



The Post Messenger

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Commander's Message



Dear Legion Family,

Here we are at Mid-Year and getting ready for a new Legion fiscal year. We finished the year over 100% again. What a job by all in making our Post a very successful Post. I know I've said it many times before but it takes a lot of energy by a lot of members to keep the Post going forward in a successful direction. It takes a lot of planning, hard work, dedication, and pride by everyone to insure the Post succeeds. We have a Post where all members are proud and want to do more. I am also proud that the Auxiliary and Sons both accomplished their 100%. As most of you know our year starts in July and runs through June of the next year. All new membership renewals will start in July so let's get a big jump on the District and get as many renewals in as fast as we can.

Since there was no Officer positions that were opposed we did not require an election this year. I want to congratulate all incoming officers for the upcoming 2012-2013 year. In addition, I want to congratulate all incoming Officers from the Auxiliary, Sons, and Legion Riders. I ask that all members give them your support through this next year. Attend the meetings and get involved with each of your specific groups.

On the New Post Building. We are still waiting for the Appraisal to return for the loan with the Bank. Occulina Bank has given us a commitment but until the appraisal comes back we won't know how much more we need to put down on the down payment to go forward with the project. In the mean time we are still fund raising for our new Post. We will continue to raise the necessary funds and the Fund Raising Group is doing everything they can to reach out for funds. We have Brick Sales, Raffles, Personal Donations, Grants, Wrist Band Sales, Dinner Coupons, Letters and about everything you can think of to raise the money we need. Please help if you can.

This month I would like to make Richard Feldman the "Member of the Month". Richard, as our Finance Officer, has been instrumental in putting our Post in the right direction financially. The Finance Officer of the Post carries a tremendous responsibility insuring that the Post's financial success is in tact. Richard, thank you for your dedication and hard work for Post 318.

Commander
Daryl Bowie

2012-2013 American Legion Officers

Commander—Daryl Bowie
1st Vice—"Babe Garneau"
2nd Vice—Jim Richards
3rd Vice—Russ Hagerthy
Finance Officer—Rich Feldman
Chaplain—Garin Salisbury
Sgt of Arms—Gene Sereg
Historian—Tom Belford

Executive Board
"Butch" Bates
"Marty" Brechtelsbauaer
Arnie Thompson

S.A.L.

Greetings;

As my two year tenure as Commander of the S.A.L. ends, I want to thank my elite organization, the Officers and members for their commitment to Post 318. Because of your hard work and devotion we achieved many of our goals these past two years. It has been an honor and privilege working with you. I also want to thank Post 318, its members and all our great organizations who supported many of our events and causes. We couldn't have aided our Post, veterans and our community without you! Thanks so much and God Bless You all.

I want to congratulate our new S.A.L. Commander Jo Jo Boehm. Jo Jo has been instrumental in all past events throughout the years. I know he will serve the Sons well this coming year. Good Luck.

I also want to congratulate and bless our re-elected and newly appointed Officers. Through your guidance I know the Sons will have another successful year.

Happy Father's Day

Tony Avolio, Commander

Next meeting: September 10, 2012

2012-2013 Auxiliary Officers

President — Debbie Johnston
 1st Vice — Fran Romano
 2nd Vice — Brenda Saffioti
 Chaplain — Andrea Pierson
 Treasurer — Suzanne Stevens
 Secretary — Wanda O'Neill
 Sergeant at Arms and Historian — Judy Martinez
 Assistant Sergeant at Arms — Shirley Marler

2012-2013 S.A.L. Officers

Commander—Jo Jo Boehm
 First Vice — Dan Sternberg
 Second Vice — Andy Saffioti
 Adjutant — Chris Andrews
 Finance Officer — Jeff Emmeluth
 Chaplain — Garin Salisbury
 Sgt. At Arms — Greg Emerson
 Historian — Joe Romanelli
Exec Board
 Harold Barth
 Ed Black
 Tom Bowes
 PC Tony Avolio

Chaplain**Post Everlasting****Catherine “Kitty” Veltri (Auxiliary)**

May her soul and all the souls of all our friends and comrades rest in peace.

Need prayers for the following:

Fred Scheeley

Thought for the Month

“God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds today. Have you used one to say thank you?”

—William A. Ward

If you know any member that is sick, in the hospital/rehab or in distress, please call Garin Salisbury, Chaplain @ 772-240-8179 or email gsali81@att.net

2012-2013 Legion Rider Officers

Director — Jerry Heider
 Assistant Director — Joe Romanelli
 Secretary — Sherri Fox
 Treasurer — Sam Deville
 Road Captain — Lloyd Greene
 Sgt-at-Arms — Bill Jacobs
 Safety Officer — Felix Ayala
 Membership — Mary Shaffer
 Historian — George Benary
 Chaplain — Mary Ayala
 Internet Communication Officer — Paul Scozzafava

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Second Vice

It's June, and our seasonally challenged members have returned home, and things around the Post have slowed down a bit. This month the Auxiliary is holding their annual golf tournament on June 3. On the 16th of June we are having a Homecoming Party. The menu will be roast beef with all the fixin's. Big T and Dad will be the entertainment, all for ten dollars per person, That night we will also be drawing the winner of the \$500.00 Publix gift card. Tickets can be purchased right now at the bar for \$5.00 per ticket. My time as the 2nd Vice is coming to an end, and I would like to extend many thanks to all that made this a fun year for me. It's hard to thank everyone on one page, but I have to say a special thanks to the folks that have done the majority of the work during my term. Thanks Fran and Lou, Andy and Brenda, Thanks Kasey and Carol for 50/50 every Thursday and ideas by Jim Richards.

It has been a pleasure to work with Larry, and of course, Daryl. I doubt that (except for a few) anyone knows the time and energy Daryl gives to the Post. I know that I could never keep up with all his responsibilities. There are meetings with fund raising committees, banks, builders, architect, county permits, meetings with Lake Lucie and many, many more just for the new building. He then has all the regular duties as our Post Commander. He has the help of the best Finance Officer the Post has ever had in Mr. Richard Feldman, who attends many of these same meetings. Daryl has some great committees and Post Officers that he can truly count on.

I just want to say thanks to everyone. Please show the same help to our new 2nd Vice in the coming year.

Butch Bates



Ed McKeon, Veteran Service Officer, will be at the Post before the monthly general membership meetings (10:00 am) to answer any questions or help solve problems you have with Veteran Benefits.

**"Da Handyman d-o-o
what yo' honey don't."
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S.A.L. Thank you

The following businesses made donations to assist the SAL with their Pig Roast

- Nelson Farms—Corn*
- Home Depot—Charcoal*
- Mark's Propane- Propane*
- Flowers Bread-Bread Products*
- American Golf Carts*

WI-FI IS COMING!

Color Guard

As part of Armed Forces week, the Life Care Center asked if the Color Guard could provide reveille for their 20 or so WW2 Veterans. Many thanks to Gene Sereg, Sam Austin, Lou Romano and Garin Salisbury for performing this duty.

Winners of the 50/50 (Fred's) Raffle

**Jim Doherty
Betty Scheeley
Gloria Lee**

Building Fund Raffle



**\$500.00 Gift Certificate to Publix.
\$5.00 per ticket.....drawing will take place
on June 16. See bartenders for tickets!**

