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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-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

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During this past month I am proud to announce that the Legion held its first annual Law & Order Awards Ceremony at which Corporal Sidney Mickler, of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, was named Law Enforcement Officer of the Year; and Firefighter/EMT Katrina Silvia, St. Johns County Fire-Rescue, was named Firefighter of the Year. The event was a complete success and attendance included family, friends and colleagues of the recipients as well as our members. Thanks go out to Captain Ski & Team for the fish fry, to Flat Black for the wonderful entertainment, to all our members (Post-AUX-SAL-ALR) that helped make this event successful, and to my officers and committee co-chair Dan W. The potholes that have recently plagued our front parking area have been repaired, thanks to Charlie and Dan for overseeing that project.

For God and Country, *Roy*





Adjutant Patty O'Callahan

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Legionnaires:

Outstanding & Thank You to all of you Early Birds! We have moved up a few more points to 70%, remaining at the most upper level of the other posts in Florida; however, we still have a way to go to reach our 100% goal. If you haven't done so already, please pay your 2013 dues as soon as you can. I know you've all received renewal notices from National, that is certain. Your continued support to your post, our community & our Veterans is so important, please help us keep a good thing going.

For the Good of the Legion, *Patty*





1st Vice Commander Mark Dorsey

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Wow it is October already and the year is flying by. Membership is doing well, but we still have a ways to go. If you have not renewed yet now is the time. Remember November 11th is the deadline to be a Early Bird and receive a free dinner. So don't wait your dues support the Post.

For God and Country, *Mark*





2nd Vice Commander Robby Bacom

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Well here we all are Legionnaires, SAL, Aux, and Riders going into the forth month of our new year. Been happy the way things have been going so far. Excited about the Past Commanders Club and cooking our Low Country boil that we have planned for the 3rd of October. Kitchen still doing well and many thanks to all that have been helping cook, serve and cleaning up.

For God and Country, Robby





3rd Vice Commander Stu Lilly

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Hello Post 233, What a great Law and Order Awards we had at our Post very nice turn out and thank you Capt. Ski and crew for the great food. Flat Black thank you for music (to bad you can't open for Charlie Daniels and 38 Special). Thank You the VOLUNTEERS that made this a great day. Speaking of volunteers have any member watched Ground hog day with Bill Murray he wakes up and every day is the same. I see that same volunteers day after week. I cooked and helped on 2 Sundays in a row and had a member ask me why we had no fresh coffee, I said sorry I will make some for you, now if that member would have made the pot of coffee guest what you would have been a Volunteer it's that easy. I know every one has a busy schedule but a few hours won't hurt. Membership is looking good and might have new members from the Law and Order Awards. Remember be on the look out for new members. The last note is to Ric Smith (Judge Advocate) Thank You for your support, knowledge and being a team player for our veterans.

For God and Country, Stu





4th Vice Commander Charlie Walker

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Volunteers and badly need for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Please help if you can. Contact me, 2nd Vice Robby Bacom, or the Canteen Manager Diane Dorsey to volunteer.

For God and Country, Charlie





Chaplain Bob Nagel

Remember that as long as our country continues to have troops in harms way, that we keep those troops and their families

in our daily thoughts and prayers.

For God and Country,

Bob





Ric Smith, Judge Advocate

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Since the published updates from the June, 2012 State Convention, correspondence has been quiet relative to post issues. As noted previously, the State Commander, State Judge Advocate and State Adjutant encourage local posts to resolve their issues internally. Settling disputes and personalities amongst ourselves is much more beneficial than airing dirty linen at the state level.

Just a reminder, the Fall Conference is November 9th thru 11th in Orlando at the Hilton Walt Disney World hotel. Rooms are going fast and are pricey. Reservations, ask for Legion discount, are at 1-800-782-4414.

For God and Country, *Ric*





CANTEEN MANAGERS REPORT- by Diane Dorsey

Post 233's Event calendar has been and continues to be quite active! We are proud to have hosted or are scheduled to host a number of charitable fund raising and community orientated events that really make a difference. Thanks to all the volunteers who have worked hard and continue to do so to make these events happen! In mid-September Post 233 hosted the 2012 St. John's Co. Law & Order Awards honoring the Law Enforcement and Firefighter of the Year recipients. These young people are our local heros and it was nice to see so many turn out to honor them. Music by Flatblack and a great fish dinner by Capt. Ski's Original Fish Fry Team rounded out a good day in the Valley!

Helping our fellow members in need is one of the things that we do so well at Post 233. Two of our member families, the Buckley's and Thomas's, have suffered the unfathomable loss of a child and grandchild respectively and in turn have faced staggering unexpected expenses on top of their grief. Our benefit event for the Buckley family was hugely successful and we anticipate that the Thomas family benefit on September 30th will be as well. Spaghetti Dinner tickets for that event are on sale in the Canteen. Along with prayers and encouragement, we can only hope that our contributions will ease some of the burdens these families are facing.

