



American Legion Family Newsletter Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Post 86 Rockville, Maryland

September-October 2017

Commander's Corner

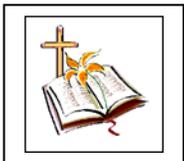
Hello and greetings to all family members of Post 86! Hope your summer went well and all are doing great! It has been a busy summer here at the Post. Both Triangle Branch 182 and the VFW Post 9862 have begun holding their meetings here at the Post. The VFW also holds their weekly Sunday Bingo here as well. Beginning soon, we will be hosting the Eagles Dart League along with the APA Pool League. Anyone interested in joining either of these leagues are encouraged to do so. If you're interested, please see the bartender on duty and leave your information. The donations we receive from hosting these events and meetings will go towards our Charities and to keeping the Post functioning.

Due to some internal changes within the Post, we no longer have a dedicated cleaning person within the Post. I would like to ask all of you to step up and help myself and the other Volunteers to clean up the Post. Currently, we've had 4-5 members to step up but it truly takes all of us working together to keep our Post clean. If anyone is interested in donating their time to help clean the Post, please leave your name and contact information with the bartender on duty for me.

There will be a General Membership meeting on September 14th. All are welcome to attend. We would love to hear your ideas of how to keep Post 86 functioning in a productive and orderly fashion. Every single one of your ideas are valuable to us and are very much appreciated! I look forward to seeing you all there. This includes everyone who is a Member of Post 86, SAL and Auxiliary.

On a great note; we have had an excellent turnout during the week and on the weekends for participation in our Bingo programs, Friday night dinners as well as other functions that have been going on at the Post. I would like to Thank all the Volunteers and Members of Post 86 for all your hard work and dedication to helping make Post 86 a success!!

For God and Country, Randy L. Phillipp, Commander



Words from the Chaplain

On behalf of our Post family, the Legion extends prayers, condolences and sympathy to all members who are ill or have suffered a family loss. Longtime Auxiliary member AnnMarie Bockman has been transferred to a rehab facility from the hospital and is continuing to recover from recent major surgery. Reverend William C. Miller, Jr. (Father of Post 86's dedicated volunteers Robin Skiver and Karen Maxin) has passed. Michael Greer is in the hospital and recovering from surgery. If you know of anyone who is ill, passed on to Post Everlasting, or celebrated a milestone birthday, please let your respective Chaplain know.

I'd like us all to take a moment to remember and pray for all those affected by the devastating Hurricane Harvey in Houston, TX and surrounding areas. Please keep them all in your prayers as they begin the long and arduous clean up and rebuilding process.

Levelle Ferrell, Chaplain

From the First Vice Commander

For those who have already submitted your renewal membership dues; I would like to take a moment to apologize for sending out your new membership cards late. I have been extra busy this summer with work, Post 86 business and tending to my family needs that have taken me out of state at times. I want to let you know that I appreciate your patience as I adjust to this increasingly hectic schedule. To date, we have received renewal dues from over 130 Legionnaires which I think is fantastic!! If you have not yet paid your dues, I encourage you to do so. You can pay your dues online, by mail or by dropping your check off to the Post made payable to American Legion Post 86. Also, if you have a new email address or one that you have not yet provided, please do so. That way we can ensure that you will continue to receive the newsletter and other important information about events going on at the Post. I would also like to encourage everyone to recruit and bring new members to the Post. By doing so, we can ensure that your Post 86 will be here for many years to come to continue serving all our Veterans! So, let's all do this together and have some fun! Hope to see you all here at the Post.

Randy L. Phillipp, First Vice Commander

Bingo:

Post 86 still has our Bingo every Monday night from 7-10pm. We have also had the pleasure of hosting VFW Post 9862's Bingo's every Sunday from 2-5 pm and selected Friday's. Friday night Bingo was suspended for the month of August but will be back in full swing on Friday, September 22nd starting at 7 pm. All are welcome to come participate at these Bingo days. So, come on out, play and meet new friends! Currently, the Post is averaging 13-17 players on Monday nights while the VFW is averaging 45-55 players at their Sunday session. If we could increase participation in the Post Bingo on Mondays, we would be able to have a larger Jackpot and play more games. Our Monday night Bingo is in serious need of additional volunteers to help sell games and possibly learn how to call Bingo. As of September 11th, we will be down to 2 active callers and one person working the floor selling games. If you are available to volunteer your time to help at Bingo, even if it's only for one hour, we would greatly appreciate it. If anyone is interested in learning how to call Bingo, please let me know and we can schedule a time to have one of our callers train you.

