Wade, Jr. VP: Cheryl Greene, Treasurer: Melody Lowe, Secretary: Miriam Johnson, Chaplain: Toni Stramm, Historian: Nellie Powers, Sgt-at-Arms: Patricia Wand and Leslie Sullivan, Members-at-Large: Jeannie Wood, Inge Sproles, Sandy Polensky and Joyce Miles. I know these ladies will commit themselves with "passion" to the offices that they have been elected to fill.

Speaking of "passion" - my thanks to all the ladies (they know who they are) that have helped me through the past two years, cooking, selling tickets, decorating, coming to meetings and helping out whenever they were needed. They ARE the backbone of this Auxiliary and each have served this organization with "passion". But on the other hand, on election night, we had more women who showed up that NEVER PARTICIPATE, NEVER COME TO MEETINGS, NEVER VOLUNTEER OR ATTEND OUR FUNCTIONS. It is such a shame that elections are the only thing that brings out our membership. This not only goes for the Auxiliary, but the Legion and SAL If all the members that attend elections show their support, our Post would be most successful. We (the "family") have the same ones volunteering - this is not a clique, but members who truly believe in what they pay their dues for. Obviously some women cannot volunteer because of health reasons, however, I can only hope that the women that showed up for these elections support the above officers as I will. Negative people bring negative talk and thoughts and that's not we need to support our veterans, our community or THIS organization.

President-elect Barbara Evans and I will be attending the Convention in June at which time she will be reading my endorsement for Jr. Vice President for the State of South Carolina. If elected I will be very proud to represent my Post home.

Finally, please take heart to what I have said - find your "passion" for this organization. We are here to support the American Legion not cast aspersions to our fellow members. My thanks to all the Legionnaires and SAL members that have supported the Unit these past two years. It was only to ask and it was done. Also, the members that have brought their friends to support our dinners and our functions. We truly thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

God Bless our troops and our Legion family.

*Barbara Staffer*  
President Unit 147

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## SAL News

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The newly elected officers are: Commander - Danny Rubin, 1st Vice Commander - Walt Chessa, 2nd Vice Commander and Adjutant - Harry Polensky, Finance - Stewart Oltmann, Historian - Dino Harris, Sergeant @Arms - Mike Wand & Kevin Kampmeyer, Chaplain - Larry Baldwin. We will be having a Fish Fry for dinner this month.

Danny Rubin, SAL Commander

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## Post Elections

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The results of the Post election of officers for 2011/2012 were unknown when this issue of the Banner went to print. A list of the newly-elected officers is posted in the canteen and will be included in next month's newsletter. Congratulations to all who were elected to run the affairs of the Post for the upcoming year.

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## Jim's Canteen Comments

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Fond fair well to the Post, as I have now completed my duties as chairman of the canteen committee. It's been a tremendous experience. I want to thank you the membership for allowing me and the staff to serve your needs and wishes. I am sure who ever steps in to fill my shoes will either follow the pattern we have put together or come up with one of their own that will be just as successful. I want to again thank all the volunteers that I have had the pleasure of working with, just to name a few, Pat, Fran, Sid and Terri. Also to thank Dennis for his hard work and effort, his organizational skills as manager of the canteen, he has been very cooperative and we all have worked together as a great team.

Jim Nicholas/Canteen Committee Chair

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## Monthly Meetings

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Due to having the Joint installation of the newly-elected Legion, Auxiliary Unit, and SAL Squadron officers this month, there will be no regular General or Auxiliary, meetings.



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## Adjutant's Report

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IT LOOKS LIKE WE WILL END OUR YEAR WITH 509 PAID MEMBERS AND A GRAND TOTAL, WITH THOSE WHO TRANSFERRED FROM OTHER POSTS, OF 566. I AM AWARE OF LOSING 25 DECEASED MEMBERS THIS YEAR. OUR NEW MEMBERSHIP SEASON STARTS IN JULY. HOWEVER, NATIONAL WILL NOT HAVE OUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS AVAILABLE UNTIL SOMETIME IN AUGUST. BECAUSE OF THIS, THE 'EARLY BIRD' DUES WILL START ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY AND RUN THROUGH SEPTEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>. THE BANQUET WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE JUNE MEETING, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, DEPARTMENT HAS RAISED THIS YEAR'S DUES BY \$6, SETTING OUR DUES FOR 2012 AT \$46.

JOHN RODGERS, ADJUTANT

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## 2011 Baseball Fans

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More of our devoted friends who were standing at the ready to donate to our baseball program are as follows: Ethel E./Stacy B. Power, Sara N./G. Spence Wise Jr., Peggy A./Paul R. Garten, Cathrine E./John M. McLochlin, Renee/James Lawrence, R.L./J.E. Greathouse, Robert E. Welch, Estelle C./Francis P. Logan, John B. Dunbar, Frances/Henry Schagane, Milan Glumac, Naomi F. Mazzell, Tony Stramm, Whittie Miller, Deborah S./Wendell A. Trivette, W. James Clees, Richard E. Walsh, Kehm Lecroy, Linda C./Jimmy D. McMillan, Dr. Michael J. Engel DMD, William Simpson, Louise/Joseph F. Yantorn, Francis W. Carlisle, Richard B. Morgan, and James M. Gillespie. On behalf of our baseball program thank you very much to all for your contributions.

