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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
Email: info@al233fl.org
Post telephone: 904.285.2484

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

In March, the Post 233 Yahoo email account was closed down by Yahoo. Yahoo sites large quantities of outgoing emails which they look at as a possible spamming violation of their terms and conditions as a free email service provider. They also stated that the account had been compromised. To hopefully combat this mini crisis, a new Post email account was opened with Gmail. In an effort to not repeat this problem with Gmail, we will reduce the size of our emails by temporarily suspending the emailing of the event flyers with the newsletter. Event flyers will be available on the website linked to the 'Special Events' page. We will continue to offer a one page printable event calendar with each months' newsletter.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Commander Roy Havekost





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Email: Commander@AL233FL.org

Here it is, June 2013, time for the Department Convention in Orlando. I am excited about representing Post 233 this year and hope to bring back newly acquired knowledge and updates pertaining to the mission and goals of the American Legion. During my absence at the convention 1st Vice Mark Dorsey will be in charge. I would like to thank both the officers and members of not only the Legion but also the Auxiliary, SAL and Riders who worked hard to make this past term a very successful one. I look forward to having a great 2013-2014 term as your Commander and am hopeful of yet another successful year.

For our facebook followers, the 5th District has a new page where events and notices will be posted throughout the year. It is located at www.facebook.com/5thDistrictDeptOfFlorida, please visit the page and click on the 'Like' button to show your support.

This year I will be looking for a new newsletter "Calendar" and "Flyer" volunteer. Patty O will no longer be able to create the flyers and calendar due to work related responsibilities and school. Thank you Patty for a job well done. Legionnaire notice: starting in July the E-Board meeting will now be held on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00pm immediately followed by the General Membership meeting at 7:00pm. Please mark your calendars.

All elected officers must have their 2014 dues paid before installation on June 15, 2014. Also you must present your DD214 to 1st Vice Mark Dorsey so that he can record the necessary enlistment and discharge dates for Department.

For God and Country, Roy





1st Vice Commander/ Adjutant Mark Dorsey Email: ViceComm1@AL233FL.org

May was a good month for Legion Membership Post 233 is at 115 %. The Month of June will bring the American Legion Department of Florida State Convention. Post 233 will be represented by our Post Commander. Due to the Convention the Commander has canceled the General Meeting in June. For God & Country,

Mark



3rd Vice Commander Stu Lilly ?

Hello Post 233 members, it's been a long time since I contributed to the newsletter, maybe that's why my picture is missing above. Guess I have to write more to get it back. Anyway, I miss all my Legionnaire friends that have passed on to Post Everlasting. We now have over 430 members and gaining every month. We need some help at the best post in Florida so please be involved by volunteering a little time now and then. Thank you. For God & Country,

Stu





Chaplain Bob Nagel Email: Chaplain@AL233FL.org

To my outgoing Chaplain, God speed on your recovery and rehab. Thank you for a job well done as Chaplain and thank you for your service to your country and Post 233.

Welcome to our new Chaplain Wilbur Burnett, looking forward to having you onboard.





Planning Committee / E-Board Member Dan Wortmann

Second request:

We have some work projects coming up at the Post and I could still use some help with them. 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. Thank you.

For God & Country, *Dan*





Ric Smith, Judge Advocate Email: judgeadvocate@AL233FL.org

As we look forward to 2013-2014, I would like to thank all our legionnaires and officers who helped make Post 233 successful for another great year. See you at installation...

For God and Country,







FROM THE AUXILIARY-President Kathy Church

Email: ALA@AL233FL.org

This is the last note I will be publishing as your ALA President. On June 15th the gavel will be presented to President Elect, Judy Mills. As your Auxiliary President for the past four years I would like to close with a sincere and hardy **THANK YOU** to all members who have supported me and worked so very hard to accomplish what **WE** as a **TEAM** have done over these four years. There are too many of you to thank individually by name.

ALA 233 has donated funds to many organizations within and outside the American Legion Auxiliary. We have worked with members of our communities and schools, we have aided our own family and friends in times of need and we have attended many Veteran events and meetings outside of our Post. We have witnessed the marriage of members, shared in the births of grandchildren and sorrowfully experienced the loss of too many members. Most of all we have supported our very own American Legion Post in every possible way from donating money to assisting in meals and so much more. This is what the Auxiliary is all about.

