



THE Home Front

A POST 116 NEWSLETTER

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March, 2024

Source: Natl. Archives. Storming the beach head, Iwo Jima

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Krista Abshure, Commander, Post 116



MARCH BRINGS RENEWAL AND REFLECTION

I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you who contributed to the incredible success of our Annual Oyster Roast and Shrimp Boil. Whether you traveled to The Coast to pick up the food, helped with setup, cooking, cleaning, or any task in between, your efforts have truly made a positive impact on our Post. Thank you for your dedication and for continuously working to improve our community.



As a veteran service organization, it is important for us to recognize and honor our military history. The month of March holds significant events that we should acknowledge. The Battle of Iwo Jima, which took place from February 19th to March 26th during World War II, stands as a pivotal moment where the spirit of the United States Marines prevailed. The bravery displayed during that battle continues to inspire military members to this day. The iconic photo of the Marines raising our flag remains one of the most recognizable images from WWII.



Source: Natl. Archives



Source: CNN

We also reflect on the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom on March 20, 2003, which marked a crucial chapter in our nation's history. This operation signifies the dedication and resolve of our armed forces in defending our freedoms and values.

Just as determination drives our military family, it also thrives within our Post 116 family. Your unwavering

support and contributions, regardless of their size, have a tangible impact on our Post and the lives of our fellow veterans. We are excited to announce a new initiative that allows those who are unable to support our Post in person to still make a difference. Through this campaign, you can help us raise funds to use in our Post programs to serve veterans, active duty personnel, their families, and our community. If you would like to donate, please visit this link: [Http://givebutter.com/AmericanLegionPost116](http://givebutter.com/AmericanLegionPost116)



SCAN ME

Or, scan the QR code with your phone's camera. Together, we can honor the legacy of our military heroes and ensure that their sacrifices are never forgotten.

Once again, thank you for being an integral part of our Post family. Your dedication and commitment are truly commendable. I hope to see many of you tonight, March 1st, at our Monthly First Friday Fish Fry from 4pm to 7pm, and also at the new date for our Post Clean Up on March 16th at 9am.

I look forward to see you all around The Post soon!

Krista Abshure

Commander, Post 116



A DOUBLE DOSE

WITH PATRICK & STACEY



SONS COMMANDER

Patrick Dunkle
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SONS FIRE IT UP

The Sons of the American Legion Squadron 116 is embarking on an exciting venture to enhance our community space with the construction of a new fireplace and shelter. This project is made possible through the generous donations from our dedicated members and the support of the Sons Squadron. The addition of these amenities will not only provide a cozy gathering spot for our members but also serve as a symbol of unity and camaraderie within our organization.



Construction began February, 2024. Above is a rendering.

At Post 116, we take pride in the positive impact we make on our community. From supporting local veterans to organizing charitable events, our Sons Squadron actively contributes to the betterment of society. As we undertake this construction project, we encourage all members of Squadron 116 to become more actively involved. Your participation is crucial in fostering a stronger sense of community and ensuring the success of initiatives that benefit both our organization and the broader community we serve. Let us continue to work together in making a lasting and positive difference.



AUXILIARY COMMANDER

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A BUSY SPRING AHEAD

The Auxiliary has several events coming in the next few months. On March 30 will have the visit with the Easter Bunny. This event is open to the public and has always been a huge success. On April 27 we have our Quarter Auction. This is one of our biggest events of the year and is always a fun one. We will have many different vendors and lots of baskets to bid on. This event is also open to the public and brings in lots of people to our post. Hope to see a lot of you there. On May 17 we will have our first blood drive of the year, times to TBD. Please be on the lookout for flyers for these events.

I would like to thank our auxiliary members that volunteered for our monthly Fish Fry and the Super Bowl Oyster Roast. Our members always make huge impact on Post 116 events. Our members are amazing and I would love to see new faces helping out.

Our elections are coming in May!!! If you are interested in any position, please reach out to me for more information.

AMERICANISM & YOUTH



SHOOTING

Todd Wenzel

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POST JUNIORS SWEEP JUNIOR OLYMPIC SHOOTING MEDALS

The Post 116 Junior Air Rifle program isn't one of the Legion's better known endeavors. We practice a lot but otherwise make very little news. The young shooters work hard, and learn discipline and gun safety in pursuit of marksmanship excellence. On Saturday, February 3, we made news! Three of our juniors shot in the Junior Olympic NC State Championships for air rifle. Andrew Chiesa, Tzipporah Reibman and Trevor Lerch won the Gold, Silver and Bronze medals, respectively. The competition was held in Youngsville, NC under the direction of Kevin Wee. Kevin's sons have gone on to earn national fame and is a top level coach in his own right. The match is a grueling test of endurance with shooters firing 60 rounds of .177 cal. pellets over 90 minutes, all from the standing position. If their scores are high enough, young boys and girls may go to the Nationals and a week of coaching at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO. Well done team!



