



Sauls-Bridges American Legion Post 13 News



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MEMORIAL DAY PLANS

The traditional Memorial Day ceremony will be held at Oakland Cemetery, May 30th, at 11am. Flags will be placed at each gravesite, and patriotic music is provided. Tents, chairs, and cold water will be in place for guests, and especially children. Veterans from WWII and to date will be in attendance.



Remember those who served ~ All gave some, some gave all.

We want to honor fathers, mothers, sons, daughters, sisters, aunts, uncles, brothers, husbands, wives, friends and others who have paid the ultimate price.

This ceremony provides an opportunity to say “Thank you,” once again for the sacrifices made.

The ceremony will conclude at 12 noon with Echo Taps.

Additional services will be held at the Tallahassee Old City Cemetery at 7:00 pm, and at Roselawn Cemetery on Tuesday, May 31st, at 7:00pm.

The DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VETERANS DAY and MEMORIAL DAY:

Memorial Day honors service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle. Deceased members are also remembered on **Veterans Day**, but the day is set aside to thank and honor living veterans who served honorably in the military in wartime or peacetime.

LEON COUNTY SCHOOLS “WALL OF REMEMBRANCE” CEREMONY—MAY 25TH

The Leon County Schools Memorial Day service for 2016 will occur on Wednesday, 25 May 2016 at 1:00 PM at the Bloxham Building (727 S. Calhoun St., on the corner of Madison, and one block east of Monroe St.) The name of Senior Chief Vernon Foster will be added to the Wall. Senior Chief Foster was a 1971 graduate of Godby HS in Tallahassee. He was a 16 year veteran of the US Navy and was serving aboard the USS Starke in the Persian Gulf in 1987 when an Iraqi pilot fired Exocet missiles at the USS Starke, killing 37 members of our US Navy. Senior Chief Foster was one of the sailors killed in that attack.



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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 amlegp13@gmail.com. Include your name so we know who you are, and in the subject line put, "email".

Know Your Officers—Post Historian Doug Marsh

The Post Historian shall prepare a resume' of all activities of the post for the year, for which he was elected, to be review at the installation of officers of the Post, and a copy of which shall become part of the permanent records of the Post. He shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed in the Manual of Ceremonies for conduct of activities of the American Legion.



NOMINATIONS-ELECTIONS-INSTALLATION OF POST OFFICERS

Nominations of members to serve the Legion year (July 1-2016—June 30,2017) were held at the General Membership Meeting April 14. All the present officers were nominated without oppositions, and will serve the 2016-2017 year. The eight offices and current officers are as follows:

Commander John Folsom, 1st Vice CMDR Ernie Alvarez, 2nd Vice CMDR Vic Hanna, 3rd Vice CMDR David Gallo, Historian Doug Marsh, Finance Officer George Walker, Sgt-at-Arms Roger Hewitt, Chaplain Noel Hurst.

Election of nominees will be held at the General Membership Meeting May 12. Installation of the incoming slate of officers will be installed June 23rd. The Installed officers are the managers of your Post and we are encouraged to support and assist each one in their responsibilities. Term of office is one (1) year.

TALLAHASSEE HONOR FLIGHT

On April 30th, 2016 at 7:00 AM, a 173 seat charter jet will leave Tallahassee en route to Baltimore, Maryland. Ground transportation will then be provided to Washington, DC. On board, will be Veterans of WWII, Korea, Vietnam, along with doctors, EMT's, and guardians for each Veteran.

The Honor Flight will return to Tallahassee at approximately 10:00 PM that evening. We need as many Post 13 members as possible to be at the airport to see them off. It will mean a great deal to the Veterans. And, to be at the airport at 10:00 PM to welcome them back.

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

TALLAHASSEE NATIONAL CEMETERY NEWS

It was Tuesday, March 29th, 2016. Under a cloudy sky with a light breeze, atop a hill overlooking US 27 (Apalachee Parkway), a service was held to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

Among the 300-plus in attendance were members of all the local Veteran Service Organizations (VSO's), Local dignitaries, and Vietnam Veterans with their families and friends.

Three wreaths were laid in honor of all who served.