I walk away holding my head very high knowing that I have filled position as President to the best of my capabilities. I have put in many hours and much blood, sweat and yes some tears. I have thoroughly enjoyed all the time that I have spent doing things for not only the Auxiliary but for the Legion, SAL and ALR. There have been some ups and some downs throughout the years but that is to be expected in any job that one takes on. I am very honored and proud that you have allowed me to lead the Auxiliary 233.

I will continue on as your Membership Chairman for 233, 5th District Poppy Chairman and I will continue to support the Auxiliary under the lead of Judy Mills. I am however happy to be moving forward with the Missing in America Project (MIAP). I wish Judy and her team all the best for the term 2013-2014. I know Judy will put her all into this as her heart is with the Auxiliary.

During our June 13th meeting 1st Vice Linda Williams and I will be handing out our awards and certificates for the 2012-2013 term. I encourage as many members to attend this meeting as possible to show your gratitude to those who put in many hours for the Auxiliary.

Remember to always keep smiling, stay safe, only say nice things about others and LOG IN YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS.

Peace & Love, *Kathy*





FROM THE RIDERS- Director Jarrod Buchman

We have officially now moved our ALR Riders Breakfast to the Third Sunday of Each Month. Come Join us on June 19th when we will be serving Corn Beef Hash as our monthly special.

With the riding weather finally upon us, our members have started to support our Veterans through rides and other various functions in Northeast Florida. Here is the list of events that our riders have assisted with this past month;

- May 9th...Traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall escort (with Jerry Bolen)
- Tues -May 21, Northeast FL Veterans Council Meeting (MIAP)
- Sun, May 26, Memorial Day Family Fun Day At Post 233(ALR)
- Monday, National Cemetery Service for Memorial Day (MIAP)
- Monday May 28th, Beaches Veteran Memorial Plaza Flag Line
- Tues, May 28, House Committee Meeting (ALR)
- Thurs, May 30, Veterans Council of St. Johns County

We are also looking to grow our membership. Would you like to know more about us or what we do for Veterans? Ask one of us the next time you see us. We are looking forward to a Great June.

For God and Country

Jarrod





FROM THE CANTEEN-Diane Dorsey, Manager

At this time every year at Post 233 we take a moment to thank our outgoing Officers of the Legion, SAL, Auxiliary and ALR and welcome the newly elected. All of these individuals are volunteers who commit themselves to serve our Post in various capacities throughout the year. They donate their time to attend meetings, make informed decisions, perform various duties and tasks in and around the Post and generally get more complaints than pats on the back. On your next visit to Post 233 take a minute to thank an outgoing or incoming Officer.

Incoming Officers of all four entities will be installed on Saturday, June 15 at 11:00 am. The Installation ceremony is quite moving for those involved as well as the audience. All members including families and children are encouraged to attend. A buffet luncheon will be served following the ceremony for all to enjoy.

We have a full lineup of fabulous meals and great entertainment coming up throughout the summer. Log on to our website at www.al233fl.org for the current calendar, event flyers and timely information. Hard copies of the monthly calendar are always available in the Canteen.

Facebook users are encouraged to join the Legion, Auxiliary or ALR Facebook groups. Event flyers, meal menus and current information exchanges are frequently posted there.

Thank you each and every one for your support of Post 233. We are looking forward to another great year under the direction of Commander Roy Havekost serving our Veterans, their families and loved ones.

A Reminder to all - Your guests are welcome at Post 233 however you are required to sign any guests in on the sign in sheet at the door. They are not permitted to purchase any drinks - only the sponsor may purchase drinks for them. You are entirely responsible for your guest's behavior while they are at the Post.

