

★ ★ ★ AMERICAN LEGION POST 166 ★ ★ ★

Synepuxent Observer
Fall 2018



Commander's Message

WOW. We did it again. With the help of our out of town visitors and guests, we had a great summer here at our Legion, meeting old friends and making new ones. By the way, as I am writing this, we just lucked out and missed Hurricane Florence. It turned south instead of north.

July was very busy here at the Post with the Fourth of July weekend on either side of the fourth. Then came the Legion convention with hundreds of Legionnaires in Ocean City not only attending meetings at the Convention Center but also having a great time here at Post 166. We had the music playing by DJ Andy and the Doo-Wop King Dave Micely, the beer cold, the food hot and everybody having a great time. That's about as good as it will ever get. Legion week couldn't pass without having the Riders Annual Crab Feast and as usual it was a good one. The crabs were nice and full of meat, the corn was sweet and that fried chicken had that Southern fried flavor. The rest of July was just downright busy here and the camaraderie was just great.

Although we had no real big Ceremonies in the month of August, it was still a very busy time here at the Post. Every Sunday we have a Queen of Hearts drawing which is preceded by the Queen of Hearts dancers. Don't forget our raffles for the Riders who are raffling off 2 beautiful rifles and also the Sons who are raffling off a Cruise of your choice.

With the blink of an eye September is upon us many things are happening here at the Post. Time for the children to go back to school yet everyone wants to get in that last weekend of summer and we love it. Labor Day brought many many friends back for that last shot of summer. The Riders here at Post 166 played it safe and canceled their Bike

Week although Ocean City moved everything from the inlet to the convention center and boy was it crowded. Sunfest this year brought good weather to Ocean City and with it crowds of people. Synepuxent Post 166 had a Ceremony honoring and remembering all POW/MIA's here.. We had 2 distinguished guest speakers with Delegate Mary Beth Carozza and Senator Jim Mathias. It was very well attended

On a sad note we lost another very good friend and worker in Larry Gulla. In Larry's early years here in Ocean City he served as Bartender at the American Legion and was very good at it. When people came to the Post they always asked "where's Larry." After retiring as Bartender, Larry took an easier position as janitor making sure that everything was cleaned before opening for business. He wanted to stay involved. We will miss you Larry. RIP my friend.

Remember our Wounded Warrior Gala which will be held on Saturday, November 10th here at Post 166. All proceeds will go to the Wounded Warrior fund here in Worcester County. Get your tickets early before they sell out. We will be having some very nice silent auctions.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Remember Christmas and New Years are right around the corner. Come and join us and bring a dish. Be careful and don't drink and drive.

***May God Bless You and
May God Bless America.***

Tom Wengert,
Commander



WAS HELD IN OCMD

September 21st was POW/MIA Recognition Day and they will never be forgotten. The US has had POW/MIA's since the Revolutionary War and for every major U.S. Conflict. The numbers compiled. by Nate Pearson are as follows:

- Revolutionary War: POW 18,152 / MIA 1,426
 - War of 1812: POW 20,000 / MIA 695
 - Mexican: POW 46 / MIA 238 I
 - Indian Wars: MIA 339 - 11
 - Indian Wars Native Americans: POW 2,958 / MIA 40
 - Civil War POW/MIA: Union 194,743 Confederate 214,865
 - Spanish American: POW 8 / MIA 72
 - WWI : POW/MIA: 7,470
 - WWII: POW 124,079 / MIA 30,314
 - Cold War: MIA 343 Grenada: MIA 4
 - Korean War: POW 7,140 / MIA 8,025
 - Vietnam War: POW 766 MIA 1,719
 - U.S.S. Pueblo: POW 83
 - Grenada: MIA 4
 - U.S.S. Stark: MIA 1
 - Persian Gulf War: POW 29 MIA 21
 - Somalia: POW 6 / MIA 2
 - Yugoslavia: POW 3
- Official statistics for the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan were unavailable.



Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1091 of OCMD Bob Gilmore reads the POW/MIA Lone Table meanings.



Sarge Garlitz SESD Commander Opens the Service



Post Adjutant Robert Smith led with the Pledge of Allegiance



Color Guard Chaplain Johan Nykuist offers the opening prayer



Color Guard Larry Duffy (Post #231) and Sgt-at-Arms Glen Reely (Post #166) displays the POW/MIA Flag

THE PROGRAM

- OPENING.....SESD Commander Sarge Garlitz
- HAND SALUTE OF THE COLORS.....SGT-at-Arms Glen Reely
- PRAYER.....Color Guard Chaplain Johan Nykusit
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE....Post #166 Adjutant Robert Smith
- POW/MIA TABLE.....VVA #1091 Bob Gilmore
- HISTORY OF POW/MIA FLAG
 -Color Guard Earl Hewitt, Larry Duffy, Glen Reely
- COMMENTS
 -Delegate Mary Beth Carozza, Senator Jim Mathias
- CLOSING COMMENTS....Commander Post #166 Tom Wengert
- TAPS.....Color Guard Bugler, Eric Nilsson
- GOD BLESS AMERICA.....Rosie Garlitz



Post #166 Executive Committee member John Granite shares the numbers of POW/MIA from the Revolutionary War forward.



Delegate Mary Beth Carozza tells her feelings regarding our POW/MIAs



Senator Jim Mathias shares his feelings regarding our POW/MIAs



Post #166 Commander Tom Wengert offers his closing remarks

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018



Color Guard (Post #166) Earl Hewitt explains the images on the POW/MIA Flag



Members of Post #166 Joint Color Guard L/R Color Guard of Post #166 Johan Nykuist, Bugler Eric Nilsson, Earl Hewitt, Sgt-at-Arms and Larry Duffy of Post #231 of Berlin.



Tom DeVaux

Summer greetings to all members of American Legion Post #166. Notice anything different in this edition of the quarterly Newsletter? Hint, look at the photo at the beginning of the column, I'm the new face. More on that later. The American Legion, Department

of Maryland held its convention in Ocean City the week of July 9 -13. There were many activities included in their program and certainly some of the best was the Legion College. I, along with the other officers and Executive Board members of our Post took advantage of the educational courses offered. These courses are designed to help us better understand our roles as leaders at our Post. These skills ultimately assist to keep our Post aligned with the mission of The American Legion, while at the same time ensuring it is a welcoming place for our members and guests.

The primary role of 1st Vice Commander is membership. With the help of Commander Wengert, I hit the deck running immediately following my appointment as 1st Vice. What this means is the processing of 2019 membership renewals along with new membership applications and transfers into our Posts from other Posts. The cumulative goal for these three is achieving a 2019 membership goal of 879 members to our Post. I am pleased to report as of August 31 we have achieved 52.673% of our goal of 879. I am asking your help in reminding your fellow members to send in their renewals if they haven't. Encourage out-of-town Legionnaires who visit us to consider transferring to our Post especially if they are considering retiring to the area. The largest pool of potential new members are younger veterans of the Gulf Wars, Iraq, and Afghanistan. Many

of them can be our children or our children's friends. Encourage them to visit the Post.

Finally, at the start of this column I asked, "notice anything different in this edition?" The hint was – my photo, I'm the new face. All the other photos of the column writers are of Post officers who appear year after year. The Post needs the help of all its members in carrying out the mission of the Legion, supporting the community, and most importantly looking after the interest of all veterans. It is simply not enough to reach our membership goal of 879. We need members to actively participate. You don't have to be an officer. If the Post holds an event honoring WWII or Korea veterans – just show up to show your respect, you don't have to work it. If the Post needs help such as the upcoming inventory, sign up. We need quality membership participation at our Post, not just high membership numbers. Looking forward to serving you....

Tom DeVaux,
1st Vice Commander



Commander Tom Wengert swearing in 6 new members to the Post at the August 27 meeting.

Bruce Reed, Daniel Neville, Jerry Hammond, Mark Wilson, Richard Dixon, Paul Taylor.

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018



Senator Jim Mathias presented an Official Citation from the Maryland Assembly in observing the POW/MIA Recognition Day on September 21, 2018 to Post #166. Commander Tom Wengert accepted the Citation and is reading it to those attending the Service.



Four members of Synepuxent Post #166- South Eastern Shore District Commander Sarge Garlitz, Major General Linda Singh, the Adjutant General of the State of Maryland, Brigadier General Janeen Birkhead, Commander of the Maryland National Guard and Post #166 Commander Tom Wengert were Delegates at Maryland's 100th American Legion Convention in OC this past July.

TRIM A TREE PARTY

The American Legion Family will hold its annual Trim a Tree Party on Saturday December 1st. The purpose of the 1:00PM event is to place the Military Ornaments of all branches of the services and other related ornaments. There will be eggnog and lite refreshments.

SUPPORT THE TROOPS

On Saturday Dec 1st. at 2:00PM will be the sorting of items for the boxes being sent to the troops. This is part of the Support the Troops program to get things ready for the packing of the boxes on Sunday December 2nd at 10:00AM. We need helping hands for these two projects.



American Legion Riders Post #166

2018 RIFLE RAFFLE

Henry "Big Boy" 44 Magnum "God Bless America Edition"



Weatherby Vanguard Synthetic Stainless 30-06 Rifle with Nikon Scope



Get yours before it is sold out!

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS • Post #166 • Ocean City, MD

Drawing Date: February 3rd, 2019

Super Bowl Sunday at the Legion

Tickets only \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00!

Proceeds benefit various Veterans/Military Programs and Local Charities.

Must be able to pass Maryland State Police or Residence's Police Background Check.

Need not be present to win.

**Guns Courtesy OF Arthurs Shooters Supply
Winner Gets Chance To Win Both!**





ATTENTION MARINES

Marines who served at Camp Lejeune were exposed to Contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune and are eligible for Compensation for presumptive diseases.

