



Post News

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Comrades, friends and family members!!

July has come and gone. We had a great showing for the Independence Day Parade. Our float looked great, the riders looked great and the burgers and hot dogs we sold WERE great! Thank you to all that participated!!!

Then came our Auxiliary's Low Country Boil and Cornhole Tournament. Oh Man!!! If you missed that, I feel sorry for you. I need to brag....Danielle Walker did an AMAZING job cooking...That food was really delicious. Sam Walker and I came in second place in the tournament. The two "youngsters" from Bass Capital showed us who was champ....Great job, Gentlemen! I do believe it was a fantastic affair.

On July 15th at our General Membership meeting your new post officers were installed along with our Sons officers and the Auxiliary officers. And again, as always, we ate good!!!

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Independence Day Float

UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Bingo - Every Wednesday @ 11AM
- BSA Car Wash @ Ace Hardware - Aug 10
- Auxiliary Meeting - Aug 12
- Executive Meeting - Aug 12
- Dinner/Dance - Aug 17
- General Dinner Mtg - Aug 19
- Breakfast - Aug 24
- Sons of the American Legion Meeting - Aug 24

Be sure to see the full calendar attached to the newsletter.

TIME TO RENEW!

Contact 1st Vice, Paul Warring to
renew your membership
386-666-1381

Get the Early Bird Special
or ask about 3-year renewals



Post 293 Officer Installation

1ST VICE CORNER

Hello Fellow Legionnaires,

In two weeks, the early bird special for renewing will be over. August 15 is the deadline, so if you want to save some money, get with me to renew before then.

Also, I would like to remind you that the Post has a raffle going for a fishing pole and fishing gear. See me for tickets

I am also selling raffle tickets for a chance to win tickets to the Feed the Need Wild West Gala which are a value of 75-dollar tickets. The raffle price for them is \$10 per ticket or 45 for 5 tickets. As you may have seen on Interlachen Word of Mouth, proceeds for this raffle go to feeding the homeless.

Hope everything is well with all of you and hope to speak with you soon.

On a side note we are currently sitting in first in District 17 at 38% for our retention so far this year.

Talk to you soon,
First Vice,
Paul Warring

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AUXILIARY REPORT

Let me begin by saying "THANK YOU" to everyone who came out and supported our Low Country Boil and Cornhole Tournament! Because of you, this event turned into a huge success. Danielle did a fabulous job with the Low Country Boil - we've had so many compliments come in on that. And for a first time event, our Corn Hole Tournament sported 16 players....not bad! Expect to see a repeat of this next year!

Cindy and I went to Department Auxiliary Workshop in Orlando to learn about the many programs the Auxiliary supports - we have a lot to learn, but we will get there. Stay tuned.

Our next big event will be our Semi-Annual Community Flea Market coming up September 14th. Inside spaces are all gone (sorry if you were looking for one of those - get on the wait list) Outside spaces are still available at this time. We usually fill up the last couple of weeks before the event....so if you're interested in participating in the yard sale, don't hesitate, contact Cindy Lester (clester1@comcast.net) now to secure a spot. As always, we will have our Bake Sale, the Blood Mobile will be on site, and we hope to have some Scouts there to do their car wash. The Legion will be providing lunch again with Burgers and Dogs.

After this our next big event will be our Annual Holiday Bazaar in December. Know any crafters or Direct Sales Associates? We will be starting to sign people up soon, so let me (Chris) know if you want a spot! It's never too early to plan.

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Auxiliary Officers Installation

VSO BRIEF

If you are a Gulf War or Vietnam Era veteran and not getting any Disability from the VA, please contact Sam Walker via Text at 239-887-0822

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Our dinner dance on the 20th wasn't as popular as it has been in the past. I hope it was the summer months that kept some people away. If you couldn't make it....you were missed. Final event was breakfast. Everyone I spoke with gave me a thumbs up! And we had a nice crowd.

No special events this month of August. Just the usual dinner dance, dinner meeting and breakfast.

Come and help support your post and get some good food in you.

See you around!!!
FOR GOD AND COUNTRY!!!

Dan Carroll
Commander



Corn Hole Tournament at the Low Country Boil

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POST NEEDS

Below are some items the Post needs. We will likely run individual fundraisers for these in the future, but wanted them on your radar should you wish to donate funds, materials, or time towards them now.

- New Bingo Board and machine
- Drainfield
- Parking Lot



SAL Officer Installation

AUXILIARY REPORT

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And don't forget Wreaths Across America. Contact Irene Koenig at 386-546-6473 for questions or to donate and sponsor a wreath. Wreaths will be placed on veteran's graves at Pineview Cemetery this December.

