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Thanks to all who attended the 9/11 Memorial Service held at the Post. It was a really hot day but we had excellent attendance.

By the time the bulletin is distributed, most of you will have seen major changes in the Post Canteen that we have wanted for along time. These changes are not listed here so those of you that haven't seen them will be pleasantly surprised!

Fortunately, these changes that have been made will 'spruce up' the appearance of the Post just in time for the holiday SEASON. Please plan to attend as many of the holiday programs planned for the season as possible.

We will have Christmas trees available in our lot again this November. Sales will begin on Thanksgiving day until December 20th. These trees are shaped well and in various sizes. Just mention that you are a member of the Post and you get a better price.

Reminder: We will have the Veterans Day Service jointly supported between the VFW and American Legion at VFW Post 445 on Camp Road. We do this each year and the VFW hosts this event. Please plan to attend if possible. I understand that the VFW Commander, Richard Schramm plans to begin the service at 10:00 a.m.

This has been a really great year for the Post and all that has been accomplished. A special thanks to all who have contributed their time, money, and physical efforts to make this happen.

God Bless and keep our military, their families, our members, al others, and this country safe. We have been blessed to become such a great nation and we should be ever mindful that freedom is not free!

See you at the Post!

Respectfully,  
**Dwight Cargile**

### NO GENERAL MEETING

There will be no Post General Meetings in November or December due to the holidays.

### FLAGS ON GRAVES

Post 147 requests volunteers to help place flags on graves of Veterans Thursday, November 10th. Meet at the Post at 9:00 a.m. We will place flags on James Island Graves only and normally finish in approximately 2 hours.

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# AUXILIARY NEWS

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Thanks to all the Auxiliary Members who supported Project Day. Leslie Sullivan provided 140 thank you letters from her students at Palmetto Scholars Academy. Joyce Miles, Jackie Stringer, Fran Perkins, Toni Stramm, Nellie Powers and Pat Wand provided letters and mailing addresses for soldiers in Afghanistan. Four flat rate boxes were mailed in October filled with letters, puzzle books, lotions, shampoos, and candy. Thanks also to all the inquisitive members who stopped.

Veterans Day is approaching. The Legion has asked for help in placing flags on graves in James Island. Anyone interested in helping should be at the Post on November 10th at 9:00 a.m. and see Al Wand.

Saturday night dinners have become STEAK NIGHT at the Post unless otherwise posted. Support your Post and organizations by coming out and having a nice juicy steak with baked potato and salad. As Bob Barker would say, "THE PRICE IS RIGHT." And as Al Wand would say, "THE FOOD IS GOOD."

Our membership chairman, Mary Wade, has our new membership cards for the upcoming year. Many of the new membership cards have the WRONG NUMBER of CONTINUOUS YEARS OF SERVICE due to national changing their computer program. Our State Department has advised Mary that this error should be corrected on our 2012 membership cards. Dues are \$30.00. Pay your dues early and become eligible to win one of the two \$50.00 early bird prizes. All membership renewals should be put in an envelopes, marked to the attention of Mary Wade or Barbara Evans.

In October on Project Day, members packed boxes for our troops overseas. We also discussed future projects. Anyone having ideas or wanting to donate or help, please drop by on the Friday after our Tuesday night meeting. Christmas is coming and we need donations for our hospitalized veterans and Home bound members. A Christmas donation box will be placed in the Canteen to collect white socks and T-Shirts, gold bond powders and lotions, and shaving kits for our males, scarves, handkerchiefs, throws and lotions for women. I would like to thank Mary Wade for donating Christmas bags, boxes and bows for donated gifts. If you can think of a small male or female gift that is not listed, drop it in the Box and it will be wrapped and given to a Veteran.

In September, Tracey Kampmeyer was elected as our new member-at-large. Welcome back Tracey.

Our next meeting will be held on November 15th at 6:15 p.m. E-Board 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

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# 40&8 OYSTER ROAST

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Last call for the 15th Annual 40&8 Nurse's Training Oyster Roast to be held Saturday, November 5th, starting at 1:00 p.m. This is an Annual Fund-Raising event to provide scholarship assistance to Nursing students at Trident Technical College. Tickets are available—\$18.00 in advance/\$20.00 at the door—for 'All-You-Can-Eat' Oysters, hamburgers, hot dogs, beer and soda. Non-oyster eaters can obtain burgers, dogs and soft drinks for a nominal donation.

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## SAL NEWS

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Come out and enjoy the Chili Cook-Off on the 26th for \$5.00

**Danny Rubin, SAL Commander**

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## FROM THE CHAPLAIN

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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.

Passed away—John Johnston

Hospitalized as of 17 October 2011  
James Lee Garner, VA Hospital—4-B North, Room 449

Shutins: Claude Horton at Home—Phone 795-9113  
Maynard Parmenter—Heartland on Sam Ritteberg  
Medical Problems: Dennis Hansen—At Home  
John Grooms—At Home

Please place these in your prayers.

