



# Charles E. Murray

## American Legion Post 186

# Newsletter

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### COMMANDER DON MALIN

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Another Legion year is rapidly coming to a close. It's at this time of the year that all Legionnaires have the opportunity to express their wishes for the coming year by making their voice heard by voting for their Post officers to carry on the post functions. Post 186 has, and will continue to excel in the 15<sup>th</sup>. Dist. with all the support from this post.

Your club manager has done an excellent job of trying to cut cost, but at the same time increase a variety of menu items for your dining and entertainment pleasure. The continued improvements to you post will last a long time and will continue to attract new members and possibly new and varied functions. The new Pavilion will be starting shortly; the new electronic sign was approved and will increase visibility to our post. The ongoing HVAC system test and balance and upgrades should also be completed shortly. The committee, for the smoke eater's improvements, is also ongoing. Check the enclosed calendar for all the post dinners and functions, they cannot happen without membership participation, so support your post.

This is my last newsletter as your Commander. I have decided not to run for another term. Rest assured I will take an active part in making your post the best it can be. I wish all of your new officers the best, post 186 is a vibrant and challenging opportunity to support the membership and the community, do not take your new position lightly. In conclusion, I accepted the challenge, I did the best for the post and hopefully the momentum will continue.

For God and Country,  
Commander Don Malin

FIRST VICE COMMANDER  
ERIC "SOX" HUNTER  
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As we close out the fiscal year at the post, our numbers are over 90% for renewals and over 50 new members. Although we did not reach our goals, we did a pretty good job considering I accepted this office when half the year was already over !! In fact, the new membership total qualifies for a Gold Brigade award from the state at the summer convention in Orlando. I want to thank those of you who helped me with the membership, either by signing new members, helping with the renewals, or by being available to answer members' questions.

For God and Country,  
Eric "Sox" Hunter

SECOND VICE COMMANDER  
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It is once again time to say goodbye all the snowbirds as we welcome in the summer season. For those staying behind, there will still be plenty going on here at the Post for everyone to come enjoy themselves. We have the weekly events like Queen of Hearts, Bingo, and Steak Shoot. Karaoke every Wed. and Fri., and bands on Sat. There are many special events happening over the next two months, so be sure to check the calendar for more information. These include Post Everlasting, Memorial Day, Election of New Officers, and Father's Day.

There are two potluck dinners scheduled (please bring a dish to share). May 28th will be the 6th annual Donnie Holmes Steak Dinner. There will be 2 seatings, one at 5 PM, and one at 6 PM, with 50 tickets being sold for each seating. Tickets will be a \$10.00 donation.

Two Memorial Day services will be held on May 30th, Aripeka Cemetery at 10 AM, and the Post at 1130 AM. The Post picnic will be from 12 PM - ?. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided, but please bring a dish to pass. The SAL will be doing the Father's Day breakfast on June 19th, from 9-11 AM. Post 186 fathers eat free. The cost for guests is a \$5.00 donation.

Post elections will be held on June 1 from 1-7 PM, with the winners announced on June 2. This is your Post, so if you want to have a voice, make sure you come out and vote. Better yet, run for an office, there are plenty of spots available. If you don't want to run or vote, then please do not sit at the canteen complaining. People are tired of hearing it, and it is not allowed anyway. "The biggest complainers are the ones who do the least or no work."

We are a Legion family, so let's all start supporting the functions of all our groups. Each organization has programs to continue, and they rely on the Post membership to provide funding for those programs through dinners and other functions.

For God and Country,  
Bruce Carl

**CANTEEN MANAGER**  
**RAY ROSEN**  
352-597-9995

From myself, and the staff of the Canteen, we would like to thank all of our Snowbird friends for their patronage and would also like to wish all of you a safe journey home. The canteen is doing well and is continuing to evolve and better serve our members. As always, I am open to suggestions on how better to serve you ! Please feel free to stop in to talk to me.

For God and Country,  
Ray Rosen

**POST CHAPLAIN**  
**Charles Haig**  
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I start this Newsletter with the sad news of Derron Mikal's death. Derron was such a help to a very large number of people. He was a Service Officer for Hernando County Veterans and will be missed by all. I am sure that he will

be missed and remembered by a lot of Members who have been helped by him. May he rest in peace.

Post Everlasting will be on 15th. May at 2 p.m. at Post 186. if anyone has anyone that needs to be included in this Ceremony it is not too late to inform me. We are now at the stage of preparing for New Officers by Election as always, please vote.

Deaths.  
Richard Flack  
Lawrence Miller  
Harry Lee  
Wm. Fahnestock  
John Kilfeather  
Lawrence Creger

Quote for the day: How many people does it take to make me thankful? Only you Thanks

For God and Country,  
Charles Haig  
15th. District & Post 186 Chaplain.



