



## *Sauls-Bridges American Legion Post 13 News*



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### **2017 ELECTION OF POST OFFICERS**

The annual requirement to nominate and elect officers to manage the business affairs of this post for the 2017-2018 Legion year is upon us. Your choice of officers may be made during this month and until April 13, our general membership meeting. Members in good standing and most of all willing to help manage the post are urged to make their choices known. Tenure is one year and the way there is no salary involved—just desire to assist fellow veterans, families and the post. Election of nominees will be held April 13, 2017; installation of the nominees will be July 27, 2017.

#### **The Following named officers are currently serving in offices shown:**

Commander: John Folsom

Finance: George Walker

1st Vice Commander: Angel Alvarez

Historian: Doug Marsh

2nd Vice Commander: Vic Hanna

Chaplain: Noel Hurst

3rd Vice Commander: Vacant

Sgt. at Arms: Roger Hewitt

### **SOCIALS ARE GREAT**

A gathering of 65 to 100 or more of members,, families and friends the fourth (4th) Thursday continues to be a boost for friendship and highlights about local, statewide and national happenings. Morale and marinating ties are always amidst, while photographs show comradery as seen below.



*“EVERYDAY IS VETERANS DAY”*

## AROUND YOUR LEGION POST POST 13 NEWS

Lots of things are happening-throughout any given week there may be as many as two dozen events taking place in this 92-year-old building. The Post is exceptionally well kept and is sought as a venue for a variety of gatherings; such as business meetings at 7:10 am, planning meeting at 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, a state business meeting, 4:00 pm a veterans meeting; church service Sunday morning, an office party Saturday night and events and schedules go on.

The charter members, WWI Veterans from the Tallahassee area formed this Post that was put to work by veterans, for veterans and families. Construction on this building began in 1925 on the same site by many of the founders-charter members of Post 13. The record of these members is amazing and visible throughout Leon County. The history of Post 13 makes one proud that your Post has such a remarkable history and has become an integral part of the community and untold patronaged by thousands of people who know this site well.

This is a place for adults, young folk and minor children to visit and be a part of. This area is fairly well secure, parking may not always be really convenient, security for the past many years has not been a problem and event are generally well attended. There are events that weekly or monthly are well attended and quite obviously over the years have provided a great deal of pleasure, i.e. people keep coming and serve as host, partners in events, enjoy meals and show a pleasure to having attended another event at the American Legion.

You are invited to be a part of events at your Post; programs of interest, vital information is constantly being dispersed in Post 13. Sometimes a meeting is just another meeting, quite often here a meeting is worth your time and contributions **YOU** make a **MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. Give it a try, check the calendar, especially note the **SOCIAL** is March 23, 2017. Of interest, you have long ago paid for this meal for yourself, family and friends!!!! You own as much of this post as anyone.

You are needed, See you at the Post.

Charles LeCroy

### IT IS THE SOLDIER

**“It is the soldier, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press. It is the soldier, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech. It is the soldier, not the organizer, who gave us the freedom to demonstrate. It is the soldier who salutes the flag, who serves beneath the flag and whose coffin is draped by the flag., who allows the protester to burn the flag.”**

~Father Dennis Edward O'Brien, USMC



*“STANDING TALL ON ALL OCCASIONS IS AN HONORABLE REFLECTION OF WHO WE ARE”*



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



*Noel Hurst  
Post 13 Chaplain*

### MY PRAYER

Almighty God who has given us this great nation and blessed us with our great heritage, we pray we may always provide You a people mindful of Your blessings and devoted to Your will.

Bless us with continued industry, knowledge, technology and democracy that we achieve by our devotion to God and Country. Save us from violence, both domestic and foreign, greed and slothfulness. Provide us with the Will to unite against these forces by our devotion to You and our obedience to follow the Golden Rule.

In times of prosperity, help us not forget that Your blessings provided our happiness; in times of troubles, help us have faith in Your will, which has always brought us through times of tribulation.

Help us achieve the greatness this Post can have:

- To have diligence over loss,
- To be victorious over slothfulness,
- To go forward when we stumble,
- To look to You for our direction and not in we ourselves.

AMEN

### NEW VETERANS CLINIC RIBBON CUTTING

A host of dignitaries were on hand when the ribbon cutting ceremony was held February 23, 2017. The clinic director Thomas Wiseieski greeted a large crowd of national, state, and local veterans. The new building will accommodate many more veterans in need than we previously had and expanded services are on the horizon. Photographs display the pleasure of the event. Thanks to Maria Renzalli for kindly providing photographs of the day.