As part of the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) ongoing commitment to provide care to Veterans, the VA published regulations on January 13, 2017, to establish a presumption of service connection for eight conditions associated with exposure to contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune. The rule became effective March 14, 2017.

Based on evidence from several internationally recognized scientific authorities, including the National Academies of Science, VA determined there is sufficient scientific and medical evidence available to establish a presumption of service connection between exposure to contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune and the occurrence of eight health conditions.

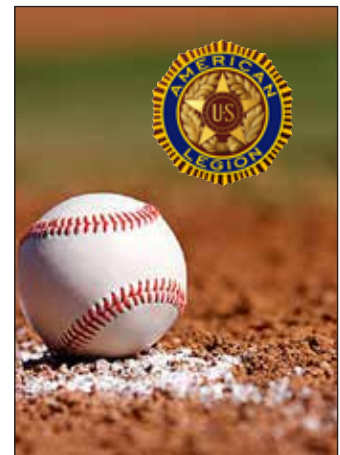
The eight presumptive diseases are: adult leukemia, aplastic anemia and other, myelodysplastic syndromes, bladder cancer, kidney cancer, liver cancer, multiple myeloma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, and Parkinson's disease.

VA will not limit entitlement to active duty military. Rather, VA will also presume exposure for reserve and National Guard members who served at Camp Lejeune for at least 30 days (cumulative) between August 1, 1953 and December 31, 1987. The rule also applies to family members who were exposed to the contaminated water. There is a separate web site for them to go to: <https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/camp-lejeune/>. This will give them the information needed to file.

In addition, VA will establish a presumption that members of the reserves and the National Guard who served at Camp Lejeune during this period and later develop one of the presumptive diseases became disabled during the relevant period of service for purposes of establishing active military service for benefit purposes.

If you were there, please see a Service Officer and ask him for help with the correct VA Forms.

Submitted by Bill Wolf, Service Officer



SAL MEMBER TO BE AWARDED

Rafe Parsons a member of the Synepuxent Sons of the American Legion Squadron 166 and plays on the Ocean City Marlins American Legion baseball team of Post #166. On Oct 18th he will be presented at Stephen Decatur High School the Presidential Service Award for having over 100 plus Hours of volunteering in the community at various programs this past year.



Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018

AL HARMON SCHOLARSHIP FUND



John Granite

The Al Harmon scholarship fund was established at Post 166 in 1998 and was named after former Charter Member of Post #166. Al Harmon, was an outstanding Legionnaire and very instrumental in setting the standards of our Legion programs and activities. He was also very active in the Ocean City Volunteer Fire Department, setting their standards for training which was noted as the best in the Country.

The scholarship program will provide up to \$1000 per school year to qualifying students, depending on the amount of money available in the scholarship fund. During the past five years alone, \$50,000 has been awarded to selected candidates. To be eligible a student must be a child or grandchild, a legally adopted child, a child of a spouse by a prior marriage, or a dependent child of a member of the Synepuxent Post #166 American Legion Family. This includes American Legion, Sons of the American Legion Squadron #166 and the American Legion Auxil-

iary Unit #166.

Applicants must be a senior or graduate, and plan to attend full or part time at an accredited institution of higher learning. The scholarship may be used to defray necessary costs of the student's education, (i.e. tuition, room and board, books and supplies, or fees and equipment required by the student's particular course of study).

Students may apply annually by submitting a copy of the previous semester grades. Applications may be picked up at the Post or downloaded on-line at www.alpost166.org. Go to "Post Programs" on the home page and click on "Scholarships" to obtain your copy. Drop the application off at the Post or mail to the address below. Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee, and if selected, the awarded scholarship funds will be sent directly to the student's school program.

Donations to the fund are always welcomed, and if you would like to donate, please make the check out to, American Legion Post 166, marked "scholarship fund". Send to American Legion Post 166, P.O. Box 63, Ocean City, MD. 21843. Thank you.

John Granite,

Chairman

Al Harmon Scholarship Committee

Zachary K. Pilarski
Berlin, Md.

American Legion
Synepuxent Post #166
Attn: Mr. John Granite and the Scholarship Committee
PO Box 63
Ocean City, Md. 21843

Dear Scholarship Committee

My future goal of attaining a career as a Chiropractor will begin with foundational courses in several sciences at Salisbury University. The scholarship awarded me by the American Legion Post 166 is the much needed financial aid that I need to get started. I will put to good use this tuition assistance with the hope eventually serving this community as a practicing Chiropractor.

Thank you very much for your help as I begin this big step toward preparation for the future. With the generosity of the American Legion Post 166, the financial burden I am facing has eased somewhat.

Sincerely,
Zachary K. Pilarski



Wounded Warriors Gala

**AT AMERICAN LEGION POST #166,
OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND**

*An Evening to
Support Your Wounded Warriors*

**will be held on Saturday, November 10th, 2018
Cocktails at 1600 hours, Program at 1700 hours**

Dinner to follow

\$40.00 Donation Includes:

1 Drink, Hors D'oeuvres and Dinner

with Music by: FRANK NANNA & WWIUNES

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Chairman John Quinn 443-235-9444 johnquinn.oc@gmail.com

Tickets available at the American Legion 2308 Philadelphia Ave. OCMD

410-289-3166 or

AL Commander Tom Wengert 443-994-2513 television153@yahoo.com

SAL Commander Joe Verdura 302-542-2706 Litjoe123420@yahoo.com.

100% of funds raised will go directly to Post #166 Charities for Wounded Warriors



The committee is working hard to get sponsors for ads to be placed in the program booklet, donations for the Silent Auction, and ticket sales.

Reminder, this is a Prime Rib Dinner, with music by the WWIIunes (you're going to love this group), wounded warriors guests and silent auction. Also Hors D'oeuvres with a free drink to start the evening at 5:00 pm will be a great time to be had by all.

This project is back after a two year hiatus and your support is requested to help with this cause that is very important to those veterans who need our help. All money raised goes toward the cause.

We hope we can count on YOU!

John P. Quinn, Chairman

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND POST #166

☆☆☆☆ HAVE A JOINT PROGRAM ☆☆☆☆

On past July 4th American Legion Synepuxent Post #166 and Captain John Smoot's Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution of the Eastern Shore held a joint program of the reading of the Declaration of Independence.



Mike Irish, President Mark Tyler and member Sarge Garlitz of Captain John Smoot Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution of the Eastern Shore go over the agenda prior to the reading of the Declaration of Independence.



Chaplain of Synepuxent Post #166 Ben Dawson offers the Invocation at the opening of the Reading of the Declaration of Independence.



Jack Hyle, Senator Jim Mathias, Tammy bowers, Richard Pennington, Paul Miller, Mark Tyler and Mike Irish



SAR Secretary Mike Irish introduces President Mark Tyler for his reading of the Declaration of Independence.



SAR President Mark Tyler reads the Declaration of Independence.



Auxiliary Unit 166 Lisa Anderson, Nancy Howard, Penny Matthews and Rosie Garlitz with Senator Jim Mathias



Post Commander Nate Pearson provides information regarding POW/MIA of the Revolutionary War and all wars that the USA Military have been involved in up to the present day.





AUXILIARY NEWS

Message from Auxiliary President



Marie Gilmore

Summer flew by! Always does! Nevertheless, it has been a busy one for Auxiliary members. Synepuxent Unit 166 was well represented at Convention in July. Our Juniors took home the coveted Greenbelt Award, as Best All-Around Junior Program. Many thanks to Rosie Garlitz for the outstanding leadership she demonstrates. !! Our Unit achieved many first place and other awards for our programs in support of veterans. We, once again, received the much sought after Bessie Mercer Award for Best All-Around Unit in Maryland. Well done ladies. We all work hard in support of our veterans because it is the right thing to do, but once a year, it is nice to be recognized for our efforts. It is always a pleasure when I can share that with you.

On August 21st we met to honor the memories of those Auxiliary members we lost this past year. Our Unit Everlasting ceremony honored Kit Federico, Geraldine Bailey, Lola Richardson, Louise Villani and Sara Poskus. We were honored to have Past District President Starr Purnell present to install our new Officers for the 2018/2019 year. Marie Gilmore, President; Penny Matthews, 1st VP; Tina Preziotti, 2nd VP, Teddie Rozanno, Chaplain; Lois Barstis, Treasurer; Joanne Wengert, Corresponding Secretary; Laurie Newton, Historian; Lori Arilo, Sgt. At Arms; Rosie Garlitz and Mary Adair, Color Bearers and Emily Bealle, Deb Stanley Maphis and Rose Felty, Executive Committee. Emily Nock will be installed, as Recording Secretary at the September meeting.

Wishing the best of luck to all our Officers for a successful new year. Next, Rosie presented many awards to our Juniors, which I'm sure she will cover in the Juniors section of this newsletter. Needless to say, we are very proud of all our Junior members! Last, but not least, on our agenda, I was privileged to be able to present the Unit Member of the Year Award to Tina Preziotti who works tirelessly for the Unit and for the Legion Family. Tina exemplifies what service to community and veterans means. Congratulations Tina!

We finished August by collecting many school supplies to be distributed at local schools. Education Chair, Jessie Parsons, along with Junior Kendahl Parsons and Rosie, delivered school supplies to a very grateful, Ocean City Elementary School.

I'm looking forward to a busy year in service to our veterans. I hope many of you will join me at the Wounded Warrior Gala, November 10th at the Post. Tickets are available at the post. We will have several wounded warrior families present. You will be entertained by Frank Nanna and the WWIIunes. You will find it hard to stay in your seats when the dance music begins! They are terrific.

Please get involved with your Unit. There will be many opportunities in the Fall and Holiday season to help our troops. Let's all pitch in and make a difference!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 18. Social hour with light refreshments at 6 PM, meeting at 7PM. See you there!