Renewals for 2025 are now active and encouraged (to meet our quota) and we will be accepting NEW members for 2025 starting at our upcoming meeting on August 12th at 3:30 PM. See you there!

Chris Carroll
President Auxiliary Unit 293



POST BUSINESS

Congratulations to all our newly installed Legion Family Officers! Each group has their own plans and projects coming up this year and we look forward to working with everyone to make them successful!

The Executive Committee has completed updating our Constitution and By-Laws. Membership will receive a copy to review in an email following the newsletter and flyers email. Please take a moment to review and be prepared to provide feedback at August's General Meeting. We would like to vote on them at this meeting, if possible, to get our records up to date and straight with District and Department.

As our Auxiliary president mentioned, our American Legion Family will be doing a new fundraiser this fall called "Wreaths Across America." We will be putting wreaths on veterans graves at Pineview Cemetery for the holidays. See or speak with Irene Koenig or Mary Strong for questions or to purchase some wreaths, More on this to come!!

As always, we need to continue to focus on attracting new membership to the Post. We have become more and more active in the community, so this should make us more visible to veterans, spouses and families who may be interested in joining our American Legion Family. Please invite those you know and share ideas for attracting new members with the executive team.

Be sure to regularly check out the Post's Website, www.post293fl.org. While I am still developing it, I try to keep it up to date with recent events and flyers and have recently added links to photo albums of our recent events. Check it out and send me your photos if you want them included.

And, as always, share your ideas for fundraising and events at a meeting or with an officer. We want to get more involved and do more things to support our Vets and our community.



Scouts at Summer Camp

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GOLF TOURNAMENT

Preparations are in full swing for this year's Golf Tournament. It will again be held at the Palatka Country Club on September 28th.

See attached flyers for more info.

Sponsorships and Raffle items are slowly coming in. If you would like to support this event with a hole sponsorship or maybe have things we can add to our raffle, please let us know.

This will be another grand event for our Scouts, JROTC and Post!

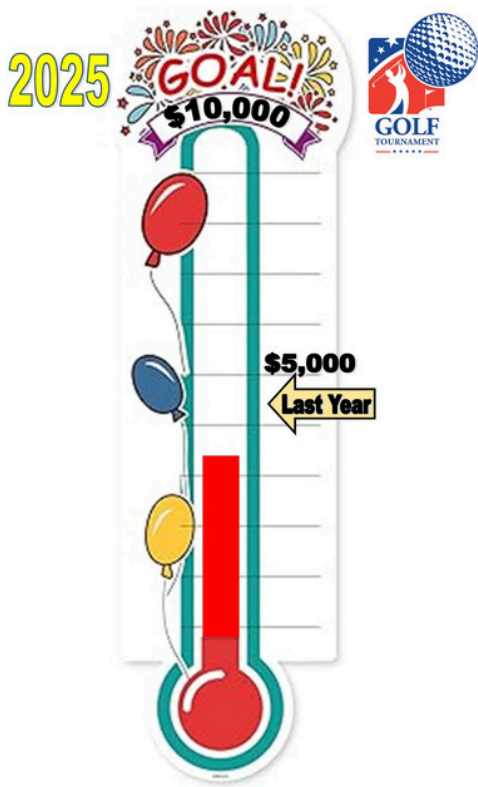
Thanks for your support.
Sam Walker, PSO

Summer Camp Rifle Range



Retiring Flags in the new Fire Pit created for Duncan Keller's Eagle Project

If you have anything to add or mention, please let me know no later than 1 week following the general meeting!
CJ Myers, 2nd Vice, 386-336-3482



SCOUTS OUT

July was another busy month for your Scouting America troops. We started off the month sending 8 scouts (5 boys and 3 girls) to summer camp at Camp Rainey Mountain in Clayton, GA. It is a beautiful and hilly camp. Actually, hilly doesn't really do it justice. Walking there always feels like you are going uphill, in any direction.

All scouts had an awesome time and learned tons. They want to go back there next year, so with the 7 hour drive and all the hills, you know it was worth it. A big shout out to our Legion Family for supporting us and helping make this awesome trip possible.

Also, you may have already noticed our newest construct out behind the flagpole. Scout Duncan Keller completed his Eagle Scout project by planning and supervising the creation of a smokeless fire pit to assist with the Legion's ceremonies, especially Flag Retirements. Thanks to all the Scouts and Legion Family who attended and helped support Duncan!

Our Scouting summer vacation has now come to an end and we'll be back to normal schedules this month.

