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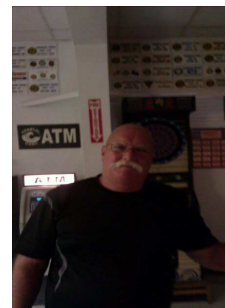
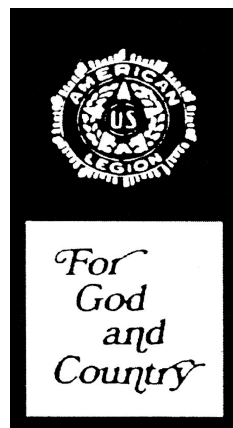
Commander's Corner by Danny Rodrigues

Well legionnaires the time is flying by. I am happy to report that we made membership goals for September and we are looking good for the October goal. This doesn't mean that I am going to slack off on requesting that you get your membership in, by no means. I would like to make 100% be for December. So if you are still waiting, just go ahead and send them in.

I had the opportunity to attend a training session put on by the northern area commander. I found it very informative. Things that the American Legion can do for our troops and their families, is by far an outstanding thing. One thing that I did not know is that there are 1500 different programs out there under children and youth. One that interested me the most is the TS2. Believe me I wished they had this program when I was in the Navy. I could have used it. Basically when our service personnel are deployed, we can give this small book to the serviceperson and one to the family. In it contains very important phone numbers and web sites to help them when things get tough. Also contacts to the American Legion to which they can get grants to help if the money gets tight, or the impossible happen and the military screws up the pay. We all know that can never happen. So if you know of a family that is being deployed soon let us know so we can get them the book. Remember we are not recruiting them now, they will remember the help and come to us.

I need you to turn in to me any time that you have done for any of the programs for the American Legion. That means children and youth, Americanism, and veterans affairs. I know that our softball team has a bunch of hours for the flag pole at the ball field. Just give me an idea on how many hours and for what. And if you have an idea to do something under any of the programs I am all ears. Remember when I was running for commander I wanted us to get back to the core of the legion. This is how we do it and how we let the district and department know what we are doing by "blowing our horn and blowing it loud".

I am going to hold an election for the vacant seat on the E board which is being occupied by Don G. as a temp appointment. If any one is interested please let me know @ the October meeting. The election will be held on the November meeting. I am also looking for a Sergeant at Arms. Mike has had to step down due to employment conflicts. Continued on another page



For all upcoming events

See calendar insert
Or Brandi's e-mail

Golf Tournament
10/22

See Insert

Breakfast Every Sunday
9 to Noon

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

S.A.L. Notes by JD Kapeghian

I would like to start out by sending our thoughts and prayers out to the Miller family and Lance, for a speedy recovery! I would also like to wish a belated HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Pattie Kapeghian. We want to thank her for all her help with the S.A.L. functions, as well as the legion, canteen, auxiliary and American Legions Riders. In the last few months I have been "schooled" as the commander of the S.A.L. I have listened, learned, seen and tried my best to do all I can for the better of the S.A.L. I want to thank all those that have helped, for all their insight and guidance. At the north end of the bar, we have installed a ceiling tile, commemorating Tom Dawson as the past commander of the S.A.L. The second Monday of October, the 10th, we will be having another Oyster Night. We hope to have another big turn out, if not even bigger! Please, let's keep up with renewals and new membership! Thank you.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 129

1151 4th Street South Jax Beach 32250

Charity Golf Tournament

At Queens Harbor Golf & Yacht Club

All proceeds to benefit the Children's Special Olympics

Saturday October 22

Signup & check in at 11:15 - Tee off shotgun start at 12:15

18 holes with cart & range balls

Entrance Fee \$50.00 to be paid in Advance

Closest to the pin prizes on par threes

Winners Prizes & 50/50 drawings

Roast Beef dinner to follow at Post 129 with (1) drink

Invite a Dinner guest for an additional \$5.00

2 Man scramble format

Contacts: Wayne - 904 612 7584,

Jack - 904 982 7070, Doug - 904 502 1134

Players #1_____#2_____

Primary phone or E Mail _____

#3_____#4_____

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Auxiliary News by Candace Mabry, Auxiliary President



Orange, Blue, Orange, Blue, yada yada yada – Who let the DAWGS out? Woof Woof.... IT'S BACK...Ladies after a 3 year hiatus the pep rally of all times is coming back to Post 129 on Friday night October 28th. Yes, after steak bingo that evening we will have the gator cheerleaders face off against those bulldog cheerleaders. It is all just for great fun but Unit members get involved. Either sign up to be a Florida or Georgia cheerleader or better yet, be there and cheer everyone on. We'll have a 50/50 drawing – half to the Auxiliary and half to YOU??? Go team – if you've never experienced this pep rally before, you don't know what you are missing!!