Above: Left to Right - Tzipporah Reibman, Andrew Chiesa & Trevor Lerch

SCOUTS

75/641



BOY'S TROOP INFO

Mike Lake, Troop 75 Scoutmaster
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AMERICA KEPT US WARM

Troop 75 finished up January with a campout that was a very cold campout, it got down to 16 degrees. We had a mass flag retirement, with 1,026 flags retired for the Legion.

We also conducted elections for various leadership positions. Scoutmaster Mike explained what positions within the troop you can be elected to and how to be a leader not a boss, in preparation for elections to be held on January 29, 2024. We had our passing of the podium to our new Senior Patrol Leader.

Moving into February, the focus was getting ready for our first backpacking trip of the year. Scoutmaster Mike explained what to pack, did a show and tell with camping gear, and explained how to pack on a backpacking trip. Mr. Nate explained how to plan meals and how to go to the bathroom on a backpacking trip.



Troop 75 members



GIRL'S TROOP INFO

Kathy Koch, Troop 641 Scoutmaster
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DANCE NIGHT

Girl Scout Troops 641 and 1948 combined their troops to go camping together over February 2nd and 4th. They went to Girl Scout Camp Mary Atkinson in Selma, NC. They learned archery skills and shared campfire cooking techniques. March 3rd is the last day for Girl Scout Cookie Sales. Cookies can be purchased at the Post Fish Fry event on Friday, March 1st. Girl Scout Troop 641 also held a dance at the Post on February 9th. An excellent time was had by all. Dance night photo troop 641.



Troop 641 getting ready to kick off their dance.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

CRUISERS

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MEETING INFO

3.21.2024 | 6pm
Bldg. 1 Hall



BACKPACKS BUDDIES

The American Legion Cruisers sponsor the Backpack Buddy Program and we currently have 4 schools and approximately 150 kids. We are currently in need of non-perishable, kid friendly food (no glass containers, please). If you are able to help, there is a box in our Rec Room that you can place the items in and we will deliver to the schools.

Thank you for your help!

BACK PACK BUDDIES



CAN FOOD DRIVE



DECEMBER TO MARCH

At Fuquay-Varina, Lincoln Heights and Cardinal Charter Elementary Schools

Serves up to 100 children from Pre-K to 5th grade who are in need of food on the weekends.

NO GLASS. Cans or plastic only. We are collecting the following items:

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| Peanut butter & jelly | oatmeal | cereal |
| Fruit cups | pudding | jello |
| Fruit/breakfast bars | spaghetti | tomato sauce in a can |
| Can chicken | rice | raisins |
| Raman noodles | tuna fish | hot dogs & beans |
| Vienna sausage | Soup | Snacks/juice boxes |
| Crackers/saltines - w/PB or w/cheese | Can vegetables | |
| Canned meat | canned pasta meals | Back Packs |

Sponsored by the American Legion CRUISERS Post 116, Fuquay-Varina

THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

If you need further information contact Kathy Koch at Slineykoach21654@gmail.com

SCHOLARSHIP

Krista Abshure
Commander@ALPost116NC.org

The American Legion Post 116 Family Scholarship was established to support the children and grandchildren of members in their pursuit of post-high school education. Post 116 has awarded tens of thousands of dollars in scholarships each spring, and will continue to do so for years to come.

Applicants must be a child or grandchild of a paid-up member in good-standing of American Legion Post 116, the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 116, or the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 116. Applicants must be accepted or enrolled in a college or technical school for the current year/fall semester.



To get started, email Krista Abshure at: Commander@ALP116nc.org

RIDERS

Chris Stoker
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BUSY BUSY BUSY

Since February isn't exactly prime motorcycling weather, our Riders have kept busy with other work.

The Rider's Executive Committee has been expanded to include a new role. The role of Road Captain has included the responsibilities of a Sergeant-at-Arms. After open discussion among the Riders, it was clear that some people would like to hold one role and not the other, so the leadership is working to officially split the role. We will have two Road Captains and two Sergeants-at-Arms. The committee is working to rewrite and update the bylaws.

