



Sauls-Bridges American Legion Post 13 News



Operation Thank You Veteran’s Day Breakfast Sponsored by American Legion and Leon County



Once again the American Legion and Leon County Government will partner to honor local veterans with the Operation Thank You Veteran’s Day Breakfast, Friday November 11th at the American Legion Sauls-Bridges Post 13. The breakfast event will start at 6:30 a.m. At 8 a.m. a brief ceremony will commence to honor all veterans and pause to remember those that made the ultimate sacrifice. Group photos for each branch of service will be taken between 7 & 8am. Each year the event attracts veterans, families, and elected officials seeking to recognize and remember our hometown heroes. For more information, please contact Shington Lamy with Leon County at (850) 606-5300 or lamys@leoncountyfl.gov.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

Veteran’s Day is almost here! That means it is time to volunteer for our annual breakfast. Your legion team this year will be run by George Harrison at (850) 933-4758 who will need lots of help on the morning of November 11th. Members of the post will be cooking, so we will need at least 25 volunteers to help.

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.

Photo: 2015 Veterans Day Breakfast at American Legion Post 13



Who is a Veteran? He is the old guy bagging groceries at the supermarket.

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LEGION HALL FOR RENT

With all the Holidays coming up in November and December, we have a number of prime dates open for rental:

November 5, 11, 12, 19, 26, & December 1, 2, 23, 24.

The Post is asking you TO PASS THE WORD to FAMILY, FRIENDS, & ASSOCIATES about booking a date for a birthday, wedding reception, Christmas Party, or booking a favorite Band. The Post has one of the Best and Largest Dance Floors in the area! THE POST CAN DO IT ALL, LARGE OR SMALL! Contact: Brenda Austin, (850) 222-3382, 2-6pm Monday-Friday for bookings.

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE FOR ALL POST 13 MEMBERS!

BIG BEND HONOR GUARD NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Big Bend Honor Guard is asking for Volunteers to provide military honors for all our deceased military veterans. Should you be interested in supporting this endeavor, the following contact information is provided.

Jim Geuin (Coordinator) (850) 508-9433

Email: jimgeuin@yahoo.com

National Cemetery contact (850) 402-8941



NATIONAL COMMANDER VISIT

Fellow Legionnaires,

On November 3rd, Post 13 will host the National Commander of the American Legion, Charles Schmidt, (Pictured to the right) for a dinner. Post members and their spouses are invited to this event.

The National Commander will be touring Tallahassee and will meet with Director of the Florida Department of Veterans, tour the new VA Clinic in Tallahassee, and also visit the new Tallahassee National Cemetery.

Everyone is invited to the cemetery at 3:00 pm. The Big Bend Honor Guard will conduct a service for those who were interred the past month without honors. Both the National and State Commanders will be presented flags.

Meet and Greet will start at Post 13 at 5:00 pm, the Dinner will start at 7:00 pm. on the menu will be both chicken and beef, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Green Bean Casserole, Salad, Rolls, Tea, Cake. Post 13 members who would like to attend, the cost will be \$15 per person, due by Oct 25th, Tuesday.

In attendance from national will be: National Commander Charles Schmidt and his aide, National Executive Committeeman Dennis Boland, and Alt NEC Art Schwaba. From the Department of Florida, State Commander Joe Magee, 1st Vice Stephen Shuga, 2nd Vice Dianne Boland, Western Area Commander Jimmy Lee Martin, 1st District Commander Raymond Olsen, and 2nd District Commander Jim Brennen.



Who is a Veteran? He is the POW who went away one person and came back another.

Noel Hurst
Post 13 Chaplain



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Our Supreme Commander, we come with grateful hearts for your many blessings on our beloved country, on our Sauls-Bridges Legion Post and on us individually. We honor You, we worship You for You are holy. We say with the Psalmist, "I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth!" We thank You for our executive board and for their dedication to the continued success of this post. May we remember our Legion slogan "For God and Country".

Our Father, we, the American people, need Your wisdom, Your guidance as we elect national and local leaders this month. Father, we pray that not our will but Your will be done as we cast our votes for president, for law makers and other public servants. Give us wisdom as we consider our votes and as we mark our ballots. Father, we need You! Our beloved country needs You and Your blessing.

November is a time of remembrance. We pause to remember our men and women who have defended our United States. Many gave their lives that we can live. Yes, that we may live in freedom. We are reminded that the freedom we enjoy was not and is not free but was purchased by the blood of many patriots. Your word tells us that there is no greater love than that a person would lay down his life for his friend. We, the living, are the benefactors of the great host of patriots who have given their lives for us. We thank You, our God, for those brave and dedicated ones who fought and died for our freedom. Many others bled or were emotionally wounded but yet survive. We pray a special blessing on those, too. Many are still hospitalized so we ask a special blessing on them - and on those who minister to them. Yes, this is a month of remembrance. Remind us, remind us, oh Lord!