Wreath one: Laid by Major John Haynes, USMC (Ret) Vietnam 65-66, 68-70; Representing the VSO's

Wreath two: Laid by CWO-O5 Henry Lowry, Jr. USMC (Ret) Vietnam 67-69; Representing the Service branches.

Wreath three: Laid by Capt. Dale Doss, USN (Ret) POW Vietnam 68-73; Representing POW-MIA's.

The service was concluded with a rifle salute followed by the playing of TAPS.



The next service at the National Cemetery to Honor those interred without Military Honors will be held April 28th at 3:00 PM. The Big Bend Honor Guard will conduct the service.

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.

“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,

Congratulations to officers for 2016-2017: President Nell Hewitt, Vice President Muriel Kweyama, Secretary April Maier, Treasurer Marilyn Houston, Chaplain Cheryl Prescott, Historian Maria Renzulli, Sergeant at Arms Delores Gaden, Parliamentarian Rose Chapman, and our three Members at Large Carolyn Archer, Gail Ernst, and Marjorie McNeill.

Dates to mark on your calendar are for Constitutional Conference: May 7th in Marianna Florida at Post 100 at 9:30am CST; ALA Executive and General Meeting: May 12th in Hooch at 6:00pm and 7:00pm; Juniors Meeting: May 14th in Auxiliary Room at 10:30am; ALA Brown Bag Luncheon: May 19th in Auxiliary Room at 11:30am; Post Social: May 26th at Legion at 6:30pm; and Poppy Distribution Program: May 26-30th at Sam's Club and the Legion. Please check emails for specific distribution times.

Remember to pray for us all, say Thank You to a Veteran, and continue to provide service and support to military families.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Godspeed,
Muriel A. Kweyama, President
ALA Sauls-Bridges Unit 13

American Legion Monthly Social

All members are encouraged to attend our monthly social. We visit with old (familiar) friends, make some new ones, and enjoy an amazing meal. Last month's feast was corned beef and cabbage with roasted potatoes, onions, and carrots, salad and a delectable, mouthwatering selection of homemade desserts. The bar is open if interested. There is no charge for the meal but donations are welcome.

The auxiliary surprises us each month with special items for a raffle. You just never know what to expect or when you might have the winning number. Sure hope to see you at our upcoming social on Thursday, April 28th at 7 PM.



Some of the many raffle winners at the March Social.

Guests from Homefront Tallahassee



Noel Hurst
Post 13 Chaplain



Cheryl Prescott
Auxiliary Chaplain

A Prayer for Memorial Day

Remember, Lord, the fallen who died in fields of War, in flaming clouds, in screaming crowds, on streets that are no more.

That we today might waken and greet this day in peace with grateful prayer for those who bear the storms that never cease.

Remember friends and strangers, and those forgotten now, whose names are known to You alone, before whose love we bow and ask that You surround them with mercy's endless light that they may live, and we forgive the foe they went to fight.

Remember, Lord, the living, who bear the pain of loss—A death she died who stood beside her son upon the cross.

Remember all your children, the dead and those who weep, and make us one beneath the sun where love will never sleep.



MEMBERS-SUPPORTERS-PROVIDERS-VETERANS

We are about to hold another election of our officers to serve for the year 2016-2017. They have pledged that they will assume responsibilities for each of the eight (8) positions outlined in the Constitution & By-laws. The officers that will carry on the business are the eight presently in office and each of them is a veteran like you & I; they have a life other than the post, their responsibilities-require time, energy, talent and assistance. Dedication, concern and simply caring for who we are, how we are, what we are make us stand out as citizens who make a difference. Camaraderie is ever present and should be embraced more and more. Support is something we all know only too well.

-----ask the elected officers if, when and how you can help or assist. The elected officers **DO NOT OWN THE POST**

---they are placed in that office to help keep the post in business.

-----important, the next social is coming this Thursday, fourth Thursday at 7:00pm, see you there, bring a friend, cost = "0".

-----the next general membership meeting is May 12 at 7:30 pm, see you there, cost = "0", bring a veteran, bar: reduced for the evening.