Our meeting this month will be on October 6th at 7:00 p.m. We will have a lot to discuss including the increase in next year's dues. Department went up \$2.50 which your Unit has absorbed for the past 2 years, and National just voted on an increase of \$4.00 per year. No amount has been decided, that's why we need you at our next meeting to let your voice be heard.

Thanks to everyone that is helping out the Auxiliary with dinners on the 3rd Friday of the month, from past to future chefs Patti, Erin, Genell, Debbie & Tom and everyone before and after. This is just one way we can raise money to support our Unit throughout the year.

Some super news about the homeless female vets we have pledged money last year to support. The North Florida Builders Assoc. has pledged to renovate the first of 2 buildings at their own expense. They are also pledging to help the second building using the pledge monies of \$14,000. Yes ladies in the monies pledge from the 5th district your Unit has pledged at least ½ of this amount. We could not do this without each of you and those wonderful supporters of Bingo.

Special thanks to Anna Morgon and her father who came to our meeting last month to share her experience at this year's Girl's State. The word she used to express the total experience was 'empowerment'. How wonderful – we should each take this into our own life and pass it on to others.

There are still many ways to get involved, from educating our school children on flag etiquette, collecting box tops, Campbell soup labels, clipping coupons or supporting your Auxiliary the 3rd Friday of every month. Whatever you choose, all I can say is 'Thank you from the bottom of my heart'

Love to all,

Candace Mabry

From an internet source

by Jack Gregory

September marked the 765th month since January 1948, when the Bureau of labor statistics began calculating the unemployment rate. And September was the 71st month since 1948 with a rate at 8% or higher the 32nd such month in just the past 2-1/2 years. This means that about 44% of the most severe unemployment in the past 63 years has occurred in the past TWO AND A HALF YEARS.

Who do we thank for that??

Officers for 2011—2012

Commander.Danny Rodriguez
1st Vice.....Norm Sullivan
2nd Vice.....Terry Stickles
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 Members House Committee

Keith Ingle	Bill Wilson
y	Frank Redmond
Tommy Williams	Rich Hansberg
Jeff Durden	Kathy Jewel (Aux)
Taylor Barker	Richard Kasevich SAL
	Nina Lott
	Dale Peterson

Auxiliary President,
Candace Mabry
Commander S.A.L., JD Kapeghian
Chef De Gare 40 & 8,
James Mayer
La Presidente, Cabane 215,
Annie Anderson
American Legion Riders Director
Jeff Durden

American Legion Riders by Jeff Durden



We had a very successful Poker Run on Sept. 3rd. We donated \$2,400.00 to Brycen and his family. There was a great turn out from many chapters from the 5th District. Thanks to Chapters 88,129,283 and 316 for your support. Also thanks to Posts 233 and 54 and The Mayport Tavern for having us as a stop on our run. We will have Wings on Monday the 24th of October. Jags will be playing that night so we will have extra wings. Our Friday night dinner will be on the fourth Friday this month. We swapped with the Legion for the month. Our next Meeting will be on the 15th. We need a quartermaster for the shirts and stuff, if interested let me know. Until next month, Ride Safe

Commander's Notes continued from front page

On the lighter side things to watch for . The Red, White, and Blue show. I've been told that it is a big one and going to be held in the back hall. Watch for info to follow. The Croaker tournament is coming in November. Look for more on it. I know that the news letters did not get mailed out last month. There were issues with the mailing list and we are hoping that they get corrected. I have seen a lot of newsletters coming back due to mailing addresses that are no longer valid. If you moved and it has been more that 6 months please help us in getting it updated. I know that this seems a little stupid me writing this but there are those that do check out the web site and the news letter is there as well.

Resolution for the creation of a Men's Auxiliary

Whereas, a female having served in the armed forces on the United States of America, and being member of the American Legion, and being lawfully married, whose husband not served in the military,

Whereas, He is not eligible, by his father nor Grandfather, to join the Sons of the American Legion and,

Whereas, The Auxiliary of the American Legion, having expressed that they will not accept men into their organization, it is, be it,

Resolved, That the American Legion create the Men's Auxiliary for the purpose of accepting men whom, through their willingness to help promote the pillars of the American Legion, and by giving support to American Legion can further drive its presence in the community , state, and nation.