Marie Gilmore

President



Lindsay Birkhead Morton Juniors Honorary President of the Department, Maryland was recognized as the first Honorary Junior President from Auxiliary Unit #166.



Unit #166 Junior Auxiliary Family: Marie Gilmore and her granddaughter's Addison & Delaney. Craig Morton & daughter Lindsay, Jessie Parsons & daughter Kendahl and Jrs. Advisor Rosie Garlitz.



AUXILIARY NEWS

MEET OUR NEW FIRST VICE PRESIDENT



Penny Matthews

I would like to introduce myself to you. I am Penny Matthews, the new First Vice President of the AL Auxiliary Unit 166. My husband Kevin and I enjoy volunteering at the Legion. I believe everyone should give back to our community in order to keep our City a great place in which to live. Some can then be proud to say, "I live in Ocean City". I have been a member of the Auxiliary for several years and have served on various committees prior to transferring to Unit 166.

If you see me at the Post, please come up and introduce yourself. I would love to meet more of the folks of our American Legion Family.

Now, back to the real reason that I am here, MEMBERSHIP! I am going to need your help in getting new members to join the auxiliary. Please see me or any of the other officers to obtain the enrollment form. If you have not renewed or paid your 2019 dues, please send a check for \$30.00 for Senior dues and \$10.00 for Junior dues to the

following:

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 166
PO Box 3024
Ocean City MD. 21843

In order to keep everyone informed of the news and updates at the Auxiliary, it is important that you notify me of any changes, such as; name, address or a new e-mail address. We don't want you to miss out on the activities of the post, so send any changes to be forwarded to the Department for updates.

Auxiliary meetings are at 7:00 pm on the third Tuesday of every month. Social hour starts at 6:00 pm. Come join us and meet fellow members. Let's get to know one another and have some fun. A big "THANK YOU" to Tina Preziotti for being the Membership Chair for the past 7 years. I am sure if I have any membership issue Tina will have no problem as being my go to person.

We are always looking for ideas for future fundraisers. Please plan on joining us at the next Auxiliary meeting and share your thoughts and ideas. Bring a perspective member.

See you at the meeting.
Respectfully Submitted

Penny Matthews

1st Vice President, Unit 166

SENATOR CARSON'S SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ARE JR. AUXILIARY 166 MEMBERS



Lindsay Birkhead-Morton (9th Grade Snow Hill High School) and Addison McDaniel (7th Grade Stephen Decatur Middle School) were winners of Senator Ben Carson's Scholarship Award this year. The Scholarship will be used when they graduate from high school and enter college.



WOMEN MAKING A DIFFERENCE

On Friday September 14th, the Ocean City Art League recognized 9 women of the Delmarva area. These outstanding women made a difference by digging in making our communities thrive. The SHero Awards of 2018 are sponsored and presented by the Ocean City Art League. Rosie Garlitz and Nancy Howard of AL Auxiliary Unit #166 were 2 recipients of this years winners.



AUXILIARY NEWS

AUXILIARY UNIT #166 BRINGS HOME THE GOLD

CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS 2018 CONVENTION

ESSAY WINNER-NATIONAL WINNER, Jr. Member for Group III- Lindsay Birkhead-Morton

CHAPLAIN- over 336 members- 2ND PLACE, Teddie Rozzano, Chaplain

BOOK OF PRAYERS- 1ST PLACE, Jr.Member Addison McDaniel, Chaplain

CHILDREN & YOUTH-over 336 members- 1ST PLACE, Barbara Plotner, Chair

COMMUNITY SERVICE-over 336 members- 1ST PLACE, Rosie Garlitz, Chair

CANCER CONTROL-over 336 members- 1ST PLACE, Rosie Garlitz, Chair

EDUCATION-over 336 members-2ND PLACE, Barbara Plotner, Chair

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES-BEST ALLROUND (GREENBELT TROPHY) Rosie Garlitz, Advisor

MOST NUMBER OF NEW MEMBERS-with 53 new members, Tina Preziotti, 1st Vice President

NATIONAL SECURITY- over 336 members-1ST PLACE, Rosie Garlitz, Chair

POPPY-over 336 members-2ND PLACE-Karen Thompson, Chair

MISS POPPY- Jr. Member, Kendahl Parsons

POPPY POSTER CONTEST-Group III-1ST PLACE, Jr Member Addison McDaniel

POPPY POSTER CONTEST-Group IV-1ST PLACE, Jr member Kendahl Parsons

BEST PUBLICITY REPORTS-over 336 members, Jeanette Deskiewicz, Chair

ALL ROUND RADIO & TV WORK-over 336 member, 1ST PLACE, Jeanette Deskiewicz, Chair

PRESS BOOK-over 336 members-HONORABLE MENTION, Jeanette Deskiewicz

OUTSTANDING FAMILY CONTACT, over 336 members-2ND PLACE Greta Rolland Chair

VA&R MOST OUTSTANDING WORK,over 336 members-3RD PLACE, Carol Rose

HOME SERVICE AWARD-over 336 members-1ST PLACE, Greta Rolland, Chair

BEST ALL ROUND FIELD SERVICE PROGRAM-1ST PLACE, Greta Rolland, Chair

THE BESSIE L. MERCER TROPHY-FOR BEST ALL AROUND ACTIVITIES

DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND JR. AUXILIARY MEMBERS OF THE YEAR

Addison and Delaney McDaniel

PAST PRESIDENT'S PARLEY- MILITARY SERVICE WOMAN OF THE YEAR

US Army National Guard Major General Linda Singh-*Nominated by Rosie Garlitz*



Officers of Unit #166 being installed at the special meeting on August 21st. L_R Lori Arillo (Sgt-at-Arms), Laurie Newton (Historian), Penny Matthews (1st Vice President), Joann Wengert (Correspondence Secretary), Debbie Maphis (Executive Committee), Teddie Rozzano (Chaplain), Tina Preziotti (2nd Vice President), Marie Gilmore (President), Lois Barstis (Treasurer) and Rosie Garlitz (Color Bearer). Officers not pictured are: Rose Felty (Executive Committee), Emily Nock (Recording Secretary), Emilie Beall (Executive Committee) and Mary Adair (Color Bearer)



AUXILIARY NEWS

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Synepuxent Unit #166

2017-2018: Junior Members of the Year

Addison and Delaney McDaniel

Addison and Delaney McDaniel are 11 year old twins and have been extremely active members of Synepuxent Unit #166 in Ocean City, Md. since 2016, under the eligibility of their Grandfather, Robert Gilmore.

Addison is currently Chaplain and Historian of the Unit. Delaney is Sgt-at-Arms.

Some of their many accomplishments this year have been achieving 1st place for Delaney and 3rd Place for Addison, on the unit level in the Americanism Essay Contest. They led the attendees of the Worcester County Veterans Memorial, for Memorial Day and Veterans Day in the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag. Most impressive, is their joint effort working with their Grandfather placing inscribed pavers and bricks with Veterans names at the Worcester County Veteran's Memorial. They gave 20 hours to this project.

To children entering the Emergency Room at Christmastime, Delaney and Addison made Teddy Bears and presented them to the children. During the National President's visit they helped roll pajamas for Kammie's Jammies of Casey Cares and cheered for Madam President Diane Deuchek. Both Addison and Delaney participated in SADD (students against destructive decisions). Also, they contributed to the Honorary Juniors President's project, the Fisher House.

In their community, Delaney and Addison remain at the forefront helping others; Donating blankets to the homeless, food items to the food pantry and school supplies to children in need.

Our National Security is not overlooked by them; they donated items for boxes to go to active duty troops and made cards for them, as well.

12 Email: alpost166@comcast.net

At the First Responders Annual Awards Program, at Post #166, both of them presented the Ocean City Paramedic of the Year Award. An ongoing project is clipping Commissary coupons for active duty military families.

Veterans are at the top of their list. They helped make 110 bottles, with special messages enclosed for Veterans in VA Clinics and hospitals in Maryland. In addition, made 25 "Buddy Bags"

with messages and candies for the Veterans Outreach Program of Diakonia Homeless Shelter and Legion members at Post #166 on Martin Luther King's Birthday.

For the past two years, both girls have participated in "Seas the Day" event for Wounded Warriors. On Veterans Day at the Post, they participated with their Grandfather in the POW/MIA Ceremony by displaying the items on the Lone Table as they were described.

Addison and Delaney entered the Poppy Poster contest and offered Poppies at many events, including on Memorial Day and Veterans Day. On Four Chaplains Sunday they placed Poppies beside the Life Vests of the Immortal Four Chaplains. Both twins are on the Principal's list and compete athletically as members of the Hammerhead Sharks Swim Team and Lacrosse Team at their school.

Where you see one, you see the other. At a very young age they are gaining knowledge of the American Legion Auxiliary Organization, including leadership skills and Love of Country. The Dynamic Duo of the Juniors American Legion Auxiliary Unit #166 are awesome X's 2.

Rosie Garlitz,

Junior Advisor, ALA Unit #166

[Http://www.ALPost166.org](http://www.ALPost166.org)



Addison and Delaney McDaniel achieved Junior Auxiliary Members of the Year on both the Unit 166 and State of Maryland levels. They were awarded with plaques by Rosie Garlitz the Junior Adviser of Unit #166. Starr Purnell the Department of Maryland Juniors Chair, presented them with with Crystal Bowls with their names inscribed on them during Unit 166's special meeting on August 21st. Pictured in the photo with the twins are Kathy McDaniel (mother) and Marie Gilmore (grandmother).



AUXILIARY NEWS

STAR POWER IS JUNIOR POWER!!!

The 2018 summer went so fast I didn't see it buzz right by. Junior members have been busy bees working Community Service, going to Camp, and trying to squeeze in as much fun as possible.