A cold, drizzly day didn't keep a group of our Riders from doing some service work at our Post. Armed with power cleaning tools and cleaning supplies, they power-washed the back patio behind the Rec Room and the fish fry area behind building 2. They also cleaned the windows and tables in the smoking area and put a fresh coat of paint on the tables and chairs. This greatly enhanced the visual appeal of these areas. Thanks to those outside our Riders group who helped with this cleanup!



The Riders are planning a motorcycle swap meet on April 6th from 2-6 pm. This will be an opportunity for motorcycle vendors to sell their merchandise and for motorcyclists to swap parts and gear. This will be open to the public, offering an opportunity for non-members to visit and engage at our Post. Look for more details next month.



alpost116.slack.com

The best way to stay informed on everything happening at the Post is to use our Slack® channel. Want to know what's happening in the Rec Room? Check alpost116.slack.com.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Paul Ferris

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EARLY BIRD MONTHLY DRAWING

“What’s so special about the Early Bird stamp on my membership card? It doesn’t do anything.”

A statement that I have heard far too often in the last 18 years that I have been at Post 116. Well, that changes now. As of January 2024, the Membership Committee has started a monthly prize drawing **exclusively** for Early Bird recipients.

“What’s an [Early Bird] and how do I get one?”

The American Legion membership year is January 1st through December 31st, so your American Legion membership is valid through 31 December of the year printed on your membership card. In order to obtain maximum renewal by the new year, The American Legion starts the renewal season each July 1st – six months before the expiration. Post 116 has established that September 15th will

be the cutoff for Early Bird renewals. If you renew between July 1st through September 15th, you will get an Early Bird stamp on your membership card.

- Each month on the 25th, +/- 2 days, the Membership Committee will conduct a random drawing of an Early Bird recipient.
- The winner’s Member ID Number, located on your Membership Card, will be published in a random spot in the Monthly Newsletter. **(Hint: Keep your Membership Card handy to see if you are the winner)**
- The winner’s name will be announced at the General Meeting.
- The random drawing results will be published after the General meeting to our Facebook group: American Legion Post 116 (Closed Group for Members and Supporters).

On July 1st, at the beginning of the renewal season, the eligibility list will reset. Only the Members that have renewed between July 1st and July 24th will be included in the drawing on July 25th. Renew early. Be an Early Bird. Get the worm. Or prize. We like prizes!

WINNERS



January 2024 - Justin Coufal

February 2024 - Tom Stacy

March 2024 - **203974551** Is it you?

Contact: membership@ALPost116NC.org



HONOR/COLOR GUARD

Dan Miltenberger
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MEETING INFO

March 16
0900 | Bldg. 2

FROM ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, TO AMAZON

As we assist in various community-oriented activities, our focus is always on honoring the American Colors ensuring that proper protocols are followed and that the flag is given the respect it is due for the great Nation it represents. Most recently, the Honor Guard traveled to Smithfield and participated in the opening of a new Amazon hub. We assisted in raising the American flag for the first time above a brand-new Amazon facility that will serve this area of North Carolina for many years to come. We are always grateful for the opportunity to display and present the Colors regardless of where the event might be. This includes conducting classes for local elementary schools, conducting flag ceremonies for church-



es, commercial entities, local towns and cities, institutes of higher education and upon request by any other organization or group that requires the presentation of the American flag. To this end, we conduct a Retreat ceremony every month on the Friday before our regular meeting on Saturday. It's a short ceremony reminiscent of our days in uniform!

Our next meeting is on March 15, 0900-1100 in Bldg 2. We are always looking for new members! No experience is necessary, and anyone can participate, Legionnaires and Sons. Come and

join us! You will have a great deal of fun and experience the rewarding feeling that comes with honoring our Flag, our fallen, and representing our Post and the American Legion as a whole in the community.



VETERAN SERVICES

Paul Ferris

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CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Service Officer Open Hours held each Saturday remain canceled until further notice. During the Mid-Winter Conference, we were able to verify that the restriction put in place is due to the ongoing legal action by The American Legion and legal partner Bergmann & Moore in efforts to stop the growing threat from exploitative entities aiming to capitalize on the benefits rightfully earned through military service. The Department Service Officer is engaging National level officers to seek clarity and guidance.

Breast and Gynecologic Oncology System of Excellence Making Strides

VA is expanding breast cancer prevention, screening, and treatment services.

