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Canteen hours:

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, 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



Commander Roy Havekost

Email: Commander@AL233FL.org

Well here we are already in May and yes it is again time for elections of officers. The slate for the 2013-14 term is full with the exception of Historian. Final nominations will take place at the May meeting on Thursday, May 2nd. A list of those running for office is located on the Post website. As of this writing, there is no contest for any office. If no one else is nominated at the May meeting, then those running will be elected by acclamation on Thursday. Should there be a contest for any office, voting will then take place on Friday May 3rd from 10am to 6pm.

For God and Country,
Roy



1st Vice Commander/ Adjutant Mark Dorsey

Email: ViceComm1@AL233FL.org

This year has been a great year for Legion membership We are at 113%. I want to thank everyone at Post 233 that helped make this possible.

Also, the past commanders dinner was a great success On Wednesday, April 24th. A very special thanks to the Chef - Past Commander Don Mills, and to his helpers Judy Mills, Kathy Helmly, Past commanders Robbie Bacom and Glen Ward and my beautiful wife Diane Dorsey. Great job folks.

For God & Country,
Mark



Planning Committee, Dan Wortmann

We have some work projects coming up at the Post and I could 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

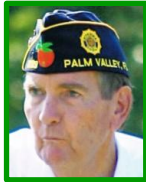


Chaplain Bob Nagel

Email: Chaplain@AL233FL.org

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

For God and Country,
Bob



Ric Smith, Judge Advocate

Email: judgeadvocate@AL233FL.org

As our 2012 - 2013 year comes to a close, we remind everyone to participate in our General Meeting on Thursday night or VOTE on Friday during the day for election of new officers. Your participation as an active member is imperative to growing our post. We have had a very successful year thanks to your selection of good officers. Keep it up!

For God and Country,
Ric



**FROM THE AUXILIARY-
President Kathy Church**

Email: ALA@AL233FL.org

Well it is hard to believe that the end of the term is quickly coming to an end. We will be voting for our 2013-2014 Officers on Thursday, May 9th. We are still taking nominations for all officer positions. If you are interested in becoming an officer or serving on the Executive Committee please contact Barbara Turley, Nominations Chair.

ALA membership for Unit 233 is at 90.6% and we have met all the goals to date. We have until the end of May to meet our 100% goal. If you have not paid your 2013 dues and you do not have a 2013 card please contact me ASAP. This is of utmost importance.

We also need to continue to build our membership. For those of you who have children and grand children you need to get them to join. They are the future of our Unit, with new members comes new ideas and growth for our Auxiliary.

Our "Tax Relief" event was a HUGE success thanks to the leadership of Barbara Turley and all the volunteers. This was the Auxiliary's event for the year to raise money for the Post. We presented the Post with a check for \$660.00 from this event.

Sunday, May 5th, 9:00am at Post 283 is our yearly Constitutional Conference. This is the time of the year that we hand in our yearly report to our 5th District President Robin Combs, for her to finalize her reports. We also have a service for all Auxiliary members that have passed away during the term. It would be nice to have a good showing at this meeting from Unit 233. If you would like to join me at this meeting please let me know.

There are always many people to thank that keep our Post/Unit going. It is virtually impossible to thank everyone for everything that they have done. Please know this though – from the bottom of my heart: I truly appreciate all that anyone does to keep things running smoothly at our Post and all that you do for our Veterans, their families and our communities. I can see that with the number of volunteer hours that the Auxiliary members alone have logged in for 2013 (for those who handed them in) that we have a caring group of women in Unit 233. If you can help out just a tiny bit here and there just think of how much more we could accomplish. Start keeping track of your volunteer hours now for the 2014 term.

Check out up coming events on the Legion's website and on our Facebook pages.

Peace & Love to all, *Kathy*



FROM THE SAL- Commander Jeff 'Tex' Ward

Sons,

Thanks to Dale Little for his effort to ensure that our April "Wed. Night Dinner" was a success. With help from

Charlie Weeden, Randy Cottle, and Mike Shaar we had yet another successful dinner. Dale's famous fried chicken is the best around!! Thanks guys. As I state every month in this column and at our meeting we are responsible for one Wednesday night a month to provide dinner. Please help us by volunteering at least once a year. That is not asking too much, is it? The next S.A.L. dinner is 5/15. Even if you can't help out at least be there to buy a meal and support our Post. Remember that if you cannot volunteer you can always be a Gold Sponsor. A \$100. donation will pay for the food and someone else to cook it. *NOTE: 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!*

We continue to be involved in maintaining the building and grounds at our Post. We are looking to finish painting the inside of the building (with the okay from the Bldg. Comm.) in the very near future and will need help from some of you to complete that project. As soon as we get the okay I will plan a "working bee". Many hands make light work so if you can help please let me know. Our idea is to start/finish it on a Saturday.

