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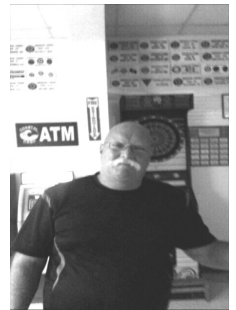
Commander's Corner by Danny Rodrigues

Well family, the end of my year is coming up. And so far it has been a good year. Currently we are at 99% on our membership. I am still looking for more members, so if you know someone that is eligible please invite them down and sign them up.

We had a great month this past month. The Easter egg hunt with the city of Jacksonville Beach. The fancy pants fish fry, which was a sellout. Brandi did a great job with the entertainment for it. These were just 2 of the things that went on this month.

We held the elections for the 2012-2013 officers. The incoming officers, Jerry Brandt Commander, Don Grenza 1st vice, Terry Stickles 2nd Vice, Brian Hancher 3rd Vice, Keith Hilton 4th Vice, Anna K Rogers SGT at Arms, Bob Schlater finance officer, Bob Schmidt Chaplin, E board Ray Shire, Chuck Nist, Jeff Durdan, David Jordan, John Burroughs. Congratulations to them.

We are looking for help on the upcoming events so if you can please volunteer. For children and youth events see John Burroughs. Also convention is coming up and if you want to be a delegate please see Me or Jerry



S.A.L. Notes by JD Kapeghian

I would like to congratulate all the newly elected officers. Lets make this year as good as last year, if not better! We made 100% + quota last year-lets do it again this year! Volunteers are needed. This is a MUST. Not the same 6 or 7 people can do everything over and over, we need new blood. Please, as an S.A.L. member, step-up to help your squadron be the best it can be. The first Friday of May, the 4th, is the S.A.L. dinner. We will be having rotisserie chicken, roasted red potatoes, veggies and dessert, 5:30 tilPlease join us the 23rd of May for our S.A.L. meeting to welcome and congratulate the newly elected officers. Hope to see you there. Thank you and good night. J.D.Kapeghian

For all upcoming events

See calendar insert
Or Brandi's e-mail

Don't Forget
Comedy Night on
the 12th
@ 7:30 PM

SAL Officers

Commander -JD Kapeghian

1StVice- Mike Barker Jr.

2nd Vice-Danny Parker

3rd Vice-Scott Hardy

Chaplin-Robert Haag

Sgt. At Arms-Garth
Collins

Auxiliary News by Candace Mabry, Auxiliary President



The wonder of the newsletter – you get to talk about events that were truly in the past, events that have not taken place as of the author's writing but it will appear in the past when the newsletter is delivered and that what takes place in the future. I realized too late that I should have put a mystery riddle in each newsletter just to see if any one actually reads the articles at all.

That being said, a big THANK YOU for everyone that turned in their volunteer hours and those that actually filled out the year end reports. Believe it or not, they do make a difference. As they say at convention, this is the one time each Unit can brag on how they helped their community, children, active duty and our veterans.

Ladies you should each be so proud of your individual efforts and the efforts of your Unit. Each year we ask to have the honor of sponsoring one more young girl than we were slotted. Thanks to Pat Cornel who is 5th District Girls State this wish is usually honored. Do you realize that just in the 5th District there are 15 Units and from all the Units we only have 30 girls going to Girls State? Be proud, Unit 129 is sponsoring 5 or nearly 20% of the ladies going to Tallahassee. One of our representatives last year was asked to represent the state of Florida at Girls Nationals in Washington, DC.

Membership is only at 89%, very disconcerting. Ladies your dues were to be paid by January 1st 2012. If you cannot see what membership accomplishes then you have not been reading these articles and you have not been coming to any meetings. I was hoping to reach 100% this year but it is not looking like we can get there.

Next meeting we will be electing a new slate of officers including a new president. God Bless Her! Please let us welcome everyone to their new positions and please continue to volunteer to keep our Unit growing.

Goodness, let's not forget everyone's support at Steak Bingo and dinner, the third Friday of every month. Let Kathy know if you can help out with a meal.

