

PALM VALLEY POST 233
THE AMERICAN LEGION OF FLORIDA, INC.

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APRIL 2008

Commander's Corner

Our Chaplain, Bob Nagel is on the mend and should be home by the time you receive this newsletter. With his bride, Judy's help, we should see Bob back at the Post real soon. He has been missed and we're all awaiting his return.

Our pledges for the Building Fund have been coming in and are appreciated. Thank You to Olive Reynolds, Kathy Church and Ray Williams. Please keep this very important initiative in your thoughts and anything you can donate is truly needed and very much appreciated. We must have a nest egg for any emergencies that arise and for future improvements, such as our parking lot.

Our Canteen Price adjustments are now in place, with some increases and decreases. This should help stabilize our financial position and allow us to replace some Building Repair Funds, that were borrowed to operate the Canteen during the tough winter months. Steve assures me with confidence that this is will happen, as we headed in the right direction in February. It's been quite some time since we were forced to touch our pricing and this is only as a last resort and not a routine at Post #233.

Maury Lazenby has interviewed our Boy's State Candidate at Nease High School and the program is in place for 2008. Maury's determination and commitment to this program has made it a reality and we're all very grateful for his effort. Boy's State is such an important program for the American Legion.

Van Martin has volunteered to replace our famous MENSROOM DOOR or lack of. This will be a very good improvement to the Post as you're all aware, I don't have to go deep into this description. Thank You Van. I want to thank Judy Rogers and Wulfred Lyon for transporting the new door.

Please complete the attached newsletter form and forward it to us with your e-mail address. The cost of mailing over 600 Monthly Newsletters is going up and we want to know if you must have it mailed. Otherwise, we will email it and that's the most efficient and cost-effective manner for distribution. BE SURE TO LET US KNOW WHAT YOU WANT OR YOUR EDITION OF THE NEWSLETTER WILL STOP. Thank you in advance for your attention to this very important matter.

OUR VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH IS DEE DURNAL FOR HER TIRELESS EFFORT OF PRODUCING OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER. DEE REMINDS ME THAT HER HUBBY, JIM IS ALSO VERY INVOLVED AND WE SURELY CAN'T GO FURTHER WITHOUT THANKING BILL LEE FOR ALL HIS TIME AND EFFORT INVOLVED WITH THE PRINTING OF THE NEWSLETTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

All For Freedom
Jim Ross
Commander

From the Auxiliary

The Auxiliary has planned a busy spring. But first of all a few thank you's. Thank You, Jason Bass, for cooking our St. Patrick's Day dinner. The corned beef & the sauce on the potatoes and cabbage could not have been better. Also, thanks to Barbara Turley, (our newest member) has volunteered to help with lunch cooking.

You will not want to miss our upcoming Wednesday night dinners. Susan Crews will be cooking on April 9th, and then on April 23rd, we will have our cookbook dinner, which features a wide variety of recipes from our cookbook.

Our Yard sale is April 19th. We need your stuff. We need LOTS of stuff. If you prefer to sell your own treasures, you may rent a table for \$10.00. We will also have baked goods and plants for sale. So, please bring your baked goods, potted plants, & stuff. Also, spread the word to your friends and neighbors.

Saturday, April 26th, is our trip to the VA Medical Center in Lake City. They will be treating us to lunch at noon & we will host a bingo game for about 30 patients from 1:30 -2:30. Call me if you'd like to go. Also, we need cookies. The patients enjoy cookies (especially home-made) so we will be using them as prizes.

On May 25th Wilber Burnett will be taking 6 of us to Tampa to tour the Children's Hospital burn unit. It will be interesting, educational and fun for all. Call me if you'd like to join us.

Our elections are in June. If you have an interest in, or have any questions about joining this elite & fun loving auxiliary unit, please call me

Our Next meeting is April 10th. Please don't forget your coupons, pull-tabs, & stuff.

May God Guide & Bless Our Troops, Our Post & us.
Ann Cook
Auxiliary President
285-0579

Adjutant

As we approach the end of the fiscal year for 2007-2008, the next 2-3 years should already be in the thinking/ planning stages.

Where do you stand? What are you going to do for the veteran, widows, children and this community? We have a diverse membership from Palm Valley, Ponte Vedra, Jacksonville, Saint Augustine and beyond.

The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a war time veterans organization. It provides community program (11 in all –read you post administrative manual) with over three million members. Our annual report is submitted in June to the FLA State Headquarters (387 post) which in turn becomes part of the National report to Congress from 50 states, Washington D.C., Mexico, Puerto Rico, The Philippines and France (1st Legion Post). Is our reported community activity, or lack of, noticed? YOU BETCHA!

The Question remains — what are you going to do for your Post #233???

For God and Country
Ric Smith
Adjutant

S.A.L.

Nothing to report

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A Road trip to other Post - **APRIL 12TH**

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Canteen Manager

I have taken up a considerable amount of valuable Newsletter real estate in the last few months, so I'll keep this one brief. As you read this, the new Canteen price increase will have been in effect for a month or so. I want to thank everyone for their understanding on this and keeping the complaints to a minimum. This nominal across-the-board increase combined with several other cost control measures we have put in place should help our bottom line improve in the coming months.