-----the calendar, look it over, lots of activity in your post.

-----you are needed, lots of veterans come to the post, a very nice place to meet and visit our own.

By Charles LeCroy

DID YOU KNOW? by JOHN FOLSOM / Commander



MAY

May 22nd

1912 – First Lieutenant Alfred A. Cunningham, the first Marine officer to be assigned to “duty in connection with aviation” by Major General Commandant William P. Biddle. Cunningham reported for aviation training at the Naval Aviation Camp at Annapolis, Maryland, and Marine aviation had its official beginning

1942 – Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox enlists in the United States Marine Corps as a flight instructor

1959 – Two US Air Force jets collided near Ocean Station ECHO, patrolled at that time by the CGC Mendota. A U.S. Air Force weather plane spotted both pilots in the water and, within two hours of collision, the Mendota rescued them

1990 – Microsoft released Windows 3.0.

May 23rd

1900 – Sergeant William Harvey Carney is awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his bravery on July 18, 1863, while fighting for the Union cause as a member of the 54th Massachusetts Colored Infantry

Know Your Presidents Ulysses S Grant 1869-1877

One day while riding in a buggy with Julia Dent, the woman Ulysses was courting, they happened upon a rickety bridge and an overflowing creek. Ulysses assured Miss Dent that it was safe to cross. Miss Dent, however, clung to his arm till they reached the other side. Ulysses turned to Miss Dent and asked, “How would you like to cling to me for the rest of your life ?” ---- They were married in August 1848.

Membership Report—APRIL 14, 2016

MEMBERS TRANSFERRING OUT

MEMBERS TRANSFERRING IN

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

1. Kanut J. Khosla: USAR; Gulf
2. Charles H. Madsen, Jr.: USMC, Korea

DECEASED MEMBERS

1. Donald L. Trussell: (12 Mar 2016); USAF, Vietnam
2. Joseph C. Thompson, Sr.: (___ ___ 2016?); Korea

TOTAL PAID UP MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016:

*(04/14/2016): renewals/new members 552 (cards received) of 589 (goal) = 93.718 %

* Reports for membership are posted on Fridays.

Updated to 15 April 2016

CONTACT CARD

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NAME	EMAIL	PHONE
_____ / _____ / _____		
NEXT OF KIN (OR OTHER CONTACT)	RELATIONSHIP	PHONE
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PLEASE RETURN TO: AMERICAN LEGION
PO BOX 38028
TALLAHASSEE FL 32315-8028

The above contact card needs to be filled out by you. We need your email so you can continue to receive the news letter and other information from your local American Legion. In some cases we find that we are unable to contact the families of a departed comrade. Therefore we need that additional contact information. Thank You for your time and effort, John Folsom, Commander

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:30am RIVER CHURCH 7:30pm Gospel Sing	2 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	3 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	4 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons -6:30p-9:45pm \$8	5 6pm-ALA Exec. Mtg. 6:30 pm Post Exec. Board Mtg. 7:30pm General Membership Mtg.	6 7:30pm Pure Platinum \$8 / \$15	7 8pm R.B. Johnson Band \$10
8 9:30am RIVER CHURCH	9 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	10 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	11 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	12 6pm-ALA Exec. Mtg. 6:30 pm Post Exec. Board Mtg. 7:30pm General Membership Mtg.	13 8pm Crooked Shooz \$8 / \$15	14 7:30pm Private Party
15 9:30am RIVER CHURCH 2-4pm Memorial Service for Ginny Shepard-Smallwood	16 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	17 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	18 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	19 6-9pm-Tallahassee Writers Assoc. 6:30—SAL Meeting	20 8pm ACME Band \$10	21 10am Girl's State Orientation 8pm Bed Head Betty \$8
22 9:30am River Church 2:20pm Rosanne Wood Campaign Fundraiser	23 Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	24 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover	25 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8	26 7pm—POST SOCIAL	27	28 5pm Leon High Class of '64 Birthday Party.
29 9:30am River Church	30 MEMORIAL DAY Monday night Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover	31 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover				

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Deadline for the JUNE 2016

Newsletter will be
MAY 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.]