



## Sauls-Bridges American Legion Post 13 News



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### LEGIONNAIRE MEMBERS HONORED

The Leon County Government partnered with the national law firm of Holland & Knight to present the “9/11 Day of Remembrance and Service” at the Florida State School of Law on Friday, September 11, 2015.

The service was officiated by Vincent S. Long, County Administrator and featured Ben Bradwell, Leon County Veteran Services Officer who led the Pledge of Allegiance, the Boys’ Choir of Tallahassee that performed their very moving rendition of the National Anthem followed with a patriotic medley, Mary Ann Lindley, Leon County Commission Chairman who presented a patriotic proclamation and Mia McKown of Holland & Knight who presented the **Glenn J. Winuk Humanitarian Award**.

This award is presented annually to honor acts of sacrificial service that Glenn Winuk exemplified in his life and in his death while providing lifesaving assistance in the South Tower of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Nominees are selected because of their humanitarian contributions within our community that mirror the selfless heroic actions of Glenn Winuk on that day.

All nominees deserved to win the award, but alas, only one out of nine nominees was selected, and that was our own Legionnaire Brother, retired Army Colonel Claude W. Shipley.

Claude has served as the volunteer Program Director for the Florida Veterans Foundation’s (FVF) annual North Florida Homeless Veterans Stand Down where homeless veterans and veterans at risk receive legal counseling, housing assistance, medical assistance, social security benefits, Veterans Administration benefits and many more services provided from throughout the community.

Homelessness among veterans has been greatly reduced during the last three years due to Claude’s efforts through the Florida Veterans Foundation that works in conjunction with many other organizations within our community. It is believed that these continuing combined efforts may culminate in achieving the level of “Functional Zero” among homeless veterans within our community this year.

We are in good company at Post 13 and should congratulate two of our brothers for their service to us and our community:

Congratulations to Claude W. Shipley for receiving the **Glenn J. Winuk Humanitarian Award**, and Congratulations to Charles LeCroy for being selected to the **Florida Veterans Hall of Fame**. Submitted by Tom Clark

In photo: Leon County Chairwoman Mary Anne Lindley, Mrs. Shipley & Claude Shipley, and Leon County Administrator Vince Long. (Photo by Tom Clark)



### HISTORIAN AND SERGEANT AT ARMS NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Nominations for Historian and Sergeant at Arms will be taken on October 8<sup>th</sup> 2015. Elections will follow immediately after the close of nominations. This is in accordance with our Post Constitution Article 3 Section 4, filling of vacancies.

*“Where liberty dwells, there is my country.” — Benjamin Franklin*

# POST 13 NEWS

## INCREASE IN DUES

The 2016 dues are going up to \$35.00 for Legion membership. This will take effect on January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2016. However if you pay you dues before December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year you will only have to pay \$25.00. The break down of the increase is as follows:

National-\$5.00, State-\$3.00, and Post 13- \$2.00.

The increase in local dues was voted on and passed at our general meeting.

## NEED YOUR CURRENT EMAIL

Your Post, Post 13, would like to keep in touch with you. There are times we need to disseminate information before the newsletter goes to print. We are even transitioning to send the newsletter out by email. You may send us an email telling us what your email is, but be sure and tell us who you are. Not all emails identify the sender, so include your name in the email. You may send your email to [amlegp13@gmail.com](mailto:amlegp13@gmail.com) . In the subject line

## KNOW YOU OFFICERS —POST ADJUTANT

### Richard C. McCulley

The job of Adjutant is to assist your Commander in the wise and effective administration of that office and to serve not only your fellow Legionnaires, but also those whose relationship to our organization has led them to look to us for guidance and relief. The duties are many, varied, and at times taxing as to the crowded hours and resources. Examples—membership, taking minutes, writing of letters of condolence, helping and directing veterans to Veterans service organizations to help in their needs, and many more.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

Veteran's Day will soon be upon us!

That means it is time to get the volunteers for our annual breakfast lined up.

Your legion team this year will be run by Jimmy Steele and his co-workers—but we will still need lots of help on the morning of November 11th.