**ALR**  
**DIRECTOR**  
**RAY ROSEN**

Your American Legion Riders would like to thank all of those members and friends who supported our lasagna dinner! Without your support, we could not provide the assistance we do for charity organizations. I personally would like to thank Annie Pelligrini and Steve Tyler for the outstanding job they did in organizing and preparing the lasagna dinner. BRAVO AND WELL DONE ! Without volunteers like them, none of us could be a success.

For God and Country,  
Ray Rosen



**COMMANDER**  
**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**  
**CRAIG GALLAGHER**

As we close out another year, the SAL would like to invite all fathers who are members of POST 186 to a free breakfast on Sunday June 19 from 9 until 11 am !!! Guests will be asked to make a \$5 a person donation - but dad's are FREE. Please join us in our annual fathers's day tradition courtesy of your SAL !

For God and Country,  
Craig Gallagher

June 16-19 – State of Florida Dept. Convention –  
Orlando, FL  
No Auxiliary General Meeting in June.

Again check our Auxiliary board at the Post for updates or  
changes to events.

For God and Country,  
Claudia Fischer



**AUXILIARY PRESIDENT**

Claudia Fischer  
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Another Auxiliary year has come to an end, we have had an outstanding year raising money and goods for our Veterans and their families. As well, as helping those in need in our county and working our other Auxiliary programs.

The month of May will be our closing month as we have our Election of Officers for the upcoming year. The election will start at 6:45 pm before the start of our General Meeting at 7:00 pm on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to attend. Also, we will tentatively be having a silent auction at the annual Memorial Day picnic at the Post, hope to see everyone there.

We will have no Auxiliary meeting in the months of June or July as per our Auxiliary Standing Rules. We will be attending Department Convention in June and coming back with new ideas and information for the upcoming new Auxiliary year.

**Please Mark Your Calendars:**

May 7<sup>th</sup> – Constitutional Conf.(District Mtg.) at Post  
111 -9:30 am sign in.

May 12<sup>th</sup> – Election and General Mtg. – 6:45 pm

May 30<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day Ceremony and Picnic at  
Post 186

**AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN**

Betty Lou Bennett  
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Sick

Peggy Barco  
Gail Cleaves  
Christine Howard

No deaths reported!  
Thank you, God

Hold your loved one close today  
Whisper in their ear  
Tell them that you love them  
And always hold them dear  
For tomorrow is promised to no one  
young and old alike  
And today may be your last chance  
To hold your loved ones tight

For God and Country,  
Betty Lou Bennett

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**SUNDAY MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**POST EVERLASTING SERVICE AT POST 2 PM**

**SUNDAY MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES**

**ARIPEKA CEMETARY 10 AM POST 1130 AM**

**BOOSTER CLUB**

As of Feb 15, 2016 the following are proud members of the American Legion Post 186 Booster Club. You, too, can be a member. Just \$10.00 per year and your name will be published on our Bulletin Board and in our Post Newsletter. This donation will help the ever-rising cost of printing and mailing. Your generosity is appreciated. The Memorial Section of the Booster Club is supported by the generosity of our members. Thank you.

2058  
Carlton & Beth Ann Terrell

2027  
Frank & Sharon Sevick

2024  
Lloyd Gross  
Vincent Gigliotti  
American Legion Riders  
Marion & Frank Hauck  
Don and Joan Jernstrom  
Lloyd Sellers

2023  
Frank J. Smith

2022  
Ed Kolbasiuk  
Gloria Murray  
Steve Small and Anna Pellegrini

2021  
Jimmy Schultz  
Post 186 Color Guard  
Ruth Oppert

2020  
Bob Burch  
Bob & Linda Conte  
Glen and Beatrice Ohanesian

2019  
Donna Greenwald  
Janet Bowman  
Fellip & Beverly Zielinski  
Anonymous  
John Keller  
Joe & Mildred Garza  
2018  
Burt and Cheryl Onder  
Val Parker

2017  
George M. Coon  
Hugh & Helen Reynolds  
Raymond Frattini  
Barbara J. De Guiseppe  
Keith Burgess

2016  
James Meere  
Betty Corbin  
Frank Reilly  
Robert J Eudeikis  
Ken Oxendorf  
Phil & Beverly Zielinski  
George & Mary Kennedy  
Claus & Elizabeth Sachse  
Warren E & Mary L Cross  
Joe & Marge Ruggiero

