



560 N. Wilderness Trail ~ Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082



Canteen hours:

MON-FRI: 1100 until ?? hrs.

SAT: 0900 until ?? hrs.

SUN: 0900 until ?? hrs.

(St.Johns County - closing hour is 2:00am)

Website: www.AL233FL.org

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Sunday: **Breakfast 9am-11:30am**

Wednesday: **Dinner 6:30pm-8:00pm**

Friday: **Dinner 6:30pm-8:00pm**

Mon-Fri: **Lunch 11:00am-1pm**



No Smoking during meal times (lunch excluded)



Legionnaire meetings, first Thursday each month, 7:00pm

Auxiliary meetings, second Thursday each month, 7:00pm

Son's meetings, third Thursday each month, 6:00pm

Rider's meetings, third Sunday each month, 12:00noon

NEVER FORGET ~ POW's & MIA's

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

As of March 2013, event flyers were no longer a part of the emailed newsletter. This was done to reduce the size of the emailed newsletter. Event flyers can be viewed on the Post website from the Special Events Page. As the newsletter committee is being restructured this month both the flyers and monthly calendar are being changed at this time, and therefore will not be in this issue of the newsletter.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.
Commander Roy Havekost



Commander Roy Havekost

Email: Commander@AL233FL.org

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your continued support and confidence in my leadership of Post 233. Many changes were made in the past year and yes, there are still some more changes coming in the upcoming term. Training and officer and member education is becoming even more important in the Legion today. Training sessions will be scheduled throughout the year at both the district and post levels. I would like to thank those members who attended the first district training session with me on June 23rd , Sheri Martinez, Sonny Kirkwood and Wilbur Burnett. More about training at the July Membership meeting on WEDNESDAY July 3rd (due to holiday on 4th). A reminder that this year the E-Board meetings will be held at 6:00pm followed by the General Membership meeting at 7:00pm on the first Thursday of the month.

I would ask that the Legion members show pride in our organization by wearing either a Legion or Post shirt and a Legion uniform cap or both, when attending a Legion meeting. We are a veterans organization and therefore should take pride in what we do! Also, I went through a personal expense in producing the vinyl name tags for all Post officers and I request that they be worn not only at meetings but also events held at the Post so that guests can readily identify you and your position.

Thank you goes out to the SAL and Cdr. Tex Ward for obtaining a price quotation from Rolland Reash Plumbing Co. and presenting it to the E-Board. Approval was given for the installation of a water pumping system for the south side property line by the pavilion. Both Tex and Dan Wortmann oversaw the project, and the drainage problem has been solved. The cost for the project was \$1,800.00 and was split between the Legion and SAL.

In June, I attended the 95th Annual Department of Florida Convention in Orlando. At the convention I completed the LEAD (Leadership, Education And Development) course that was offered and I also attended various caucus sessions and membership meetings. Post 233 having reached 100%+1 membership for 2013, was entered into a drawing where we won and I chose the "John Wayne Armed Forces Commemorative .45 cal automatic" as our prize. This will be displayed at our Post once a secure framed display can be constructed on the wall. Pic of gun shown below.

For God and Country,

Roy



Pic coming soon

Assistant Adjutant Sheri Martinez

Email: Adjutant@AL233FL.org

No report this month, however Sheri will be providing an article each month for K9s for Warriors.



1st Vice Commander/ Adjutant Mark Dorsey

Email: ViceComm1@AL233FL.org

Just a reminder that the 2014 membership dues cards are now in and available. Dues this year remains at \$35.00. Payment of your 2014 dues before November 11, 2013 (Veterans Day) will qualify the member for a free early bird dinner in early 2014. Everyone seems to like the free Prime Rib Dinner that we have offered in the past, and will again offer for 2014, so drop off a check at the Post or mail in your dues to American Legion Post 233 at P.O. Box 2494 Ponte Vedra, FL 32004.

For God & Country,

Mark



Pic coming soon

2nd Vice Commander John Richardson

No report this month, but John will be cooking up some good stories for the column...as well as some great meals too!



3rd Vice Commander Stu Lilly

Hello Post 233. I would like to thank all outgoing officers for their service last year and welcome the new officers for 2014. The 2014 cards are in so don't delay and renew now. The post has grown over the year so we need everyone to be on the lookout for new members and transfers. We will continue to have a great Post!

For God & Country,
Stu



4th Vice Commander Charlie Walker

Here's wishing everyone a great summer, stay cool, safe and hydrated.

For God & Country,
Charlie



Pic coming soon

Chaplain Wilbur Burnett

Email: Chaplain@AL233FL.org

Remember our military both at home and in harms way by keeping them in your thoughts and prayers.

