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2016 Annual Dues

If you have not renewed your dues for 2016, please do so. The National A. L. has increased their dues by \$5 effective January 16th, 2016. We have not raised our 2016 dues. See Adjutant Clark Smith to pay your dues. He will give you the 2016 membership card. Also, if you are a range key holder, after January 9th, the old key will no longer open the lock.

Amateur Handgun Competition

On September 12th, we completed our 7th Amateur Handgun Competition. We have a faithful cadre of shooters. It would be nice to see some new competitors come in and give these old hands something to worry about. The next competition is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2016 with a rain date of Saturday, April 30. We very much need people to help during these competitions. We need Range Masters, Range Officers, Range Safety Officer, Scorers, etc. You do NOT have to be a member of the Post to be an official or to shoot. You do not need NRA certification to perform these duties (it would be nice, but...). Talk to Range Committee Chairman Ernie Goulet or Historian Dan Codespoti about any questions you may have.

High School Oratorical Contest

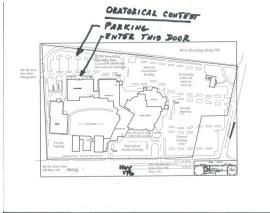
From The American Legion National web site:

"A constitutional speech contest" The American Legion Oratorical Contest exists to develop deeper knowledge and appreciation for the U.S. Constitution among high school students. Since 1938, the program has presented participants with an academic speaking challenge that teaches important leadership qualities, the history of our nation's laws, the ability to think and speak clearly, and an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, rights and privileges of American citizenship."

The <u>4th Annual Oratorical Contest</u> will be held January 19, 2016 at Spartanburg Christian Academy (SCA) starting at 5:00 PM. Contestants and judges should arrive no later than 4:30 PM. Please enter SCA as indicated in the map (next page) to SCA and you will be directed to the location of the contest.

Post 48 Chesnee and Post 200 Boiling Springs are co-sponsors for this event. Invitations have been offered to students at Chesnee High School, Boiling Springs High School, Broome High School, Spartanburg Christian Academy, and Mountain View Christian Academy.

Attendance at this event is open to all. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Post 48 2016 Meeting and Event Schedule

A meeting and event schedule for most Post 48 activities is available. If you have Internet access, a printable copy is available for you to print at home. A couple of extra copies have been placed on some tables. Please feel free to take them.

Post 48 Invitational Turkey Shoot

SAA Jack Smith, Jr & Range Committee Chair Ernie Goulet have <u>completely</u> <u>rebuilt</u> the turkey shoot range.. This includes a new shooting barrier, new posts and new target holders. All of this also includes different targets for the Invitational Tournaments. The distance between the barrier and the targets has been reduced to 70 feet. Some of the rules are similar and some are very different:

- 1. Only 12 ga, 16 ga, 20 ga, and .410 are permitted
- 2. Laser sights are NOT permitted
- 3. Scopes and red dot sights are permitted; of course, original sights (open) are permitted.

As this becomes more formalized, additional information will be provided. Check the Post web site for Invitational Turkey Shoots (not there now but soon will be). If you would like to be on the emailing list, send an email to Jack Smith, Jr -<u>SAA@AmericanLegionPost48Chesnee.com</u> or call 864-219-0160.

Concerned Veterans for America

Concerned Veterans For America South Carolina is hosting our Second Tour of Duty Launch Event on Thursday January 21st. This event will be from 6:00pm-8:00pm at the Chapman Cultural Center in downtown Spartanburg right beside Barnett Park. Stop by to learn more about what Concerned Veterans for America is going to be doing in 2016! We will have complimentary food as well! Be sure you RSVP as soon as possible so we have an accurate count for the food! Parking is FREE PARKING at both events! Email Adam Taylor at ataylor@cvastriketeam.org with the names of everyone attending in your party & your contact information. Please RSVP by 1/14/16 to ensure have ordered enough food for everyone that is planning on attending. Hope to see you there! Here is the Link to RSVP individually:

http://SpartanburgTOD.EventBrite.com