In all, I need 26 volunteers to help in the kitchen; 30 will be even better! So if you can help, give Jimmy a ring @ (850) 322-5726, or email me at [bubblehead408@gmail.com](mailto:bubblehead408@gmail.com) .

Breakfast must be ready to serve promptly @ 6:45 AM until 9:00 AM.

Servers must be ready with aprons, hats, and gloves by 6:30 AM.

All others will begin no later than 5:30 AM.

Also needed—

- A minimum of 3 stand alone single burner gas cookers.
- Two large gas powered grills for bacon & sausage.
- Extra filled gas propane bottles for cookers & grills.

***EVERY DAY IS VETERANS DAY!***



## The Chaplain's Corner—Noel Hurst

Post Chaplain



Our Supreme Commander, thank you for life and freedom! You have blessed our country beyond measure. Thank You for the great freedom we enjoy! Some of our freedoms are being diminished but our trust is in You! You will keep us and lead us as we follow and honor You.

Thank You, Lord, for our great Navy, founded in 1775. Thank You for the men and women who have faithfully served during these 240 years. Yes, some have died as they protected our right to life. Those have a very special place in our hearts.

Father, please protect the officers, men and women who are now serving in our Navy. Many are even now in harm's way. Protect them and remind them of your watching care, Oh, Lord.

Thank You for all those in our Armed Forces who watch over our safety and well-being. Bless them, we pray.

Father, our country is in the early stages of a presidential campaign and we confess that we need your help, your guidance. Help us, the people, elect the president we need. Give us a president who will deal justly with the people and not run roughshod over the Constitution. Oh, Lord, give us a president who will respect the laws of the land and the will of the people. Our hope is in You and not in politicians!

Thank You, dear Lord, for our Legion Post, the Commander and other officers who serve faithfully. Thank You for volunteers who help keep our facilities attractive and comfortable. We are indebted to them.

When we think of Boys State, Girls State and American Legion baseball we are grateful. Grateful to You and to those volunteers who work diligently with the participating youth. What skill and dedication they show as they lend their efforts to those great programs! What great youth engage in those activities! Father, bless the young guys and girls who join in those programs. Only You know what the future holds for the participants. May greatness await each one.

Father, remind us daily of our great debt to you.

"Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet  
Lest we forget, lest we forget!"

### VFW POST 3308

#### 9-11 REMEMBRANCE

On Friday, September 11th, 2015, VFW Post 3308, Tallahassee, Florida, had a service to remember the fallen heroes of the September 11th, 2001 terrorist attack. The service was represented by Post 3308 members and officers, Marine Corp League, and American Legion Post 13. The Chaplain opened with a prayer. Commander Mark Alvarez spoke about how we should always remember the brave citizens that gave up their lives that terrible day that will forever be in the hearts of American citizens. He also said that this is the new generation's Pearl Harbor. The Flag was at half mast, saluted, dipped, and returned to full mast, as Taps was played. The Chaplain dismissed the service with a closing prayer. (Photos by Doug Marsh.)



*"In the truest sense, freedom cannot be bestowed; it must be achieved." — Franklin D. Roosevelt*



## "LIGHTING THE WAY FOR VETERANS"



### "FROM THE SERVICE OF ONE COMES THE SUPPORT OF MANY"

Hi Ladies,

Another month gone and we are still busy with the service of one (you) to support the many military families. The Labor Day Dance was a success and we voted to use the funds for our Veterans In Need (VIN) Program. Thanks to all who assisted with set-up, cooking, donating refreshments and drinks, manning the door, clean-up, and donations.

Our District Two School of Instructions was very informative and gave us pertinent information about recording volunteer hours and submitting Mid-Year and Year-End Reports for all of the programs we implement. We are still endeavoring to organize a blood drive. Our regular Fall Luncheon will be combined with the visit of our Department President Pearl McIntyre in November around Veterans Day.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming events: ALA Executive Committee Meeting on Oct. 8th at 5:30pm in Hooch; ALA General Membership Meeting on Oct. 8th at 7:00pm in Hooch; Brown Bag Luncheon on Oct. 15th at 11:30am in Auxiliary Room; and the Post Social on Oct. 22nd at 6:30pm at Legion.

