COMMANDER’S COMMENTS

I want to thank those who pitched in and helped immensely with the Girls and Boys State dinner (Ms. Shelagh Lammers, Ms. Nina Waddell, Ms. Katherine Beilstein and Darcie Guerry). Not a big turn out but appreciated by those that attended.

A big shout out to Barry Gordon and his Turkey Shoot crew of a few….great job! Turkey Shoot turnout has been terrific.

Any function that brings in money or recognition to Post 166 is shared by ALL. WE are the second largest Post in the State of South Carolina, with close to 1300 Legionnaire membership alone! I want to see more WE in our Volunteer force!! All that is done at this Post circles around a very FEW volunteers.

Do YOUR part for Post 166 and give some time and effort towards Legion projects.

For God, Country and Our Veterans
Jennifer Beilstein, Commander

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership GOAL for November is 65%. We are presently at 57%. If you see or talk with one or several of your VETERAN buddies ask if they have renewed their membership or better yet if they are not a member of the Post, SIGN them up.

Do we, ‘THE POST’ have a copy of your DD-214 on file? Please get with me or someone in the office to check if we have one on file for you. If you do not have a copy of your DD-214 or cannot find one, we can help you get one. It is a requirement that we have a copy on file, not only to prove your eligibility to be a member, but it helps your family in case of an emergency. Just stop by the Post or ask me when we are at the Post together. See you around the POST.

William Simpson
1st Vice Commander

2ND VICE’S COMMENTS

Turkey Shoot is underway. Have you been out there and got your bird, yet? Big Meat shoot will be on November 21st. If you are holding on to shotgun raffle tickets, please send the stubs with payment or return all tickets and we will try to sell them at the Post.

The 3rd Annual Legion Cook-off was October 6th. Congratulations to the Tin Can Sailors who won this year with their Shrimp and Grits.

Bingo is scheduled for the 2nd Wednesday of each month through the end of the year. Fun and games start at 6:30 pm and cost $20 for bingo cards, additional cards available for purchase and 50/50 raffle tickets. Who doesn’t get a rush when yelling BINGO?!?

NEEDY FAMILIES - The first meeting is Nov. 4th at 1pm in the Columbo Room. The Big Difference this year is that Toys for Tots WILL NOT be able to assist us with toys this year. We are, therefore, asking for help by donating toys as well as canned goods this year. We will have flyers at the post with updates.

The Christmas party will be held on Bar side on SATURDAY, Dec. 15th. There will be music/karaoke, 50/50, and potluck appetizers/food. There will, also, be a Chinese gift exchange for those that bring a wrapped gift worth no-more-than $15. Look for the flyers at the Post.

New Year’s Eve party plans are still in the works.

Brian ‘Bat’ Masterson
2nd Vice Commander
*TAPS*
It is my duty to report with great sadness that Legionnaires Paul Blais, Raymond Hawkins, Francis McKeown, Larry Cox, Delbert Howell and Thomas Knight, have reported to the Supreme Commander. The Legion family greatly grieves the loss of these Comrades. May Almighty God give their families comfort and strength during this period of need. The Legion family sends their love and support during this time of grief.
William ‘Bill’ Simpson, 1st Vice Commander

POST SERVICE OFFICER
HELLO! Welcome to the VA
Whether you’re just getting out of the service or have been a civilian for a while, the VA welcome kit can help guide you through the benefits you’ve earned. Keep you Welcome Kit handy so you can readily turn to it. Like when you decide to continue your education, get a job, buy a house, retire or seek health care as you age.
The VA Welcome Kit is available for download by going to the website:
www.vets.gov/WelcometoVA
Info made readily available about: Your benefits, eligibility, disability rating, your journey (support throughout your life), how to access benefits, and emergency resources.
Tim Burnside, 843-330-2839
burnside2timothy@outlook.com

*CHAPLAIN’S CORNER*
10/3 - 7 volunteers visited 66 patients
10/10 - canceled due to storm
Next visits - November 7th
- November 14th
Everyone is welcome to join us.
If you know someone in sickness or distress, please, call or text Chaplain at 843-469-8154.
Bill Streuber
Chaplain, VAVS Director

THE AUXILIARY ASKS YOU TO PLEASE BRING COUPONS TO SUPPORT MILITARY FAMILIES OVERSEAS *BOX IS IN THE BAR*

WANTED: ALUMINUM CANS BRING YOUR EMPTY ALUMINUM CANS TO THE POST FOR RECYCLING. THEY SUPPORT OUR JROTC PROGRAM.