For God & Country,
Wilbur



Finance Officer Tom Leppeard

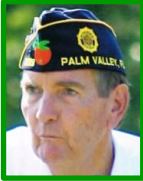
Tom is our new Finance Officer for the 2013-14 term. He will also serve as the Post accountant for the Legion. Tom is well versed in the use of Quick Books, the computer accounting program used at the Post, and he will be providing us with very detailed reports each month. Thanks for accepting the position. We should see a blurb from Tom on next months newsletter.



Planning Committee / E-Board Member Dan Wortmann

Again I am asking for some help at the Post. We have some small work projects coming up and I could use some help. If anyone with some mechanical skills has some time to help me out with a project or two, please contact me via email at danwortmann@gmail.com or leave a message for me at the Post. Please take pride in your Post by helping out a little. Thank you.

For God & Country,
Dan



Ric Smith, Judge Advocate

Email: judgeadvocate@AL233FL.org

Welcome to all (Legion, ALA, SAL and Riders) our new and re-elected post officers. Working together as a team, Post 233 will be even more successful for 2013 - 2014...Have a great Summer.

For God and Country,
Ric



FROM THE AUXILIARY- President Judy Mills

Email: ALA@AL233FL.org

I would like to start by thanking everyone that supported me and look forward to working with each and every member to make this a prosperous and fulfilling year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kathy Church for her for years of service she did a great job, and to all the outgoing officers Judy Nagel, Virna Waldron and Anita Vigil thank you for your service to the Auxiliary. I would like to welcome all of the incoming officers and can't wait to get started on the new year.

On July 3, 2013 the Auxiliary will be cooking Wednesday night dinner Natalie and Carol Lee will be in the kitchen so everyone needs to come out and enjoy a great meal at Post 233 for a donation of \$8.00 hope to see you all there.

On July 6, 2013 Kenny Holliday will be performing and the Auxiliary will have a covered dish dinner for a donation of \$8.00 we will start serving at 6:30pm to 8:00pm so come on out and enjoy some good food and entertainment at Post 233.

I look forward to working with everyone and hope to see you at our next Auxiliary meeting on July 11, 2013 at 7:00pm our Girls State candidate will be there to speak to everyone so come meet her and give her a big welcome.

For God and Country,
Judy



FROM THE SAL-
Commander Jeff 'Tex' Ward
 Email: SAL@AL233FL.org

No report this month.

For God and Country,
Tex



FROM THE RIDERS- Director Jarrod Buchman

No report this month.

For God and Country
Jarrod



FROM THE CANTEEN-
Diane Dorsey, Manager

It's hot outside folks but we've got some new cool refreshing options on the Post 233 Canteen lunch menu for you. Stop by Monday thru Friday 11 am – 1:00 pm and enjoy a large Fresh Garden Salad with tomatoes, onion, hard boiled egg and cheese topped with either grilled or fried chicken strips and your choice of dressing. Yum! We've also added a Grilled Chicken Breast Sandwich as a lighter choice. Of course the famous Palm Valley Burger and all of your other favorites are also available. The Post 233 Canteen is the best lunch deal at the beaches! Prices range from 2.50 – 5.00. Come in and give it a try, you won't be disappointed.

We have had some really fabulous Wednesday night dinners recently, prepared and served by volunteer Legionnaire, Auxiliary and SAL members. The weekly menus can be found listed in your Post 233 Weekly Update sent via email every Tuesday or by calling the Post at 904-285-2484. Our volunteer cooks work very hard and love nothing more than a sellout crowd of enthusiastic diners! At 8.00 it's another Post 233 great deal.

Another great deal for those of you who would like to help with the Wednesday night dinners but are not able to do so is the Meal Sponsorship Program. Gold, Silver and Bronze level sponsorships are available. Your donation of 50.00, 75.00 or 100.00 will help cover the cost of food ingredients and a seasoned cook to prepare it in your honor. You can even choose your favorite menu and designate a Legion, Auxiliary or SAL dinner night. Remember that these weekly dinners are fund raisers for the individual entities and any way that you can help is most appreciated.

Our outdoor Pavilion has been in use by our members hosting private parties and we now have bookings several months out. I have been personally amazed at the absolutely beautiful transformations of our outdoor space by our very creative hosts! If you have a party, family celebration or business gathering on the horizon and are in a quandary about the venue, look no further than Post 233. We have the perfect space available for a backyard barbeque, a formal sit down dinner or anything in between. Do it yourself or on site catering and party planning services are available. Check with me on the date you have in mind and get started on a memorable friends, family or business event!

If you are aware of members who are not receiving Post 233 Weekly Updates or this Newsletter by email, please forward their email address to palmvalley233@gmail.com to add them to the list. Facebook social media users are encouraged to join our Facebook groups for timely event information, Post happenings, volunteer opportunities and general posts of interest to Veterans. On Facebook search American Legion Post 233, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 233 or Post 233 American Legion Riders. Go to the individual page and click on "join group"

As always, we appreciate your support of Post 233 and look forward to serving you.