Let's continue to Pray for one another and keep providing service to our military families.

GODSPEED TO US ALL,  
Muriel Alexander Kweyama, President

## Post 13 Auxiliary Member Honored

On July 29th, the North Florida Homeless Veterans Stand Down held its Thank You luncheon, and our many members of the American Legion Post 13 who supported the Stand Down were there. The Stand Down was a resounding success due to the many volunteers. Over 125 people attended the luncheon provided by Jon Sweede, and the Cuban pulled pork was delicious. As fellow Legionnaires, the Florida Veterans Foundation's leadership appreciates the support of the Post for the Stand Down with funding, material, volunteers and use of the Hall. Without our Post's support, the North Florida Homeless Veterans Stand Down would not occur at the standard of excellence needed for our homeless Veterans.

One of the American Legion Auxiliary Post 13 members recognized was Gail Ernst. The picture is of Gail being presented the award by fellow Post 13 member, Claude Shipley. It was her continuing drive to ensure the homeless Veterans were provided the clothing that she and others had collected from the many churches, then sorted and placed by clothing type/size and issued to the homeless Veterans, that helped make the Stand Down such a great success. Thank you to the many Post 13 members, and the Post's leadership led by our Commander John Folsom and Vic Hannah, for your unwavering support. They and the many other Volunteers during the Stand Down are greatly appreciated. (Photo by Tom Clark.)





## AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER

*Cheryl Prescott  
Chaplain*



Scripture: But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your selves.  
James 1:22

Heavenly Father, we offer prayers to thee to open our eyes to Your miracles so that we do not merely pass them off as everyday occurrences, but rather that we might see them for what they are. Proof of your presence and the awesome way in which You deeply love and care for us. Open our eyes to the needs in our community. Help us to recognize and grasp opportunities for service that each one of us might make a difference.

The rewards of serving come not in riches or notoriety, but quietly serving others each and every day.

We thank Thee for teaching us to care for our neighbors in need, to listen and show our love in action. To be a light to lift others burdens as they deal with difficult individual circumstances facing them in their daily lives. Whether it be in actively serving our Country or coping with issues when returning to their families, possibly with physical or mental health conditions.

Please continue to bless our service men and women and help them to know we care for them. They are not alone.

In the name of Jesus Christ  
Amen

## August Social

A great time was had by all at the August 27th Social. Jimmy Steele & Company did a great job on preparing the dinner. If you were not there, you missed a delicious meal of pulled pork, rice, black beans, green beans, watermelon, salad, and just about any kind of desert you can imagine. So for all of you members, that haven't been to a social in a while, you need to come to the next one just to find out what Jimmy Steele & Company are preparing.

The Auxiliary Post generously provided four beautiful baskets for raffle. The winners were Bob Wray, Val Frailey, Jewell Steele, and Annelle Blanchett.

The main program included the annual presentation on Boys State with the local participants of Austin Dodson from Lawton Chiles High School, James Dimarco from John Paul II Catholic High, presented by Palmer Williams who was himself a Boys State participant in his youth. (all pictured here. Photo by Vic Hanna)

Next month (September) will be our local participants of Girls State.



*"Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves." - Abraham Lincoln*

# DID YOU KNOW?

by JOHN FOLSOM / Commander



## OCTOBER 2015 Did You Know

Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

**1701** – Yale University was founded as The Collegiate School of Kilingworth, Connecticut by Congregationalists who considered Harvard too liberal.

**1846** – American dentist, William T. G. Morton first demonstrated ether anesthesia at the Massachusetts General Hospital in the Ether Dome.

**1909** – **William Howard Taft and Porfirio Díaz hold a summit, a first between a U.S. and a Mexican president, and they only narrowly escape assassination.** Frederick Russell Burnham, a private security officer, and Private C.R. Moore, a Texas Ranger, discovered a man holding a concealed palm pistol standing at the El Paso Chamber of Commerce building along the procession route. Burnham and Moore captured and disarmed the assassin within only a few feet of Taft and Díaz.