In July, all of the active Junior members of Unit 166 served as Pages at the Annual Department of Maryland Convention in Ocean City. Again this year, Kendahl Parsons was designated Miss Poppy for the Department of Maryland. Her Poppy Poster won 1st Place and was sent forward for the Regional competition.

American Legion Auxiliary Honorary Junior President, Lindsay Birkhead-Morton will soon be collecting for her Juniors Project for 2018-2019. At the Units special meeting in August a picture of Lindsay was unveiled showing she was the 1st Honorary Junior Department President from Unit 166 (the picture is hanging on the Auxiliary wall at the Post). We are looking forward to another great year with Junior Honorary President Lindsay as she kicks off her 2nd year as President.

Saylor Amos, our most recent member was awarded her junior Auxiliary Pin, Auxiliary Vest and an Americanism Motif Purse for collecting

the most flip top metals for 2017-2018.

The title of Junior Auxiliary Members of the Year for the Unit and Department of Maryland levels, went to Addison and Delaney McDaniel. Star Purnell, Department of Maryland's Juniors Chair, presented each of them a Glass Bowl with a Gold inscription of their names. As the Junior Advisor, I presented them with a Plaque to recognize them as the Unit 166 winners.

All Juniors received Unit patches for advancing the American Legion Auxiliary Mission and purposes in 2017-2018. It will be a real pleasure seeing the Juniors of Unit 166 wearing their Vests proudly adorned with their patches.

Juniors in the State of Maryland are designated Baby Bear Cubs for the 2018-2019 membership drive. I know the Juniors of Unit 166 will be dedicated to Unit 166 to complete their mission.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR JUNIOR MEMBERS, THEY ROCK X'S 5

Rosie Garlitz, Advisor Unit 166 Juniors



ALA Junior Kendahl Parsons delivers school supplies to Showell Elementary School



Junior Auxiliary member Saylor Amos of Unit 166 is seen making announcements at a downtown Ocean City Fundraiser.



AUXILIARY HOLDS MEMORIAL SERVICE

On August 21st at the Special Meeting of Unit #166 a Memorial Service was held for the deceased members of the previous year. The past year a candle was lit by Unit members for: Gold Star Mother "Kit" Federico by Lois Barstis, Lola Richardson by Tina Perziotti, Geraldine Bailey by Lori Arillo and Louise Villani by Jeanette Des-kiewicz. In the photo is Emilie Beall lighting the candle for Sara Poskus.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY MEMBERS SHINE

The following are the Junior Auxiliary members of Unit #166 who have received the Units and the Department of Maryland's Junior Auxiliary

Member of the Year Award

2014 Katie Bear

2015 Kendahl Parsons

2016 Sabrina Pecora

2017 Lindsay Birkhead-Morton

2018 Addison & Delaney McDaniel



BIG TIME BASEBALL CAME TO THE SHORE

The Maryland's State Tournament for the Senior American Legion Baseball Program was held in Salisbury. It was hosted by Wicomico Post #64 and it was very successful.

We want to thank Sons of the American Legion Squadron #166 OCMD member Charlie Mann for his support of the Tournament. The outstanding and professional manner he displayed announcing some of the games was first class.

We also salute South Eastern Shore District Commander Sarge Garlitz of Post #166 for throwing out the first pitch to start the tournament. His game announcing skills were great and his dedication to the the American Legion is 2nd to none. Later in the week Commander Garlitz also threw out the first pitch for American Legion Night at Shorebird's Perdue Stadium for one of their leagues games.

Baseball Chairman
Mike Powers

Wicomico Post #64 Salisbury, Maryland



4 YEARS OF AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL, GREAT

The Ocean City Marlins, sponsored by the American Legion Synepuxent Post #166 has completed its 4th season in a successful manner. The 5th season of Post #166 in the Eastern Shore American Legion Baseball League, will start their planning after the first of the year. Dave Parsons, Post #166's Representative will take all questions at 443-235-1688 or email dave_par@hotmail.com and Manager Otis Elsey also will take all questions thrown at him, 443-783-1458 or email owe1061@gmail.com. This is a great program and we love it.

14 Email: alpost166@comcast.net

AUXILIARY NEWS



POST #166 MEMBER RECEIVES AUXILIARY AWARD



Major General Linda L. Singh, the Adjutant General of Maryland and also a member of Post #166, was recognized at the 2018 annual Auxiliary Convention. She received the Maryland Military Service Women of the Year Award presented by the Department of Maryland Auxiliary. This is the 3rd year in concession that a member of Post #166 has received this award. In 2017 Col. Janeen Birkhead (now a Brigadier General) of the US Army and in 2016 US Coast Guard Master Chief Timaree Sparks, Commander of the Ocean City Coast Guard Station.



POST #166 HAS BOARDWALK RAFFLE FOR 2019

May 2, 2019 will be the start of the 2019 Boardwalk Raffle. Get out your 2019 calendar and start picking out the dates you want to sell tickets on the Boards.

Members of the American Family are urged to participate and no experience is necessary. You will enjoy this project and parking spaces will be provided.

[Http://www.ALPost166.org](http://www.ALPost166.org)

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018

SUPPORT THE TROOPS PROGRAM



SUPPORT THE TROOPS PROGRAM TO KICK OFF

Support The Troops Program at Post #166. The tubs are out waiting for items to fill them up. Other locations than Post #166 will be Boggs-Disharoon Post #123 in Berlin, Bank of Ocean City in West Ocean City and the Branch on 59th Street in OC and Minuteman Press of OC at 120th Street in Ocean City.

Items needed this year are as follows:

- POWERED DRINK MIXES (cold or hot)
- READY TO EAT MEALS
- CANDY & GUM (no chocolate)
- PACKETS OF: ketchup, relish, mustard, seasoned salt, hot sauce (small packets only)
- SNACKS (small hard containers of: pretzels, chips, nuts, (no bags), snack cakes, cheese crackers & cookies
- Energy bars, tuna fish, sardines, non perishable beef jerky labels USDA Beef
- Personal Care And Clothing Items
- Small, Travel Size Containers of Personal Hygiene Items (No Aerosal Cans)
- TOILETRIES- Toothbrushes, tooth paste, dental floss, cotton swabs, shaving lotion, disposable razors, shampoo, individually wrapped packaged tissues
- PERSONAL CARE- Individually packaged baby wipes, eye drops, lip/balm, lotion, aspirin or other
- pain relievers, feminine hygiene products
- FOOT CARE- moleskin, medicated foot powder, athlete's foot ointment
- DISPOSABLE HAND WARMERS
- GOGGLE SIZE SUNGLASSES
- FINGERLESS GLOVES
- STOCKING CAPS
- 100% COTTON SOCKS AND UNDER WEAR (Shorts and long)
- READING MATERIAL - Paper back books, current magazines or comic books, Cross word puzzles, word searches, jigsaw puzzles
- GAMES_ Foam footballs, basketballs, Frisbees, hacky sacks, playing cards, yo yos
- ELECTRONICS- Portable DVD, CD players, DVDs & CDs
- DISPOSABLE CAMERA
- WRITING MATERIAL - Paper, envelopes, pens, pencils
- REMINDERS OF HOME - Cards, children's Art Projects, home made cookies in air tight containers.



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION Raffle

for a

Carnival Cruise

- Price per raffle ticket – \$5.00 each or 5 tickets for \$20.00
- Cruise valued at \$2,500.00 (winner responsible for additional expenses)
- Winner to be announced October 28, 2018
- Winner to choose date, ship and itinerary
(to be used by October 31, 2019)

Cruise to be reserved through Travel & Tours Unlimited
www.TravelToursUnlimited.com • info@TravelToursUnlimited.com
410-876-6123 or 1-800-795-5399

For tickets please email Charlie Mann at ocmann60@aol.com
or call 717-891-5750 or Tickets can be purchased at the Post.

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018

THE NATIONAL
WWII MUSEUM
NEW ORLEANS

September 11, 2018

The American Legion
Synepuxent Post 166
2308 Philadelphia Avenue
Ocean City, MD 21842



Dear Veterans,

What an honor it is to have the support of the American Legion Synepuxent Post 166!
Thank you.

For the past five years, the generosity of the veterans of Synepuxent Post 166 has provided The National WWII Museum the momentum needed to capture the stories of the WWII generation and ensure that this country and the world never forgets the wartime contributions that helped secure our freedom.

As members of Patriots Circle, you share the essential responsibility of telling the entire story of the WWII experience. These stories inspire us to find new ways to expand our educational outreach and keep the interest in World War II alive both here on our campus and beyond our walls.

Thanks for all your good work in advocating for our military veterans and please accept our everlasting gratitude for your service to the United States of America.

Sincerely,

Sue Lampton, Director
Patriots Circle



World War II Museum in New Orleans



AL Paul Hawkins, SAL Ray Kudobeck, ALA Tina Preziotti, and ALA Chris Hawkins are joined by Patriots Circle Manager, Michael Sistrunk. Manager Sistrunk is giving them the grand tour of the World War II Museum in New Orleans, LA this past spring. Post #166 is a Charter Member of the Patriots Circle at this excellent landmark.

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018
BOY SCOUT TROOP #261 AND CUB SCOUT PACK #261
SPONSORED BY POST #166



Cub Scout Pack 261 is excited to have the American Legion as our sponsor organization again this year. Our 2017-2018 Session had us more than double in the number of scouts. We had camping trips to Lion's Woods in Ocean City, Henson Scout Reservation in Rhodesdale, and Antietam Battlefield in Sharpsburg. We participated with the American Legion with their Flag Retirement Ceremony, Veteran's Day, 4 Chaplains Ceremony, and Memorial Day Ceremonies. We held a food drive to benefit Blessing House Ministries. Our Scouts marveled at the airplanes on our trip to the Air Mobility Museum in Dover. We had 1 Scout cross over to Boy Scout Troop #261, and Scouts earning their Lion, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos ranks at our Blue and Gold. We fired off rockets, raced regatta boats, and held a carnival. It was an exciting season filled with service, adventure, and learning.