TURKEY SHOOT
It is now November and the turkey shoot is going well. The people are coming to shoot and the bonfire is burning. If you have not had a chance to come out and shoot or just come out and watch, there is still time.
The big meat shoot is on Wednesday, November 21st starting at 7 pm. The big meat targets go on sale at 7:30 pm, when sold the meat shoot will begin. The grand prize will be a $100.00 gift certificate. See flyers at the Post for additional details. At around 9 pm the 50/50 drawing and the gun raffle will be drawn.
As normal, we will be shooting Monday the 19th and Tues the 20th. This will be the last chance to get your guns warmed up and ready for the big meat shoot.
We will not be shooting Thursday, Friday or Saturday due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. The shoot will resume Friday the 30th and will be on Fridays and Saturdays until December 22nd. We will still host the kid’s shoot on every Saturday from 5-7 pm, so keep bringing your kids.
Barry Gordon
Turkey Shoot Chairman
**“HISTORY OF POST 166”**  
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As covered last month, Post 166 Commander Malvin Mann, with the help from Senator Dennis obtained the land this Post now sits on, however had no money or building.

Up stepped another Charter Member by the name of Mr. Roland A. Dordal. Legionnaire Dordal, along with Post Commander Mann ran an ad in the *Charleston, SC News & Courier*, (which later became the *Post & Courier*). The ad stated that American Legion Post 166 was in dire need of a building. The only reply received was from 1st Federal Savings and Loan in North Charleston. In their reply, it was stated they (1st Federal) had a building located at the intersection of Rivers Avenue and Cosgrove Avenue. They would sell it to Post 166 for $1,000.00 because there were plans for a new bank building to be built on that property

Okay, folks. Now the Post had the needed property as well as a perspective building to put on the property. However, there was NO MONEY to purchase the building. This problem of ‘NO MONEY’ was explained to the manager of 1st Federal and that we (Post 166) wanted and needed he building. The manager of 1st Federal agreed to sell the building to Post 166 for the amount of $1.00, but, he stipulated the building had to be moved ASAP because their new building was scheduled for the construction to begin. The ongoing problem of ‘NO MONEY’ was once again explained to the manager of 1st Federal. The manager of 1st Federal not only agreed to sell the building for the sum of $1.00 but would also loan Post 166 $7,000 to move and renovate it. Post 166 membership was polled and it was approved to obtain the loan. (Note - Amazing what people can accomplish when they work together instead of arguing). By the way, the building was a duplex apartment building. It came with two of everything--kitchens, stoves, etc.

Next month we will cover the actual relocation of and the work involved to set up Post 166’s building - which later became known as ‘The Old Building’.

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I want to sincerely ‘Thank’ Post Commander Beilstein and all involved for placing the bronze “The Columbo Ballroom” plaque on the door leading into the Columbo Ballroom, as well as referring to it at ‘The Columbo Ballroom” both verbally and written. It is a tribute to the man who raised most of the money to construct that room and later died in that room. Once again ‘Thank you.’

Don Pace, Post Historian

P.S. Note - I am trying to find pictures of Auxiliary Unit 166’s ‘Color Guard and Marching Unit.’ I remember most of the Ladies but cannot find pictures. If you were a former member and have pictures, please contact me. Thanks.

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**LEGION RIDERS**

The ALR monthly meeting will be on the 17th at 9:30 AM on the bar side. I look forward to seeing all of our members and any motorcyclist that would like to see what the ALR is all about.

Bruce Richburg  
Director

**KITCHEN**

The buffet breakfasts will be on November 4th AND 11th this month.  
We are in desperate need of egg grill chefs just to have 3 complete teams. For a full breakfast every week we need a 4th complete team.

Thanks to all of the volunteers for their continued service to Post 166.  
Good job, one and all.