For God and Country

Diane





3	Tony Kulper	
4	Richard Bright	
5	Cynthia Gaines	
	Alice Leary	
6	Susan Reilly	
9	Ben Ward	
13	Rosemarie Harkin	
	Jan Tipton	
14	Helen Toebert	
15	Jim Ross	

16	Linda Walker
21	Lisa Burdett
23	Patti Riordan
24	Tod Warren
	Beth Floyd
	Kathy Church
26	John Paparelli

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

~~~~~~ SUPPORT OUR TROOPS ~~~~~~

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



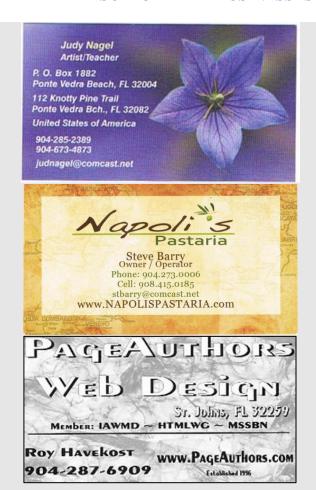
Planning an outdoor Party?

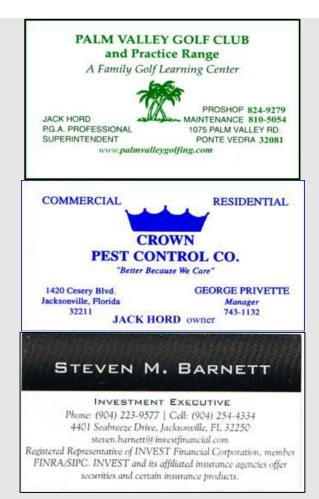


Consider renting our pavilion area for your next birthday, anniversary, family gathering, business meeting or picnic. For details contact our Canteen Manager or any of our bartenders for more details. Go to AL233FL.org for pix. Call 285-2484.

POST 233 is a FREE WiFi spot.

SUPPORT THE BUSINESSES THAT HELP SUPPORT YOUR POST





\$25.00 per year to advertise your business card on both the monthly newsletter and Post website.

Make check payable to American Legion Post 233.

Your check and business card can be left in the Commanders mailbox.

Business cards that missed the payment deadline will be posted immediately to the website when your payment is received.

Business card advertising available here



MAY 2013 GRADUATING CLASS



Warriors: (not in order)

Joane Dandurand, Army, Albany,OR; Stephanie Gensicke, USMC, Orlando,FL;
Ginger Gunnip, Army, Camillus,NY; Amy Lutenbacher, USAF, San Diego,CA;
and Jennifer Norris, Air National Guard, Rumford,ME.

Thank you for your service and welcome home!



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POST OFFICERS

2012-2013 + incoming 2013-2014

LEGIONNAIRE

Commander: Roy Havekost Adjutant: Mark Dorsey

Finance Officer: Malcolm Marvin

Finance Officer: Tom Leppeard 2013-2014

1st Vice Cmdr.: Mark Dorsey 2nd Vice Cmdr.: Robby Bacom

2nd Vice Cmdr.: John Richardson 2013-2014

3rd Vice Cmdr.: Stu Lilly 4th Vice Cmdr.: Charlie Walker

Chaplain: Bob Nagel

Chaplain: Wilbur Burnett 2013-2014

Sgt. at Arms: Robert Scarlett Historian: Rod Garing Historian: vacant 2013-2014 Service Officer: Maury Lazenby EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dan Wortmann Maury Lazenby Dieter Arnold Chuck Kees Sonny Kirkwood Dave Seifrit 2013-2014 James Durnal 2013-2014

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

Palm Valley Post #233

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AUXILIARY

President: Kathy Church
President Judy Mills 2013-2014
1st Vice Pres.: Linda Williams

2nd Vice Pres.: Kathy Reichard Helmly

Treasurer: Judy Nagel

Treasurer: Allyson Bass 2013-2014

Secretary: Virna Waldron Secretary: Angie Kees 2013-2014

Chaplain: Ann Cook Sgt. at Arms: Sylvia Bass Historian: Anita Carrier Vigil Historian: Debbie Eatmon 2013-2014

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Barbara Turley Angie Kees Joan Corlew

Diane Dorsey 2013-2014 Dee Durnal 2013-2014 One Vacancy 2013-2014

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Commander: Jeff 'Tex' Ward 1st Vice Cmdr.: Randy Cottle 2nd Vice Cmdr.: John Paparelli Adjutant: Steve Willis

Sgt. at Arms: Mike Shaar Chaplain: Will Hurley

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