For God and Country,

Officers for 2011—2012

Commander.....Danny Rodriguez
 1st Vice.....Norm Sullivan
 2nd Vice.....Terry Stickle
 3rd Vice.....Pete Riebesehl
 4th Vice.....Keith Helton
 SAA.....Mike Barker
 Adjutant.....Candace Kelly
 Judge Advocate.....Bob Wilson
 Finance.....Bob Schlatter
 Chaplain.....Robert Schmidt
 Service Officer.....Walt Fanton

E-Board
 Keith Ingle
 Tommy Williams
 Jeff Durden
 Taylor Baker

House Committee
 Bill Wilson
 Kathy Jewell AUX
 Dale Peterson

Frank Redmond
 Rich Hansberg
 Richard Kasevich
 Nina Lott

Auxiliary President,
 Candace Mabry
Commander S.A.L., JD Kapeghian
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 James Mayer
La Presidente, Cabane 215,
 Annie Anderson
American Legion Riders Director
 Jeff Durden

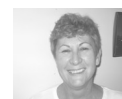
American Legion Riders by Jeff Durden



We had our elections of officers for next year. They are as follows, Director- Jeff Durden, Asst. Director-Richard Hurst, Membership-Trish Edwards, Sec.-Bill Wilson, Chaplin- Kathy Jewell, Road Captain- Lee Fair, SGT at Arms- John Burroughs, Safety- Chuck Nist, Treasurer- Bob Schlatter, and Historian- Susan Logsdon. We had a great year last year and look forward to a better one this year. There will NOT be a meeting in May do to all the events going on. So, until June, Ride Safe. We will still have our dinners and steak bingo in May.

Cabane 215 News

Annie Anderson, Cabane President



Merci to everyone who helped with the Rummage Sale and Merci to all who have donated items for the sale. As you know this is our biggest fundraiser and we do need to meet our donation obligations. Our elections are on Thursday May 10th, if you are interested in becoming a Cabane Officer please come to the Rendezvous. Grand Renezvous is June 8, 9 and 10th, I am unable to attend and the Dames that are attending will bring back good information. Our Dame Lorraine Smith will have her awesome Mexican Dinner on Friday June 29th more information on that in the next newsletter.

I do hope see you all on Thursday May 10th for next Rendezvous.

For God and Country

Annie Anderson

Presidente Locale 215

Sent by a concerned member

It has come to our attention that there may be a scam going on in regards to the world war II publication.

Please only send renewal payment to the Pennsylvania location "not the White City OR. address"

Canteen Update

by Brandi Roberts



Mark your calendars! Comedy Night is back on May 12th. Tickets now on sale at the canteen.

Opening Act: Sean Hunter

Over the last 10 years, Sean has been working the major comedy clubs throughout the US. He has a laidback style that quickly connects with his audiences. He talks about everyday problems that we all experience like; Child Rearing, Marriage issues, and dealing with dysfunctional in-laws.

Headliner: Chris Dubail

High voltage non-stop action is what you get at Chris Dubail's show. Chris brings some of the entertainment world's favorite characters to life with physical comedy and quality dead on impressions. His act is a high energy blend of impressions, stand up and physical comedy, and improvisation. From Kramer being in the wrong place at the wrong time, Chris Rock's view on game shows, Billy Cosby giving dieting advise and Chris's own views on dating and current events, it all provides for a non stop evening of fun and mayhem. Chris has shared the stage with some of the top entertainers in his field. He performs at comedy clubs all over America.

Ask Ethel

Dear Ethel: I suggest that big bell hanging over the bar should have an expanded function. When an announcement is being made and it's being drowned out by loud talk, the bell should be rung continuously by an assigned bell-ringer until the talkers quiet down. What do you think?---Ear 'Tiz

Dear Ear---Interesting proposal. We could refer to the bell-ringer as Quasimodo (the Hunchback [bell-ringer] of Notre Dame).

Dear Ethel: Some of our members apparently have led over-sheltered lives. At steak bingo the other night, one woman said she heard that you could kill a vampire by plunging a stake through his heart. She was wondering whether it could be an expensive one like a t-bone or just a sirloin. Any comment?---Incredulous

Dear Incred: She possibly thinks the man in the blue suit behind the plate at a baseball game is a vampire and thus she's puzzled by fans hollering "Kill the umpire!"

Ask Ethel

If you have any questions for the "Ask Ethel" column, send the questions to Ethel at:

triplejj@comcast.net



Legion Lore by Jack Hardebeck



There's nothing funny about the final homecoming of Wounded Warriors from the Afghanistan and Iraq or other wars. However, let's face it, many, maybe most, of us vets were never in combat unless it was over something like who stands the midnight watch. There were some humorous things that happened to some of us during the discharge process.

For instance, when I was at a Navy separation center after WW II, they ran movies to pass the time. One was about a guy who got discharged and moped around his parents' home, trying to "find himself." At last, his fed-up father called him into the study. As the door closed, some vet-to-be with a fog-horn voice yelled in the audience, "GET A JOB!" It brought the house down.