And, Father, be with our troops around the world. Many are in the war zone and face danger daily. Oh Lord, be a shield of protection around them. May they trust in You as you keep them in Your loving care.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

Thanksgiving Tribute to Veterans Gospel & Patriotic Concert

Special Discount for All Veterans & Active Duty \$15 each

A Thanksgiving Tribute to Freedom, Family, Faith, and All Veterans with Todd Allen Herendeen. This November 18, 2016 Gospel & Patriotic event will benefit Wisdom's Wellspring Ministry. The concert will be held at Tallahassee Heights United Methodist Church (3004 Mahan Dr.) at 6:30 p.m.

In addition to the concert, food will be available in the parking lot from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. and a silent auction featuring a football signed by Jimbo Fisher and a guitar signed by Todd Herendeen.

Ticket are \$25 each, and **Veterans are \$15 each.** – group rates are available - call 850-294-6932 or 850-528-8036 to get your ticket or get more information.

Who is a Veteran? A Man or Woman who you see every day, who sacrificed their ambitions, so others would not have to sacrifice theirs.



Navigating for Veterans and their Families

Happy Halloween!!!



Wow, can you believe how fast this year is flying by? Before we leave the month of October, **Happy Halloween to all!** Let's enjoy the fall weather and remember to keep our children safe as they go into neighborhoods on their night of Trick or Treat. May our children enjoy this special night and stay safe.

As we approach November, the Auxiliary will begin distributing the traditional "Poppy" flower beginning November 11th at Post 13 during the "Veteran's Day Breakfast." After which we prepare for the parade, as some of us will head out to the various location through town to spread the word of the veterans who gave their lives so that we have the opportunity to live in a free Country. Miss Emma Rudd will be representing the Auxiliary as Miss Poppy at both the Veterans Breakfast and in the Parade.

Monday, November 14th, The Monday Night Dance will be sponsored by the Auxiliary, come join in the fun for an evening of "Hot Rock" or "Moonlight" slow dancing, there will be something for every one young and old. Remember, your only as old as you feel. Regular door admission is \$5.00.

Fall Conference will be held November 18, 19 & 20 at the Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista - at Walt Disney World Resort. Fall Conference has been designated as training opportunities for members, Units, and District Presidents. Program Chairman will give an update on their programs which will also include reports from the District Presidents.

God Bless each of you for what you do for the betterment of our veterans and their families.
For God and Country,

Nell Hewitt, President
ALA Sauls-Bridges Unit 13

American Legion Post 13 Auxiliary Honors Long-Time Members with Pinning Ceremony

What a year it has been!!! The Auxiliary started October with recognizing members who go beyond the call, putting "Service" before "Self." These ladies were honored with pins symbolizing their years of service on October 6th with a pot luck luncheon. Congratulation Ladies for your dedication to the American Legion Auxiliary.



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| Lois Hannah 30 year pin | Carolyn Losey 30 year pin | Nell Carlile 55 year pin | Phyllis Lent 30 year pin | Leslie Kitching 60 year pin | Janice McCaskill 5 year pin | Sharon Courey 10 year pin |
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Congratulations from Post 13!

Who is a Veteran? He is a soldier; and nothing more than the finest, greatest testimony, on behalf of the finest, greatest nation ever known.



GIRLS STATE 2016

Girls Staters Will Change The World

By Emily Blomeley, 2016 Delegate

My name is Emily Blomeley, and I am current senior at Lawton Chiles High School and 2016 Girls State delegate. It's hard to believe that just four months ago I had the privilege of representing American Legion Auxiliary Sauls-Bridges Unit 13 at Girls State. Attending Girls State was something I never dreamed of being able to do, and an opportunity I am so thankful to have had. To show my appreciation for you, the American Legion Auxiliary, and your efforts to sponsor my once in a lifetime experience, I'd like to share with you a little about my time in the State of Seminole this past summer.

As a native of Tallahassee, Florida, my journey to Girls State was about fifteen minutes down the road, unlike the hours long bus rides of some of my fellow Girls Staters. However, I knew as soon as I arrived, I was in a completely different world. I was totally humbled to be elected by my fellow citizens as mayor of Manatee, our city. As a member of the Nationalist party, I was elected by the citizens of my county to the State of Seminole Senate. There I was able to create, amend, and vote of legislation written by the citizens of Girls State, and even propose my own. I even had the opportunity to interview with a panel of Auxiliary members and Girls State staff to represent the State of Florida at Girls Nation. While I was not selected, I was one of ten out of three hundred girls to be named a finalist.

However, perhaps even more important than what I learned, were the valuable friendships I cultivated at Girls State. Whether those friendships were formed on the floors of Smith Hall at nightly town hall meetings or across the aisles of the Old Capital's Senate chamber, the leaders I met at Girls State are ones I know can change the world, and with the skills and knowledge bestowed on us at Girls State, *WE WILL*.

