



Sauls-Bridges American Legion Post 13 News



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CONGRESSWOMAN GWEN GRAHAM VISITS POST 13

On Tuesday, March 7th, Congresswoman Gwen Graham, visited Post 13 to meet with the Tallahassee Commanders' Coalition, which represents the Commanders of the area's VSO (Veterans Service Organizations.) Present were Tallahassee National Cemetery Administrator, Military Order of the Purple Heart, American Legion



Post 13, VFW 3308, West Point Society, Military Officer Association, American Legion Post 217, Chairman of the Support Committee for the Tallahassee National Cemetery, and AMVETS Post 1776.

Congresswoman Graham shows great interest in veteran affairs and is willing to work with all the support agencies in her district. There was a lively discussion about veteran concerns, and Ms. Graham showed tremendous support for the military and veterans. We are privileged to have her as our representative in Washington.

50th COMMEMORATIVE VIETNAM ANNIVERSARY

On Tuesday, March 29th, the Tallahassee Veteran's Cemetery will have a service to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War. The service will commence at 3:00 pm. A wreath will be laid representing the different branches of service, and another representing the different VSO (Veteran's Service Organizations) will also be placed in remembrance. A third wreath will be placed by Mr. Dale Doss in honor of the POW/MIA's. Further detail to be determined. All Veterans and their families are encouraged to attend, especially Vietnam Veterans.



POST 13 NEWS

NEW BAR HOURS FOR GENERAL MEETING

The Executive Committee has approved extending the bar hours for the General Membership Meeting / 2nd Thursday of the Month. The Bar will now be open from 5:30-10:00pm, except during the meeting time between 7:15-8:30pm. Well drinks \$1, and Draft Beer \$1. Have a drink, fellowship, play cards, watch TV, or just relax after the meeting.

NEED YOUR CURRENT EMAIL

There are times we need to disseminate information before the newsletter goes to print. Send your email to print. Send your email to amlegp13@gmail.com. Include your name so we know who you are, and in the subject line put, "email".

Know Your Officers—Post Finance Officer George

The Finance Officer shall have charge of all finances and see that they are safely deposited, and shall report once each month to the Executive Committee and Post membership the status of all financial activities and all facilities of the Post. He shall be chief purchasing officer of the Post for supplies from the Department or National Headquarters.



NEW STOVE!!!

FINALLY! and AT LAST!

The saga of the new gas range is complete!

Back in August, Dave Gallo, was approached to ascertain our interest in having a new Vulcan Commercial Gas Range donated to Post 13. He, being of sound mind, said immediately...Yes!--and then he hotfooted over to the Commander and me to verify that he was correct.

New Stove...only ten years old (verified by the dealer who sold it), just needed cleaning desperately, but...it has 6 burners topside instead of 4.

It has 2 ovens...and they are in much better shape than the old one. These cook evenly and the temperature settings are reliable. But it was well worth the effort...and the expense involved!

Although I don't have the exact numbers all added up, I can safely say we have about \$1,000 in a range well worth \$5,000 to \$6,000.

And one very happy,
Chief Cook and Bottle
Washer
Jimmy Steele



THANK YOU FROM
TMH PEDIATRIC UNIT
Thanks to the "Spirit of
the Child Foundation" &
Post 13 for 50 giant blue
mylar stars that were do-
nated to Tallahassee Me-
morial Hospital (TMH)
Pediatric Unit for the
state and children. Bal-
loons were delivered by
Post member Michael
Gavin.

Thank you Post 13 for spreading joy in
the commu-
nity!



"Whatever you are, be a good one." —Abraham Lincoln

HONOR FLIGHT TALLAHASSEE

Honor Flight Tallahassee is asking for Veterans of WWII, Korea, and Viet Nam to apply for a free trip to Washington D.C. on April 30th, 2016. We consider it a privilege to take you to Washington D.C. to visit and reflect at the memorials that honor your service and sacrifice, and their sacrifice for our country. Air travel, meals and support are provided without cost to the Veterans. A priority is given to World WarII and Korean veterans, but our time to express our THANKS to these brave men and women is running out.

Our trip includes escorted visits to the National World WarII Memorial, Korean War Veterans Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, United States Marine Corps War Memorial, and Arlington National Cemetery.

Honor Flight Tallahassee has contracted a 176 seat Charter jet to Baltimore, Maryland airport. Charter buses will chauffeur, along with doctors, nurses, EMT's, and guardians who will proceed from Baltimore Airport by Police Escort through Washington, D.C.

There is no cost for a Veteran to participate in an Honor Flight. The trip is hosted in their honor to thank them for their service to our country, which is why Honor Flight Tallahassee needs help from Individual donors and corporate sponsors to help us fulfill our mission.