While we look forward to seeing our returning Scouts, we are excited to be partaking in activities that will help our pack grow. We have many fun activities planned this year. For the fall we have multiple events to recruit new Scouts, two camping trips, the Veteran's Day ceremony, Flag Retirement Ceremony, a fishing derby, a potluck awards dinner, and our Cub Scout Christmas Bazaar.

The Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2018 from 9-3 at the American Legion. There will be a variety of activities that are suitable for the whole family. The best part is that our very own Scouts will all have a role in the success of this event. Our Scouts will be involved with welcoming attendees, games, gift wrapping, and more! The Scout sisters are excited to offer their talents as artists for face/tattoo painting for a donation. Photos with Santa will be available that day for a donation too. Morgan McIntyre, a local professional photographer will be donat-

ing her time and skills to ensure families leave with a quality Santa picture.

In addition to vendors, we will have Christmas wreaths and cakes as silent auction items. Our vendors have been extremely generous in their donations. Everyone who walks through our doors will get 5 free door prize tickets. The first 100 people will receive 10 tickets. Additional tickets may be earned through purchasing from our vendors...every \$5 spent earns buyers one additional ticket. Door prizes will be drawn at 11:30 and 2:30 that day

— Mike Backof



**US FLAG DISPOSAL
(BURNING)
NOVEMBER 17TH**

Boy Scout Troop #261, Cub Scout Pack #261, Synepuxent Post #166 American Legion and Auxiliary Unit #166 will be holding their annual US Flag Disposal Program at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial on November 17th. This annual event will start at 0900hrs with opening remarks from Post #166 Commander Tom Wengert.

Flags to be burned are being collected by Boggs-Disharoon Post #123 Berlin, Synepuxent Post #166 Ocean City, Duncan-Showell Post #231 Berlin, Ocean City Elks Lodge #2645 and the Boy and Cub Scouts of #261. The Ocean Pines Maintenance Department will prepare the fire pit and Ocean Pines Fire Department will be standing by at the site. These are two tasks that are required for a successful project such as this.

For more information please contact Post #166 Commander Tom Wengert 443-994-2513 or email television9153@yahoo.com

WEARING OF THE AMERICAN LEGION CAP

1. The Legion cap, uniform or regalia should be worn by its members only when in attendance at official Legion meetings or ceremonies, as official guests at patriotic or other civil functions, or by individuals when officially representing The American Legion on public occasions. For all ceremonies, the uniforms adopted by a department are recommended. However, an official American Legion cap, dark blue or black civilian coat, dark trousers, white shirt, black four-in-hand tie, black shoes and socks make an attractive uniform. A Legionnaire is considered to be in uniform if wearing an official American Legion cap. Therefore, it is not proper to wear a Legion cap while eating a meal at an official American Legion or civic luncheon or dinner.

2. The cap should be worn in a place of worship only by the guard of honor, color guard and commander of the same while in marching order or standing guard. When one is seated, the cap should be removed.

3. Posts marching in formation into a place of worship should uncover at the door, hold the cap with the right hand over the heart until arriving in the pews and commanded to take seats, and remain uncovered during the entire service. At the close of the service, upon command, the post shall rise, hold the cap with right hand over the heart, march out of the place of worship, and re-cover after marching through the door. Note: The cap should be held over the heart as one approaches the casket, and is not at any time worn in a place of worship except by the guard of honor, color guard or commander of same while in marching order or standing guard.

4. Legionnaires not in formation will uncover upon entering the place of worship, remain uncovered during the entire service and re-cover after leaving the place of worship.

5. At the graveside, the cap should be held in the right hand over the heart during the entire service. In cold and inclement weather, the cap should not be doffed.

6. In meetings, the cap should be worn except during the Pledge of Allegiance, prayer and while standing in silent reverence in memory of departed comrades, when it should be held with the right hand over the heart.

7. A Legionnaire wearing a cap should behave in proper accord as to salutes, etc., the same as if wearing a military uniform. If not wearing a

cap, observe ordinary rules of etiquette for civilian dress.

8. Female Legionnaires should wear their caps in the manner prescribed for women in the armed forces. This is suitable for most situations, but taste and common sense should prevail. By American Legion tradition, a female Legionnaire may leave her cap on during the Pledge of Allegiance, the national anthem, prayer and meals.

9. Legionnaires wishing to attach decorations and/or other official insignia to their caps are advised of a National Executive Committee resolution on the subject, excerpted below.

Official American Legion caps

The following regulations standardize the use of lettering, insignia, etc., on the official American Legion cap, as based on Resolution No. 58, adopted by the National Executive Committee, April 30-May 1, 1964.

Post caps (members and officers) – All blue, piped in gold and lettered in gold with optional basic lettering (Style 1 or Style 2), and additional lettering and restrictions as indicated below:

(a) Style 1 – Post numerals at right front between piping and front crease. Department name in full on left side beneath emblem. Lettering on emblem side to be in straight line. Example: “20” (at right front) – “Illinois” (on left side beneath emblem).

(b) Style 2 – Post numerals at right front between piping and front crease. Town name in full and department abbreviated on left side beneath emblem. Lettering on emblem side to be in straight line.

Example: “20” (at right front) – “Minneapolis, Minn.” (on left side beneath emblem).

(c) Style 2 – Shall not be used when the post town is not physically located within the recognized geographic and/or postal boundaries of the department of which the post is a member. Example: Stuttgart, Germany, a part of the Department of France. Such a post may place its location and country on the right side of the cap, if desired. Example: “8” (at right front) – “France” (on left side beneath emblem) – if desired, “Munich, Germany” (on right side).

(d) Where additional lettering is desired, it must be on the right side of the cap. Lettering restricted to name of post, such as “J.S. Jones,” or officer title, such as “Commander” or “Past Adjutant.” Where present or past officer cap insignia or

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018

badges are used in place of embroidered titles, these must be on right side of cap.

(e) Consecutive membership insignia, membership stars and/or decorations (authorized American Legion or military services) must be attached to the right side of cap. Fraternal or civil organization insignia cannot be used on American Legion caps.

(f) Names or nicknames of individual members cannot be used on caps.

(g) An individual member placing an order directly with Emblem Sales must provide the member ID number.

Restrictions

(a) The left side (emblem side) of any American Legion cap cannot contain other than the official American Legion emblem, and lettering as set forth previously in this resolution for post, county, district, department or national caps.

(b) No member of any organization, such as drum and bugle corps, bands and so forth, sponsored by any post or intermediate organizations between the department and post levels, or by any department, shall wear the overseas caps having the color, or combination of colors, authorized for the sole use of county, district, department or national officers, when the members of uniformed groups are not appearing in the full uniform of their group.



VETERANS DAY IS 100 YEARS OLD

At the 11th hour, on the 11th day, of the 11th month in 1918 the Armistice of World War I was signed at Buckingham Palace in London. This date and time each year was known and recognized as Armistice's Day. In 1954 President Dwight D. Eisenhower declared November 11th to be Veterans Day. On the original day for the signing of the Armistice ending WWI is still known as Veterans Day to recognize and honor all Veterans.

- 16.1 million living veterans served during at least one war.
- 2 million veterans are women.
- 7 million veterans served during the Vietnam War.
- 5.5 million veterans served during the Persian Gulf War.
- Of the 16 million Americans who served during World War II, about 1/2 million

are still alive.

- 2 million veterans served during the Korean War.
- 6 million veterans served in peacetime.

This year of 2018 at the 11th hour, on the 11th day of the 11th month will be the 100th Anniversary of Veterans Day at the Worcester County Veterans Memorial. Synepuxent Post #166 has been supporting this event for over 10 years and if you have not been to one of these services, you are missing something very special.

Post #166 has been holding their Veterans Day program since 1946 and this year they will have their 72nd Veterans Day Service on 11 November 2018 at 1300hrs. It will be a special event again and your attendance would be off the charts. Thanks.

By Nate Pearson, *Past Commander*

AMERICAN LEGION BINGO

24TH St. and Philadelphia Ave.

410-289-3166

Every Thursday, Doors open at 4:30 games begin at 6:30.

Jack Pot Game \$500.00 Within Allotted Number

Pick 7 game \$5,000.00 in 19 numbers or less

Food and Non Alcoholic beverages are available

Open to the Public

PLEASE USE 24TH ST. ENTRANCE



**QUEEN OF HEARTS CONTINUES AS
OC'S TOP GAME IN TOWN**

The Queen of Hearts Raffle at Post #166 is still the place to be on Sunday afternoon 1625hrs. Yep, the Queen of Hearts Dancers are dancing and singing with Rosie Garlitz and Penny Matthews. The Sunday event is something that you have to really see at the Post to get the jest of the Sunday fun.

It appears that Sunday is the day to be at the Post and the more patrons the better. Sherri excels behind the bar. What was the word back in the day? "The more the merrier", and that does not bother Sherri. She is an asset to our Queen of Hearts project with her keeping the customers in a great

attitude for the Sunday fun.

Again we depend on Jack Hyle, Tom "Stumpy" DeVaux, Buddy Jones and Rosie Garlitz for moving the Queen of Hearts Tickets week by week.

On July 21st a new game started and the winners up to September 16th are as follows:
Bob Frey (#20) \$100.00, Albert Miller (#21) \$50.00, Gary Nantz (#26) \$100.00, Barbara Gerand (#4) \$200.00, Kathy Kitzig (#8), \$50.00, Sharon Smith (#25) \$50.00, Matt Newgerger (#52) \$50.00, Allen James (#6) \$100.00.



The Queen of Hearts Singers and Dancers Carrie Garner, Penny Matthews, Rosie Garlitz, GG Hardester and Shannon Hardester



Jack Hyle and Tom "Stumpy" DeVaux. Looks like "Stumpy" is casing the "joint" for the Queen.



