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NEWSLETTER: June 2018

HAVING PROBLEMS? NEED TO TALK TO SOMEONE?...The “VETERANS CRISIS LINE” is open 24/7. Just call 1-800-273-8255 and press 1. It takes an average of 8 seconds for your call to be answered. You are NOT alone!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: William Strickland, Art Kreutz, Mike Romelotti, Joseph Garcia, George Hardy, Neil Boone, David Mincey. We hope to see you at the Post real soon.

June celebrates month 13 of YOUR Post, award winning, newsletter (Best VFW Post Newsletter in the state of S.C.). I have endeavored to keep you informed of those things pertinent to you, the veteran, on both the National and Local level. With the Commander's approval, I will continue this effort in the coming year. If you know of an issue of veteran interest, please send it to me or call me and I will research it and publish it in an upcoming issue of YOUR newsletter. Thank You!

COMMANDER'S CALL:

As we enter a new year for the Post, I look forward to working with our new Senior Vice Cdr Kevin Rorer, Junior Vice Cdr Lon Pike, and our other newly elected and appointed officers. Our team was elected in April, installed on Memorial Day, and will officially take office at the Department of SC convention.

I want to thank our outgoing Senior Vice Walt Duncan and Junior Vice Don Collins for all they've done to help us achieve our goals this past year. We all look forward to the Department Convention with hopes of taking home VFW Department of South Carolina's recognition of our accomplishments.

Our Post is moving in the right direction. And we will continue on our path to attract new members, “show the flag” in our community, help veterans in need, and support each other whenever needed. I ask for you to get involved in any way you can in this coming year. From volunteering to help with Sunday brunch, working on the serving line for Friday night dinners, helping in the kitchen on Wing Nights or Fiesta Nights, or helping with our semi-annual Poppy Drives, your help is needed to keep this Post going.

Let's work together this year to continue the great work of the veterans who have gone before us. We need each other, comrades. Get back in the game and help us help others.

Nick Camera

Post Commander 2017-2019

The elections are over....And in a few days, your elected and appointed Post and District leadership will assume their respective positions within Post 10804 and S.C. District 7. Elected/appointed officers assume their responsibilities the day the Department (state) elects their 2018-2019 officers. For this year, that day is June 10th.

The Key to a Relatively Long/Healthy Life...is NOT to use any combination of the "Seven Worst Things You Can Do To Your Heart": *They are Sneak a Smoke or Smoke Regularly, Skip Your Walk or Easy Exercise, Snarf an Extra Cookie* (even though your weight says you shouldn't), Eat Dinner Out of a Box , Shun Your Veggies, Loose Your Cool (stress is not good for you), and Overdrink.

MEMORIAL DAY 2018.....Ceremonies became a bit hectic for YOUR Post and American Legion Post 186 (co-sponsors) when the rain forced the whole event to be held indoors at your Post banquet hall. Almost 200, many very wet, people attended the slightly abbreviated event. The weather did not dampen the spirits of all in attendance and our nations veterans, who did not return from war, were properly honored for their service to America. Your Post and American Legion Post 186 want to thank the dignitaries, organizations and individuals who contributed to such a successful ceremony. Special thanks to all the Post & Auxiliary volunteers who prepared and provided the free lunch afterwards.

Pictured below is Commander Camera and Our Lady Star of the Sea Knights of Columbus 4th degree Council #7122 during the Presentation of Wreaths Ceremony.



Mid-Term Elections....Will soon be upon us. Every veteran needs to take a serious look at every candidate and see where that candidate stands on 'Veteran Issues' such as medical benefits (both VA and civilian), financial support, retirement pay raises and retention. Veteran's benefits are constantly under attack by many of the politicians in Washington and your state. You have the opportunity to protect your veteran rights by VOTING & Voting Responsibly.

MEMBERSHIP....A new VFW year is upon us and YOUR Post is doing good things to help veterans and other organizations. The Post cannot do these things without a supportive membership. This year, why don't YOU make a commitment to sign up one new member?

Want to put your name in the VFW recruitment record books?...All you have to do is beat these 3 comrades 2017 recruitment records; From a post member in Oregon **350** new members, from a post member in Nebraska **304** new members, from a post member in Arizona **230** new members. AND.... all we're asking for from you is to sign-up one (1) new member.

DOCUMENT SECURITY...Do you know there are people who go through others trash to find personal information on anyone they can and they sell it. Things like Social Security #s, Your Bank and Bank Account #s, Credit Transactions, Medical Records, etc, etc. EVERY home should have a document shredder and it should be used. It is one of the cheapest means available for protecting your personal information. Trash or shredder, if there's a doubt about a document...**ALWAYS** shread.

YOUR 2018-2019 VFW Post 10804 Team:

Commander:	Nick Camera – ncamera@msn.com
Senior Vice-Commander -	Ronald K. (Kevin) Rorer – jindomusic@yahoo.com
Junior Vice-Commander -	Lon Pike – LonPike11@gmail.com
Quartermaster -	Dan Farley – cwbfarley@msn.com
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Surgeon -	James D. Risser – james.risser@verizon.net
1 Year Trustee -	William Minscher
2 Year Trustee –	Ken Broadhurst
3 Year Trustee -	Walt Duncan
Adjutant -	Frank Fogner – frankfogner@gmail.com
Service Officer -	Alfred E. Stahl



Your 2018-2019 Post Officers just after taking their oath of office



Our Memorial Day guest speaker, Major Christopher McCann, speaks to the crowd on the true meaning of this special day.



Your 2018-2019 Auxiliary Officers taking their oath of office (not all were in attendance)

Canteen Manager - Leo Cyr – 843-399-0877

House Committee - Chairperson Margo Sheridan, Don Whittaker, Jim Risser, Jim Stuparitz, Dan Hildreth, Mike Mallory, and Al Stahl

The Post is only as good as its leadership and its members who support what the leadership is trying to do. EVERY member needs to make a concerted effort to support the leadership and help in any small way you can! This is YOUR Post!

Your Post Representatives at District Level (District 7)

Commander – Allen Rundall

Senior Vice-Commander – Margo Sheridan

Junior Vice-Commander – Nick Camera

Adjutant – Frank Fogner

District Inspector – Paul Slater

3 Year Trustee – Dan Farley

1 Year Trustee – Bob Fedortion

Your Post----Recently got back involved with supporting local high school Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) training programs. Pictured below is Lon Pike and Bob Fedortion with 'Citizenship' award winner Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Julia Badillo at the Loris High School JROTC Awards Banquet. During the month of May Post 10804 participated in high school JROTC awards events at Loris, North Myrtle Beach, and at Green Sea – Floyds High School.



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