On September 29th Post 233 will be the finish line for the Legacy Riders Poker Run. There will be music and food outdoors and the Pavilion bar will be open for business. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the St. Augustine Veterans Nursing Home Christmas Stocking Stuffer program. Looking forward to nice fall weather and a fun event for a very good cause!

Wednesday October 3rd will be a very special Wednesday night dinner! The Post 233 Past Commanders Club will be sponsoring, preparing and serving a fabulous Low Country Boil. Jumbo shrimp, crawfish, clams, corn and potatoes simmered in a buttery mildly Cajun spiced broth served with garlic bread to soak it all up! Got your attention? Tickets are available in the Canteen for a 10.00 donation. Help the guys out and get your ticket early so they will have an approximate head count. Dinners will also be available on a first come, first serve basis on the 3rd.

The Palm Valley Boat Parade is a long standing and much anticipated annual event in our community. Post 233 is honored and we are excited to have been chosen as the venue for the 2012 Boat Parade Fund Raising Event. The event will be held Saturday, October 13 with 3 bands performing live on our stage, great food catered by our own Chef Mike Shaar's Palm Valley Catering, activities for the kids, door prizes and a whole lot of fun for everyone. There is a press release by PV Boat Parade Chairperson, Kelli Osborne reprinted in this newsletter outlining how you can help make this year's parade a big success.

As the holidays approach and our calendar fills up with our regular ongoing events, special charitable events, fundraisers and private parties, it is a good time to remind everyone to take a minute to read the Post 233 House Rules and Regulations. This document is posted in the Canteen area and online at www.al233fl.org and an additional copy is available behind the bar. It is our goal to provide all members and guests with a pleasant, safe and enjoyable experience at Post 233. With that goal in mind, please treat your fellow members, our guests and our employees with the degree of respect and kindness you would like afforded to yourself.

For God and Country, *Diane*





FROM THE SAL- Commander Jeff 'Tex' Ward

Email: SAL@AL233FL.org

Greetings fellow members,

It is MEMBERSHIP renewal time. As of September we are at 31%. We have a very good record of 100+% membership renewal and we want to keep it that way. You can send in your payment (\$25.) or give it to the bartender on duty.

We are responsible for one Wednesday night a month to cook dinner. Please help us by volunteering <u>at least</u> once this year. The September dinner of Shrimp Creole was prepared by Mike Shaar with help from John Paparelli and Wilford Lyons and Kim McMasters. Great job men! The next S.A.L. dinner is 10/18. Please plan to be there (even if you can't help out) to buy a meal and support our Post. Dates for other months are not yet finalized but don't let that stop you. If you know when you can do it please let me know and I will make arrangements. Pick a date that you can either cook or volunteer in the kitchen. Also, remember that if you cannot volunteer you can always be a <u>Gold Sponsor.</u> (A \$100 donation will pay for the food and someone else to cook it.) If the same names keep showing up in this column it is because the same people are doing the volunteering. It sure would be nice to give the "regulars" a break!

The S.A.L. has purchased and installed a new HD t.v. for the U-bar area. It is a beaut! I can't wait to watch the Jags. There are other exciting events and fundraisers coming up in the near future so keep your eyes on the newsletter, visit the website (www.al233fl.org) and Facebook page or better yet, come in to your Post and have a drink!

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding our Squadron or Post 233 issues, my phone number is 904-233-0976 and my email is flagman49@yahoo.com. I apologize for continuing to change the monthly meeting date but Thursdays are very inconvenient for me and some other members. The next SAL meeting is Wed. Oct. 24th @ 6 p.m. God Bless America.

Jeff "TEX" Ward

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY's

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2	Fred Harlee	18	Charlie Walker
3	Peyton Stockton		Beverly Beek
7	Susan Lamolinara	19	Dixie Kieffer
9	Ray Root	30	Judy Nagel
	Bobby Duval	31	Bob Pinto
11	Ski Koslowski	Your birthday can be listed here by sending your name, month and day to webmaster@al233fl.org or call Roy @ 287-6909	
	Patricia Jennings		
	Jason Bass		
12	Chris Hoed		
13	Shirley Mahoney		
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LAW & ORDER AWARDS 2012

This was the first (annual) Awards Ceremony by Post 233



Law Enforcement Officer of the Year 2012 Cpl. Sidney A. Mickler



Firefighter of the Year 2012 FF Katrina L. Silvia

REMINDER: USED COOKING OIL

Post 233 now has a 55 gallon drum outside the back door of the kitchen on the north corner of the building. This drum is for used cooking oil ONLY.

