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Newsletter

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COMMANDER

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Greetings:

Some of you may remember me, as I served as your commander twice before ! But this is a NEW year and a NEW beginning! I have learned from my previous terms that you the member –be it American Legion, Auxiliary, Rider or SAL – are the most important part of this post. To this end, I promise to listen your concerns and suggestions to improve our club. However, you must realize that we have rules, processes, and procedures that must be followed to ensure orderly transitions for change and a healthy FAMILY atmosphere at the club. Please take the time to review the House Rules that are posted on the bulletin board. They were updated in April so look for the changes in the document ! We have an experienced membership person elected First Vice – none other then Eric “SOX” Hunter. We need to recruit some younger members as our numbers have been decreasing over the past few years! We have a new Second Vice – Randy Eoute - who promises us he will find some new and diversified talent for our entertainment pleasure. Our food from the kitchen – either at lunch or special dinners – has never been better. I should know as I eat here daily and yes I pay for my dinners. LOL.

Speaking of entertainment, take a look at the July and August calendars ! In addition to a formal installation of officers, there is a GONG show, Jul 4th celebration, a RAYS baseball game and some other surprises for the month. All we need is YOU to come to the post have fun, support us, and we will do our best to provide you with a good time !

For God and Country,
Frank Babicz

It’s that time again! The new 2015 membership cards are here. We kept our dues at \$35 year so why not renew early. If you want to qualify for a free early bird dinner, you MUST renew by October 31st. Either the Commander or I we be here Monday through Friday afternoons to process your renewal. If the rare chance we are not here, our bartender will cheerfully accept your renewal and give you a receipt ! If you go that route, please ensure you give her your phone number in case we have any questions. In addition, Don Malin will be around in the evening to back us up and assist on membership. Why not bring a qualified veteran friend down to the post and we will help you recruit him. Last year, we finished at 94% membership. This year our goal is 100% and with your help we can achieve it !

For God and Country,
Eric “Sox” Hunter

POST CHAPLAIN

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The Legion Riders once again graced the Memorial Service at Aripeka Cemetery making for another good turn out which I was proud to participate in . The Color Guard did a fantastic job as always. I am now looking forward to the July 4th. Parade at High Point. My congratulations to all the new Officers and I am sure that Post 186 will continue to prosper. If anyone needs any

assistance with Memorial Services, please contact me and I will be more than honored to help, also if anyone needs any medical equipment I may be able to help with that also. I will leave you with a quote that some of us may relate to. "If life is more than you can stand - Kneel! "

Deaths

Alvin Shill

Sick call

John Crumbaugh
Ken Greenlee.

For God and Country,
Charles Haig

Canteen News
Canteen Manager
Anna Pellegrini
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We would Like to take this time to Congratulate all the New Incoming Officers and wish them the best of Luck throughout the year!!!

We have a Tampa Bay Rays Game Bus Trip On August 16, 2014 – You Must get your ticket buy July 16, 2014 so that we may insure that the bus will be filled!!!! Here are the details- * August 16, 2014 a 4 PM Game Leaving Post 186 at 2PM * Tampa Bay Rays Playing the Yankees *The Bus, Game ticket to Upper reserved Outfield seat and a bagged lunch ALL FOR \$35.00 per person!!!!!! *BYOB-small coolers that will fit under your seat! Tickets and sign up sheet are at Canteen- Hurry and get your ticket-Tickets are going fast!!!!!! As a Member if you would like to bring guest that is Fine!

NEW KITCHEN MENU FOR SUMMER - The Kitchen will now serve sandwiches and soup on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays. On Monday Night, Tuesday Night, Thursday Day, Friday Fish Fry and Saturday and Sunday Days the Menu will stay the same!!!!

For God and Country,
Anna Pellegrini



COLOR GUARD COMMANDER
Jimmy Schultz
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Thank you for your attendance and support for the Memorial Day services. It was very nice to see such a large turn out!! We are participating in the Highpoint July 4th parade and festivities. We are actively recruiting new members for participation in the Color Guard ! We meet the first and third Wednesday of the month at 5 PM at the post. We support bar games and host a couple of dinners every year so that we can generate funds to keep the unit self supporting. So if you can donate some time, don't mind doing some marching, and want to support your post, please contact Jim Schultz or Frank Babicz.