Cabane 215 News

Annie Anderson, Cabane President



Hello everybody, I am sorry that I was unable to attend our last Rendezvous. Merci to our Sous Presidente Vicki Gordon, for standing in for me. I was informed that it was a successful Rendezvous. Thank you all for your donations to our Fall basket. I will have the items with me at our next Rendezvous, which will be on Thursday October 13th at 7 pm. Hope to see you there.

For God and Country

Annie Anderson

La Presidente Locale

Canteen Update

by Brandi Roberts



Hello from your Canteen Staff,

This year we will be holding our annual party on October 29th. Prizes are given out for best costumes, so start thinking now. Island Karaoke will be here to entertain you so plan on coming out and having a great time!

Football season is here again and this year we have the NFL Sunday Ticket from Direct TV!!! You will be see 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!

Let us know your needs, expectations, and hopes. We hope to serve you soon!

Ask Ethel

Dear Ethel:: I believe Post 129 should have its own television show. We already have stars, worn in the dreams of members who, in service, aspired to be a general. Is that a good idea or what?---TV Devotee

Dear Devotee: What. It might be tough to get a sponsor. In general, I think the proposal is generally impractical.

Dear Ethel: Well, with Labor Day over, vacation time is again ending. Many folks who drove probably found a place to stay that they will avoid next year. The resort we were at had rooms so small that our mosquito bites couldn't swell. Did you go away? --- Turned-off Tourist

Dear Turned-off: No, we had a stay-cation at home and entertained the local mosquitoes.

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



What's the most practiced activity in the

U.S. military? I say it's sleeping. After all, if you're not on duty and payday is far away, you might just go back to your sack. Remember Ensign Pulver in the movie "Mr. Roberts"? He spent so much time in his bunk on the ship, the captain didn't know who he was after 14 months aboard.

A major problem is that barracks or ship's sleeping compartments on a Navy vessel can be pretty noisy places, especially after "lights-out." As a WW II Navy barracks guard on nighttime duty, I couldn't believe the sound of snoring. It was like being in a huge lumber mill.

Sometimes there might also be pranks going on in the dark. In Navy boot camp, we had one recruit in our company who had an aversion to soap and water. I'll call him "Dirty McMurty." (Not his real name.) He didn't shower after a run in the sun or launder his clothes. My buddy in a bottom bunk would slap his hands on the deck to mimic footsteps and whisper urgently, "Watch out!! Here come McMurty's socks!"

So sleeping was occasionally keeping us busy. Fortunately, enough U.S. service members were awake to win the war.

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 for the link.

Editor's Comments

by Jack Gregory



Sorry about last months issue not being mailed out.

There was much confusion on getting the mailing list ready. We are working on getting this resolved. If you would like the publication mailed and are not getting it, please let us know your info. Also if you would rather have it E-mailed also let the post know, either in person or E-mail to post129@comcast.net. Hopefully we will get it in time.

Things you may not know

[Armadillos can walk underwater](#)

[Fortune cookies were actually invented in America, in 1918, by Charles Jung](#)

40 & 8 News

by Jimmy Mayer - Chef-De-Gare

Sorry I missed last month (forgot). See me for Box Car pin card & Child welfare pins for 2012. Your 2012 dues are also due— please pay on time. Bill Garrett not present, would have won the drawing. Next promenade will be October 13th.

1st. Vice Commander Comments

by Norm Sullivan

Membership is our most important program. The reason for this is obvious, “Membership is the life blood of the American legion “. Without members there would be no Legion programs. Without members there would be no voice on capitol hill. There would be no accomplishment in assistance and support to veterans, their families the community ,state, and nation. It is often emphasized ,”it is not the price you pay to belong, but the price you paid to be eligible to belong. Often times our members are hesitant to ask veterans to join the American Legion because we are asking for his or her money and time. Do you not feel as a legionnaire, this time and money will be well spent in advancing the many and various programs of the Legion? Don’t be hesitant or apologetic, ask them to join, ask them to re-new NOW.

As you know, if you renew before November 11th you will receive a free early bird dinner from the post, (date to be announced.) help us reach our goal of 100% by January 1st, but if you renew by November 11th you can save \$5.00 your dues are only \$30.00 before this date.