2015  
Peter Paul Garbacki

Conrad Vachon  
Doris Webster  
Jack Krouse  
Bud Conaway  
Donna Aho

In Memory of Past Members  
Olisse Pellegrini  
Dorothy Henderson  
PFC Cody Grater  
Bern Cottington  
Joe Sabol  
Linda Harper  
Donnie Holmes  
Betty Jefferies  
Paul Webster  
Nanette Keller  
Marie Meglic  
Charlie Fox  
George "Fitz" Hudock  
Russell L. LaBaron Jr.  
Leon Girard  
Luis Hernandez  
Frank J. Smith

PLEASE MAKE A CONTRIBUTION \$ \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

**POST ELECTIONS: WEDNESDAY JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> 1 – 7 PM**



<b>1</b> WINGS 12-4  ALR BREAKFAST 9-11 AM	<b>2</b> QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 PM  KITCHEN OPEN 4:30-7 PM  POOL 8 PM	<b>3</b> LOUNGE GAMES 6 PM ~ NEW GAMES NEW DOOR PRIZES ~  KITCHEN OPEN 4-6 PM	<b>4</b> MEXICAN NIGHT 4-7 PM  KARAOKE W/SHOE 7-11 PM	<b>5</b> PIZZA & HOT DOGS   LEGION MEETING 7 PM	<b>6</b> FISH FRY 5-7 PM   KARAOKE/ MR LYNN 7-11 PM	<b>7</b> STEAK SHOOT 1-3 PM   DCC POST 111 10 AM  EDDIE SHANNON 7-11 PM
<b>8</b> WINGS 12-4   MOTHERS DAY	<b>9</b> QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 PM  KITCHEN OPEN 4:30-7 PM  POOL 8 PM	<b>10</b> LOUNGE GAMES 6 PM ~ NEW GAMES NEW DOOR PRIZES ~  KITCHEN OPEN 4-6 PM	<b>11</b> MEXICAN NIGHT 4-7 PM  KARAOKE W/SHOE 7-11 PM	<b>12</b> PIZZA & HOT DOGS   AUX MEETING 7 PM	<b>13</b> FISH FRY 5-7 PM   KARAOKE/SHOE 7-11 PM	<b>14</b> STEAK SHOOT 1-3 PM   POT LUCK 5:30 BRING A DISH TO SHARE  BELAIRS 7-11 PM
<b>15</b> WINGS 12-4  ALR BREAKFAST 9-11 AM  POST EVERLASTING 2 PM	<b>16</b> QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 PM  KITCHEN OPEN 4:30-7 PM  POOL 8 PM	<b>17</b> LOUNGE GAMES 6 PM ~ NEW GAMES NEW DOOR PRIZES ~  KITCHEN OPEN 4-6 PM	<b>18</b> MEXICAN NIGHT 4-7 PM  KARAOKE W/SHOE 7-11 PM	<b>19</b> PIZZA & HOT DOGS   SAL MEETING 7 PM	<b>20</b> FISH FRY 5-7 PM   KARAOKE/MR LYNN 7-11 PM	<b>21</b> STEAK SHOOT 1-3 PM   KC & VOCAL CHORDS 7-11 PM   ARMED FORCES DAY
<b>22</b> WINGS 12-4	<b>23</b> QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 PM  KITCHEN OPEN 4:30-7 PM  POOL 8 PM	<b>24</b> LOUNGE GAMES 6 PM ~ NEW GAMES NEW DOOR PRIZES ~  KITCHEN OPEN 4-6 PM	<b>25</b> MEXICAN NIGHT 4-7 PM  KARAOKE W/SHOE 7-11 PM	<b>26</b> PIZZA & HOTDOGS   EXEC MEETING 5:30 PM RIDERS MTG 7:30 PM	<b>27</b> FISH FRY 5-7 PM   KAMIKAZE KARAOKE/SHOE 7-11PM	<b>28</b> STEAK SHOOT 1-3 PM DONNIE HOLMES STEAK DINNER 5 & 6 PM  MARTI CARROLL 7-11 PM
<b>29</b> WINGS 12-4  ALR BREAKFAST 9-11 AM	<b>30</b> MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE 1130 AM POST PICNIC 12 PM BRING A DISH QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 PM	<b>31</b> LOUNGE GAMES 6 PM ~ NEW GAMES NEW DOOR PRIZES ~  KITCHEN OPEN 4-6 PM	<b>Notes: IMPORTANT DATES</b> <b>MAY 15 POST EVERLASTING 2 PM</b> <b>MAY 30 MEMORIAL SERVICE ARIPEKA CEMETARY 10 AM</b> <b>MAY 30 MEMORIAL SERVICE POST 186 1130 AM</b> <b>MAY 30 POST 186 PICNIC 12 NOON - ? BRING A DISH TO PASS</b>			

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