Baseball schedules have been placed in various locations at the Post. If you are unable to get a copy give me a call at 343-2023 and arrangements will be made to provide you with a copy.

A new Cleveland Golf Bag and set of irons have been donated to the baseball program and will be raffled off in mid July, after our baseball season ends. Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased by contacting me at 343-2023. The bag and irons will be on display at the post on Sundays from 10AM to 5PM. Check the canteen stage.

For God and Country, Curt Thomas, Post 147 Athletic Officer

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## Legionnaires for Kids

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Thanks to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket for the TV. The drawing was held on May 14<sup>th</sup> and the winner will be posted in the canteen during the week of May 16<sup>th</sup>. All tickets were sold and 100% of the proceeds will be used to support Courageous Kidz. Thanks again.

In June you will find jars in the canteen which will enable you to get rid of all of those pennies that seem to collect on bureaus and counter tops. The jars are finicky and will only accept pennies, so please consider putting your "two cents" in when you are at the post. The Penny Drive will go through the summer months.

Rules for the August Pool Tournament will soon be posted in the canteen and we look forward to making this event an annual activity.

Don't Forget! The Fall Classic Golf Tournament at Shadowmoss is "locked" in for September 10<sup>th</sup>. It is the same price as last year, \$75.00 per person, which includes everything. We hope to see you at tee time.

As always, if anyone is interested in making a tax deductible contribution to this year's fund drive, you can do so by seeing any committee member. All contributors will be acknowledged.

The Committee

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## "Clear the Decks" Benefit Next Month

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SATURDAY, JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>. TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE POST, IT'S AN 'ALL YOU CAN EAT' SPECIAL FOR \$10 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING WITH ALL THE FIXIN'S:

- STU'S & DINO'S BEAUFORT STEW
- DINO'S & MIKE'S RIBS
- DANNY'S FRIED FISH
- JIM'S BOSTON BUTTS
- PLUS, A BENEFIT DRAWING FOR A DONATED AUTOMOBILE - DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.





# June 2011

**DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS**  
**MONDAY - SATURDAY**  
**11:30—1:30 P.M.\***  
**\*CALL FOR DAILY MENUS.**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3 LUNCH FRIED PORK CHOPS (FRAN & PAT)	4 <b>STEAK NIGHT</b> (MIKE WAND) 6:00—8:00 P.M.  OASIS
5  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM AUXILIARY	6  DAV 7:00 P.M. <b>D-DAY (1944)</b>	7  <b>AIRBORNE</b> 7:00 P.M.	8  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	9  <b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b> 7:00 P.M.	10 LUNCH HAMBURGER STEAK (MIKE GARVIN)	11 <b>PORK TENDERLOIN DINNER</b> (AUXILIARY) 6:00—8:00 P.M.  HIGH TIDE BAND
12  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM HONOR GUARD	13	14 <b>FLAG DAY</b> Flag Disposal Ceremony 5:30 p.m.  SAL  7:00 P.M.	15  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	16	17 LUNCH BAKED HAM (PAT & FRAN)	18 <b>JOINT INSTALLATION</b> 6:00 P.M.  SARGENT SUBMARINE
19  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM SAL  <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>	20	21	22  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	23	24 LUNCH GREEK CHICKEN (MIKE GARVIN)	25 <b>FISH FRY</b> 6:00—8:00 P.M.  DENIM & DIAMONDS
26  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM 40 & 8	27	28  <b>40 &amp; 8</b> CABANNE 6 P.M. VOITURE 7 P.M.	29  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	30	<b>Monday—Thursday</b> 10:00 am—10:00 pm  <b>Friday &amp; Saturday</b> 10:00 am—12:00 midnight  <b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am— 8:00 pm bartender's call after time.	

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## *Financial Status as of 4/30*

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**Building Maintenance Fund—Current balance**                    \$ 816.74

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

**General Fund—Current balance**                                        \$1,064.28

This fund is used for membership processing and office supplies.

**Building Fund—Current balance**                                        \$ 438.94

This fund is used for paying off our Construction Loan

**Escrow Fund—Current balance**                                        \$3,621.88

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, Harvey & Margie Dick, Pat & Barbara Evans, James & Doris Garner, Milan Glumac, Denny Sherrod, Harry & Inge Sproles, David Vierra, Maynard & Irene Parmenter, James Lawrence, Stephen Driscoll, Ed Yarnell and Barbara Leary.

Walt Chessa, Finance Officer