For God and Country
Diane



JULY BIRTHDAY'S



1	Harry Frisbee	16	Debbie Huffman
	Shelly Collier	17	Danny Cowgill
2	Donna Wagener	18	Ben Meyers
	Margaret Peters		Dodie Bing
4	Patty O'Callahan	19	Paula Reynolds
	Ann Krawiec	20	Eileen Greco
5	Robert A. Bacom	24	Dan Wortmann
6	Bruce Provin	26	Norma Rolph
7	Amiee Umstadt	29	Sharon Peet
8	Gail Coe	30	Patty Williams
9	Phyllis Crotty		
12	Bob McAfee		
	Gill Cloer		

Your birthday can be listed here by sending your name, month and day to webmaster@al233fl.org or call Roy @ 287-6909

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POST 233 "MEAL DEAL" SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Are you one of those people who would love to volunteer to help your Post but you don't trust your culinary skills or aren't able to manage the kitchen duties?

We've got a DEAL for you! There are others willing to do the work for you and better yet, you get all the credit. Become a Post 233 LEGIONNAIRE MEAL SPONSOR and all the planning, shopping, cooking, service and clean-up will be taken care of and you will be honored as that Wednesday evening's Meal Sponsor. Your dinner will be on the house and you can even request a favorite meal you would like to have prepared.

There is a Sponsorship Level for everyone and your Sponsorship is a tax deductible donation to American Legion Post 233. Your donation will be used to offset the food cost and compensate the evening's Chef for their time and effort on your behalf.

GOLD SPONSOR - 100.00 - SILVER SPONSOR - 50.00 - BRONZE SPONSOR - 25.00

Advertizing space available



Planning an outdoor Party ?



Consider renting our pavilion area for your next birthday, anniversary, family gathering, business meeting or picnic. For details contact our Canteen Manager or any of our bartenders for more details. Go to AL233FL.org for pix. Call 285-2484.

POST 233 is a FREE WiFi spot.

JULY 2013 CALENDAR – EVENT DATES

July 3, Wednesday	Auxiliary Dinner 6:00pm – 8:30pm
July 3, Wednesday*	Legion Executive Committee Meeting 6:00pm
July 3, Wednesday*	Legion General Membership Meeting 7:00pm
July 5, Friday	Frankie Martin Jr. 8:00pm
July 6, Saturday	Kenny Holliday Show + Auxiliary serving Chicken Fried Steak w/gravy and sides from 6-8pm
July 12, Friday	Beach Street Boogie
July 19, Friday	The Boz Man
July 20, Saturday	Legion Riders fundraising event
July 20, Saturday	Theme Night, Leather & Lace 8:00pm
August 3, Saturday	VFW Riders Fun Run, Post 233 second stop, time TBA



**John Wayne
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.45 Automatic**

**Won by Post 233 at the
95th Annual
Department of Florida
American Legion Convention**

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<http://www.al5thdistrictfl.org/>

The Mighty 5th is also on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/5thDistrictDeptOfFlorida>

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JUNE 2013 GRADUATING CLASS



Warriors: (not in order)

William 'David' Moore, Army NG, Newman, GA

Lawrence 'Larry' Barfield, Navy, Leesburg, GA

Kevin MacKenzie, USMC/Navy/Army NG, Macclenny, FL

Matthew 'Matt' Masingill, Navy, Fayetteville, NY

Randy Thurston, Army/Army NG, St. Johns, FL

Thank you all for your service and welcome home!

POST OFFICERS

2013-2014

LEGIONNAIRE

Commander: Roy Havekost
Adjutant: Mark Dorsey
Finance Officer: Tom Leppeard
1st Vice Cmdr.: Mark Dorsey
2nd Vice Cmdr.: John Richardson
3rd Vice Cmdr.: Stu Lilly
4th Vice Cmdr.: Charlie Walker
Chaplain: Wilbur Burnett
Sgt. at Arms: Robert Scarlett
Historian: vacant 2013-2014
Service Officer: Maury Lazenby

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dan Wortmann
Maury Lazenby
Sonny Kirkwood
Dave Seifrit
James Durnal

LEGION RIDERS

Jarrod Buchman, Director
Jared LoPiano, Asst. Director
Virna Waldron, Secretary
Kathy Church, Treasurer
Bill Marshall, Road Captain
Bill Marshall, Sergeant at Arms
Becky Blaylock, Historian
Jeff Ward, Chaplain
Linda Williams, Asst. Chaplain

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Secretary: Angie Kees
Chaplain: Ann Cook
Sgt. at Arms: Sylvia Bass
Historian: Debbie Eatmon
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Diane Dorsey
Dee Durnal
One Vacancy

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Commander: Jeff 'Tex' Ward
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2nd Vice Cmdr.: John Paparelli
Adjutant: Steve Willis
Sgt. at Arms: Mike Shaar
Chaplain: Will Hurley

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