



W. Dudley Robbins Post 165



NEWSLETTER
June - 2008
Post Home-910-259-4117

POST MEETINGS

You are urged to attend our next scheduled meeting, at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday June 10, 2008.

COMMANDERS REPORT-Andrew Pfeil

I have been commander now for nearly a year and each month I've encouraged all of you to do more, participate more, and just get involved - but not this month. This month I just want to say thanks to everyone who helped support me as commander over the last year. I will not seek re-election this year for my own reasons but I do plan to support the roles and goals of the American Legion. I would say that it's important to support the programs of the American Legion but even more important, in my mind, is finding people in need. It's nice to have the prettiest house on the hill but when all is said and done it's just a house that will someday no longer exist. But if you help one person and that person helps another then your legacy will live on forever. I think its one thing to check off the blocks and say we've had a full program year and another to change people's lives. I hope each and every one of you had a wonderful year and I hope each of you can say that you've made a difference.

MEMBERSHIP - Ellis Wheeler

Our renewal stands at 177 as of this writing. We are at 94.5 % of our goal. If you have not paid your dues for 2008, please do so today.

Please note: If you have paid your dues and received your membership card but still get statements in the mail requesting payment, please disregard them. It takes a few months for dues payments to find their way through the process.

Welcome New member Charles Henderson of Burgaw

We welcome Charles to our post and invite him to join our next meeting.

PUFL (PAID UP FOR LIFE)

Members have the choice of annual or Paid Up For Life (PUFL) membership.

It is a "good deal", pay once - never have to pay Legion dues again - not even if dues increase several times in the future. Pay one full amount or in twelve equal monthly payments (no difference in the amount to pay). Call the Post home at 259-4117.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Any member needing a wheel chair, walker, crutches or canes can contact the post.

PENDER COUNTY VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER

The Pender County Service Officer, Post 165 member, Roy Horne in Burgaw, is available to serve veterans. Call 259-1203. Post Service Officer Eugene Meadows, will assist getting information to members from the County Service Officer, Roy Horne

SICK CALL - Billy Murphy

We wish those shut in or ill a speedy recovery. Chaplain, Billy Murphy, requests that he be notified of any Post member or veteran that is ailing so the Post may offer help or assistance

MEMORIAL FUND

A post Memorial Fund has been established in the name of W. Dudley Robbins This fund will be used for youth programs. You may contribute to this fund in any amount by sending your check with W. Dudley Robbins Memorial Fund in the memo. On your next visit to the post look at the Robbins memorial placed on the wall.

POST HOME RENTAL

The Post Home is available to rent for weddings, parties and meetings. For further information call the Post 259- 4117

MEMORIAL DAY

Our Memorial Day Celebration was very well attended and enjoyed by all

GRILL RAFFLE

The BBQ Grill raffle drawing was held May 24, 2008. The winning ticket was drawn by the Burgaw Mayor, Pete Cowen. The winning ticket belonged to Linda Newton.



PROGRAMS

The post has implemented a new fund raiser. We have Joined Food Lion in the Shop & Share program and registering your Food Lion VIP card to receive income from amount spent. This does not affect your discount at all. If you have not already registered your Food Lion VIP card number, call the post or Ellis Wheeler 259-7207 and give us all 12 numbers, (including the "little" numbers at each end) of the reverse side of the card. Additional cards of friends and neighbors may be registered as well. You may also go to our website and register; <http://nclegionpost.org/foodlion.htm>

Another program that we are now doing with funds being sent directly to the post is the collection of cell phones for recycling. We urge you all to drop off your used cell phones, to the post or Southern Printing in Burgaw.

POST NEWSLETTER

The post newsletter is prepared and edited by Ellis Wheeler
Please contact me at post165@nclegion.org or see me at the next general meeting for:

1. Getting the newsletter delivered via e-mail
2. Placing an article in the newsletter
3. Advertising in the newsletter
4. Any comments or suggestions you may have regarding your newsletter

The future newsletters are available on the website It is expensive and our funds are very limited. If you wish to be notified when the newsletter is posted to the web site send your email address to post165@nclegion.org .

DATA RECORD UPDATE

If you have moved over the past year or changed your mailing address, notify the post to have your data updated.

POST 165 BOOSTER PROGRAM

We have established a booster membership to help off set the cost of the newsletter. For \$25.00 you can place a booster which will run for a calendar year in the bulletin as a memoriam, birthday greeting, anniversary etc. Contact Ellis Wheeler 910-259-7207 or e-mail post165@nclegion.org

SAL SQUADRON

SAL is actively seeking new members. We would like to encourage any eligible new potential members to come out and see us on our meeting night, which is the 2nd Tuesday of every month at our post home.

Sons of the Legion is very important to a post to help make it successful, helping with all legion functions and fund raisers.

If anyone has a direct descendant of a veteran and would like to have him join our SAL squadron, see an officer or call the post and leave a message.

POST WEB SITE

You can view our monthly newsletter and announcements on our web site; <http://nclegion.org/post165.htm>

For God and Country

INSURANCE ACTIVATION

If you have not activated your free Legion Insurance recently, do it today. Forms are being mailed with renewal cards and the forms are available at the post or you can call the Post Adjutant 259-4117 and leave a message.

POST OFFICER ELECTIONS

Nominations for post officers for the 2008-2009 year. The slate of officers for election at the June meeting are; Commander, Lonnie Hutchison, First Vice, Justin Rahjas, Adjutant/Finance Officer, Ellis Wheeler, Sgt-at-Arms, AJ Harrell, Chaplain, Billy Murphy and Service Officer, Gene Meadows.

BINGO

Attendance is improving and hopefully we will make a go of the BINGO. For a nice evening of fun, relaxation and chance to win some money, come out and join us. Doors open at 6:00 PM with games beginning at 7:00 PM.

A big thank you to members Lonnie Hutchison, Larry Murray and Ellis Wheeler for their dedication every Thursday night. Thanks the Auxiliary members, Delaine Hutchison and Dawn Murray for their continued help.

POST MEMBERS, COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER!!!

COLLECTION OF PULL-TABS

The purpose of collecting pull-tabs is to help pay the rent for families of seriously ill children who stay at Ronald McDonald House of Durham NC. It is sponsored by your Department Children and Youth Commission.

Tab drop offs can be made at the post

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

The post is seeking veterans and post members with motorcycles that would join our efforts to form an active Legion Riders within our post. Any one interested can contact Commander Pfeil or call the post and leave a message.

**Freedom
isn't Free**



**Support
Our Troops**