We have a couple Special Events planned this month. A bus trip to visit several of the other Legions to our south is planned for the 12th of April. Contact Judy Mills for more information. Tickets are available at the bar. The Auxiliary will have their annual Bake/ Plant & Yard sale on the 19th. This event is open to the public and your donations of sale items are most welcome.

Attendance at the Tuesday night Texas Hold'm Poker tournament continues to be light but the players who do attend are enthusiastic and having a great time. We are offering a limited menu on Poker Night so come on out, have a bite to eat and join the fun. No experience is necessary and all are welcome.

You may have noticed that during the Lent period we offered the option of grilled Tilapia on Friday nights. This proved to be quite popular with the Catholics as well as those who just preferred the lighter meal. As the warmer weather is upon us, we will consider offering this option every Friday if there is enough interest to make it worthwhile. Do you have an opinion on this? Let me know at dianebeason@comcast.net. As always, we aim to please.

We are still short on volunteers' weekday lunch cooks and are desperately seeking help. The current weekday team has been at it for a very long time and are worn out! It's really a pretty easy gig, one day a week from approximately 11:00 – 2:00 p.m. You cook hamburgers, hot dogs, and grilled cheese sandwiches. Nothing fancy. If David Cook, who finds canned soup a culinary challenge, can handle it so can you! Anyone willing to step up and give these guys a break?

In closing, please remember that the easiest way to support your Post is your patronage at the bar, on meal nights and at special events. You have a good time among friends, enjoy a nice meal and entertainment at a very reasonable price and the Post makes a few dollars. It's a win – win. Hope to see you soon.

For God and Country
Diane Beason
Canteen Manager

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

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Also, for efficient notification of newsworthy events or updates, we would like to have our members' email addresses.

Please complete this form and return it to us by 15APR2008 via U.S. Mail or by bringing it to Post 233 (we always like seeing you!) or send us your email advisement as to the selection you would like to receive your monthly Newsletter (web site: www.palmvalleypost233.com or email address: pvpost233@bellsouth.net). If we do not receive your selection, you will not be receiving a May Newsletter via U.S. Mail. Remember, they can be viewed at our web site beginning APR2008.

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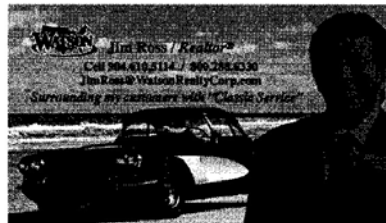
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April Birthdays

1. Clair Tillis
3. Judy Mills
4. Mary Ann Vaccaro
8. Bill Breden
9. Jim Campbell
11. Steve Willis
Patricia Owings
13. Allyson Keen
Joe Ann Jones
16. Sue Hord
17. Julie Scofield
18. Mercia White
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Palm Valley American Legion



Post 233 April 2008 Events



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 FREE LUNCH !!	2 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Dinner 6:30-8pm House Comm. Mtg. 5:30	3 Lunch 11:1-1:30	4 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Steak Nite 6:30-9pm CHUCK REES ALLSTARS ENTERTAINMENT	5
6 Breakfast 9:00-12:00 Bill Furr, Clen & Ben Ward	7 Lunch 11:1-1:30 SUPPORT OUR TROOPS	8 Lunch 11:1-1:30	9 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Dinner 6:30-8pm Chef: SUSAN CREWS	10 EXECUTIVE BOARD 7pm Lunch 11:1-1:30	11 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Steak Nite 6:30-9pm BOB SCHROETER ENTERTAINMENT	12 post 233 BUS TRIP 2:00 pm Members Birthday Party 6pm
13 Breakfast 9:00-12:00	14 Lunch 11:1-1:30	15 Lunch 11:1-1:30 TAX DAY !! GOD BLESS AMERICA	16 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Dinner 6:30-8pm KARAOKE	17 LEGIONNAIRES 7:00pm Lunch 11:1-1:30	18 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Steak Nite 6:30-9pm JOHNNY JONES ENTERTAINMENT	19 Raggle Steak Nite 6:30-9pm Dewayne Stewart
20 Breakfast 9:00-12:00	21 Lunch 11:1-1:30 WELCOME ALL LEGIONNAIRES and GUESTS	22 Lunch 11:1-1:30 EARTH DAY	23 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Dinner 6:30-8pm Cook Book Nite	24 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Lunch 11:1-1:30 S. A. L. 7:00pm	25 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Steak Nite 6:30-9pm BUNTLEY ENTERTAINMENT	26 Doyle Primm Steak Nite 6:30-9pm "Craft and Bake Sale"
27 Breakfast 9:00-12:00	28 Lunch 11:1-1:30	29 Lunch 11:1-1:30 REMEMBER OUR P. O. W.'s	30 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Dinner 6:30-8pm KARAOKE	1 Lunch 11:1-1:30	2 Lunch 11:1-1:30 Steak Nite 6:30-9pm ENTERTAINMENT KARAOKE	3
Sunday's Big Breakfast - \$5 donation		Wednesday Dinner - \$7 Donation		Friday Steak Dinner & Entertainment - \$12 Donation		