Left to Right:

Theresa Briggs, Florida Girls State Director
 Nell Hewitt, ALA Unit 13 President and FGS Staff
 Emily Blomeley, FGS 2016 Delegate
 Emily Brockmeier, FGS 2016 Delegate
 Marjorie McNeill, ALA Unit 13 and District 2 GS Chair
 Muriel Kweyama, ALA District 2 President and GS Staff

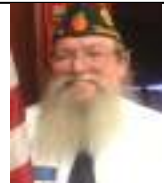


Florida Girls State Was Fantastic

By Emily Brockmeier, 2016 Delegate

Florida Girls State was a fantastic week. It was a week filled with memories I will never forget and making friendships with girls all across the State of Florida. Girls State taught me a lot about the government of Florida and how it all works. While at Girls State, I had the ability to run for offices in the city, county, and state levels, all while learning what each official must do to fully complete their job and fulfill their civic duties. This really put into perspective for me how much hard work, dedication, and care that must go into maintaining a functioning government, because when someone does not complete their job fully, it can affect all of us. The girls I met at Girls State were all so welcoming, enthusiastic, and intelligent. I still keep in touch with my roommate and all the girls that were on my floor through social media, calling, and texting. Florida Girls State was an unforgettable experience, and I would like to thank all the staff members and most importantly, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 13 who made it possible for me to go. I am truly so grateful for this once in a lifetime experience. I look forward to taking the knowledge I have gained and putting it to good use in the future to make a difference in our world.

DID YOU KNOW? by JOHN FOLSOM / Commander



This month provided by 3d Vice Jeremiah Collier:

I hate War as only a soldier who has lived it can, as one who has seen its brutality, its futility, and its stupidity. Dwight D. Eisenhower (Five Star General and President of the United States)

Did you know Memorial Day honors service members who died in service for their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle. While deceased veterans are also remembered on Veterans Day but the day is set aside to thank & honor living veterans who served honorably in the military, either in war time or peacetime.

Our Constitution leaves no questions that the use of War is only where we are invaded, but then only for our protection of person and land. Nothing is said about leaving our own country to fight a War elsewhere or join foreign countries in fighting their wars. Maybe, just maybe, our government and the United Nations should listen more and act less.

“IDEALS OF THOUGHT”

All Congresses and Parliaments have a kindly feeling for idiots, and a compassion for them, on account of personal experience and heredity. (Mark Twain, Wit & Wisdom)

Training is everything.....cauliflower is nothing but cabbage with a college education. (Mark Twain, Wit & Wisdom)

Membership Report (October 13, 2016)

MEMBERS TRANSFERRING IN

- Grady E. Dixon: FL Post 0400; USAR; Vietnam
- Sampson W. Omeke: FL Post 0400; USAR; Gulf
- Roger A Messimer: FL Post 0400; USAR; Vietnam
- Kenneth E. Boles: FL Post 0400; USAR; Vietnam

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

- James Williams, Sr.: USAR; Vietnam

DECEASED MEMBERS

- Herbert B. Forehand: (8 Sep 2016); USNA; Vietnam
- Perry L. McClelland: (? Aug 2016); USAF; Korea

TOTAL PAID UP MEMBERSHIP FOR 2017:

renewals/new members 350 of 599 (goal) = 58.431 %



SEPTEMBER SOCIAL

Thank you American Legion Post 13 Auxiliary for the great food at the September Social. Beef stew over rice. Yum, yum! It doesn't get much better than that!

September is the month we honor the area's young women that attended Girls State (See Page 5).

Raffle winners were Roger Hewitt (3), Betty Johnson, Dick Walker, Cindy Chandler, Annelle Blanchette, Don Gerteisen, Lee Cummings, John Hutchison, and Chris Kimball.

Our next and last Social of the year will be on October 27th. Savannah's Restaurant will cater the dinner. On the menu will be chicken & yellow rice, steamed cabbage, field peas w/snaps, sweet potato soufflé and pumpkin pie. See you there!

NOVEMBER 2016

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
|  |  | 1 1:30 Standdown Meeting Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p | 2 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons -6:30p-9:45pm \$8 | 3 National Commander Dinner \$15 person pre-register | 4 8pm Crooked Shooz \$8 / \$15 | 5 |
| 6 9:30am RIVER CHURCH 7:30pm Gospel Sing | 7 Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover | 8 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover | 9 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8 | 10 6pm-ALA Exec. Mtg. 6:30 pm Post Exec. Board Mtg. 7:30pm General Membership Mtg. | 11 6:30am VETERANS DAY BREAK-FAST  | 12 |
| 13 9:30am RIVER CHURCH 4:00pm Dance Showcase | 14 Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover | 15 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover | 16 1:30 Standdown Meeting Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8 | 17 6-9pm Tallahassee Writers Association | 18 8pm ACME Band \$10 | 19 |
| 20 9:30am River Church | 21 Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p \$5 cover | 22 Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p \$6 cover | 23 Sue Boyd Country Dance Lessons - 6:30p-9:45pm \$8 | 24 THANKSGIVING DAY  | 25 8pm Grant Peoples \$15 | 26 |
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Deadline for the DECEMBER 2016

**Newsletter will be
NOVEMBER 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.]