I would like to take a moment to Thank the following volunteers for all your help and hard work this summer. Bill Bird, Jr – Commander S.A.L., David Holmes – 2nd Vice Commander S.A.L., Nicholas Wissinger – Historian S.A.L., Don Turner – Post 86, Rob Hebron – Post 86, and Volunteers Robin Skiver and Karen Maxin. We cannot forget the wonderful ladies from the Auxiliary who run the snack bar! Job well done and Thank you for all you do!! Hope everyone has a great fall!!

Randy L. Phillipp, Bingo Chairman

From the 2nd & 3rd Vice Commander

Hello, my fellow Legionnaires, SAL and Auxiliary members! The Annual Crab Feast was a success and all who came out had a great time. We also celebrated the 95th Birthday of one of our oldest Auxiliary members, Clara Brown! Our next event coming up is the Annual Post Family Picnic. This year, it will be on Saturday, September 16th from Noon to 4 pm at Woodley Garden Park. Admission will be \$5.00 per person at the door. Early Bird admission is \$3.00. Also in September is our Americanism night at the Post on Tuesday, September 19th at 7 pm. Attending will be the boys and girls who participated in our summer camp.

Jerry Rosenbaum; 2nd & 3rd Vice Commander



American Legion Post 86 Crab Feast - 26 AUG 2017



This is what 95 looks like. Happy Birthday!

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Our September 5th speaker will be Author and Historian Charles Whitehair who will speak about Confederate Spy Belle Boyd – known as the Cleopatra of the Secession and Siren of the Shenandoah. Our speaker on October 3rd will be Doug Batson who will portray (1st person) and speak on the life of General Daniel Harvey Hill.

Bob Brewer; Sons of Confederate Veterans

From the Adjutant

On Wednesday, August 2, 2017, we had a speech and book signing by Colonel Tony Deane, US Army, Retired who has written an amazing book on his experiences in Iraq. His book is called Ramadi Declassified. You can read more about his book at: www.coltonydeane.com. He was very kind and gracious to all who came out. Thank you, Colonel Deane, for your time!!



The American Legion's New National Commander: On August 24th at the National Convention, the American Legion elected its first female National Commander. Denise Rohan, an Army veteran active in the Legion for 32 years, will oversee the nation's largest Veterans membership organization for the next year. The Iowa native and longtime Wisconsinite becomes the public face and most prominent policy advocate of the 2.4 million veteran members.

"We all know the American Legion is at its best when we work together as a family," she said during her inaugural speech to Legion members during group's convention in Nevada Thursday. "As we continue to have troops deployed across the globe, the American Legion family will stand tall next to our heroes and their families."



Hurricane Harvey: This past week, Houston, TX and other areas of Texas and Louisiana were devastated by Hurricane Harvey. The American Legion has a National Emergency Fund dedicated to helping displaced Veterans and their families in the aftermath of these natural disasters. If you are wanting to donate to help our fellow Veterans, please go to www.legion.org/nef. Your help and generosity will go a long way to helping our fellow Veterans rebuild their lives.

General Meeting News: On September 14th at the Legion General Membership meeting, we will have Shreen Lambert from Navy Federal Credit Union in to speak to us about the new guidelines and benefits of becoming a member of NFCU.

Do you need home repairs and cannot afford them?? Rebuilding Together Montgomery County (RTMC) is a nonprofit affordable housing organization that provides free critical home repair, energy efficiency upgrades, and accessibility modifications to low-income homeowners across Montgomery County. We serve some of the county's most vulnerable low-income residents with a heavy focus on service to Veterans. Our mission at RTMC is to bring volunteers and community members together to improve the homes and lives of low-income homeowners. The services we provide are designed to ensure homeowners can remain in their homes for years to come, effectively preventing homelessness, and preserving the affordable housing stock as well as the family unit.

If you or someone you know has home repair needs but cannot afford to finance them, please feel free to reach out to RTMC! Our office number is 301-947-9400 and you can find our application online at www.rebuildingtogethermc.org. Thank you so much for your service; we hope to have the chance to be of service to you in return.

Nathan Sisco, Adjutant

Color Guard

Hi everyone! The Color Guard would like to Thank everyone who helped at the Burger Burn. We had a good day and sold all our burgers and dogs. September is here so we all need to remember 9/11. The Damascus American Legion will be having a Remembrance Ceremony and Flag Burning celebration at 6:00 pm that day. We will be there doing a 21-gun salute. All are welcome. Please come join us if you can.

On Friday, September 29th, your Color Guard will be serving a delicious barbecue rib dinner at the Post. Please come out and help us enjoy a wonderful meal!!

For October, we tentatively have our famous Jailhouse Halloween Party scheduled for Saturday, October 28th. More details to follow as they become available. Please keep an eye out at the Post.