Deb Reynolds  
Acting Kitchen Manager

**SAL NEWS**

For the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 166 to flourish, everyone needs to get onboard and start attending meetings. Remember, we meet the 1st Wednesday of every month at the Post. The meeting starts at 7pm.  
2019 membership cards are available. See Fred Kiley and renew your membership.

Clyde Chandler  
Commander

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**SEPTEMBER 2018 FINANCES**

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**ATTENTION!!**

ALL MEMBERS WHO CURRENTLY HOLD KEYS TO THE BUILDING AND/OR THE OFFICE ARE ASKED TO STOP IN THE OFFICE TO VERIFY POSSESSION OF KEYS.  
By request from Commander Beilstein
**40 & 8 REPORT**

The 3rd Annual Legion Cook-off was Oct. 6th from 11-3. Bill Simpson, Bud & Deb Reynolds, Bobby Horne and myself tried our best but we came up 2 votes short. Hats off to the Tin Can Sailors. We’ll be back next year.

The Shamrock Wreck in Savannah was a big success. A good time was had by the members from Goose Creek that traveled for it. We welcomed 5 new Voyageurs.

This month’s Promenade is Nov. 27th. We have seen a significant decline in attendance at the last few Promenades, which make it difficult to get our business accomplished. Please make a concerted effort to attend promenades and get up-to-date on our activities.

The new membership cards are in. Be GOLDen by getting with Don Carr and get your 2019 card.

The Joint Carolinas Wreck in Camden is still taking reservations for the 18th & 19th of January. V-1067 is furnishing the Ritual Crew and some of the Wrecking Crew and we could use some help with this venture. Step Up!

Florida is now taking reservations for Southland’s Dixie scheduled for April 25-27, 2019 in Jacksonville. You don’t know what you are missing if you don’t go!

Brian ‘Bat’ Masterson  
Chef de Gare

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**TIN CAN SAILORS**

Shipmates,

Well, our family picnic is behind us and it was a success. We had a great turnout and the weather turned out gorgeous. Everyone had a good time and had some great food.

Our next main evolution is our next BBQ, which was rescheduled for Saturday, December 8th, is also the date if the Army/Navy football game. Hopefully, we will do as well as the last sale. Butt sales cutoff will be Sunday December 2nd. Please get out and presell pork butts, as this is where we make our best profit.

Congratulations to the Officers for this next year, let’s make it another successful year in 2019.

Dean Nimocks, Skipper

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**CANTEEN MANAGER**

Turn out for Bingo Night has been lacking. This month we will guarantee $100 for the coverall. Please let us know if you would like to rotate Bingo with Quarter Auctions and if you would prefer Wednesdays at 7 pm or Sunday at 4 pm. You can email your vote to manager@alp166sc.com

Kim Lied  
Canteen Manager

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**AUXILIARY NEWS**

Ladies

Our next meeting will be November 5th at 7:30 pm. Bring in your unwanted coupons and vases.

Steak night is November 15th from 5-9 pm. We need desserts to sell. Donate a pie or cake. Have it at the Post before 5pm and please thaw any frozen desserts.

November 17th is our Pot Luck Dinner from 6-8 pm. Make your best dish and bring it to the Post by 5:30 pm.

November 23rd We’ll be decorating the Post for Christmas at 2 pm. This is a unit project. Come out and help! Let me know if you can help.

Turkey Shoot is in full swing! Come out and support the Legion and Auxiliary. The Big Meat shoot is November 21st from 7-11 pm. Our Gold-dipped Rose raffle tickets are available and you can get them from Jessica.

Happy Thanksgiving from the American Legion Auxiliary.

For God and Country, Lori Murphy, President
Are you caring for someone with memory loss?

As a care giver, you may feel alone. You are not alone. Find support by connecting with people who share a common experience.

American Legion Post 166 is hosting a FREE Community Support Group
For those who are caring for someone living with memory loss.
Tell your story or just listen. Either way, you’ll be connected.

2nd Tuesday every month 2:00 p.m.

American Legion Post 166
116 Howe Hall Road, Goose Creek, SC 29445
If you have questions: Call Al at 843-819-7391 or Dana: 843-810-8810