The Ace Bartender of Post #166 on Queen of Heart Sundays



Buddy Jones and Sarge Garlitz are weekly Queen of Hearts tickets sellers. Every week since this fundraiser started they have participated in selling tickets.



Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018



Joe Verdura

we are up to 245 members. Our meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month starting with a social hour at 6PM. The meeting starts at 7PM and will last about an hour. There has been an increase in attendance but I would like to see

I hope you all had a great Summer and stayed cool. With the weather going to start getting cooler I hope to see more of you at the post. The Carnival Cruise ticket sales have been good. For you who haven't got your tickets, we have some left. The membership has grown,

more of you at the meetings and get some new ideas. We are proud to say we are hosting the Wounded Warriors dinner.

We all volunteer for Bingo, so if you can spare some time, we need volunteers. There has been some new changes made to our membership cards. So when you renew your membership you will see a big difference in it. I would like to thank all of the legion family for all you do for the veterans.



Joe Verdura
SAL Commander



Kevin Matthews

Sons of the American Legion

Greetings from Squadron 166. I trust everyone had a good summer. I don't know about every one else, but I'm kind of looking forward to cooler temperatures.

The Squadron had their first meeting for the 2018-2019 year on Monday,

September 10th.

At this time, I would like to announce the New Officers for the year, which were Installed by Post Commander Tom Wengert on June 11, 2018.

The new officers are as follows.

Joe Verdura.....Commander

Kevin Matthews.....Adjutant

Ray Kudobeck.....Finance Officer

Tom Wengert.....Chaplin

Ben Nilsson.....Historian

George Pickrell...Sergeant-at-arms

Charles Mann is working with Commander

Joe on keeping up with membership

As for membership, the squadron is moving right along. As of 9/14/2018 we have 33 members renewed. Our goal is 257. We need 224 to make goal. We have 5 new transfers.

I'm very confident we will meet and exceed our goal. Apparel sales have netted to date \$756.00 While ticket sales for our cruise raffle has netted \$3785.00

Our Wounded Warrior Gala is scheduled for Saturday November 10, 2018. Cocktails will be at 1600hr. The program will start at 1700hr. Dinner will follow after the program. Tickets are \$40.00 each. Music will be provided by FRANK NANNA & WWIUNES. We would like for you to join us for this worthwhile cause.

100% of the funds raised will go directly to Charities for Wounded Warriors.

The Sons of the American Legion is here to support our post and our veterans.

If there is anything we can do to help please do not hesitate to contact us.

I am looking forward to a very successful year for Squadron 166.

Respectfully Submitted, Adjutant

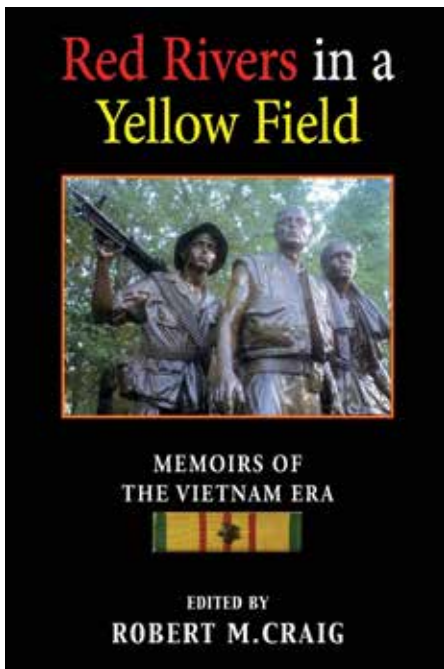
Kevin Matthews
SAL Squadron #166

WW GALA III SILENT AUCTION FOR OUR WOUNDED WARRIORS

November 10th is the date of our WOUNDED WARRIOR GALA III at the Post. Winners of the Silent Auction will be announced at the Gala. At noon on this day until 4:00PM, members and guests can start the bidding at the Post in the game room area. This is for those supporters who can not attend the Gala can make a bid. Remember--get your tickets to the Gala to avoid missing out on this great program. We need you to help our Wounded Warrior Fundraiser.

[Http://www.ALPost166.org](http://www.ALPost166.org)

Email: alpost166@comcast.net 21



**Talk and book signing by
historian Robert M. Craig
(Lt USN, active duty 1968-70)
American Legion, 2308 Philadelphia Ave.,
Ocean City, October 15, 2018 4pm**

Robert M. Craig, son of Captain Robert S. Craig (Ocean City Beach Patrol 1930s-1980s) will present an illustrated talk on his new book, *Red Rivers in a Yellow Field: Memoirs of the Vietnam Era*, followed by a book signing and sale. The book features 34 authors who recount episodes of their military experiences of fifty years ago, both in-country Vietnam, at sea, and elsewhere around the world. With almost 200 illustrations from a half century ago, many photos taken at camps in Vietnam, from aircraft, or aboard ships, the anthology includes 50 essays, poems, and short stories presented as memoirs of the 1960s and early '70s, "a slice of the American experience during the Vietnam era" writes Craig. Most of the military men (and one woman) authoring recollections were not temporary warriors---not career military--- but answered their country's call to duty in the 1960s, served briefly in the military during a tumultuous period, and then returned to their civilian careers. They were drafted and volunteered, were enlisted and commissioned officers, became swift boat operators in the Mekong Delta and Ca Mau Peninsula, Marine helicopter pilots stationed at Marble Mountain near Da Nang, Navy jet pilots flying sorties from carriers in the Tonkin Gulf, and supply officers,

chaplains, and army artists. Each veteran's experience was unique, and the authors themselves write their own stories, with thirty-four different voices recalling a time fifty years ago.

Robert M. Craig contributed several essays and served as editor for the 525-page anthology. Craig is author of eight books and has lectured from China to Europe and throughout the United States. Today, he continues to write, although "retired" since 2011 from his career teaching at the college of architecture, Georgia Tech, in Atlanta (now Professor Emeritus). Craig holds a BA and MA in history and a Ph.D. in the history of architecture, the latter from Cornell University. Craig's family continues to spend time in Ocean City each summer, and Robert and his wife Carole recently restored Captain Craig's 1950 summer cottage on St. Louis Avenue, listed this year on the National Register of Historic Places. Craig is an alumnus of the Ocean City Beach Patrol, and a Vietnam vet. Craig's new book on Vietnam will be available for purchase at the October 15th event.



Front Door Buzzer Policy

On September 17, 2018, the House Committee of Post #166 approved a change in the Front Door Buzzer Policy. Effective January 1, 2019 all Legion members, all SAL and all members of Auxiliary Unit #166 must use a KEY CARD to open the front door.

The DOOR BUZZER is for visitors and their guests and business related persons. If one of the Legion Family of Post #166 rings the buzzer for entering the Post, it will cost \$1.00 for a Key Card or a \$1.00 donation for operational expenses for the Buzzer. It will cost them \$1.00 every time they enter the Post and must be paid prior to any service.

The Bartender is too busy and should not have to buzz in members of our American Legion Family. In the future, members as stated above will receive a Key Card with their 2019-2020 renewal card.

House Committee--

Joe Salifia (Chairman), Bill Wolf, Charles Spaziani

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018



Officers for 2018-2019 who will be taking Post #166 into and through the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion.

(front) Commander Tom Wengert, Sgt-at-Arms Glen Reely, Adjutant Robert Smith, 1st Vice Commander Tom DeVaux, Executive Committee Nelson Kelly and Department Commander David Johnson who installed these officers on July 13th following the Convention..

(rear) Executive Committee John Granite, Executive Committee Phil Ludlam, Historian Sarge Garlitz and Chaplain Ben Dawson.

Officers not shown-Finance Officer Joe Salafia , Judge Advocate Jack Hyle, Service Officers Bill Wolf, Executive Committee Bo Spicer and Executive Committee Charles Spaziani.

OFFICE	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
Commander	Tom Wengert	(443) 994-2513	television9153@yahoo.com
1st Vice Commander	Tom DeVaux	(302) 500-1681	tom.devaultdevaux@outlook.com
2nd Vice Commander	Vacant		
Adjutant	Bob Smith	(443) 614-2503	rls.terp22@gmail.com
Judge Advocate	Jack Hyle	(410) 390-2037	johnshyle@gmail.com
Service Officer	Bill Wolf	(443) 366-2994	wthwolf@msn.com
Treasurer	Joe Salafia	(443) 614-0960	jnesalafia@verizon.net
Historian	Sarge Garlitz	(443) 735-1942	firstsgt166@msn.com
Chaplain	Ben Dawson	(410) 603-2205	bendawson@beachin.net
Sgt-at-Arms	Glen Reely	(443) 783-0489	glenreely@gmail.com

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Phil Ludlam	(410) 390-2190	ludlamsrl@aol.com
Charles Spaziani	(610) 329-5816	cspaz@comcast.net
John Granite	302-494-7499	poppygra3@msn.com
Nelson Kelly	302-236-4171	nelsonkelly11@comcast.net
Bo Spicer	410-422-9447	gspicer8805@comcast.net



EDITOR OF THE OBSERVER, RECALLS

It is a true story that we have never forgotten the day we recited the oath of enlistment into the military. Does Fort Holabird in Baltimore, MD ring a bell? On October 23, 1961 was my big day for joining the United States Air Force. Throughout our lives we had these words memorized and would say them to ourselves over and over. Many times.

OATH OF ENLISTMENT

I, (NAME), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me.