**1940** – **Benjamin O. Davis, became the U.S. Army's first African American Brigadier General.** His promotion to Brigadier General aroused a brief but intense controversy, both on account of his race and because it came just a month before the presidential elections, it was viewed by some as politically motivated on the part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. In command of the 2nd Cavalry Brigade at Fort Riley, Kansas, on promotion. He retired in 1941, but was immediately recalled to active duty and assigned to the Officer of the Inspector General of the Army. During World War II, he served in the European Theater of Operations as adviser on race relations in the Army. Returning to his post as Assistant Inspector General he retired again from the Army in 1948 after 50 years of service

### Know Your President

While he was still in the Army, **Zachary Taylor**, on one occasion was to meet Commodore David Conner a Naval Flag Officer. Zachary who generally did not wear a uniform, decided on this occasion to do so. Conner who knew of Taylor's commitment not to wear uniform's decided to wear civilian attire. When the two met needless to say they were both embarrassed . Taylor threw his uniform away. As reported by U S Grant, Taylor's 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant.

### Membership Report—September 2015

#### MEMBERS TRANSFERRING OUT

None:

#### MEMBERS TRANSFERRING IN

- James T. Beaman: USNA: Korea; Post 400, FL
- Keith P. Vandendooren: USNA; Vietnam; Post 400, FL
- Dennis F. Loney; USAR: Vietnam; Post 400, FL (Return member 2010)
- Diane L. Fletcher: USAF; Lebanon/Grenada; Post 400, FL

#### NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

- Rodney L. Young: USAR; Gulf
- Harald Aagaard: USMC, Gulf
- Patrick McDonough: USNA, Gulf

#### DECEASED MEMBERS

James A. Phillips: 25 Aug 2015; USAR; Vietnam

#### TOTAL PAID UP MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015:

- (08/04/2015): renewals/new members 344 (cards received) of 589 (goal)  
= 58.404 %
- (08/13/2015): renewals/new members 272 (cards received) of 583 (goal)  
= 46.180 %

### New Member

**Patrick McDonough, USNA**



**Bob Wray**

**Thank you for your service as Chaplain for Post 13.**



# OCTOBER 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 5PM-8PM "Fun" Raiser for Doug Will	2 8PM -12 Thunder Road Reunion \$10.00 Cover	3
4 Gloria Bound Gospel Sing 7:00-9:00pm	5 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	6 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	7 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	8 ALA Gen Mem- bership Mtg. 7p Post Exec. Mtg. 6:30p Gen. Mem- bership Mtg. 7:30pm	9 Crooked Shooz \$8 / \$15 Opens	10 8PM Red Hills Witches Ball 8PM-11 \$13
11	12 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	13 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	14 VA Town Hall Meeting—Noon Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	15 Tallahassee Writers Assoc. 6-9pm	16 Keith Taylor Band \$7 8PM-12	17
18 Eagle Scout Cere- mony	19 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	20 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	21 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	22 POST SOCIAL 7pm	23 7PM Lee's Place Fundraiser 7PM-11	24 7:30PM Grant Peeples 7:30pm \$10
25 4:30PM Private Party	26 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	27 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	28 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	29 Black Cats/Old Dogs Fund- raiser	30 8PM Acme \$8 / \$15	31 1PM-5PM New Leaf Market 7:30PM HALLOW- EEN PARTY, Grant Peeples \$10

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**Deadline for the NOVEMBER 2015**

**Newsletter will be  
OCTOBER 15th at 5:00pm**

Newsletter items can be submitted three ways: (1)  
Place in the Newsletter Box in the Post 13 office (2)  
Mail to the return address above, or (3) Submit (with a  
subject line) to the Post's Email Address:

**[AMLEGP13@GMAIL.COM](mailto:AMLEGP13@GMAIL.COM)**

**All Articles published require the Commander's approval.**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Post General Membership Business Meetings are held on  
the 2ND Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm.**

**POST SOCIALS are held on the 4TH Thursday  
of each month at 7:00 pm. [Except for Nov. & Dec.]**



**CONSIDERATION OF OTHERS IS A GOOD CHARACTERISTIC!**