We are always looking for new members. If you or anyone you know is interested, please have them get in touch with me. As always, we love and Thank you for all your support!!!

Daniel Pounds; Color Guard Commander



AMERICAN LEGION POST 86 COLOR GUARD FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

September 29, 2017 - 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. (or sold out)



**BBQ RIB\$ with CORN ON THE COB
PORK & BEAN\$ and a DINNER ROLL**

\$8.00

REMINDER: SAL BREAKFASTS

The SAL will be cooking breakfast on September 10th and 24th and October 8th and 22nd. Breakfast is served from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come down and enjoy a nice home cooked breakfast.

Auxiliary Corner

Americanism night is schedule for Tuesday, September 19th at 7 pm. This program affords the opportunity for the young men and women who attended Boys and Girls state to pass on their experiences. Please come join us for this inspiring evening – this is our future!

The Auxiliary is in dire need of volunteers to help with the concession stand at Monday night Bingo. Currently, all the food served is donated by one person who also mans the stand each Monday night. If this continues, without any additional help, the Auxiliary will have to consider not providing this service. So, if you could find it in your heart and schedule to volunteer 3 hours on Mondays, it would be greatly appreciated.

Due to scheduling problems, we again have had to move our meeting time and day. The Auxiliary will hold their meetings on the third Sunday of each month at 1:30 pm. Please plan to attend as there are necessary things that need to be discussed at these meetings in order for the Auxiliary to continue to meet its' goals.

One of our members, Kathleen Conway, recently lost her 94-year-old father, who was a long-time Legionnaire. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Kathleen and her family. Past President, AnnMarie Bockman has been in the hospital for almost a month after having major lung surgery. She is now at the Lutheran Home recuperating. We all hope she will be home soon. Our long-time member, Clara Brown, celebrated her 95th birthday on August 23rd. Here's hoping for many more!

Yours in service, President Susan Sumner



Squadron 86 Report

Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Squadron 86

September - October 2017

SAL Meeting First Tuesday of Every Month

Dues are \$25

Summer is almost over. The SAL has been busy this Summer racking up an incredible 177 hours of volunteer time, so far (more on one particular project below). The officer positions are all filled, and I really thank all the guys for stepping into those positions. The meetings on the first Tuesday of the month have been well attended. We try to keep them under an hour and have been doing a good job of that, so please come down and listen to what is going on.

Membership stands at 15% as of 25 August. We've already made the Detachment target date, so please send in your dues, as soon as possible. Dues are \$25. Please contact Nat Sisco at 240-252-0099 or natsisco20878@gmail.com.

Upcoming Detachment Membership Target

Dates

September 13, 2017	10%
October 12, 2017	25%

On 17 June 2017, the United States Navy destroyer USS Fitzgerald collided with MV ACX Crystal killing seven Navy sailors including Personnel Specialist 1st Class Xavier Alec Martin, 24, from Halethorpe, Maryland. On 2 July, a motion proposed by 3rd Vice Commander Collins Murphy to donate \$100 to the USS Fitzgerald Fund, was agreed to by the Squadron Executive Committee. On 6 July a letter was drafted, a check was cut and mailed. Our thoughts continue to be with the families of those lost and our US NAVY.



Breakfast is being served September 10th and 24th; and October 8th and 22nd from 10 AM to 1 PM. All breakfasts are cooked to order for \$8.

Dinner will be served by the SAL on September 15th and October 20th from 5 PM to 8 PM. Check at the Post for the menu.

John Hughes from Friends of The Old Soldier Home attended our meeting in August to tell us about volunteer opportunities there. More information to follow in the future.

Helping Veterans is what we do, and after receiving a request from the Rockville Senior Center that a Veteran needed help with yard cleanup the SAL and Legion stepped up. On 5 August members of the SAL (see picture below, Greg Dix is not pictured) along with Randy Phillipp, Post 86 Commander, cleared three pickup truck loads of clutter from a Rockville Veteran's yard. A big shoutout to Malcolm Skiver (SAL) who alone has spent 30 hours, trimming, cutting and cleaning this yard.



L-R: Malcolm Skiver; Randy Phillipp; Nic Wissinger; Bill Bird, Jr.; Doug Campbell; Matt Campbell; Collins Murphy.

Photo by: Melanie Wissinger

Coming Events

KK WARRIORS QUARTER AUCTION: On Saturday, September 23rd starting at 3 pm; American Legion Post 86 will be hosting the KK Warriors Quarter Auction. Sons of the American Legion Squadron 86 member, Chris Baker, and his family are raising funds for his cousin, Kaisy Knott who is a beautiful 12-year-old girl battling a nasty childhood cancer called DIPG. She was diagnosed last November and the doctors say the life expectancy for children with this cancer is less than a year. Treatment for this disease is very costly and Post 86 is proud to team up with her family to host this fundraiser to raise money for her medical expenses. We are hoping you can join us for this event. The cost is \$10 per paddle (extras available at the door). Food will be a la carte. All money raised will go directly to the family to help offset the ever-rising medical expenses.