Then there was the jokester and former serviceman who commented that our armed forces are basically a prep school for the American Legion. Very perceptive, except that, if you played hooky, you most likely ended up in the brig.

P.S.: My April LEGION LORE column contained an error. The short, final sentence should have read, "Men overbored!" It was an attempted witticism based on the seagoing alarm "Man overboard!" but meaning the crew in "Mr. Roberts" were really bored.

Notice to all Members

Please renew your
2012 membership

Attention: All Facebook users

You can get most current information on the daily activities of Post 129 on our Facebook page. Look us up as American Legion Post 129 Canteen or check our legion website for the link.

Editor's Comments

by Jack Gregory



Thank you to all for the wonderful support and encouragement during the Past year to bring this publication to you. I will return to duty next June. God willing

Things you may not know

The origins of the soldier term "G.I." is an abbreviation for "Government issue," which was stamped on all government kits supplied to recruits in the US Army during World War II.

Legionnaires Needed

by Jerry Brandt

Legionnaires, the Post needs help, we have a number of opening for Chairmanship within the Post.

These positions consist of:

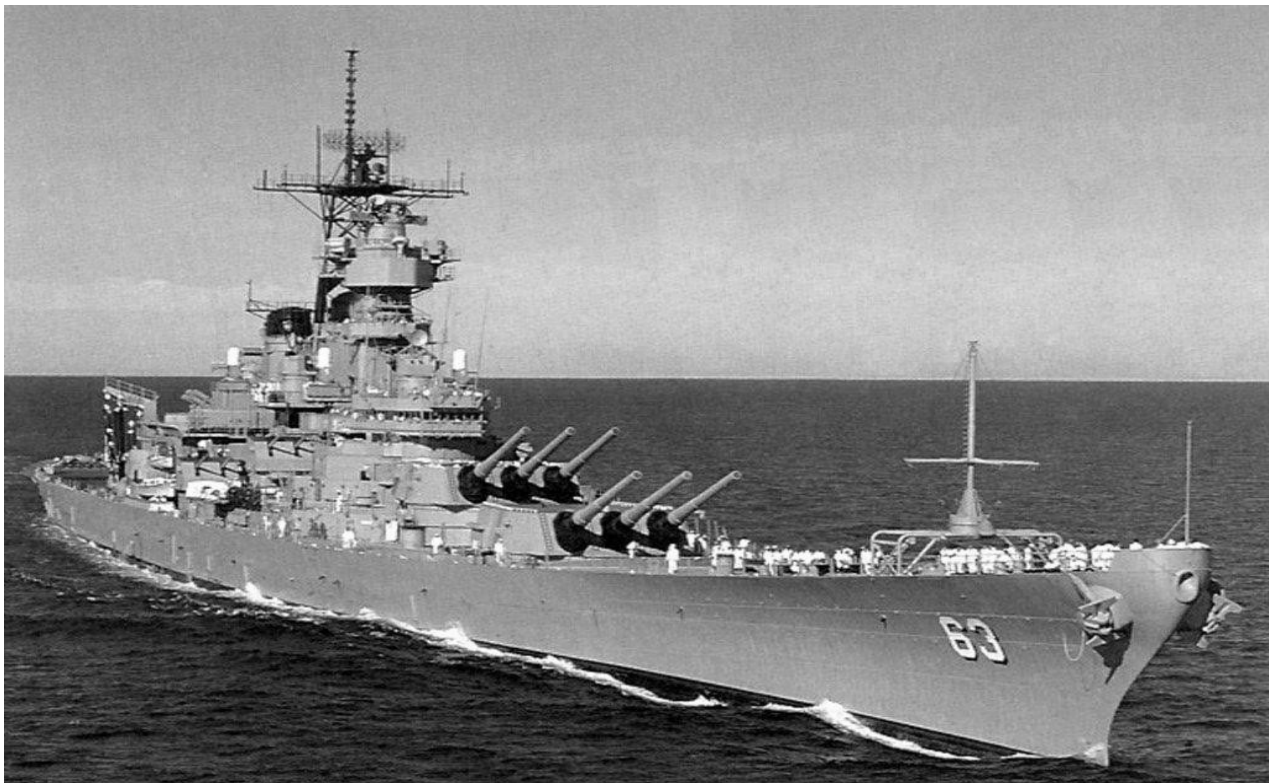
Boys State, Oratorical ,Children and Youth, Law and Order, Americanism,

ROTC, Boys Scouts, Baseball, School Medals, POW/MIA, Blood Donor, Employment

There will be a listing of all positions and information about them listed on the Bulletin Board in the Hall. Please review.

