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APRIL 2007

Commander's Corner

There will be no Commander's report this month. I was in the Hospital March 8th, so I haven't been available. Please read carefully the other reports in this month's letter, so you are up to date on what is going on.

Things to watch for coming ahead:

April --- start seeking candidates for Post Election. Please sign up. We are in need of some NEW blood.

May - I am proud to be a Veteran Month. We hope to have some special programs each weekend covering Legion Activities. Such as Americanization. The proper way to Honor the Flag, Boys State, Aid to needy Veterans, Poppy's and youth programs are all possible presentation topics.

In June we will honor all those who have contributed to the Capital Improvement Fund.

For God, Country and Post #233
Jack Blessing
Commander

From the Auxiliary

Our membership is off to a great start. It is now at 93.8%. Keep up the good work. Send your dues in as soon as possible.

April 28th is the date set aside for Bingo in Lake City. We will meet at the Post at 10:30 AM and car pool to Lake city. We look forward to a lot of volunteers from our Post to be apart of this event. It's a great way of showing our admiration for what the Veteran's have done for us.

Kathy Church has volunteered to be the "Poppy" chairperson. Please help her distribute the Poppy's in May, to your family and friends. The more donations we get the better. Everyone's support is sincerely appreciated.

Please remember your coupons and if you can, volunteer for Wednesday or Friday night Dinners, and/or Sunday Breakfast. Your help is greatly appreciated

Be aware, we are coming up on that time of year again- its called "Election of Officers". We need a volunteer to head the committee. Please see Cathy Corcoran or Trudy for more information. We will need: President, 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, Treasurer, Secretary, Historian, Chaplain and Sergeant at Arms.

Our next meeting is on April 12th at 7:00 PM at the Post. I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

God Bless Our Post #233
Trudy Cavanagh
Auxiliary President

Canteen Manager

After the new kitchen floor was installed Seth Sutherland and Billie Smith (employees of Jack and Sue Hord) devoted a day thoroughly cleaning the kitchen. What a great job they did – and they aren't even members! Thank You Seth and Billie, your time and hard work is greatly appreciated.

S.A.L. provided the money, Ron Joy and the Art (an employee of Ron's) provided sweat equity for new stainless steel shelving in the walk in cooler and the liquor closet. We now have room to have organized storage. This is a tremendous improvement, which has made the life of everyone behind the bar easier. Thanks, Thanks, Thanks to S.A.L., Ron and Art.

There have been discussions regarding mealtime, whether it is better for it to remain at 6:30 or return to 6:00. Mealtime was moved to 6:30 after complaints from people that work could not get to the Post in time to order. Also, it was too much pressure to get to the Post in time to cook. I have been polling members in the post but in order to be fair, I would like to hear from everyone. Please leave a note for me with the bartender by April 14th, stating your preferred mealtime and if it changes back would you still cook. I have to ask that because if we lose our cooks, mealtime won't exist. Sign your note or it will not be counted. While it is impossible to satisfy everyone, we are trying our best.

Weather permitting; the patio will be set up for dining on Wednesday and Friday nights.

Friday, April 6th is Good Friday. We will be offering 30 Tilapia Dinners and 30 Steak Dinners, 1st come, 1st served.

God Bless our Troops
Joyce Wright
Canteen Manager

S.A.L.

IF YOUR NAME IS HERE, YOU ARE DELINQUENT ON YOUR DUES.

John Barry, Mike Bass, Mark Beaver, John Burger, Carl Caminiti, Harry Comer, Paul Courson, Jack English, Tyler Fenton, James Green, Thomas Harkleroad, Trey Herring, Steven Holland, Leman Huff, James Hurst, Victor Ketelman, Steven Landon, Shelly Linton, Stephen Linton, Richard Maloy, Micheal McDonald, Daniel Nadsworthy, Dustin Parker, John Reed, William Reno II, Anthony Robertson, Matt Schroeder, Thomas Steindler, Richard Stines, Harry Wagner, John White, Timothy Wilkinson.

God Bless Our Troops
John Paparelli
S.A.L. Commander

1st Vice

Thank You to the Legionnaires, who have paid their 2007 Dues. As of March 15, 2007 transmittal to Orlando, we should be 101.7% with 357 members paid. Those paid memberships are the lifelines of our great Post. We have volunteers and are beginning a phone drive to contact 70 members, who have not yet paid their dues for 2007. If you are one of these people, please stop by and drop-off your dues and while you're here be sure to enjoy our daily lunch menu, Wednesday Specialty Dinner, Friday Night Steaks or our great Sunday Breakfast.

We have 2 new members: Bob Vease, retired Navy Lt. Commander residing in Ponte Vedra and Ray Wiltse, Army Veteran, former Post #233 Member and now residing back in Ponte Vedra Beach. Please welcome them.

You may know that Jack, Our Commander has been ill and is now back from the hospital. While he was in the Hospital, he designated May as Veteran's Appreciation Month. We are planning special activities for every weekend in May. Be sure to keep an eye on the calendar at the Post for the activity schedule and come join us. Special Days in May include Flag Day, Poppy Day, Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day.

Our visiting Legionnaire friend from Adrien, Michigan, Billy Walker attended our March Legion Meeting and presented information regarding a new product called Purifan. Billy said they used this system in the Adrien Post to eliminate dust, smoke, pollen and its been working great. Glen Ward is researching the use of this same system at Post #129 in Jacksonville Beach and their experiences so far. Billy has offered to donate the first system. We truly appreciate his offer to enhance our great facility.

All For Freedom
Jim Ross
1st Vice

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March Birthdays

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3. Judy Mills
4. Maryann Vaccaro
8. Bill Breden
9. Jim Campbell
11. Steve Willis
13. Allyson Keen
16. Sue Hord
17. Julie Scofield
18. Mercia White
21. Beverly Geltmacher
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Steve Stevers Wilber Burnette

Committee Chairmen:

Executive Board - Dick Salzarulo
House - Bill Lee
Landscape - Ned Mullen
New Building - Johnny Jones

Auxiliary Executive Committee

Sylvia Bass
Lillian Burnette
Maggie Furr

S. A. L.

Commander – John paparelli
1st Vice Commander - Fred Henderson
2nd Commander – Van Martin
Adjutant – Steve Willis
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