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Subject: SITREP 07-2024 UPDATE (FINAL SITREP AS COMMANDER) REVISED 6-20-2024

Members of Post 233,

I will finish my 2023-2024 tenure as your Commander and will stay on the Executive Board as the PCC Representative. I feel that “WE” saved the Post with a bright strategic plan and a vision – it was a TEAM effort! When I was asked to come back and assume Commandership, I inherited a Post that hasn’t had insurance on the property for years, lost Veteran Organization IRS status (501©19), membership was at 58% (now over 100%), and financially was in challenges. A special thanks to all the donors for their financial support and Greg’s team and vision to make **The Bunker** a reality, too.

I attended this year’s American Legion Conference and obtained the 2025 membership cards. Unfortunately, the SAL cards were not available because of administrative error – they are going to be mailed to the respective Posts. Incoming 2024-2025 Officers are:

- Post Commander: Pete Lenio
- 1st Vice Commander: Greg Cressman
- 2nd Vice Commander: Jim Warwick
- 3rd Vice Commander: Dan Wortmann (PC)
- 4th Vice Commander: Dave Brannon
- Sargent at Arms: Bill Hyatt
- Adjutant (appointed): Greg Cressman
- Finance Officer: Brian Holmes
- Executive Committee: Matt McCord, Larry Vismok, Jim Warwick, Tony Correia, Frank Davis
- Historian: **VACANT**
- Judge Advocate (appointed): Sonny Kirkwood
- House Committee Chairman (appointed): Bob Bleak
- Chaplain: Doris Gil
- Service Officer (appointed): **VACANT**
- PCC Rep: (Voted by PCC Club): Sonny Kirkwood nominated/approved by the PCC Membership.

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I will recommend to Pete and membership we reinstate the Early Bird Dinner for members that renew before November 1st; historically, we used to do a Prime Rib Dinner. Membership cards will be stamped with a bird to indicate your renewal.

Note: All incoming 2024-2025 officers must renew their membership by July 1st. You can pay via cash and/or credit card at the Bar. Your cards will be at the Bar. Installation of new officers scheduled for July 14, 5:30 PM.

In closing, I especially appreciate the vote of confidence asking me to take the helm again at Post 233 – it’s been a LOT of work, hours, and dedication.

For God and Country, Sonny Kirkwood (PC 2015-2016)
Post Commander 233 Palm Valley Florida (2023-2024) Department of Florida