



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, first Sunday each month, 11:00am

NEVER FORGET ~ POW's & MIA's

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Commander Roy Havekost

Email: Commander@AL233FL.org

Bravo to our Past Commanders Club for their presentation of a superb Low Country Boil on October 3rd. Thanks to all the Commanders who volunteered. The Post failed to make our bills this past month partially due to a lack of events. We need more ideas and planned events and volunteers to see that these events take place. This past month our deficit was more than \$2.5K due to both necessary and some unforeseen expenses. I would appeal to those Legionnaires, Auxiliary, SAL and now Riders who have put on fundraising events for the Post in the past, to again step forward. We cannot continue to run the Post if we don't generate more monthly income.

On another note, if any Legionnaire, with some computer skills, would like to step up and assume partial duties as Post Adjutant, please contact me at (201) 803-0839 (cell).

For God and Country,
Roy



Adjutant Patty O'Callahan

Email: Adjutant@AL233FL.org

Sadly we have had to accept a letter of resignation from our Post Adjutant as she has taken a new job in Washington DC at the Pentagon. As we are all sad to see her leave, we wish her well in her new position.

As we close this chapter of your life may we add:

May love and laughter light your days,
and warm your heart and home.
May good and faithful friends be yours,
wherever you may roam.
May peace and plenty bless your world
with joy that long endures.
May all life's passing seasons
bring the best to you and yours!



Chaplain Bob Nagel

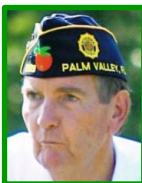
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Not everyone in Washington DC took shelter from Hurricane Sandy...



God Bless Our Military!

For God and Country,
Bob



Ric Smith, Judge Advocate

Email: judgeadvocate@AL233FL.org

The Legion Link, published monthly by the Florida Headquarters in Orlando, is available to all at floridalegion.org. Of note this month, another article by Larry Sheets, past National vice commander and present Internal Affairs Chairman, talks about bonding officers and employees who handle money in the post. National Bylaws states said officers should be bonded, the Florida Constitution @ Bylaws does not have this requirement. This difference of opinion is simple, bonding and surety companies in Florida are expensive, contrary to the "good idea approach". Over the past 20 years, five posts in our 5th District have all considered bonding for a few people, it did not fly due to costs. The responsibilities of identifying missing funds falls on the shoulders of post officers and has been resolved in this manner. Bottom line, watch the nickels and dimes...

For God and Country,
Ric



FROM THE AUXILIARY- President Kathy Church

Email: ALA@AL233FL.org

AUXILIARY EVENTS & INVOLVMENTS

With Halloween here and gone it is now on to planning for Thanksgiving & Christmas. The Auxiliary raffled a basket filled with goodies on Halloween night. The proceeds from this basket will go to make one or two Thanksgiving dinner baskets for two families in our community. In the past we have also asked for members to bring in canned goods to make a full dinner. Please start bringing in your donations & putting them in the Auxiliary room. Thanks to all who helped out with this. If you know of a family who could use a full Thanksgiving dinner please contact me.

The Auxiliary has been asked by Commander Roy to supply the side dishes for our Thanksgiving brunch. We will post a list on the Auxiliary bulletin board for those who plan on making a something. Turkeys and hams have already been donated and the Legion has volunteers to serve this brunch.

MEMBERSHIP - MEMBERSHIP -MEMBERSHIP

Now that renewal notices have finally been mailed out from National, members have been mailing in their dues. YES!!!! To those who have paid their 2013 dues I say THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. If you have not done so yet please write you check out to the ALA Unit 233 in the amount of \$25.00 and send it directly to my home address (101 Bowles St., Neptune Beach, FL 32266), drop it off at the Post to my attention or mail it to our

PO Box 11538 Jax Beach, 32240-1138. You have until Nov 11th if you wish to be an Early Bird. The next posting of membership should have us at 55% or higher.

GOOD LUCK TO PATTY O'CALLAHAN

The Auxiliary wishes Patty O'Callahan all the best in her new employment position in Washington DC. Patty has done so much for our Post and for all of us. This is a great opportunity for Patty. Keep Patty in your prayers as she travels to a new home. Patty's daughter Victoria will be also moving with her before she heads to Brazil to further her education. Good luck to both of them.

PRAYERS TO ALL IN THE PATH OF SANDY

Many of our members (myself included) have family & freinds who live up north. I pray that all have been accounted for and are safe from this horrific storm that is still raising havoc. I am going to contact an American Legion in NJ or New York to see if the Auxiliary can start either raising money or collecting items that we can send to. If anyone has a family member who is involved with an American Legion in these areas please get with me. I would rather work with another ALA Unit on this. I plan on bringing this up to the Auxiliary Executive meeting for Nov.