Volunteer Guardians will assist during the trip to make sure the Veterans are safe, comfortable, and cared for, and enjoy the trip. Guardians do pay for their flight.

Honor flight has scheduled Fundraising benefits in the month of April and help that you will come out and support Honor Flight Tallahassee.

- Saturday, April 2nd, 2016: Springtime Tallahassee Parade
- Thursday, April 7th, 2016: Concert to benefit Honor Flight; 7:30-9:30pm at Turner Auditorium at TCC; Tallahassee Swing Band. Tickets are \$25 with full proceeds towards Honor Flight. All Veterans who attend will be admitted free. Sponsored by Mr. John Curry.
- Saturday, April 23rd, 2016: Antique Car Show: 10:00am-2:00pm. Free Admission. Show held at the parking lot of the Florida Department of Transportation located off Appalachee Parkway, near Cascades Park. Raffle drawings and prizes, family fun and food.



Photos courtesy of Honor Flight Tallahassee.



“If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under.”—
Ronald Reagan



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



Hi Ladies,

The twenty-nine children, age ten and under, at the VA Clinic were very happy to receive an Easter basket. Thanks to Brigid for spear-heading this event and Thanks to members for voting and approving funds to purchase baskets and items to go in them.

April will be a busy month for administration. Three things we need to complete this month are Unit Year-End Reports for committees, Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws and Standing Rules, and the Election of officers for 2016-2017.

Committee Chairmen, please refer to the Plan of Action package and the email I sent previously for the form necessary to do your year end report. I will send each of you a copy of last year's report for reference. All members, please, please send in your volunteer hours on or before April 7, 2016. Do an email to me and Delores with all of your volunteer hours from April, 2015 - March, 2016. Some of the Unit reports must be sent to our District President.

Bring your current copy of the Constitution and Bylaws and Standing Rules, print the proposed amendments (emailed to you earlier) and bring to the meeting and be prepared to vote on them. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please call or email Nell, the Chairman.

Slate of Nominees for 2016-2017 Officers was presented at March's meeting and we will be electing officers at April's meeting. We will have two elections by ballots as more than one candidate was interested in two positions.

Dates to mark on your calendar: April 14th - ALA EC / GM meetings in the Hooch at 6:00pm and 7:00pm respectively; April 16th - ALA Juniors meeting in the Auxiliary Room at 10:30am; April 21st - ALA Brown Bag Luncheon in the Auxiliary Room at 11:30am; and April 28th - Post Social in the Legion Hall at 6:30pm. Check emails for events not yet scheduled.

GODSPEED,

Muriel Alexander Kweyama, President
ALA Sauls-Bridges Unit 13

HONOR SERVICES

The Big Bend Honor Guard provided the services for three veterans who have been interred previous without honors, on February 29th, for Richard Jugenheimer, Raymond Kickliger, and Francis Nadeau.



The Big Bend Honor Guard members are comprised of individuals from various Veterans Service Organizations. If you are interested in joining, contact John Folsom at (850) 508-6417. Training will be provided for flag folding, rifle firing, and squad movements. Chaplain services and bugle players.

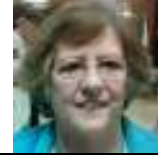




CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Noel Hurst
Post 13 Chaplain



Cheryl Prescott
Auxiliary Chaplain

Our Father, we pray as we enjoy the beauty of nature all around us this Spring, may our thoughts and prayers be with families struggling with the tragedy facing them daily from surviving weather related issues due to storms. May we help and uplift those suffering with the loss of loved ones be it from natural disasters or loss of loved ones serving to protect our freedoms as they rebuild and move forward.

We pray for peace in our country and around our beautiful world we have been blessed with. We pray that the new growth of spring unites us with hope for a brighter future. We pray for everyone to consider the need for our nation to become united in order to defeat those opposing the standards and principles by which our nation was founded.

We pray for our American Legion Post 13 and our Auxiliary as we nominate leaders to help us to serve in our community by remembering sacrifices being made, that we may strive to be a beacon of hope and peace.

We are grateful for the new National Cemetery in our community and the blessing to attend to the needs of the families with loved ones being laid to rest there.

In Thy Holy Name we pray,
Amen —Cheryl Prescott

NORTH FLORIDA HOMELESS/AT-RISK VETERANS STAND DOWN

APRIL 22-23, 2016

North Florida Fairgrounds

Friday 8:00 am-5:00pm; Saturday 8:00 am-1:00pm



Services Offered:

Education and Employment—Assessment for Housing—Free Bus Transportation—Healthcare Screening—PTSD Counseling—Legal Counseling—Veterans Court—Vision, Mental Health, & Dental Exams—Meals—Haircuts—Veterinary Services—VA Benefits—Drivers Licenses—HIV/AIDS, & Glucose testing—Prizes, & much more!