For God and Country,
Jimmy Schultz



ALR
Director
Steve Tyler
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Well we are into the hot and rainy days of summer, and it's newsletter time again. First I want to announce your ALR Officers for 2014-2015. They are:

Steve Tyler-Director
Rex Hinkle-Assistant Director
Mary Hinkle-Secretary
Anna Pellegrini-Treasurer
Tom Wilson-Sergeant at Arms
Bruce Carl-Chaplain

I look forward to an eventful year with my leadership team and also working with Commander Babicz and all

the Legion family to make our post the best on the Nature Coast. I want to express my thanks to all who attended our Donnie Holmes annual steak roast. It was a sellout and from all the comments I've been hearing another great success. I also want to thank all who purchased raffle tickets for the rifle. If you haven't heard, I actually won it. Yes, it was all legit, as I bought a total of 22 tickets. I guess I had pretty good odds. The remainder of the summer will be quiet, as it usually is. We will be riding whenever we can, weather permitting. We are always looking for poker runs and other events that benefit local causes and charities, especially for veterans and their families.

In closing I want you all to know that your generosity and attendance at our dinners and Bingos has allowed us to donate \$1000 each to the Legacy Scholarship Fund and Wounded Warrior Project. We also donated a \$500 scholarship to a Central High School NJROTC cadet. We are grateful for your participation.

For God and Country,
Steve Tyler



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Commander – Craig Gallagher
3rd Vice – Gordon Elder
Finance – Fred Wilson
Sgt at Arms – Rick Loring



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2nd Vice – Mary Ann Dickerson
Secretary – Margaret Eute
Treasurer – Mildred Comstock
Chaplain – Beth Geiger
Historian – Lynda Anderson
Sgt at Arms – Cherry Fleischer
A.S. Sgt at Arms – Claudia Fischer
Executive Committee -
Arlene Malin
Jo Terns

Gail Cleaves
Doris Webster

It's that time again as we begin another year. We have many exciting activities and yummy dinners in store. Please keep your calendars open. I hope everyone who attended the Conference had a great time and brought new ideas and pertinent info relating to the Department's changes. We look forward to our snow birds returning safely and seeing more of our Post 186 Family participating in our fun. Let us not forget the Legion, Color Guard, Riders, and Sal for their continued support of the post, veterans, youth and community. I challenge each and everyone to do just a bit more in the new year and let us not be forgetful of our reason for being here together. It is the job of all to inspire and ensure their work and efforts are appreciated. Thank you and God Bless

For God and Country,
Sudie Staten

AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN
Bettylou Bennett
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Auxiliary Sick List

Shirley Wilson
Mary Cracchiolo
Gloria Murray
Margaret Hernandez
Doris Webster
Mary Lou Perz
Marcella Gleek
Christine Howard

Deceased

Ann Bolger
Margaret Frome

Dear Lord,
Please take care of our troops overseas and at home! Look over our ill and departed. Keep us together as FAMILY! Working as a team, we can do great things.

For God and Country,
Betty Lou Bennett

THANK YOU FROM PAST PRESIDENT

BETTY CORBIN I want to thank every one of my members and ex- committee for a very rewarding year. wishing you the best year for 14/15. good luck.

For God and country.
Betty Corbi

BOOSTER CLUB

As of June 8, 2014, 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.

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Carlton & Beth Ann Terrell

2024

Lloyd Gross
Vincent Gigliotti
American Legion Riders
Marion & Frank Hauck

2022

Ed Kolbasiuk
Gloria Murray
Steve Small and Anna Pellegrini

2021

Jimmy Schultz
Post 186 Color Guard
Ruth Oppert

2020

Bob Burch

2019

Donna Greenwald
Janet Bowman

2018

Glen and Beatrice Ohanesian

2017

George M. Coon
Hugh & Helen Reynolds
Frank & Sharon Sevick

2016

James Meere
Betty Corbin
Frank Reilly
Robert J Eudeikis
Ken Oxendorf

2015

Don & Joan Jernstrom
Peter Paul Garbacki
Donald & Jacqueline Harvey
Conrad Vachon
Doris Webster
Jack Krouse
Bud Conaway
Donna Aho

2014

Al Henderson
Ernie & Patricia Tor
Raymond & Carole Frattini
Robert Hartman
Jerry Galoonis
George & Mary Kennedy

Don & Jackie Harvey
Val M. Parker
Claus & Elizabeth Sachse
Mosa Brown
Joe & Marge Ruggiero
John & Claudia Fischer
Bob & Ruth Reese
Michael & Anita Cockill
Robert Scholz
Frank Kaczowski
Dennis Hernandez

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Dorothy Henderson
PFC Cody Grater
Bern Cottingham
Joe Sabol
Linda Harper
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Paul Webster
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George "Fitz" Hudock
Russell L. LaBaron Jr.
Leon Girard

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AMERICAN LEGION DAY WITH THE RAYS

AUG. 16, 2014

Bus leaves post at 2PM

Ticket includes:

Bus, Bag Lunch, Upper
Reserved Seats

Donation:

\$35.00 Per Person

BYOB – Small cooler for under seat

Ticket Sale Cut off is July 16, 2014