For more information visit

<https://news.va.gov/128072/breast-gynecologic-oncology-system-excellence>

Durham VA

<https://www.va.gov/durham-health-care/>

Services for Women Veterans

For more information visit: <https://www.womenshealth.va.gov/WOMENSHEALTH/topics/index.asp>

VA proposes rule to extend presumed areas of exposure to Agent Orange and other herbicides, making it easier for exposed Veterans to receive their earned benefits.

The Department of Veterans Affairs issued a proposed rule outlining plans to expand the locations and time frames for which VA presumes

exposure to Agent Orange and other herbicides. If this proposed rule becomes final, VA will implement a new presumption of exposure to locations where herbicides were tested, used, or stored outside of Vietnam.

<https://news.va.gov/press-room/va-presumes-exposure-agent-orange-herbicides/>

The Veterans Affairs Rehabilitation Committee:

The Creative Expression Workshop in March has been cancelled.

The PSOCB states that a Post Service Officer is prohibited from the following:

“preparing, presenting, and prosecuting” a VA benefit claim.

Preparing includes, but is not limited to, consulting with or giving advice to a claimant or potential claimant in contemplation of filing a benefits claim, gathering evidence in support of a benefits claim on behalf of a claimant or potential claimant, or filling out VA forms for their submission to VA.

Veteran Services Offices to Post 116.

State VSO (NC Department of Military and Veteran Affairs – NCDMVA)

Raleigh: 413 N Salisbury St, Raleigh, NC 27603 (HQ only - no Customer services)
Garner: 1027 US-70 #202, Garner, NC 27529 (In PNC building), (984) 232-7060 County VSO

Wake County VSO: 4401 Bland Rd, Raleigh, NC 27609, (919) 212-VETS

Harnett County VSO: 455 McKinney Pkwy, Lillington, NC 27546 (910) 893-7574

Johnston County VSO: 309 E Market St., Smithfield, NC, (919) 989-5067

AMERICAN LEGION | POST 116

VETERAN PEER SUPPORT GROUP

WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER

Returning to civilian life from the military can be a difficult transition. This peer support group provides our Veterans a private space amongst peers to share their experiences or struggles.

JOIN US EVERY WEDNESDAY

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| JAN. 3 | APR. 3 | 7p | <ul style="list-style-type: none">You do not need to be a memberCoffee and donuts are providedApproximately 1 hourYou may park on the right side of Bldg 2 for privacy if desired |
| JAN. 10 | APR. 10 | 9a | |
| JAN. 17 | APR. 17 | 7p | |
| JAN. 24 | APR. 24 | 9a | |
| JAN.31 | MAY 1 | 7p | |
| FEB. 7 | MAY 8 | 9a | |
| FEB. 14 | MAY 15 | 7p | |
| FEB. 21 | MAY 22 | 9a | |
| FEB. 28 | MAY 29 | 7p | |
| MAR. 6 | JUN. 5 | 9a | |
| MAR. 13 | JUN. 12 | 7p | |
| MAR. 20 | JUN. 19 | 9a | |
| MAR. 27 | JUN. 26 | 7p | |

THE REC ROOM WITH Kelly

SUN. 12p-8p M-Th. 2p-10p FRI.-SAT. 12p-11p

recroom@alpost116nc.org



MARCH MADNESS

Springing into March with some exciting events planned, new drinks specials and new faces behind the bar!

Every 1st Friday, we have Karaoke from 7-11p which will now be held in the hall to make more room for our ever growing members and guests. All of our bands will be held in the hall or out on the deck (weather permitting). This month we will have B-Sides Band on the 2nd and Wade Hill & the revivals on the 30th, come on out and dance the night away. Don't forget, we have Luck of the draw dart tournaments every 2nd and 4th Friday of every month.

The Sons of the American Legion are hosting their 1st ever Soup cook off on the 9th so make sure you stop by the Rec Room and get signed up, it's only \$20 to enter your favorite soup! St. Patty's day (16th) is going to be a blast with dinner served from 4-7 and DJ Jim shuffling up the tunes, and green beer. Make sure to get your tickets for dinner from one of our friendly bartenders!

Speaking of Bartenders, we have added some new ones to our team as well as a couple of bar backs. Our bartending team now consists of Kelly, Sarah, Danni, Erin, Jan, Sam, Chelsea, Jessie, and Diane. Our barbacks are Jeremy & Pete. Stop by and meet the team and enjoy one of our new drink specials. If you have any comments, questions or concerns, please email recroom@alpost116nc.org

Thank you for all you do in helping our Post and our Rec Room succeed. We look forward to seeing you soon!