## *Navigating for Veterans and their Families*

The Auxiliary is in need of raffle items for the baskets they are raffling at our socials. Everyone seems to enjoy the interesting baskets and excitement of their contents. March Social theme is "Easter and Gardening." All donations are appreciated.

At our March meeting, the nominating committee presented a slate of officers for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. They are President, Nell Hewitt, Vice President, Muriel Kweyama; Secretary, April Maier; Treasurer, Marilyn Houston; Historian, Maria Renzulli; Chaplain, Cheryl Prescott; Sgt-at-Arms, Terry Little; Members-at-Large, Gail Ernst, Margie McNeil, and Amy O'Keefe. Elections will take place at the April meeting, the newly elected officers will take office on July 1, 2017. The official ceremony of installation will take place at the July Social.

It's that time of the year again when reporting is very important. Year-end reports are due April 1st. Committee Chairman, please refer to your plan of action for instructions, all hours, mileage, expense and donations count no matter how small a contribution. All unit members, please send your volunteer hour reports to Delores Gaden before April 1st. Examples would be poppy distribution, flying the American Flag, collecting box tops or pull tabs, collecting supplies for veterans and their families, etc. Hours collected at the Unit are combined with units within the District; the District forwards all combined reports to the Department; the Department forwards to Southern Region and then up to National Headquarters. Once those numbers are calculated; it's amazing what the American Legion Auxiliary has accomplished.

Unit 13 would like to welcome our new members, Christie Cratty, Christie comes under her eligibility as she served in the Persian Gulf War and Kathy Sorrell and her daughter Katie Sorrell, Kathy and Katie's eligibility comes under Doyle Campbell, a member of Post 13.

Mark your calendar: April 13th - ALA EC @ 6:00; GM meeting @ 7:00 @ "Hooch".  
Brown Bag/Newsletter folding Luncheon on April 20th; Post Social on April 27th.

Thank you for their continued support for our veterans and their families.

For God and Country,

Nell Hewitt, President  
Sauls-Bridges Unit 13

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



*Cheryl Prescott*  
*Auxiliary Chaplain*

Our Father, We thank Thee for our Blessings. We love Thee with all our hearts. We pray for those in our community that need our love and support.

As spring arrives we pray to be able to plant seeds of kindness and compassion within our community and hope for better understanding of one another's circumstances and challenges. Help us to grow where we are planted to bring forth love and friendship to work together to help our friends, neighbors and help us lift our veterans and their families. Help us to reach out to families that are in active duty in service to our country to lighten their burdens.

We pray for new officers we have nominated for 2017-2018 that they learn that responsibilities and duties of those positions. We pray as we go forth with Thy guidance that we may accomplish our goals for God and Country.

In Thy Holy Name We Pray  
Amen





## A NIGHT OF STARS

"A NIGHT OF STARS," sponsored by the Chiles High School Student Government, was truly a night of remembrance celebrating the accomplishments of our World War II Veterans. Guest speakers were our own Bryce Thornton from Post 13, Dachau Liberator and George Aigen.

Chiles SGA begin this benefit to draw awareness to the Tallahassee Honor Flight. The Honor Flight's mission is to transport North Florida and South Georgia veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their service and scarifies. The Honor Flight was established in 2012 at no cost to the veterans. Support for these trips is provided by volunteers and are not possible without public support. We congratulate Chiles High School Student Government and their students for their support and generosity.

Article written by: Nell Hewitt



Pictured above: Emily Blomley (Senior, Girls State delegate)

### 2017 Girls State Delegate and Alternates "Forward Forever, Backward Never, Within Ourselves Our Future Lies"

By  
Marjorie McNeill  
ALA Unit 13 and District 2 Girls State Chairman

The 2017 session of Florida Girls State will be held June 7<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> on the campus of Florida State University. Recently selected to represent ALA Unit 13 are: Delegate Katie Sorrell (Rickards High School), First Alternate Carina Richardson (Rickards High School), and Second Alternate Laiken Kinsey (North Florida Christian School), ALA Unit 13 members volunteering on the Florida Girls State staff are Nell Hewitt and Marjorie McNeill.