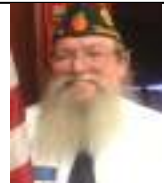
Helpful Preparation:

- Register with the VA
- Preregister with Stand Down
- Obtain birth certificate, ID, or drivers' license.
- Legal issues: sign up by April 3, 2016. Contact Steve Marchbanks (850) 488-4181 or marchbanks@fdva.state.fl.us
- Help a veteran with Stand Down; volunteer with set-up, get the word out, join in.

Florida Veterans Foundation—Donna Barron (850) 488-4181 or barrond@fdva.state.fl.us

Veterans Affairs (VA Representative—Denna Green-Corbett (850) 521-5767 or denna.green-corbett@va.gov
northfloridastanddown.org

DID YOU KNOW? by JOHN FOLSOM / Commander



APRIL

April 9th
1867 – Passing by a single vote, the United States Senate ratifies a treaty with Russia for the purchase of Alaska.

April 15th
1919 – Jane Arminda Delano (b.1862), founder of the American Red Cross Nursing Service, died in France while on a Red Cross mission and was buried there. She was posthumously awarded the US Distinguished Service Medal, the 1st female recipient. In 1920 She was brought back to the U.S. and re-interred in Arlington National Cemetery.

April 17th
1897 – The Aurora, Texas, UFO incident reportedly occurred on April 17, 1897 when, according to locals, a UFO crashed on a farm near Aurora, Texas. The incident (similar to the more famous Roswell UFO incident 50 years later) is claimed to have resulted in a fatality from the crash and the alleged alien body is to have been buried in an unmarked grave at the local cemetery.

1943 – Lieutenant Ross P. Bullard and Boatswain’s Mate First Class C. S. “Mike” Hall boarded the U-175 at sea after their cutter, the CGC Spencer, blasted the U-boat to the surface with depth charges when the U-boat attempted to attack the convoy the Spencer was escorting. They were part of a boarding party sent to seize the U-boat before the Nazi crew could scuttle it. The damage to the U-boat was severe, however, and it sank after both had boarded it and climbed the conning tower. Both men ended up in the water as it slipped beneath the waves. Nevertheless, they carry the distinction of being the first American servicemen to board an enemy warship underway at sea since the War of 1812. The Navy credited the Spencer with the kill. She rescued 19 of the U-boat’s crew and her sister cutter, Duane, rescued 22. One Spencer crewman was killed by friendly fire during the battle.

**Know your President's
Millard Fillmore 1850-1853**

July 10 1850 Vice President Millard Fillmore took the oath of office. President Zachary Taylor had passed away the day before. The story goes that the new president ought to have a new carriage. Edward Moran, a White House attendant took the new President to see a handsome outfit that was being sold at a bargain price. “ All well and good, but it is a second hand carriage” said President Fillmore. “ But ain’t you a second hand President” replied Moran.

Membership Report—March 10, 2016

MEMBERS TRANSFERRING IN

John P. Hanbury: (FL Post 0400); USCG

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

Kathy M. Herring: USAF; Richard T. Walter: USAF; Donna C. Barron: USAR; Michael H. Grace: USNA

TOTAL PAID UP MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016:

(03/10/2016): renewals/new members 537 (cards received) of 589 (goal) = 91.171 %

FEBRUARY SOCIAL



We leave off the captions so that if you miss the socials, then come to the next one and figure it out!

APRIL 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 3 9:30am River Church Glory Bound	4 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	5 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	 6 1PM-Stand Down Meeting Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	7	1 Private Party	2
10 9:30am River Church 6-8pm Rock the Pink Doors open 5pm	11 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	12 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	13 1PM-Stand Down Meeting Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	14 6pm-ALA Exec. Mtg. 6:30 pm Post Exec. Board Mtg. 7:30pm General Membership Mtg.	15 New Album Release—R&B LaDell Bryant Alkol Entertainment	16 Leon Alumni Association
17 9:30am River Church	18 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	19 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	20 Leon High Foundation Luncheon Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	21 6-9pm-Tallahassee Writers Assoc. 6:30—SAL Meeting	22 PASSOVER BEGINS SUNDOWN	23 WAVE Fundraiser
24 9:30am River Church	25 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	26 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	27 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	28 7pm—POST SOCIAL	29 8pm ACME	30

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Deadline for the MAY 2016

**Newsletter will be
APRIL 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

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.]