DAILY SPECIALS

SUNDAY

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| DOMESTIC BOTTLES | \$2.50 |
| PERNICIOUS | \$4.50 |
| MIMOSA | \$4.00 |
| BREAKFAST SHOT | \$5.00 |

MONDAY

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| MICHELOB ULTRA | \$2.50 |
| GUINNESS | \$3.50 |
| GRAPE APE | \$4.00 |
| WOO WOO | \$3.50 |

TUESDAY

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| BUD LIGHT | \$2.50 |
| SIERRA NEVADA PALE ALE | \$3.00 |
| PINEAPPLE STRAWBERRY RUM REFRESHER | \$5.00 |
| APPLE JOLLY RANCHER SHOT | \$3.50 |

WEDNESDAY

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| YUENGLING | \$2.50 |
| ANGRY ORCHARD | \$3.50 |
| MARGARITA | \$3.50 |
| WASHINGTON APPLE | \$5.00 |

THURSDAY

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| BUDWEISER | \$2.50 |
| CORONA | \$3.00 |
| COSMOPOLITAN | \$5.00 |
| KAMIKAZE | \$3.50 |

FRIDAY





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| MILLER HIGH LIFE | \$2.50 |
| STELLA ARTOIS | \$3.50 |
| DIRTY SHIRLEY | \$4.00 |
| ROYAL FLUSH | \$5.00 |

SATURDAY

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| NATURAL LIGHT | \$2.50 |
| HAZY LIL THING | \$4.00 |
| STRAWBERRY LEMONADE | \$5.00 |
| WHITE TEA SHOT | \$3.50 |

Ask your bartender about our **GIFT CHIPS**
 Feeling Groovy?
 Buy a friend a drink!

MUSICAL MUSINGS

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|  | MAR 1st 7-11p |  | MAR 2nd 7-10p |
|  | MAR 21st 7-9p |  | MAR 30th 7-10p |

MARCH HAPPENINGS

MAR 2 Band
The B Sides • 7-10p

MAR 14 General Meeting • 7p
Dinner • 6p

MAR 7 Legion Executive Meeting • 7p

MAR 16 St. Patrick's Day Party
Plate Sales • 4-7pm

MAR 9 SAL Soup Cook-Off • 4-7p
Tickets \$35 (Ltd. tickets available)