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**

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# LEGIONNAIRES FOR KIDS

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We have \$5,966.65 in our account as we progress towards this year's goal of \$13,000.00 Please continue to consider the Penny Jars as you leave the Canteen. They are located on the table below the message board.

The 2nd Pool Tournament began on October 11th with 15 participants and the play thus far has been superb. If you care to watch, the matches are played Monday through Thursday at 6:00 and 7:15 p.m. Pool is a great spectator sport.

The Shuffleboard Tournament began on October 17th and we are planning a Corn Hole Tournament for the weekends in November. Applications and rules for the Corn Hole Tournament will be in the Canteen by the 1st of November.

We are planning another TV benefit drawing which will be held after November 15th with the Drawing to be held by December 15th, just in time for Christmas. Again, only 250 tickets will be sold and the price will be \$5.00.

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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## MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY

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The traditional celebration of the 238th United States marine Corps will be held November 10th at 3:00 p.m. A champagne toast and cutting of the cake will be included.

Simper Fi, Marines!

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## TIGERS VS GAMECOCKS

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The Canteen will be offering some 'Specials' during the Clemson—USC Rivalry game on November 26th. Wear the colors of your team and plan on watching the game in the Canteen.



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# ADJUTANT'S NOTES

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Thank you to the early bird contributors. We had 290 contributors and the early bird dinner (world famous Spaghetti by Chef Mike) will be held November 13th at 5:00 p.m. Please sign up by November 5th.

The new Key Cards will be available after Thanksgiving. Please remember that the old red cards will not work after December 31st and you must have a 2012 Membership Card to have access to the Post. So please pay your 2012 Dues.

The Midwinter Conference will be held 20 thru 22 December in Myrtle Beach. All in our Legion Family are invited to attend this informative event.

**Bill Wade**, Adjutant

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## JIM'S CANTEEN COMMENTS

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Hello to every one I'm BACK . . . .

After a brief hiatus to recharge my batteries I am ready to return as chairman of the Canteen Committee. Get ready for a fun and exciting time; we have made some great strides in improving the Canteen facility, including a new display case, new closets for storage, tile on the floor, new carpet, etc. Come in and take a look. Additionally to add to the funds, we are currently in the midst of a pool tournament and shuffle board tournament, come one come all and sign up. If you're not aware Danny Ruben is preparing lunches Monday—Thursday with a selection of sandwiches, for a mere \$3.00 and include fries for only \$1.00 more. Friday we have guest chefs with full meals being served. Saturday nights are reserved for Steak, potato, and salad for \$12.00 Also, we are back to Friday, Friday, Friday 4—7 Happy Hour. Snacks and drawings are back. Come in and join the fun.

If you have ideas or suggestions for improvement of the Canteen please feel free to see me or Dennis Bailey our Canteen Manager.



**Jim Nicholas**/Canteen Committee Chair



# NOVEMBER 2011

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 <b>GREATER CHARLESTON AIRBORNE UNIT</b> 7:00 P.M.	2  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	3	4 LUNCH SPAGHETTI (MIKE G.)	5 <b>40&amp;8 OYSTER ROAST</b> 1:00—5:00 P.M. (NO DINNER) BAND—TBD
6  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM AUXILIARY	7  <b>DAV</b> 7:00 P.M.	8  <b>SAL</b> 7:00 P.M. ELECTION DAY	9  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	10  <b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b> 7:00 P.M. <b>MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY 3:00 PM</b>	11 VETERANS DAY LUNCH VETERANS DAY AT VFW	12 <b>STEAK DINNER (AUXILIARY)</b> 6:00—8:00 P.M. BAND— TBA
13  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM HONOR GUARD EARLY BIRD SPAGHETTI DINNER - 5:00 P.M.	14	15  <b>AUXILIARY MEETING</b> 6:15 P.M.	16  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	17	18 LUNCH GREEK CHICKEN (JIM & CHEF JOHN)	19 <b>STEAK DINNER</b> 6:00—8:00 P.M. BAND—TBA
20  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM SAL	21	22  <b>40 &amp; 8 CABANNE</b> 6 P.M. <b>VOITURE</b> 7 P.M.	23  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	24 <b>THANKSGIVING POST HOURS</b> 1:00—8:00 P.M.	25 LUNCH DANNY'S DINER	26 <b>CHILI COOK-OFF</b> 6:00—8:00 P.M. <b>CLEMSON / USC PARTY</b> BAND—TBA
27  BREAKFAST 9 AM—11:30 AM 40 & 8	28	29	30  <b>HONOR GUARD</b> 7:00 P.M.	<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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Please remember our Penny-Parade-Jar for Kids when you visit the Canteen.

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## FINANCIAL STATUS AS OF 10/15

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**Building Maintenance Fund—Current balance                      \$579.53**

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

**General Fund—Current balance    \$1,638.85**

This fund is used for membership processing and office supplies.

**Escrow Fund—Current balance    \$4,283.24**

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

Pat Clute, Finance Officer