Super Bowl

Football season is upon us again!! Post 86 will be holding their annual Super Bowl Party on February 4, 2018. The Super Bowl board is up in the bar area and we have already begun selling squares. Each square is \$100. You can reserve your square with a minimum of a \$25 deposit. Please see the bartender on duty to obtain your square(s). Remember, each square allows you and a guest to participate in the Post 86 Super Bowl party.

Club Area

HOURS OF OPERATION - Monday-Thursday 2 pm to 10 pm; Friday 2 pm to 12 am; and Saturday/Sunday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. It is the bartenders' discretion to close early if there are less than five customers at the bar. It is not cost effective to have the bar when there are only one or two customers. **Remember, during Football season, the Post will open at 1 pm on Sundays to coincide with game time!!**

HALL RENTALS/CATERING - Our Post has a wonderful hall available for rental. Anyone interested in renting the hall, please call the Post at 301-442-4486 and leave your information with the Financial Officer after 11 a.m. or if after 2 p.m. with the bartender on duty.

FRIDAY NIGHT SHRIMP/FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS - Lefty's "Spiced Shrimp" night remains on the first Friday of each month from 5 pm to 8 pm. Come enjoy some tasty shrimp -- a half-pound goes for \$6.75; whole pound \$12.25. Please check the flyers at the Post Home or call for the menu for the other Friday Night Dinners.

BREAKFAST AT THE POST - The SAL will continue with their delicious homemade breakfasts September 10th and September 24th as well as October 8th and October 22nd. Come out and enjoy a home-cooked breakfast prepared by your favorite people. Breakfast is served from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Help is always needed.

BINGO - Bingo is held Monday nights. Doors open at 6:30 pm and Bingo starts at 7 pm. You and your family, neighbors and friends are all welcome to come and have a great time. Oh yeah, the Auxiliary ladies also work and play the game. SO PLEASE COME ON DOWN, PLAY, AND HELP OUT! Also, with the new partnership with the VFW, Post 86 will have Bingo on Sundays and select Fridays in the month. Please check the calendar for these NEW Bingo dates and times.

MUSIC FROM THE CLUBHOUSE - Open Mic will be the first Friday of each month. Anyone interested in playing, come in and sign up by 8:30 pm. ALL MUSICIANS ARE WELCOME! Come early and enjoy our Friday night dinner!

As always, YOUR Donations are greatly appreciated to help keep the Post operating as well as support the American Legion programs! Remember, your donations are tax deductible!

American Legion Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Post 86 Charitable Donation Form

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Please send donations to: American Legion Post 86,
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SEPTEMBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Lefty's Shrimp Open Mic Ace of Spades 7 pm	2
3 VFW Bingo 2 – 5 pm	4 LABOR DAY	5 Sons of Confederate Vets Mtg 7 pm SAL Meeting Color Guard Mtg	6 DAV Mtg	7 Legion Executive Mtg	8 Auxiliary Dinner Ace of Spades 7 pm	9
10 SAL BREAKFAST VFW Bingo 2 – 5 pm	11 BINGO	12	13 Marine Corps League Mtg	14 Legion General Mtg	15 SAL Dinner Ace of Spades 7 pm	16 POST 86 Family Picnic
17 VFW Bingo 2 – 5 pm Auxiliary Mtg 1:30 pm	18 BINGO	19 Americanism Program 7 pm	20 FRA Mtg	21 VFW Mtg	22 Legion Dinner Ace of Spades 7 pm Bingo – 7-10pm	23 KK Warriors Quarter Auction 3 pm
24 SAL BREAKFAST VFW Bingo 2 – 5 pm	25 BINGO	26	27	28	29 Color Guard Dinner Ace of Spades 7 pm Bingo – 7-10 pm	30

OCTOBER 2017

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WWII - December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946

KOREA - June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955

VIETNAM - February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975

LEBANON/GRENADA - August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984

PANAMA (Operation Just Cause) - December 20,
1989 to January 31, 1990

Persian Gulf/War on Terrorism - August 2,
1990 to present

*All honorably discharged veterans
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the above periods are eligible for membership
in the American Legion.*

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Hours:

*Posted hours below are subject to change for special
occasions/events for example Lefty's Shrimp, Hall
Rentals etc which will be announced in advance.*

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