



AL233FL Newsletter



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'SMOKE FREE POST'

January 2016



Our Post Home



Memorial Garden



Commander Louis 'Pappy' Martin Pavilion

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

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

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

Son's meetings, third Thursday each month, 6:30pm

Rider's meetings, first Sunday each month, 11:00am

Canteen hours:

MON-FRI: 4:00 pm until ?? hrs.

SAT: 11:00 am until ?? hrs. Happy Hour 4-7pm

On event Saturday's, call for opening time

SUN: 9am until ?? hrs. Happy Hour 3-7pm

Monday-Friday:

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

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

Sunday: Breakfast 9:00am-11:30am

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We are a Smoke Free Post, 24/7
Smoking only allowed outside,
since February 2014



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NEVER FORGET ~ POW's & MIA's



2015



Commander
Sonny Kirkwood



1st Vice Commander
Jim Durnal



Chaplain
William 'Bill' Reno



Finance Officer
Tom Leppard



SAA
JR Mathis



E-Board
Ted Veber

OFFICERS

NO PICTURE
AVAILABLE
AT THIS TIME

2nd Vice Commander
Susan Severson

VACANT

Historian



E-Board
Mike Williams

2016



3rd Vice Commander
Bob Bleak



E-Board
Maury Lazenby



Judge Advocate
Roy Havekost



NO PICTURE
AVAILABLE
AT THIS TIME

John Schumm
4th Vice Commander

NO PICTURE
AVAILABLE
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E-Board
Ed Butler



Auxiliary President
Kathy Helmly

AUXILIARY:
1st Vice President Amy Blair
2nd Vice President: Vacant
Treasurer Allyson Bass
Secretary Angie Kees
Chaplain Celeste Sheble
SAA Sylvia Bass
Historian Linda Mathis
E-Board Dee Durnal
E-Board Debbie Eatmon
E-Board Patty Williams



SAL Commander
Howard Sheble



Rider's Director
Kevin Terranella

RIDERS:
Dir. Kevin Terranella
Treasurer Kathy Church
Secretary Virna Waldron
Chaplain Linda Williams
Road Capt. Bill Marshall
SAA Kevin Terranella
Historian Virna Waldron

SAL:
1st Vice Cdr. Jason Bass
2nd Vice Cdr. Mike Shaar
Adjutant-Finance J.
Crutchfield
Chaplain Will Hurley
Historian John Gabbard

Bartenders:
Debbie, Allyson, Amy, Coop, Patty, Carline, and Anita



Commander's Corner:

Hello Post 233 Family:

I hope and pray everyone had a wonderful Christmas and wish you a Prosperous New Year!

This past year we have had some incredible volunteers from all parts of the Post (no particular order): (1) Ted Veber (Executive Board Member) for taking on and creating the Sunday NFL festivities. Also, Celeste Sheble (ALA) for always singing the National Anthem so beautifully! (2) Kathy Church (ALA, ALR & MIAP) for her extremely hard work with Taco Tuesday along with assuming the Kitchen Manager's Position. (3) Betty Bacon (ALA) and Lynette Strait (ALA) for always helping with all events. (4) Chief Mike Shaar (SAL) and Jason Bass (SAL) for Burrito Night and other events. (5) J.R. Mathis (Sergeant-at-Arms) and Howard Sheble (SAL Commander) for their continued support and hard work. (6) Linda Williams (ALA) for her great work with Facebook and marketing the Post via Social Media. (7) Roy Havekost (Judge Advocate) for hosting and managing our website. (8) Linda Mathis (ALA) and Don Campbell (New Member (AL) for helping in the Kitchen. (9) Our Bartenders for their commitment to the Post. I'm sure I have forgot some folks and I apologize if I did not recognize you by name – but thank you for your continued support!

Welcome aboard our new Canteen Manager, Pam Behrendt (AL), who brings a wealth of experience in the Bar/Restaurant business along with an accounting background!

I plan on holding a "town hall" meeting in January to present our status and plan to move forward – see you on the 7th!

Drink chips will go away effective January 31, 2016 – so if you have drink chips I encourage you to use them.

I close with our prayers as we have of our Post Members in Sick Call – we are praying for a quick recovery.

For God and Country,

Sonny Kirkwood, Commander 2015-2016



Judge Advocate:

Happy New Year!

For God and Country,

Roy Havekost, Social Media Chairman
Department of Florida & 5th District Florida
socialmedia@legionmail.org

Adjutant's Corner:

Happy New Year!

For God and Country,

Jim Durnal, Post Adjutant



2nd Vice Commander's Corner:

Happy New Year!

For God and Country,

Susan Severson, 2nd Vice Commander.



3rd Vice Commander's Corner:

Happy New Year!

For God and Country

Bob Bleak, 3rd Vice Commander



4th Vice Commander's Corner:

Happy New Year!

For God and Country

John Schumm, 4th Vice Commander



Director of the Rider's Corner:

Happy New Year!

For God and Country,

Kevin Terranella, Director



Auxiliary President's Corner:

Hello to the entire Legion family!

I trust everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a great New Year. As always, let us always be ever mindful of those service men and women who were unable to be home as they are abroad ensuring our freedom; as well as those loved one's lost this year.

December "Presidents Awards" go to ladies that most exemplified service and volunteerism. Celeste Shebles and Linda Mathis, were awarded this Award. Thank you for your many contributions to our Unit, our Post, our Community and our Veterans. .

Thank you to everyone that made donations for our Christmas baskets that were given to Ocean Palms needy families. Five very large baskets were made.

Just a few dates to remember: (It is important that you review the January calendar closely for more information, we have a lot of exciting event coming up!!)

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If you haven't renewed your membership, now is the time to do it. All members must have and show their 2016 card before January 2nd to ensure no lapse in their ability to enjoy the post.

Our monthly meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:00pm. I hope to see a lot of new faces!

Please come support the many events at the post to support the entire Legion family!

Happy New Year!

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY
GOD BLESS AMERICA
Kathy Helmly, President 2015-2016



SAL Commander's Corner:

We would like to wish every member of the Post a happy and prosperous New Year!

In December we served over 200 meals including 196 Wet Burritos, thanks to Chef's Jason, Mike and Paulie, as well as, our staff of Kathy Church, Allyson Bass, Linda Williams, Roger Akey and Don Campbell. We are very grateful we have all these dedicated people helping the SAL!

Membership

With the renewals this week we are almost 80% to our member goal. If you haven't renewed as yet, you can see me or have the bartender on duty to put your 2016 dues (\$30) in the SAL drawer. Thank you all who have renewed! This has put our Squadron close to the top in District 5.

Upcoming Events

- December 31 – New Year's Eve Party at Post 233
- January 9 – Early Bird Dinner
- January 30 – Cowboy Night with Stetson Hat Raffle

For God and Country
Howard Sheble, SAL Commander

DONN'T WORRY- BE HAPPY!





JANUARY BIRTHDAY'S

Please visit the website for birthdays and much more!!!

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

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.

Smoking is permitted outside and at the pavilion bar.

POST 233 is a FREE WiFi spot

ADVERTIZE YOUR BUSINESS CARD ON THE POST TV FOR ONLY \$75.00/YEAR

Ask the bartender for details

The Post 233 calendar of events is online at:

<http://www.al233fl.org/ecalendar.htm>

If you have a smart phone, you can connect to the e-calendar with your gmail account and have all the Post 233 event dates at your fingertips.

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