We elected our officers at the April meeting. I am proud to say that I will be the Commander again for the 2013-14 year. All of the other officers remained the same and we added John Goddard as our Historian. I look forward to working with these guys again next year. We are developing quite a "team".

There will be other exciting events and fundraisers coming up this year so keep your eyes on the newsletter, visit the website (www.al233fl.org) and Facebook page or better yet, come to the Post and have a drink! You are always invited to attend the monthly S.A.L. meeting and have some input or at least be current with what we are doing.

The next S.A.L. meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 23rd (the fourth Thurs. of May) at 7pm.

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.

God Bless Our Troops

God Bless America

Jeff "TEX" Ward



FROM THE RIDERS- Director Jarrod Buchman

The monthly meeting for the Riders has been changed to the third Sunday of the month. The Riders will cook breakfast on that morning from 9am-11:30am. The meeting will be held at 12 noon, followed by an afternoon ride.

For God and Country

Jarrod



MAY BIRTHDAY'S



1	Millie Bristol
2	Barbara Turley
3	Van Martin
4	Victoria Lynch
5	Peggy Chapman
7	Robert Parsons Jr.
11	Fred Henderson
19	Tina Reynolds
	Debbie Stewart

21	Carol Lamb
24	Pat Mosley-Root
26	Dee Durnal
28	Ann Cook
29	Jean Batchelder
31	Doug Cope
	Brenda Brooks
	Deane O'Donnell

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**



**POST 233 is a**



Space available



There's a new look at [www.AL233FL.org](http://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.**



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Judy Nagel  
Artist/Teacher

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Business card advertising available here



APRIL 2013 GRADUATING CLASS



Warriors:

John Davis, Army, Abbeville, SC; Christopher Spikes, Army, Prairieville, LA;  
Raymond Kusch, Army, Rockwood, MI; and Steven Foreman, Army, Bozeman, MT.

Thank you for your service and welcome home!



# MAY



| SUN                                                             | MON                                                     | TUE                                                                                                | WED                                                                                                     | THU                                                                                  | FRI                                                                                               | SAT                                                           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <p>5 * Breakfast: 9-11:30</p> <p><b>CINCO DE MAYO</b></p>       | <p>6 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p><i>Volunteer to Cook!</i></p> | <p>7 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p><b>National Teacher Day</b><br/>Dinner: 6:00<br/>Texas Hold'em: 6:30</p> | <p>1 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p> <p><b>POST #233 WANTS YOU!</b></p>                       | <p>2 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Legionnaires: 7:00</p> <p><b>National Day of Prayer</b></p> | <p>3 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Steak/Fish: 6:30-8</p> <p><b>Frankie Martin, Jr.</b><br/>8:00-11:00</p>  | <p>4</p> <p><i>God Bless America!</i></p>                     |
| <p>12 * Breakfast: 9-11:30</p> <p><i>Happy Mother's Day</i></p> | <p>13 * Lunch: 11-1</p>                                 | <p>14 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>Dinner: 6:00<br/>Texas Hold'em: 6:30</p>                                | <p>8 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p> <p><i>Support Our Troops!</i></p>                        | <p>9 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Auxiliary: 7:00</p>                                         | <p>10 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Steak/Fish: 6:30-8</p> <p><b>The Boz Man</b><br/>8:00-11:00</p>         | <p>11</p> <p><b>VETERAN VETS LEGACY RIDERS FUNDRAISER</b></p> |
| <p>19 * Breakfast: 9-11:30<br/>* Riders: 11:00</p>              | <p>20 * Lunch: 11-1</p>                                 | <p>21 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>Texas Hold'em<br/>Open Tables &amp;<br/>Tournament: 6:30</p>            | <p>15 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p> <p><b>\$ Join Our \$ Meal-Deal Sponsorship Club</b></p> | <p>16 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* S.A.L.: 7:00</p>                                           | <p>17 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Steak/Fish: 6:30-8</p> <p><b>New Element</b><br/>8:00-11:00</p>         | <p>18</p> <p>Armed Forces Day<br/><b>Theme Nights!</b></p>    |
| <p>26 * Breakfast: 9-11:30</p> <p><i>Support Your Post!</i></p> | <p>27 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* House Cmte: 7:00</p>          | <p>28 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>Dinner: 6:00<br/>Texas Hold'em: 6:30</p>                                | <p>22 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Dinner: 6:30-8:00</p>                                                         | <p>23 * Lunch: 11-1</p> <p>1730 hrs<br/><b>K9S FOR WARRIORS.ORG</b></p>              | <p>24 * Lunch: 11-1<br/>* Steak/Fish: 6:30-8</p> <p><b>Beach Street Boogie</b><br/>8:00-11:00</p> | <p>25</p> <p><b>Pavilion Private Wedding Party</b></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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Historian: Rod Garing  
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