**“DID YOU KNOW” by John Folsom, Commander**

**APRIL 15TH**



**1783**– Preliminary articles of peace ending the American Revolutionary War (or American War of Independence) are ratified.

**1861**– Three days after the attack on Fort Sumter, S.C., President Lincoln declared a state of insurrection and called for 75,000 Volunteers to quell the insurrection that soon became the American Civil War.

**1865**--President Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the United States, dies from an assassin’s bullet

**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.

**1952**– President Harry Truman signed the official Japanese peace treaty.

**1952**– The 1st B-52 prototype test flight was made.

**1959**–Four months after leading a successful revolution in Cuba, Fidel Castro visits the United States. The trip got off to an inauspicious start when it became clear that President Dwight D. Eisenhower had no intention of meeting with Castro. Instead, Eisenhower went to the golf course to avoid any chance meeting with Castro

**1988**– The Soviet Union began the process of withdrawing its troops from Afghanistan, more than eight years after Soviet forces had entered the country.

**MAY 20, 2017**



**OFF WE GO!**

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Honor Flight Tallahassee takes our local heroes on a day-long trip to Washington, D.C. to visit and reflect at their memorials. World War II and Korean War Veterans are needed to join our next flight on May 20, 2017. Air travel, meals and support are provided without cost! (Doctors, EMTs and paramedics will be on hand throughout the flight). **RECEIVE AN APPLICATION TODAY!!!**

**CHALLENGE COINS NEEDED FOR BAR REMODEL!**

Attention all members, a bar remodel is currently underway, but we need your help. Challenge coins, milliatry pins and any kind of brass, relating to the American Legion or Milliatry is needed to cover the bar top to be enclosed with a clear apoxy. Please bring donations to the office, and place on 2nd vice commanders desk. Your help is kindly appreciated!





**HONORING LEON COUNTY RESIDENTS KILLED IN WWII**

A project in underway to honor the fifty seven Leon county residents who were killed in WWII by engraving bricks and placing them around the French borne. This process will take some time, but we will not forget these men who gave their life for us!

Pictured to the right, volunteer is painting names on bricks.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b> 4pm For Cats Sake Open To Public
<b>2</b> 9:30am RIVER CHURCH 7:30pm Gospel Sing	<b>3</b> Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p	<b>4</b> Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p	<b>5</b> 7:10am BNI Biz Net Chapter Meeting  6:30pm Sue Boyd Country Dance Les- sons	<b>6</b> 7:10am TIPS Meeting	<b>7</b> 7:10am BNI Biz mt 3-6pm Free Legal Clinc for Veterans 8pm Leon High Alumni Assoc/Tom & Cats	<b>8</b> 7:30pm The Rockitz/Music & Dance Open To Public
<b>9</b> 9:30am RIVER CHURCH	<b>10</b> Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p	<b>11</b> Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p	<b>12</b> 7:10am BNI Biz Net Chapter Meeting  6:30pm Sue Boyd Country Dance Les- sons	<b>13</b> 7:10am TIPS 6-9pm- Tallahassee Writers Assoc. 6pm-ALA Exec. 6:30 pm Post Exec. Board Mtg.	<b>14</b> 7:10am BNI Biz to Biz Chapter Mtg.  8pm Crooked Shooz Open to Public	<b>15</b> 8am From the Heart Tax Free Day
<b>16</b> 9:30am River Church	<b>17</b> Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p	<b>18</b> Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p	<b>19</b> 7:10am BNI Biz Net Chapter Meeting  6:30pm Sue Boyd Country Dance Les- sons	<b>20</b> 7:10am TIPS Meeting  7pm—POST SOCIAL	<b>21</b> 7:10am BNI Biz to Biz Chapter Mtg. 1:30 Standown 8pm Pure Plati- num/ Open to Public	<b>22</b> 1:30 Standown Meet- ing
<b>23</b> 9:30am River Church  <b>30</b> 9:30am River Church	<b>24</b> Ballroom Dance w/DJ 7:30 - 10:00p	<b>25</b> Tallahassee Swing Band 7:30 - 10p	<b>26</b> 7:10am BNI Biz Net Chapter Meeting 1:30 Standown Meeting 6:30pm Sue Boyd Country Dance Les- sons	<b>27</b> 7:10am TIPS Meeting	<b>28</b> 7:10am BNI Biz to Biz Chapter Mtg.  8pm Acme Open to public	<b>29</b> 8pm Beltane Ball

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**Deadline for the May 2017**

**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.]**