Griffin Industries will pump out the drum periodically and the Post will receive .70 cents per gallon recycled.

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 A **BIG** thank you
The Middleton's
for their meal sponsorship in Sept.

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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

You Tube

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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. Call 285-2484.

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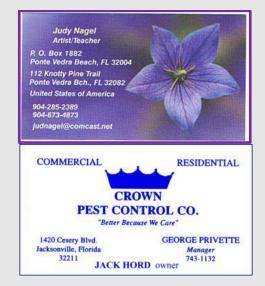








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We celebrated with the K9s for Warriors our 6th Graduation! Our participation continues to grow, with members & welcomed guest & family of our Warriors. This month's class consisted of: Jason; Jessie; and, Daniel! This is the beginning of a major turning point in their lives. They are better prepared now to reconnecting with the world by having their K9 Partner beside them. The time has come for them to move on with their future & their families. This was our largest group of supporters, thus far. There is no doubt that our Warriors appreciate your attendance & all your well-wishes.

We can never say thank you enough to the amazing K9s for Warriors Team! We are very grateful for all that you do for our Warriors! And we look forward to our next group of Warriors & K9s in October! For God & Country,

Patty O'Callahan

K9s for Warriors Chairperson

For God & Country, Patty O'Callahan K9s for Warriors Chairperson



FRI Steak Dinner: \$12.00 ~ WED & SUN Dinner: \$8.00 ~ SUN Breakfast: \$5.00 or \$7.00 ~ Donations Required 904.285.2484 No Smoking During WED/FRI Dinner (6-8) & SUN Breakfast (9-12) Support Your Troops www.al233fl.org (1)

PAVILION RENTAL EVENT October 13, 4pm - 9pm

Can you believe it's that time of year again, all the festivities are starting up leading to the Annual Palm Valley Boat Parade which is slated for December 8th!!

Here is all the info you need: 3rd annual Fundraiser will be held on October 13th, from 4PM-9PM at the American Legion Post 233 located on 560 N. Wilderness Trail here in Palm Valley - Woo Hoo! We are so excited about that!!

Where can you get your tickets?? Call Kelli at 280-2555 and she will be happy to oblige:).

We will be registering boats at the fundraiser, registering docks, taking donations and registering our contestants for our very first Ms. Palm Valley Pageant!!

One new family that recently moved to the area says they chose to move here because while they were visiting they saw the boat parade and felt the sense of community. How great is that? And another one said they were on a boat for the parade and had more fun than any of the other parades they had participated in. It's that interaction between the people on the boats and the spectators that makes this boat parade so special. The overall sentiment of the boaters seems to be they love the atmosphere and how close they are able to get with the spectators!! Best of all, we provide cash prizes.

How can you help?? Most importantly for the fundraiser, we need to sell tickets, we need baked goods for our very popular CAKE WALK, baked goods for our dessert table, and we need boaters and dock owners to register. So tell all your friends that love to boat to please sign up and be in our parade.

Once again, and we can't say it enough, our parade operates on donations and for us to turn out a great boat parade for all of our spectators we have to have donations. Many of you are business owners, partners, and most of you are homeowners that are throwing annual parties just for this event, we truly need you to help out with the incentives to get these boaters here and keep them coming year after year so it can grow and always entertain.

This year we are able to offer banners to those companies, individuals, and families who make a substantial donation to hang on the lead boats thanking that company, individual or family for supporting the parade. Please consider this!! Any questions, you may call Kelli at 280-2555 or send an email to Kellioz@aol.com.



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.
- \bigstar 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!

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Post #233's Past Commanders' Club



invite you to a Special Wednesday Night Dinner

October 3rd, 6:30-8:00







Low Country Boil Shrimp, Crawfish, Clams, Sausage, Corn & Potatoes

American Legion, Post #233, 560 N. Wilderness Trail, DVDV 904.285.2484 www.al233fl.org

Beach Street Boogie On Our Stage FRI, OCT 5th 8:00~11:00

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



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Warrior Graduation THU, OCT 18th, 1730 hrs



Join us for the monthly graduation of our Bravest Warriors and their K9 Partners!

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www.al233fl.org 904.285.2484

Frankie Martin, Jr. FRI, OCT 19th 8:00-11:00



Fish or Steak Dinner by the Legionnaires 6:30-8:00
\$12.00 dinner donation

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PERFORMING ON FRI, OCT 26TH SHOTTINE: 8:00-10:00

FISH OR STEAK DINNER BY CHEF MIKE 6:30-8:00 \$12.00 DINNER DONATION



American Legion Riders



of Post #233

Invite you to Karaoke in the Pavilion! SUN, OCT 28th, 2:00 until??

Karaoke Host: Russell

Lunch TBD!

\$8.00 per plate

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