MAR 30 Band
Wade Hill & The Revivals • 7-10p

■ Meetings
 ■ Eat
 ■ Clubs/Classes
 ■ Entertainment

Happenings Continued

3/5/24 - Aux Executive Meeting - 6:30pm

3/5/24 - SAL Meeting (Museum)- 7pm

3/5/24 - Rental Meeting - 7pm

3/12/24 - Rec Room Meeting - 6:30pm

3/13/24 - Special Events Meeting - 6:30pm

3/13/24 - Ways & Means Meeting - 6:30pm

3/19/24 - Aux General Meeting - 6:30pm

3/21/24 - New Member Meetup - 5pm

3/21/24 - Cruisers Meeting - 6pm

3/26/24 - SAL Executive Meeting - 6:30pm

3/26/24 - SAL General Meeting - 7pm

3/27/24 - Finance Meeting - 7pm

3/28/24 - Rider's Meeting - 6:30pm

3/6/24 - Veterans Peer Support - 9am

3/13/24 - Veterans Peer Support - 7pm

3/20/24 - Veterans Peer Support - 9am

3/27/24 - Veterans Peer Support - 7pm

3/1/24 - Fish Fry - 4-7 - \$10 per plate

3/9/24 - SAL Soup Cook-off

3/7/24 - Raleigh Dart League 8pm*

3/8/24 - Luck of the Draw Dart Tournament - 7pm

3/9/24 - SAL Soup Cook-off - 1-3pm
Bourbon Raffle Drawing 4pm

3/11/24 - Cornhole - \$10 - 7pm*

3/12/24 - Fuquay Dart Club - 7:30pm

3/14/24 - Raleigh Dart League 8pm*

3/18/24 - Cornhole - \$10 - 7pm*

3/19/24 - Fuquay Dart Club - 7:30pm

3/20/24 - Raleigh Dart League 8pm*

3/22/24 - Luck of the Draw Dart Tournament - 7pm

3/25/24 - Cornhole - \$10 - 7pm*

3/26/24 - Fuquay Dart Club - 7:30pm

3/27/24 - Raleigh Dart League 8pm*

3/1/24 - Karaoke - 7-11pm

3/21/24 - Music Bingo - 7-9pm

* Pizza available 5:30 - while supplies last



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Rentals: Jason Williams

Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation: Paul Ferris

Special Events: Ann Romano

BBQ: Lee Johnson

Elections: Tony Smith

Americanism & Youth: Open

Audit: Open

Girl Scouts: Kathy Koch

Boys State: Richard Stancel

Student Trooper: Richard Stancel

Junior Shooter: Todd Wenzel

BSA: Mike Lake

Deuce-Big Green Truck: Norm Klein

Welcome: Open

SAL Cooks: Jason Medhurst

★ **HONOR GUARD** ★

Chair, Cmdr.: Dan Miltenberger

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Mike Hollett

Ed Wagner

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Dave Campbell

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George Guenther

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John Velez

Jesse Moore

John Lockhart

Bill Douglas



Annual Oyster Roast. February 11, 2024

PHOTOS ON THE POND



Volunteers gather to help a veteran in need, building a handicap access ramp to their home.

IF YOU STEAM'EM, THEY WILL COME.

They will come for the oysters as well as the low-country boil. Oh, and let's not forget the sides and desserts. If you've never attended one of our oyster roasts, you'll have to make sure you don't miss it next year. Held on Super Bowl Sunday, we'll leave you stuffed, in time for the big game.

Have a photo you want displayed? Email Dave no later than the 25th of each month: newsletter@ALP116nc.org

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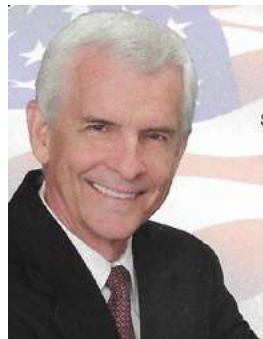
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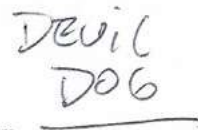
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TWO SETS = TWO DRAWINGS = TWO CHANCES

SET INCLUDES

- 2A KENTUCKY BOURBON
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- 2 ETCHED WHISKEY ROCKS GLASSES
- 2 T-SHIRTS



\$10
p/TICKET

\$200 value
Drawing MAR 9, 4p*

- * Drawing immediately after the Strip Cook et.
- * Do not need to be present to win.
- * See your bartenders or a SAL member for tickets.

POST 116 CLEAN-UP DAY

MAR 16 ★ 9a

Lunch & water will be provided



WHAT'S NEEDED?

- ✔ Chainsaws
- ✔ Weed-Eaters
- ✔ Help



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WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER

Returning to civilian life from the military can be a difficult transition. This peer support group provides our Veterans a private space amongst peers to share their experiences or struggles.

JOIN US EVERY WEDNESDAY

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|---------|---------|----|---|
| JAN. 3 | APR. 3 | 7p | • You do not need to be a member |
| JAN. 10 | APR. 10 | 9a | |
| JAN. 17 | APR. 17 | 7p | • Coffee and donuts are provided |
| JAN. 24 | APR. 24 | 9a | |
| JAN.31 | MAY 1 | 7p | • Approximately 1 hour |
| FEB. 7 | MAY 8 | 9a | |
| FEB. 14 | MAY 15 | 7p | • You may park on the right side of Bldg 2 for privacy if desired |
| FEB. 21 | MAY 22 | 9a | |
| FEB. 28 | MAY 29 | 7p | |
| MAR. 6 | JUN. 5 | 9a | |
| MAR. 13 | JUN. 12 | 7p | |
| MAR. 20 | JUN. 19 | 9a | |
| MAR. 27 | JUN. 26 | 7p | |



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MAR 16 | 4p

Music by: DJ Jimmie. 4-10p
\$15 Corn-beef, cabbage, potatoes plate | 4-7p



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5:30p

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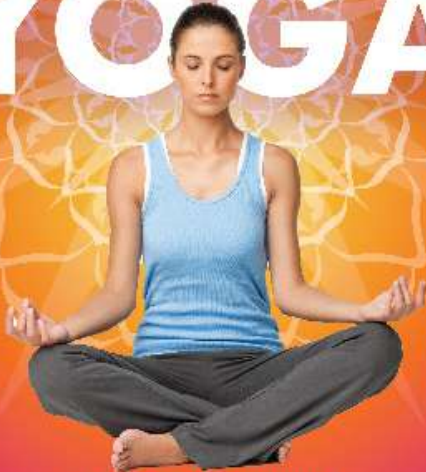
Karaoke party

7-11p

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NOV 16 MAR 21
DEC 21 APR 18
JAN 18 MAY 16
FEB 15 JUN 20

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