WORDS OF THANKS

With Thanksgiving upon us, let's all take a moment to say thank you for all that you and your family have in your life. I think we can all agree with the news of today that what we are blessed with can be taken away in a split second. Take the time to thank not only our military members but also the First Responders that put their own lives on the line to rescue and protect others without a second thought.

LAST WORDS:

GET OUT & VOTE on November 6th, no matter who or what you are voting for. Take advantage of Early Voting which ends on Saturday, Nov 1st. If you don't vote you have no right to complain about how or what our government does. I'm just saying.

Be safe,
Kathy



FROM THE AUXILIARY - 2nd Vice President Kathy Helmly

As 2nd Vice for Auxiliary Unit 233, it is my duty to keep up with our Wednesday night dinners and to ask for volunteers to cook and serve. This is an on going task that I must do throughout the 2012-2013 term. It is the Auxiliary members that step up to the plate and put together teams to fill the slots that make my job go smoothly. I would like to thank all Auxiliary members that have cooked so far this year. We have a group of ladies that know how to do some cooking.

If you are interested in cooking on an Auxiliary Wednesday night, please contact me via Facebook or catch me at the Post. Several of us are always willing to work with you as a team member.

Thank you,
Kathy (K2)

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

- 1 Tyler Fenton
- 2 Mary Merritt
- 6 Joan Corlew
- 9 Kimberly Allison
- 10 Herb Bennett
- 17 Rick Fenton



- 22 Sherri Parker
- 25 Bill Hayes
Jason Blessing
Tom Conley
- 27 Melvin Ard
Guy McFaddin
- 28 Wilber Burnett
Michael Dubin
Sean O'Callahan

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



Problems understanding the questions on this years ballot?
If you are reading this online just click the link on the right and review explanations to the questions.

Remember early voting ends Nov. 3rd at 7:00pm
Regular voting day is Tuesday November 6, 2012

AMENDMENT EXPLANATIONS:

<http://collinscenter.org/2012flamendments/home-2/>

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

**FYI: mail directed to the Commander can now be left in the locked black mailbox on the wall by the bar.
(formerly the Adjutants mailbox)**

Payment for business card ads for 2013 can be left in an envelope in the Commanders mailbox. \$25.00 is due before December 31, 2012 in order to keep your ad active. Remember your ad appears daily on the website and monthly in our newsletter. Thank you.

*A **BIG** thank you
to Ed Spetnagel
for his generous donation*

POST 233 "MEAL DEAL" SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

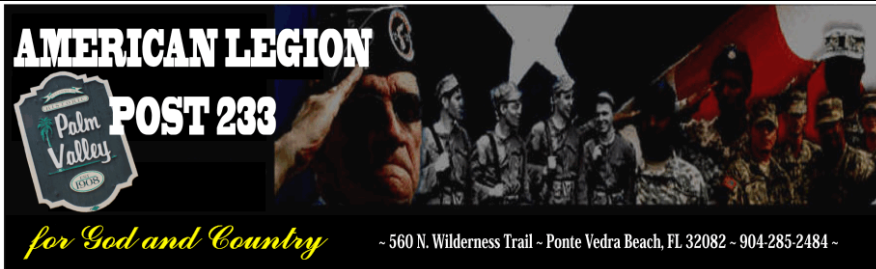
Are you one of those people who would love to volunteer to help your Post but you don't trust your culinary skills or aren't able to manage the kitchen duties?

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

POST 233 is a



There's a new look at www.AL233FL.org get connected, see what your missing!
This newsletter is published monthly on our website, printable monthly event calendars are also available from the website.

And you can now follow us on Twitter  @ Post233, & Watch us on  @ PalmValleyPost233.



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.

Advertise Here!

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Every Tuesday!

- ★ **Multiple Games during the evening**
- ★ **Rita's Light Dinner at 6:00**
- ★ **Game Registration at 6:30**
- ★ **Games begin at 7:00 sharp**



~Earn Chips~

**1,000 Chips to start the Game for buying dinner
500 Chips for each drink you buy during the Game**



**Rita's Light Dinner before the
Games begin for \$5.00 donation**

- ★ **One win registers you to play in the monthly Tournament.**
- ★ **Each additional win in the same month rewards extra chips at the Tournament.**
- ★ **Monthly Tournament is held on the third (3rd) Tuesday of every month.**
- ★ **Winner of the monthly Tournament receives a sponsorship to the Poker Room.**

Dealers work on tips~your generosity is greatly appreciated!

American Legion~Post #233~www.al233fl.org~904.285.2484

Post #233 Fundraiser of Food, Music & Fun!



Prepared by Don & Ben

Grilled Chicken
Green Beans & Mac-n-Cheese

\$10.00 per plate donation

SAT, NOV 3rd, 6:00-8:00



Karaoke Host: Tex!!