MILITARY CODE OF CONDUCT

Article I:

I am an American, fighting in the forces which guard my country and our way of life. I am prepared to give my life in their defense.[3]

Article II:

I will never surrender of my own free will. If in command, I will never surrender the members of my command while they still have the means to resist.[3]

Article III:

If I am captured I will continue to resist by all means available. I will make every effort to escape and aid others to escape. I will accept neither parole nor special favors from the enemy.[3]

Article IV:

If I become a prisoner of war, I will keep faith with my fellow prisoners. I will give no information or take part in any action which might be harmful to my comrades. If I am senior, I will take command. If not, I will obey the lawful orders of those appointed over me and will back them up in every way.[3]

Article V:

When questioned, should I become a prisoner of war, I am required to give name, rank, service number and date of birth. I will evade answering further questions to the utmost of my ability. I will make no oral or written statements disloyal to my country and its allies or harmful to their cause.[3]

Article VI:

I will never forget that I am an American, fighting for freedom, responsible for my actions, and dedicated to the principles which made my country free. I will trust in my God and in the United States of America.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE



Ben Dawson

Heavenly Father,
We thank you that we live in a country
where we are free to choose.
We also thank you that there are those who would
choose to leave their families behind
and give their lives to fight for freedom.
For those who are wounded in battle,
we ask for strength and wisdom to carry on.

Amen

Well Comrades, here we go again, time for another penning from the "Chaplain's Corner". Seems like my year just started several weeks ago but it has been nine months. I guess they're right when they say time flies when you're having fun. The only problem is that I'm not sure if I'm having fun. Do you ever get the feeling that your priorities are a bit screwed up, that you put the important things in your life off until tomorrow, not knowing if you will have a tomorrow. One thing we can count on, is that the future is not guaranteed. We all have to take a little time and establish our priorities. Hurricane Florence was very kind to us. A few hundred miles to the north

and we could have been in serious trouble. Be sure to offer up your prayers for the folks that are still experiencing the ravages of that devastating storm.

We at the Post have had our share of sadness with the transfer to Post Everlasting of many of our members: Robert A Gates, Robert G Hansen, Walter Burke, Noble F. Simpson, Dennis B. Smar and Roland "Fish" Powell. Comrades, please continue to lift their family members up in your prayers. The Post is having a very good year to date. We continue to install new members who appear to be participating members.

One area that we come up short is with volunteers. The old saying that 90% of the work is accomplished by 10% of the members. We could sure use a little help with some minor projects. Just a thought!

I could use your help by letting me know of a member who is on sick call. The only reason that I don't send out a "get well card" is if I don't know of an ill comrade. I appreciate your help in advance. I can be reached at bendawson@beachin.net or 410-603-2205 or just let me know when you see me at the Post. Lastly, Comrades, we are rapidly approaching flu season. Last year the pharmacies ran out of the stronger doses that is recommended for us old folks early. Please don't miss out. As always, I look forward to seeing you at the Post and hopefully at our meetings where the food is wholesome and the fellowship is second to none.

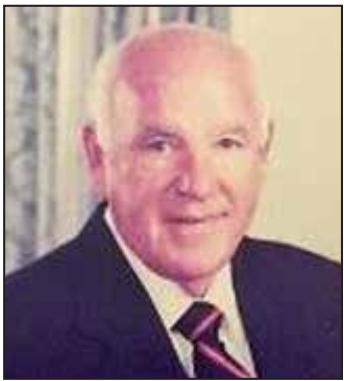
I continue to hope that the remainder of this season is filled with blessings and good health.

GOD Bless,
— Ben

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

"FISH" POWELL

A 72 YEAR MEMBER TRANSFERS



Synepuxent Post #166 Roland "Fish" Powell a Veteran of WWII Merchant Marines and the US Coast Guard transferred to Post Everlasting. "Fish" had 72 continuous years as a dedicated and loyal member of Post #166. He was also an ICON in Ocean City as a former Mayor, County Commissioner, a very active life member of the OC Fire Department. He will be missed dearly.

TAPS FOR POST EVERLASTING

Robert A. Gates
William C. Fanning
Charles S. Lynch

Joseph P. Mills
Robert G. Hansen
Walter Burke,

Noble F. Simpson
Dennis B. Smar
Roland "Fish" Powell

SINEPUXENT — SYNEPUXENT: OOPS



Nate Pearson,
Past Commander

Most American Legion Posts are named for the town in which the post is located, or named for a Veteran/Hero from that post, or for some noteworthy geographical feature near that Post. Our Post #166 was named Synepuxent Post #166

because of its location near the Sinepuxent Bay close to the town of Ocean City, Maryland.

SYNEPUXENT became a new and accepted name even though it was mis-spelled on our 1946 Charter. Everyone now accepts Synepuxent Post #166 as the official name for our post.

We were named for the Sinepuxent Bay which is west of the Assateague barrier island. At one time Sinepuxent or Sinipuxent Town was a small village in Worcester County, Maryland, located on Sinepuxent Neck. The small village of Sinepuxent was destroyed by a hurricane in the year 1818 and was never rebuilt. Its location arose in large part for its convenience to ocean going ships. An inlet once called – Sinepuxent Inlet allowed access through Assateague Island from the Atlantic Ocean to the Sinepuxent Bay and the town of Sinepuxent until it was closed by

the same hurricane that destroyed the Village of Sinepuxent.

It should be also noted that Sinepuxent Town was the birthplace of U.S. Navy Officer- STEPHEN DECATUR IN 1779.



STEPHEN DECATUR



Robert Smith


ELECTION FORUM AT POST # 166

Adjutant Robert Smith and 1st Vice Commander Tom DeVaux will be taking the lead on a part of the American Legion's "Get out the Vote" program. On Wednesday October 17th there will be an Election Forum for the Municipal Elections of Ocean City. All candidates that are opposed for the office of Mayor and City Council will have an opportunity to speak before American Legion members of Post #166, Veterans, and the general public of Ocean City, MD. The dead line for putting your hat in the ring to participate as a candidate is October 9th, 2018. At that time those running for office will be announced and notified of this forum.

October 24th will be the forum for the opposed candidates for the Worcester County Commissioners, House of Delegates, State Senator, and Representative in Congress. The candidates will speak before Post # 166 members, Veterans from the local area, and the general public.

Both Election Forums will be at Post #166 and will have a greet/meet and social hour at 1700hrs (5:00pm) . At 1800 hrs (6:00pm) each candidate will have 10 minutes to address those in attendance followed by questions. If a candidate is unable to attend and wants to submit in writing something to be read by the Forum Committee, contact Adjutant Robert Smith.

For any questions you can contact Adjutant Robert Smith 443-614-2503 rls.terps22@gmail.com or 1st Vice Commander Tom DeVaux 302-500-1681 tom.devaux@outlook.com



Atlantic General Hospital
Community Flu Clinic
& Health Fair

FREE Clinic held at: Holy Savior Catholic Church
1701 Philadelphia Ave.
Ocean City, MD

Thursday October 25th 10am-1pm
***13years & older**

Blood Pressure • Carotid
Wound Care • Bone Density
Dermascan & More!

Atlantic General Hospital will be participating and will provide FREE FLU SHOTS. This is an annual event to give something to our community.

Included in this years Health Fair will be the following checks and services: Bone Density, Skin, Feet, Ultra Sound Carotid, Blood Pressure, Colon Cancer Education, Advance Directives and the MAC Center. This is a one stop health awareness day and lets take advantage of it.



