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November 2011

Commander's Corner by Danny Rodrigues

Well family, I hope you are doing well this month. This month is going to be a busy one again. With the Veterans Day ceremonies and Thanksgiving, plus everything else we do as a post, let us not forget those that are serving our country is some far off place. Let us honor them and pray for their safe return to their families.

On November the 11th, Veterans Day, Veterans will be honoring the "LOST" submarines at the Beaches Veterans Memorial Park. This will start @ 14:00 hrs. They will be honoring the 65 USN submarines lost from 1915 to the present. The principle speaker will be Captain John O'Neill, Commander, Naval Submarine Base, King Bay, Ga. If you can attend please show your support.

Terry is preparing another great feast for Thanksgiving, \$5.00 for early sign up. Please sign up or see Terry. We had a great turn out last year. We were only expecting 68 buy by the time we were done had served over 100. If you can help please see Terry, I know that he would appreciate it.

I place in the newsletter last month a resolution that I will be calling a vote on at the meeting. This resolution was for the forming of a men's auxiliary. Members of the Department last year approached me to write this and see if we can get it sent to the department. I know National has killed this before but there are 2 departments in the country that have approved a similar resolution with in their states.

MEMBERSHIP!!!! You thought I forgot, not going to happen. I still need your help. If you have not renewed please do so. If you know of someone that is a veteran and not a member, please talk to them and find out why. It may be that they just don't know what we do or the benefits that we offer to them. Remember that a lot of people see us as a bunch of old vets sitting around drinking telling war stories. And we all know this is not true. Telling them that we are involved in veterans benefits, children and youth activities and Americanism might help them become a member Getting out in the public and promoting the American Legion and its programs will benefit you and the post.





For all upcoming events

See calendar insert Or Brandi's e-mail

If anyone has a birthday for next month let me know & I will put all of them in in this section: Thanks, Jack

Nov. 23rd Sue Gregory

Breakfast Every Sunday 9 AM to Noon

SAL Officers

Commander -JD Kapeghian
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S.A.L. Notes by JD Kapeghian

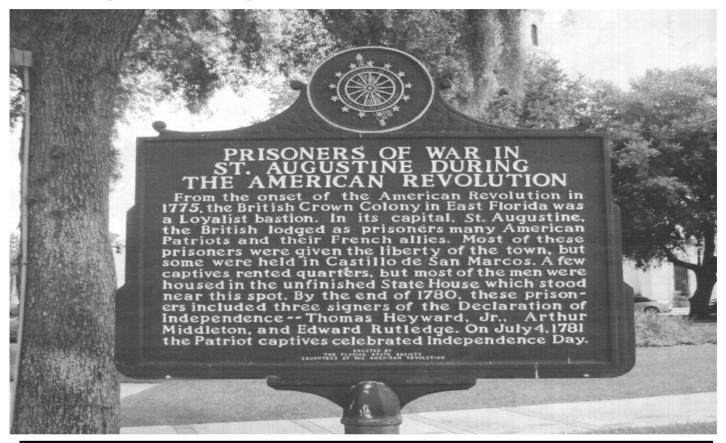
The S.A.L. would like to thank Jerry and Wanda Brandt for their work on the ceiling tile for Tom Dawson at the north end of the bar. (The 'dark side'). I would like to thank Pattie Kapeghian, Erin Donahue, Garth Collins and Danny Parker for all their help with Oyster night. And all those that came out to enjoy another successful evening with us. We will be doing it again on November 14th at 5:30 - till.....The money we raise goes to the Canteen to help with the purchase of another flat screen TV, for over the stage area. If anyone would like to help, please see Brandi or J.D. Our membership drive is doing well, but still have due's for some members and new members as well, that have not been paid for 2012. Please come out and join us for our NFL foot ball Sunday's. Enjoy the people, the food, and the games. Hope to see you here!

Auxiliary News by Candace Mabry, Auxiliary President



No Input this Month

Below a sign from St. Augustine - Erected by the Daughters of the American Revolution



From an internet source

by Jack Gregory

On Oct. 14, NASA, the NRO and the U.S. Air Force announced plans to certify commercial rockets so that they could compete for future contracts involving Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle, or EELVs. This means that Space Exploration Technologies' (Space X) could compete for upcoming military contracts.