All donations go to Post #233

American Legion, Post #233, 560 N. Wilderness Trail, PVPV

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Join us for a relaxing
Saturday evening with music by:
Deb Johnston & Company
SAT, NOV 10th, 8:00-11:00

Auxiliary Dinner
\$8.00 per plate

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Be a Star Entertainment Karaoke



with

Wanda & Big John

FRI, November 16th

8:00-11:00

**Fish or Steak Dinner
by Chef Mike ~ 6:30-8:00
\$12.00 dinner donation**

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Thanksgiving Luncheon

THU, NOV 22th, 1200 hrs

Turkeys, Hams, Dressing,
Potato Dishes, Vegetables,
Casseroles, Rolls & Desserts

Members & Guests Welcome!
(reasonable number, please)
No Charge!

Post #233
285-2484
www.al233fl.org



**Karaoke Host:
Frankie Martin, Jr.**

FRI, NOV 23rd

8:00-11:00



**Fish or Steak Dinner
by Chef Mike**

6:30-8:00

\$12.00 dinner donation

**American Legion~Post 233
www.al233fl.org~904.285.2484**

American Legion Riders



of Post #233

Invite you to Karaoke
in the Pavilion!

SUN, NOV 25th, 2:00 until ??
Karaoke!

**Broccoli Soup, Meat Loaf,
Mashed Potatoes & Corn**
\$8.00 per plate

American Legion, Post #233, 560 N. Wilderness Trail, PVPV

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Friday, November 30th, 8:00-11:00

**After a Steak/Fish dinner by Chef Mike, 6:30-8:00,
enjoy the sounds of the 50s & 60s with us!**

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Supporting Our
Bravest Warriors
and their
K9 Partners!

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NOVEMBER



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>3 *Breakfast: 9-11:30 *ALR: 11:00</p> <p><i>Sall Back</i></p> @ 1:00	<p>4 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p><i>God Bless America!</i></p> 8:30	<p>5 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>NOTE Dinner: 6:00 Texas Hold'em: 6:30</p>	<p>6 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>NOTE Dinner: 6:00 Texas Hold'em: 6:30</p>	<p>7 * Lunch: 11-1 * Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p>	<p>8 * Lunch: 11-1 * Auxiliary: 7:00</p> @ 8:20	<p>9 * Lunch: 11-1 * Steak/Fish: 6:30-8</p> @ 8:20
<p>11 NO BREAKFAST Lunchcon after Veterans Day Event P17 Cemetery 10:30</p> <p>VETERANS DAY</p> <p>18 *Breakfast: 9-11:30 Tell us your ideas & suggestions!</p> @ 1:00	<p>12 * Lunch: 11-1 POST #233 WANTS YOU!</p> 8:30	<p>13 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>Dinner: 6:00 Texas Hold'em: 6:30</p>	<p>14 * Lunch: 11-1 * Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p>	<p>15 * Lunch: 11-1 * S.A.L.: 6:00</p> @ 8:20	<p>16 * Lunch: 11-1 * Steak/Fish: 6:30-8 1730 hrs</p>	<p>17 THEME NIGHT!</p>
<p>18 *Breakfast: 9-11:30 Tell us your ideas & suggestions!</p> @ 1:00	<p>19 * Lunch: 11-1</p> 8:30	<p>20 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>Texas Hold'em Open Tables & Tournament: 6:30</p>	<p>21 * Lunch: 11-1 * Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p> <p>\$ Join Our \$ Meat-Deal Sponsorship Club</p>	<p>22 * Lunch: 11-1 * Thanksgiving Luncheon 12:00</p>	<p>23 * Lunch: 11-1 * Steak/Fish: 6:30-8</p> <p>Frankie Martin, Jr. 8:00-11:00</p>	<p>24 Join Us For College Football! 4HD Flatcreens!</p>
<p>25 * Breakfast: 9-11:30 Riders' Pavilion Karaoke 2:00 until?</p> @ 1:00	<p>26 * Lunch: 11-1</p> 8:30	<p>27 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>Dinner: 6:00 Texas Hold'em: 6:30</p>	<p>28 * Lunch: 11-1 * Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p> <p>Visit your website for updates at: www.a1233fl.org</p>	<p>29 * Lunch: 11-1</p> @ 8:20	<p>30 * Lunch: 11-1 * Steak/Fish: 6:30-8</p> <p>Frankie & the Flashbacks 8:00 - 11:00</p>	<p>3 Post #233 Fundraiser Grilled Chicken Music & Fun!</p>

FRI Steak Dinner: \$12.00 ~ WED & SUN Dinner: \$8.00 ~ SUN Breakfast: \$5.00 or \$7.00 ~ Donations Required
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No Smoking During WED/FRI Dinner (6-8) & SUN Breakfast (9-12)

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2012-2013

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