WHY SO MUCH TRAGEDY

by Susan Ness Gregory

America was in utter shock on 9-11-2001. People said how and why would someone do something so tragic to America. We are rebuilding, remembering, and holding our flag as one nation under God. 9-11-2011 was a day of tears, memories, and much more. People from the military to the ordinary citizen gather as one all over the country for a short time as a tribute to those lost. AMERICA RULES

Just For Fun

by Jack Gregory

Recipe for the Month

Glazing for Country Grilled Ribs

1 cup ketchup

1/2 cup water

1/4 cup finely chopped onion

1/4 cup cider vinegar or wine vinegar

1/4 cup mild molasses

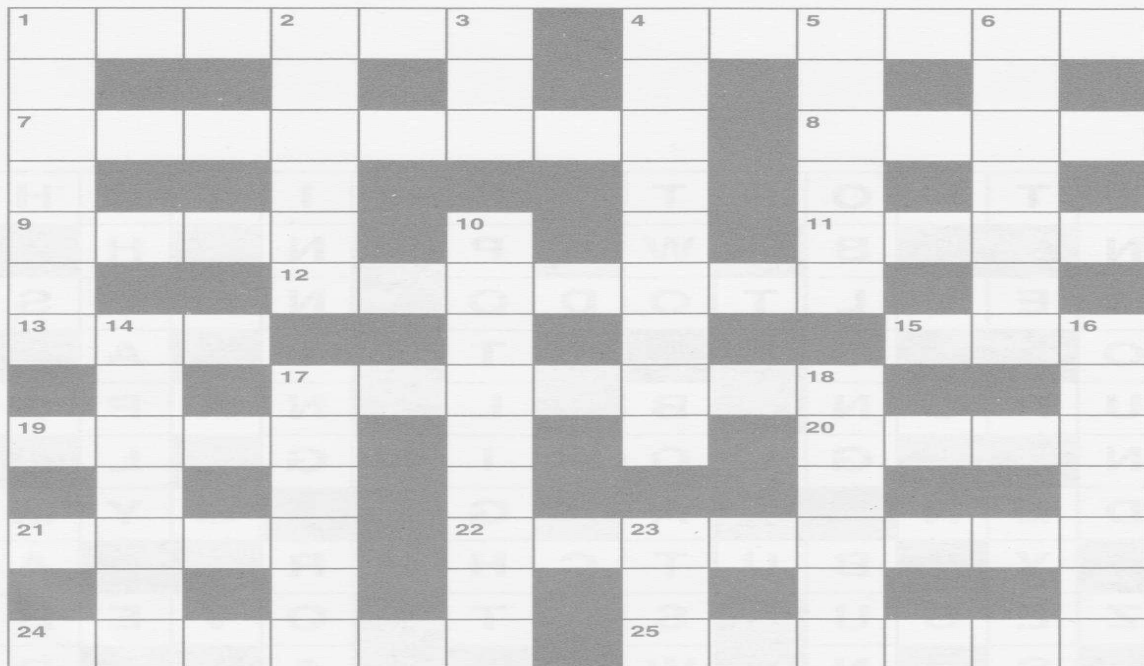
2 Tbsp. Worcestershire

2 Tsp. chili powder

2 cloves garlic, minced

This will cover 3 pounds pork country-style ribs

No 4



Across

- 1 - Limit (6)
- 4 - Informer (6)
- 7 - Moderately rich (4-2-2)
- 8 - Negatives (4)
- 9 - On top of (4)
- 11 - Short sleeps (4)
- 12 - Incandescent (7)
- 13 - Animal's home (3)
- 15 - Athletic facility (3)
- 17 - Meat seller (7)
- 19 - Domesticated ox (4)
- 20 - Finished; complete (4)
- 21 - Labor (4)
- 22 - Living in trees (8)
- 24 - Language spoken in Berlin (6)
- 25 - Makes spick and span (6)

Down

- 1 - Relaxed (7)
- 2 - Elongated rectangle (6)
- 3 - Double (3)
- 4 - Make more prominent (9)
- 5 - Player's turn at the table (6)
- 6 - In a stingy manner (7)
- 10 - Petty officer on a ship (9)
- 14 - Ugly thing (7)
- 16 - Little balls; children's game (7)
- 17 - Insincere talk (6)
- 18 - Shouted (6)
- 23 - Mouthpiece of a bridle (3)

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Platinum Level, \$100

Barbara & Phil Milazo (1/12)
In memory of Cindy Burroughs 3/12
Carl Morrison (8/11)
In memory of Earl Parker

Gold Level, \$50

Bruce & Wilma Corbitt (3/11)
In memory of Barbara Thomas (8/11)
James Stinekraus (8/11)
Sterling & Linda Phaklides (5/11)
Sonny & Suzanne Sternberg (10/11)

Silver Level, \$25

Al & Ginny Terrell (8/11)
In memory of Brad & Gerry Terrell (8/11)
Jack & Ethel (11/11)
Bob & Pat Deptula (8/11)
Sam Kalaslian (8/11)
Thomas & Townsend (2/11)
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Shorty Heiman (11/11)
Towney Kennard (11/11)

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Jim Smith (8-11)