Quarterly Calendar FALL 2018



OCT	NOV	DEC																																																																																																																		
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Event</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1st</td> <td>VVA Meeting 1800hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6th</td> <td>Navy – Air Force Game 1530hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th</td> <td>Jr.Auxiliary Meeting 1400hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th</td> <td>VVA Sports Silent Auction</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8th</td> <td>SAL Meeting 1900hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8th</td> <td>Columbus Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>14th</td> <td>ALA Junior's meeting 1400hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>15th</td> <td>AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>15th</td> <td>Vietnam Book (see page 22) 1600hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>15th</td> <td>AL Executive Meeting 1800hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>17th</td> <td>City Election Forum 1700hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>16th</td> <td>ALA Meeting 1900hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>22nd</td> <td>AL Meeting 1900hrs (food 1800) (speaker 1830)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>24th</td> <td>County, State & Federal Election Forum 1700hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25th</td> <td>AGH Annual Health Fair - FREE Flu Shots</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30th</td> <td>ALR meeting 1900hrs</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date	Event	1st	VVA Meeting 1800hrs	6th	Navy – Air Force Game 1530hrs	7th	Jr.Auxiliary Meeting 1400hrs	7th	VVA Sports Silent Auction	8th	SAL Meeting 1900hrs	8th	Columbus Day	14th	ALA Junior's meeting 1400hrs	15th	AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs	15th	Vietnam Book (see page 22) 1600hrs	15th	AL Executive Meeting 1800hrs	17th	City Election Forum 1700hrs	16th	ALA Meeting 1900hrs	22nd	AL Meeting 1900hrs (food 1800) (speaker 1830)	24th	County, State & Federal Election Forum 1700hrs	25th	AGH Annual Health Fair - FREE Flu Shots	30th	ALR meeting 1900hrs	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Event</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>3rd</td> <td>Air Force – Army Game Noon</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4th</td> <td>Jr. Auxiliary Meeting 1400hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4th</td> <td>Hall Decoration Thanksgiving 0900hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4th</td> <td>ALA Junior's Meeting 1400hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5th</td> <td>VVA meeting 1800hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6th</td> <td>Election Day (VOTE)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12th</td> <td>SAL Meeting 1900hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10th</td> <td>US Marine Corps Established 1775</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10th</td> <td>WOUNDED WARRIOR GALA III</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11th</td> <td>VETERANS DAY Post #166 1300hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>17th</td> <td>US Flag Disposal Day WCVM 0900hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19th</td> <td>AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20th</td> <td>ALA Meeting 1900hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>22th</td> <td>THANKSGIVING DAY OPEN (TURKEY) </td> </tr> <tr> <td>28th</td> <td>Hall Decorated Christmas 1000hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>26th</td> <td>AL Meeting 1900hrs (food 1800hrs) (speaker 1830hrs)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>27th</td> <td>ALR Meeting 1900hrs</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date	Event	3rd	Air Force – Army Game Noon	4th	Jr. Auxiliary Meeting 1400hrs	4th	Hall Decoration Thanksgiving 0900hrs	4th	ALA Junior's Meeting 1400hrs	5th	VVA meeting 1800hrs	6th	Election Day (VOTE)	12th	SAL Meeting 1900hrs	10th	US Marine Corps Established 1775	10th	WOUNDED WARRIOR GALA III	11th	VETERANS DAY Post #166 1300hrs			17th	US Flag Disposal Day WCVM 0900hrs	19th	AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs	20th	ALA Meeting 1900hrs	22th	THANKSGIVING DAY OPEN (TURKEY) 	28th	Hall Decorated Christmas 1000hrs	26th	AL Meeting 1900hrs (food 1800hrs) (speaker 1830hrs)	27th	ALR Meeting 1900hrs	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Event</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1st</td> <td>Trim a Tree Party 1300hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Prepare items to be boxed for troops</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2nd</td> <td>Boxes packed 1000hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2nd</td> <td>(Support the Troops) Jr Auxiliary Meeting <i>(following packing of boxes)</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2nd</td> <td>ALA Junior's Meeting 1400hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3rd</td> <td>VVA Meeting 1800hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th</td> <td>Pearl Harbor Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8th</td> <td>Army - Navy Game</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10th</td> <td>SAL Meeting 1900hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>13th</td> <td>National Guard Established 1636</td> </tr> <tr> <td>17th</td> <td>AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>18th</td> <td>ALA Meeting 1900hrs (Christmas Party)</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>24th</td> <td>NO LEGION MEETING</td> </tr> <tr> <td>24th</td> <td>Christmas Eve Party Noon</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25th</td> <td>Christmas Day *closed*</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>NO MEETING</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25th</td> <td>NO ALR meeting</td> </tr> <tr> <td>31st</td> <td>New Years Eve 2000hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1st</td> <td>NY Day "bring your left over snacks" 1300hrs</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date	Event	1st	Trim a Tree Party 1300hrs		Prepare items to be boxed for troops	2nd	Boxes packed 1000hrs	2nd	(Support the Troops) Jr Auxiliary Meeting <i>(following packing of boxes)</i>	2nd	ALA Junior's Meeting 1400hrs	3rd	VVA Meeting 1800hrs	7th	Pearl Harbor Day	8th	Army - Navy Game	10th	SAL Meeting 1900hrs	13th	National Guard Established 1636	17th	AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs	18th	ALA Meeting 1900hrs (Christmas Party)			24th	NO LEGION MEETING	24th	Christmas Eve Party Noon	25th	Christmas Day *closed*		NO MEETING	25th	NO ALR meeting	31st	New Years Eve 2000hrs	1st	NY Day "bring your left over snacks" 1300hrs
Date	Event																																																																																																																			
1st	VVA Meeting 1800hrs																																																																																																																			
6th	Navy – Air Force Game 1530hrs																																																																																																																			
7th	Jr.Auxiliary Meeting 1400hrs																																																																																																																			
7th	VVA Sports Silent Auction																																																																																																																			
8th	SAL Meeting 1900hrs																																																																																																																			
8th	Columbus Day																																																																																																																			
14th	ALA Junior's meeting 1400hrs																																																																																																																			
15th	AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs																																																																																																																			
15th	Vietnam Book (see page 22) 1600hrs																																																																																																																			
15th	AL Executive Meeting 1800hrs																																																																																																																			
17th	City Election Forum 1700hrs																																																																																																																			
16th	ALA Meeting 1900hrs																																																																																																																			
22nd	AL Meeting 1900hrs (food 1800) (speaker 1830)																																																																																																																			
24th	County, State & Federal Election Forum 1700hrs																																																																																																																			
25th	AGH Annual Health Fair - FREE Flu Shots																																																																																																																			
30th	ALR meeting 1900hrs																																																																																																																			
Date	Event																																																																																																																			
3rd	Air Force – Army Game Noon																																																																																																																			
4th	Jr. Auxiliary Meeting 1400hrs																																																																																																																			
4th	Hall Decoration Thanksgiving 0900hrs																																																																																																																			
4th	ALA Junior's Meeting 1400hrs																																																																																																																			
5th	VVA meeting 1800hrs																																																																																																																			
6th	Election Day (VOTE)																																																																																																																			
12th	SAL Meeting 1900hrs																																																																																																																			
10th	US Marine Corps Established 1775																																																																																																																			
10th	WOUNDED WARRIOR GALA III																																																																																																																			
11th	VETERANS DAY Post #166 1300hrs																																																																																																																			
																																																																																																																				
17th	US Flag Disposal Day WCVM 0900hrs																																																																																																																			
19th	AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs																																																																																																																			
20th	ALA Meeting 1900hrs																																																																																																																			
22th	THANKSGIVING DAY OPEN (TURKEY) 																																																																																																																			
28th	Hall Decorated Christmas 1000hrs																																																																																																																			
26th	AL Meeting 1900hrs (food 1800hrs) (speaker 1830hrs)																																																																																																																			
27th	ALR Meeting 1900hrs																																																																																																																			
Date	Event																																																																																																																			
1st	Trim a Tree Party 1300hrs																																																																																																																			
	Prepare items to be boxed for troops																																																																																																																			
2nd	Boxes packed 1000hrs																																																																																																																			
2nd	(Support the Troops) Jr Auxiliary Meeting <i>(following packing of boxes)</i>																																																																																																																			
2nd	ALA Junior's Meeting 1400hrs																																																																																																																			
3rd	VVA Meeting 1800hrs																																																																																																																			
7th	Pearl Harbor Day																																																																																																																			
8th	Army - Navy Game																																																																																																																			
10th	SAL Meeting 1900hrs																																																																																																																			
13th	National Guard Established 1636																																																																																																																			
17th	AL Exec Meeting 1800hrs																																																																																																																			
18th	ALA Meeting 1900hrs (Christmas Party)																																																																																																																			
																																																																																																																				
24th	NO LEGION MEETING																																																																																																																			
24th	Christmas Eve Party Noon																																																																																																																			
25th	Christmas Day *closed*																																																																																																																			
	NO MEETING																																																																																																																			
25th	NO ALR meeting																																																																																																																			
31st	New Years Eve 2000hrs																																																																																																																			
1st	NY Day "bring your left over snacks" 1300hrs																																																																																																																			
<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red; font-family: cursive;">Wounded Warrior Gala</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">Saturday, November 10, 2018</p> <p>Cocktails at 1600 hrs, Program at 1700 hrs, Dinner to follow</p> <p style="color: red;">\$40.00 Donation includes : 1 Drink, Hors d'oeuvres and Dinner with</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold; color: blue;">Music by: FRANK NANNA & WWIUNES</p> </div>																																																																																																																				
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%; background-color: yellow;"> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: red;">HELP WANTED NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">POST #166 COLOR GUARD contact Glen Reely, 443-783-0489 BINGO VOLUNTEERS contact Paul Hawkins, 443-523-2973</p> </div>																																																																																																																				

Synepuxent Post 166, Fall 2018

Postmaster—Send Address Changes to: ***Dated Material Do Not Delay***
Synepuxent Observer
P.O. Box 63
Ocean City, MD 21843-0063



*This Publication Designed and Printed by
Minuteman Press of Ocean City*

T: 410.723.1292 • ocinfo@minutemanpress.com

**PERIODICALS
POSTAGE
PAID**

American Legion

Synepuxent Post 166

Synepuxent Observer-Publication
(USPS 110-250)

Sarge Garlitz, Editor

Nate Pearson - Reporter and Feature Writer

Quarterly:

October, November, December 2018

Volume 45 No. 4



Tom Wengert - Commander

Manny Perez - Director

Marie Gilmore - President

Joe Verdura - Commander



**For all of you that have computer access
to the Internet there are some places
you may want to visit:**

- <http://www.legion.org> - Legion National Web Site
- <http://www.mdlegion.org> - Department of Maryland
- <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/evetrecs/index.html> - request copies of military records
- <http://www.mdva.state.md.us> - MD Department of Veterans Affairs
- <http://www.va.gov> - US Dept. of Veteran's Affairs
- <http://www.opvets.com>—Worcester County Veterans Memorial at Ocean Pines

PHONE NUMBERS IMPORTANT TO VETERANS:

- Baltimore VA Medical Center.....1-800-463-6295
- Charlotte Hall Veterans Home.....1-800-522-8387
- Perry Point.....1-800-949-1003
- Maryland Veteran's Cemetery.....1-410-943-3420
- Pocomoke City VA Clinic..... 1-866-441-0287
- Elsmere VA Hospital..... 1-800-450-8262
- Cambridge VA Clinic.....1-877-864-9611

ATTENTION POST #166 LEGION FAMILY MEMBERS

Anyone who wants to receive the Observer by email please email the post at: **alpost166@comcast.net** and request it with a current email address. The hard copy of the Observer will be mailed unless you request otherwise.

RENEW MEMBERSHIPS

at **<http://www.legion.org/renew>**
ALL Active Duty Members should submit their 8"x10" Photos to American Legion Post 166, P.O. Box 63, Ocean City, MD 21843 to replace the current Active Wall at Post 166
Contact Sarge Garlitz
at (443) 735-1942 or firstsgt166@msn.com

Hey you Internet surfers, we not only have a website at <http://www.alpost166.org>, we also have our own "Face Book" Page at <http://www.facebook.com/alpost166> and if you "Like" us you will receive news as it happens.

Look for some "Drink & Food Deals" coming over Face Book. Also, send us your email to receive an electronic copy of the Observer.

28 Email: alpost166@comcast.net

[Http://www.ALPost166.org](http://www.ALPost166.org)