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American Legion Riders by Jeff Durden





Well I hope everyone has a GREAT THANKSGIVING, We voted to get a file cabinet for our shirts for storage. We are looking into getting one so that when the new shirts and other supplies arrive, we have can be stored safely. The Road Captain resigned his position effectively now. We will take nominations at our next meeting on the 19th of November. We also talked about having a Christmas Party this year. The date I have so far is the 10th of December. Let me know if this is ok or we can talk about it at November's meeting. We will only have Wing Night on the 28th this month do to the holidays. Thanks to all who have helped out so far this year. Until next month, Ride Safe.

Softball news

by Coach Don

Hi everyone. This is Coach DON. I am the coach for the Post 129 softball team. First I want to say THANK YOU to everyone that had anything to do with the Flag Pole project. I am very happy to say that we now have a Flag and Flag Pole at our home field!! It looks wonderful. The Mayor of Jacksonville Beach was on hand for the dedication that we had one Wednesday evening in September. There were about 20 Post 129 people there also. As for the team, we had a couple of rain out games already this season. We will be making them up. On Oct 16, we had our first game against Post 316. We had them for most of the game expect for one inning that they scored 8 runs on us. We just couldn't score enough to prevent a 10 run rule. We lost 18-8.

TEAM.....Coach DonJ

Cabane 215 News

Annie Anderson, Cabane President



Hello Everyone, just to let you know we had a small attendance at the last Rendezvous, but we did vote on several items. We donated \$100.00 to the Judy Nicholson Foundation for Cancer and sponsored Sharon Millspaw for her cure for cancer walk a thon on Saturday October the 15th. Several Dames attended the Dames Luncheon on Saturday the 15th at Cabane Locale 304 at San Juan Ave. Our Thanksgiving Basket of Cheer is coming going to be great and we are having the usual three drawings. Please do come to the Post and get your tickets. One for \$1, six for 5\$ and fifteen for \$10.00. Drawing will be Wednesday evening the 23^{rd} of November. Merci to each and everyone who donated items for the baskets. Hope I will see you on our next Rendezvous on Thursday Nov 10^{th} at 7pm. If I don't see you I do hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday.

Yours in Service

Annie Anderson

La Presidente

Canteen Update

by Brandi Roberts



Hello from your Canteen Staff,

Wow this year has gone by fast! This month proves to be just as busy as the rest of the year here at Post 129. We are proud to have started Karaoke on Saturday nights which is working out great, so stop on by and show off your talents! Croaker Tournament will be held November 11th to the 13th and they are still in need of volunteers. Please see Clyde if you can help.

Back by popular demand we will be having Thanksgiving Dinner again this year at the post as we did last year. Terry and his crew will be cooking up a storm so your won't have to. For a small donation of \$5 (with advance reservation) you will get a full Thanksgiving dinner. Dinner includes Turkey, Gravy, Ham, Pineapple Raisin Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Baked Sweet Potatoes, Bread Stuffing, Corn, Green Bean Casserole, Cranberry Sauce, Bread, and Pumpkin Pie. Tickets are on sale at the bar. Get yours early as we are expecting to sell out this year.

Members have been asking so we are officially announcing that **Post 129 will be open for Christmas Day!** We will open at noon and close when business declines. We will not have food available but if you would like to bring something to share with your Post family you are welcome to.

On a personal note I will be having my at home Wedding reception here at the Post on November 19th, everyone is invited. Beach Street Boogie will be here to entertain us from 6pm to 10pm and Terry will be cooking up a wonderful meal. So stop on by and met the man who dared to marry me! We hope to see you there.

Football season is well underway and the NFL Sunday Ticket from Direct TV has been a huge success!!! You will be seeing every game every week! This year we will be offering buckets of beer during all NFL games and in addition the kitchen will be open! So come to the post to watch your favorite teams win! We know there is a lot going on at our Post and in an effort to keep everyone informed of all the great events, meals, activities, and specials we have started a weekly email. If you would like to be added to the list please sign up on the bulletin board.

As always we would like to thank all the members that help out around the canteen there are too many of you to name but we hope that you know how thankful we are for your help. This canteen could not run without you!

We are continuing to bring new and exciting events to the post! If you have any ideas or would like to get involved please let us know. We can always use your help!