If anyone has nostalgic or interesting pictures or articles you would like published in this newsletter, please let me know by mid month prior to the next publication. @jkgregy@yahoo.com

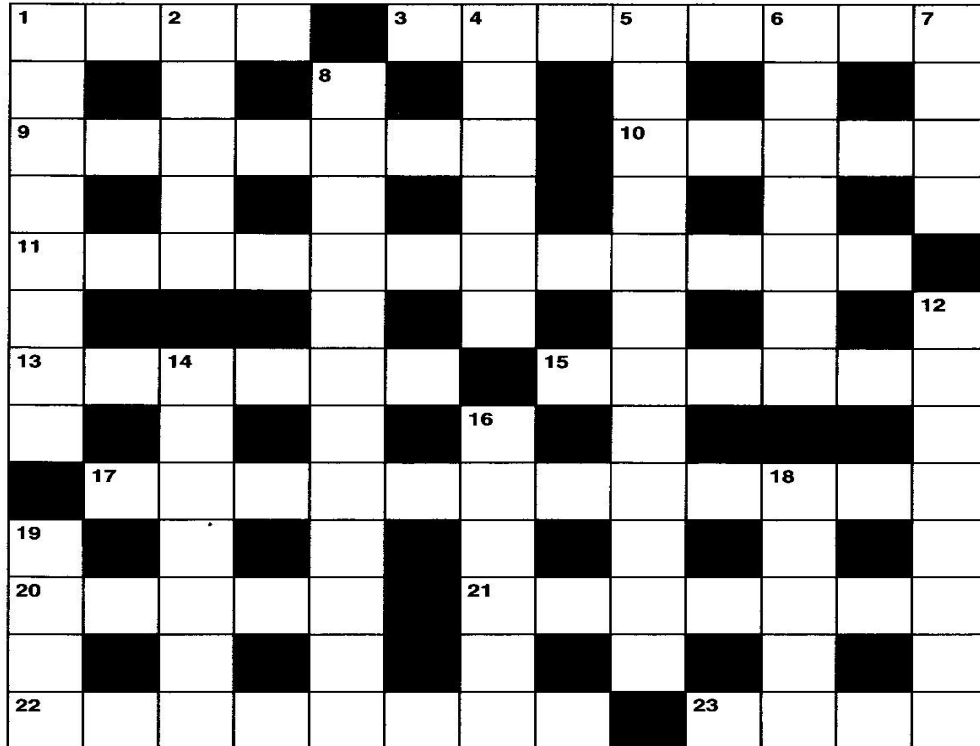
Throughout history, the battleship has been an essential part of the United States Navy military operations. During World War II, these battleships were the homes to thousands of Navy personnel.



Just For Fun

by Jack Gregory

No 11



Across

- 1 - Badger's home (4)
- 3 - Semi-formal evening dress (5,3)
- 9 - Farms (7)
- 10 - Approaches (5)
- 11 - Disturbance (12)
- 13 - Bear witness (6)
- 15 - Not dense (6)
- 17 - District (12)
- 20 - Group of eight (5)
- 21 - Vertically placed (7)
- 22 - Finely chopped (8)
- 23 - South American Indian (4)

Down

- 1 - Remaining alive (8)
- 2 - Religious doctrine (5)
- 4 - Tenant under a lease (6)
- 5 - Characteristic of the present (12)
- 6 - Self-propelled vehicle (7)
- 7 - Otherwise (4)
- 8 - Myopic (12)
- 12 - Feud (8)
- 14 - Small loudspeaker (7)
- 16 - Formally reject (6)
- 18 - Eg heart or liver (5)
- 19 - Cries (4)

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William Walker
Fred St Clair
In memory of Joyce Weiss

Sonny & Suzanne Sternberg (10/12)

Platinum Level. \$100

Barbara & Phil Milazo (1/12)
In memory of Cindy Burroughs 3/12
Carl Morrison (8/11)
In memory of Earl Parker
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Gold Level. \$50

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In memory of Barbara Thomas (8/11)
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In Memory of Skip Hilliker 02/15

Colette & Charlie Sellers 7/12

Jim Smith (8/12)

Caroline Whelpley (5/11)
Ed Zazzarino (10/11)
Frank Brown (7/12)
George Layton (3/11)
In memory of Earl Parker (6/11)
In memory of Edwina Maccangno (4/11)
In memory of Jack W. Cox (2/11)
In memory of Sean Seroyer (3/11)
In memory of Dottie Smith (8/12)
In memory of George Rivers (5/11)
In memory of Skip Hilliker (10/12)
In memory of John Kapeghian (6/12)
In memory of Jim Read (12/11)
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