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MON-FRI: 1100 until ?? hrs. SAT: 0900 until ?? hrs. SUN: 0900 until ?? hrs. (St.Johns County - closing hour is 2:00am)

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Sunday: Breakfast 9am-12N
Wednesday Dinner: 6:30pm-8:00pm
Friday Dinner: 6:30pm-8:00pm
Mon-Fri Lunch 11:30am-1pm

NEVER FORGET - POWs & MIAS

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Legionnaire Membership: did you sign up a new member this month? ALA Membership: did you sign up a new member this month? SAL Membership: did you sign up a new member this month?

Commander's Corner



Commander Steve Willis

No report this month

For God and Country, Steve



1st Vice Commander Roy Havekost

The Early Bird Dinner on March 26th was a great success. A total of 101 dinners were served. Unfortunately some of our RSVPs failed to show up, missing a fabulous prime rib dinner and night of fun and dancing to the music of the Johnston Duo. I would like to personally thank the following people who helped me make this evening a complete success; Chefs Mike Shaar and Scotty Voorhees, my 3rd Vice Commander Rick Kapeghian, ALA President Kathy Church, Bartenders Anita, Rita and Debbie, our kitchen volunteers and servers Linda Williams, Lisa Hasbrouck, Anthony Nichols, Jill Brook, Jen Brown, Alan Scarlett, Cole Johnson and Garrett Mills. A special thank you goes to Diane Beason her behind the scenes help so I could put this event together. THANK YOU ALL!

For God and Country, Roy



2nd Vice Commander (vacant)

No report this month, position vacant.



3rd Vice Commander Rick Kapeghian

No report this month.

For God and Country, Rick



4th Vice Commander Charlie Walker

No report this month.

For God and Country, Charlie

CANTEEN MANAGERS REPORT- by Diane Beason

On vacation, no report this month

For God and Country,

Diane



FROM THE SAL- Commander Jeff 'Tex' Ward

No report this month.



FROM THE AUXILIARY- President Kathy Church

On Wed., April 13th from 6:30pm-8:00pm the Auxiliary will be hosting a Gold Exchange Party. Gather all your old gold & silver jewelry and silverware,

Bring it into the Post on this night and there will be representatives from the

Gold Refinery. These reps will test & weigh your pieces in front of you and will offer you a fair price. If you decide to accept their offer they will pay you cash on the spot. You are not obligated to take their offer. Bring in necklaces, bracelets, rings & earrings to white gold, gold watches dental gold, silver & platinum. Invite your family members & friends to join you for dinner on this night and tell them about our party. We all can use some extra cash these days. If you would like to know more about this company go to www.thegoldrefinery.com.

The Auxiliary is proud to introduce several new members to our Unit. Kimberly Masters,

(daughter of Legionnaire Don Mills), Joan & Dona Giordano (wife & daughter of Veteran Fred Giordano), Denise Panczykowski (daughter of Veteran Vincent Shaar), Linda Williams (wife of Legionnaire Mike Williams), Roberta Bilecki (wife of Legionnaire Melvin Bilecki), Nancy McStine (wife of Veteran Richard McStine) and Shirley (wife of Veteran Horace Ralph). Please welcome these new members to our Unit.

We had a great monthly meeting in March. Our Girls State Candidate, Marian Li and her

mother Gina attended this meeting. Marian is a Jr. at Nease High School. I am pleased to say that the last two meetings we have had the highest attendance in quite some time and I hope that we see more members attend the April meeting. The April meeting will be on Thurs. April 14th @ 7:00pm.

Year end reports are due into the Dept. by April 15th. We need all volunteer hours to be

recorded in the log (located in the Auxiliary) no later then Friday, April 8th. If you did any volunteer work PLEASE log your time in.

Condolences, thoughts & prayers go out to the family and friends of Legionnaire Eddie Floyd and Herb Bennett who both passed away recently.

If you haven't paid your 2011 dues please do so ASAP. Thanks to all who have paid and special thanks to all who paid early and are Early Birds. Our EB dinner was a huge success. Roy Havekost led the team for this event and all who worked on this event deserve a big round of applause.

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#### ~HAPPY BIRTHDAY in APRIL ~

| 1  | Claire Tillis                |  |
|----|------------------------------|--|
| 3  | Judy Mills                   |  |
| 4  | Mary Ann Vaccaro             |  |
| 8  | Bill Breden                  |  |
| 9  | Jim Campbell                 |  |
| 11 | Steve Willis                 |  |
|    | Patricia Owings              |  |
| 13 | Allyson Keen                 |  |
|    | Jo Ann Jones                 |  |
|    | Patricia Owings Allyson Keen |  |

| 16 | Sue Hord          |  |
|----|-------------------|--|
| 17 | Julie Scofield    |  |
| 18 | Marcia White      |  |
| 21 | Beverly Geltmache |  |
| 22 | Susan Caruso      |  |
| 23 | Luke Thornton     |  |
|    | Charlie Saffles   |  |
| 24 | Ric Smith         |  |
| 30 | Jim Watford       |  |
|    | Steve Torbert     |  |

Your birthday can be listed here by sending your name, month and day to <a href="webmaster@al233fl.org">webmaster@al233fl.org</a> or call Roy @ 287-6909

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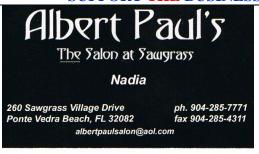


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Friday Steak: \$12.00 ~ Wednesday Dinner: \$8.00 ~ Sunday Breakfast: \$5.00 or \$7.00 ~ Member/Non-Member Donation www.al233fl.org \* Support Your Troops \* 904.285.2484 No Smoking During Dinner & Breakfast Hours

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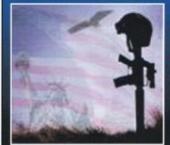




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The beach area has a long history with the military, particularly Naval Station Mayport. Many military men and women have chosen the area to retire in, and there are numerous veterans organizations located in the area. In 2006 the city of Atlantic Beach acquired land at the intersection of Mayport Road and Atlantic Blvd., and designated it as a Veterans Memorial Park.

In 2009 a "Community Covenant" was developed between most of the veteran service organizations and the beach cities for mutual support of veteran issues. Those veteran organizations formed an organization, the "Beaches Veterans Memorial Park, Inc." as a not-for-profit corporation and, through a formal agreement with the city of Atlantic Beach to complete the Park, agreed to make it into a fitting place to hold veteran ceremonies and serve the entire community.

#### WHERE WE ARE NOW: \*\*\*\*\*\*

Through grants and donations from local organizations, funding was obtained to start landscaping the Park and erect an 80' Flagpole which displays the national flag as a focal point when entering the beach area via Atlantic Blvd. Future plans include a stage area, a veterans memorial garden area with special recognition of all Chaplains who have made the ultimate sacrifice, more brick walkways, a children's improved play area, restrooms and additional parking.

Additional funding is necessary to complete the work. With the main entrance to the park a brick walkway, what more fitting way to raise funds than to sell engraved bricks which will forever memorialize you, or a Veteran relative or friend. Minimum donation is \$75/brick.

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January to July, & October & November 2006 January to April, & June to December 2005 January to July, & December 2004 Any issues prior to 2004

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