



Post News

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Comrades, family and friends!!

Welcome to May!

Last month was an exciting time. Our Auxiliary had a successful Flea Market with Jeff Jernigan and Jeff Patterson selling burgers and hot dogs, and the Scouts washing cars.

The following day, Jet White got our Bingo going again. It was a lot of fun.

We had a Great turnout for our Dinner dance and breakfast.

The Auxiliary President and I attended the Northern Area Party at Holly Hill and had a fun time.

This month we will attend the DCC, District Constitutional Convention, to elect the District officers.

We had our election of officers during our general meeting. This month we will have a Memorial Day Event, Chaplain Ron Leggett is putting the finishing touches to that.

Thanks to all that have volunteered and/or helped in any way.

Keep recruiting....we have NOT reached 100% yet!!!

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY!!!

DAN CARROLL
Commander



UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Bingo - Every Sunday
- Fundraising Committee Mtg - May 2
- Finance Committee Mtg - May 4
- Sons of the American Legion Meeting - May 5
- BSA Car Wash @ Ace Hardware - May 10
- Auxiliary Meeting - May 12
- Executive Meeting - May 12
- SAL Pasta Dinner - May 15
- Dinner/Dance - May 17
- General Dinner Mtg - May 19
- Breakfast - May 24
- Memorial Day Ceremony- May 26

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

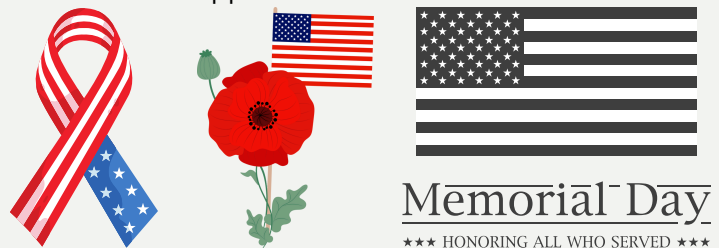
TIME TO RENEW!

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

Ask about 3-year renewals



Irene presenting Dan Certificate of Appreciation for
Post's Support of Wreaths Across America



Memorial Day

*** HONORING ALL WHO SERVED ***

AUXILIARY REPORT

Wrapping up April, our Flea Market was a great success ~ again. Thank you to everyone that came out and supported our Vendors, our Blood Drive (we hit 16 Donations this time!!! woohoo!), our Bake Sale, let the Scouts wash your car or just sat and had a burger or dog with some nice conversation. This year our Vendors scored all of our Raffle prizes...good for them :)

On the 19th, Cdr Dan and I attended the Northern Area Party at Holly Hill and then hurried back to attend our monthly Dinner Dance. Had some new faces at the Dance and a good crowd. Thanks for coming out.

Going forward. May 3rd will be our annual District Constitutional Conference (this is where we elect our new District Officers). Cindy and I will be attending and presenting our annual report to be added to the book of reports.

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BINGO IS BACK

At the Interlachen American Legion

Every Sunday!

Doors open at 1PM
Games begin at 3PM

Contact Jet for Info
386-684-0442
samejet@aol.com

BE THE ONE

<https://www.legion.org/advocacy/be-the-one>

POST BUSINESS

I have submitted the National and Department CPRs as well as our Sunbiz Annual Report and IRS 990, so we are caught up and on time on the bulk of our annual reporting requirements. I still have other reports due to Department prior to the convention and I will have them submitted by the June 1st deadline.

The update that Department required on our submitted Constitution and Bylaws was submitted back and I am still awaiting feedback or approval.

Congratulations to our newly elected officers:

Commander: Paul Warring

1st Vice: Jeff Jernigan

2nd Vice: CJ Myers

3rd Vice: Freda Jones

Finance: Rick Hanes

Chaplain: Ron Leggett

E-Board/Members at Large:

Jim Dandeneau

Dan Carroll

Ed Ralosky

Sheila Hawkins

We still need a Sergeant at Arms and perhaps Historian, so please hit an officer up if interested.

Wreaths Across America is ongoing. Please speak with Irene if you want to participate or donate.

Please try to support the Post as much as you can by attending our fundraisers and events. We need you! These events are for you!

Be sure to regularly check out the Post's Website, www.post293fl.org. Check it out and send me your photos if you want them included.



May 26, 2025

Memorial Day Ceremony

10am @ the Post

If you have anything to add or mention, please let me know no later than 1 week following the general meeting!

CJ Myers, Adjutant/2nd Vice, 386-336-3482

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Our dinner dance this month will be a Pulled Pork Dinner on the 17th. Please come out and support this Fundraiser if you can. You don't have to dance if you have 2 left feet, nor will we force you to sing. Just come and socialize.

Poppy Poster Contest winners have been selected and will be presented at the Middle School Awards. Winners will be displayed at our Memorial Day Celebration at the Post on May 26th. Come check them out! You don't want to miss this! These kids create some beautiful pieces of art.

June 7th will be our 2nd annual Low Country Boil & Corn Hole Tournament. If you were here for this last year...you may recall what an awesome time this was. This year....we will also have LIVE MUSIC at the event! We have a fellow Veteran/recording artist in the area who offered to play for us for tips! How awesome is that?

Make sure to get your tickets and sign up for the Corn Hole Tournament early so we know what to plan for.

And don't forget: Wreaths Across America is an ongoing event. Irene is collecting donations year round to assure we have enough to 'adopt' 2 more local cemeteries in the area to lay wreaths on this year.

See you at one of our events!

Chris Carroll
President Unit 293



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Jeff & Carol running the SAL Booth at the Flea Market

Wearing of the Poppy in Remembrance

A lovely military man selling poppies stopped me today and asked if he could reposition mine - while doing so he told me that women should wear their poppy on their right side, the red represents the blood of all those who gave their lives, the black represents the mourning of those who didn't have their loved ones returning home, and the green leaf represents the grass and crops growing and future prosperity after the war destroyed so much.

The leaf should be positioned at 11 o'clock to represent the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, the time that World War One formally ended. He was worried that younger generations wouldn't understand this and his generation wouldn't be around for much longer to teach them. (We must remember those from our current wars too!)

-From Ann King Smith Facebook page.



POST NEEDS

Below are some items the Post needs. Let us know if you wish to donate funds, materials, or time towards them now.

- More Fundraisers / Donations
- Drainfield
- Parking Lot
- Clean up
- Additional Security Cameras

SAL REPORT

Squadron 293 will be holding a Pasta Dinner at the Post on Thursday, May 15.

Doors will open at 5:30p and dinner will be served at 6. Tickets are \$12 per meal. You may pre-order a ticket by calling Ron at 386-538-0072 or Carol at 386-623-4135 or simply pay at the door.

Hope to see everyone there!!



Irene selling baked goods at the Flea Market



Jeff J and Jeff P flipping Burgers at the Flea Market

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