Ask Ethel

Dear Ethel: I remember fondly the waitresses on roller skates who used to deliver food to cars parked outside fast-food restaurants. I think volunteers should be on skates when they bring meals to other Post 129 members on the premises. It should help the vols to improve service on busy nights. Would that work?---Good Skate

Dear Good Skate: Probably not. I too remember those usually-young "skateresses." Many of our volunteers may have forgotten how to skate, if they ever learned. I would expect lots of meals accidentally dumped in laps or on the floor.

Dear Ethel: I thought of a perfect put-down for a Legionnaire who brags about being a West Pointer. I'd reply, "You look like an Irish Setter to me." Is that too rude?---Former Private.

Dear Former Private: Yes, and you should be nice to someone who boasts about having been a general. Don't ask him whether he was a general nuisance or a general problem.

Ask Ethel (8-2011)

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

triplejj@comcast.net



Legion Lore by Jack Hardebeck



Lately, there are loud calls from conservatives for cutbacks in government spending. Let's hope that the surgery doesn't bite too deeply into the military budget. Browsing, I came across some humor on the subject from a fun-loving commentator of the 1970's and 1980's. I reckon it's okay to get a few laughs out of economizing at the Pentagon. Here goes.

This gagster felt that the average citizen sees stockpiling of tanks, guns, and missiles as scary. To the Pentagon, he joked, it's Toys-R-Us. He said that the tanks cost \$1.1 million each ---radio and heater extra. He opined that it seems like a lot of money but that buying a tank isn't easy. He challenged the audience with, "You ever kick a tread?"

One military asset that I oppose reducing is the drone---the missile-launching aircraft that flies without a pilot aboard, guided by a controller at a far-away location. In fact, I look forward to its adaptation to civilian life. Since I can no longer drive a car, I'd like to have a drone automobile that I could send to a store fore a purchase or to pick up Ethel and bring her to my house. Hey, there's already a Nutrisystem that delivers meals to folks. Maybe I'd call my driving drone-alone arrangement the No-go System.

Notice to all Members

Your 2012

Membership cards are now available

Post 129 has Lotto!

We can take care of all of your Florida Lottery needs! Remember that every time you buy or cash in a Lottery ticket that the vender gets a percentage of that sale from the state.

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 foe the link.

Editor's Comments

by Jack Gregory



There was very little interest for the Golf Tournament, scheduled for last month, I'm sorry to say. So we had to cancel it.

We may try another in the spring, but we will require commitment at least 30 days prior to the date scheduled, to insure tee times at Queens Harbor golf club.

Things you may not know

Ice-cream cones were first served in 1904, at the worlds fair in St. Louis, Mo.

Thomas Edison, was afraid of the dark.

No input this month

If anyone has nostalgic pictures you would like published in this newsletter, please let me know by mid month prior to the next publication.

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To the right is a photo taken circa 1918. Showing Frank Sherwood, Don's father, a Sargent Major in world warI, In the British Army. He is bottom row left.



Just For Fun by Jack Gregory

Recipe for the Month

PEA SOUP

2 cups dried split peas

4 cups water

1 rib celery- chopped

1 cup chopped potatoes

1 lg. carrot-chopped

1 medium onion-chopped

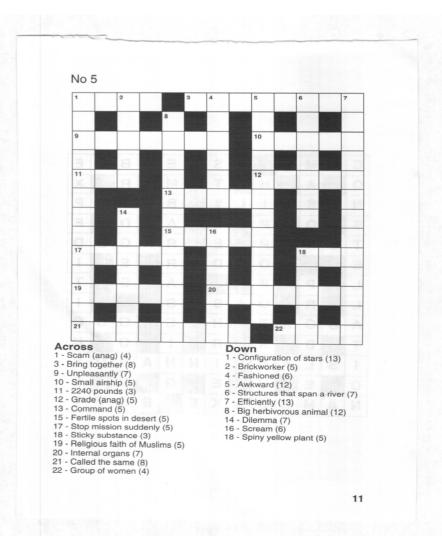
1/4 tsp. dried thyme

1 garlic clove

1/2 tsp. dried basil

Combine all ingredients in slow cooker Cover, cook on high for 6 hours until peas are tender

For increased flavor use chicken broth, not water



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