



Post News

OLD BUSINESS

October has been probably the busiest month of the year, so far. With our normal events and the pumpkin patch, the Post and its members and friends have really come through to make for a successful month.

The dinner/dance and breakfast were each well attended. Food was good, music was great, and a good time was had by all. If you haven't attended, you are missing out on a good time.

Our biggest event this month was the Pumpkin Patch and boy has it been a ride! Many thanks to all the Legionnaires and Scouters who volunteered multiple hours to setup, plan, haul, sell, and babysit pumpkins. There are too many to name here, but the whole team has truly come together to make this event such a resounding success for the Legion, the Scouts, and the community. I do not have final tallies of our profits yet since I am writing this as I watch pumpkins on our last day of sales. Still, to this point, we've exceeded my expectations for a first try at this. If profits are modest this year, that is fine as we have established a foothold in the community and I expect next year to just grow. The feedback from the community has been exceptionally positive and we've had many ask if we were returning next year.

Halloween didn't just conclude the pumpkin patch. It also marked when we ran a Trunk or Treat with multiple vendors and a kid-friendly Haunted House run by the IHS JROTC.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

- All members should get up to date as soon as possible
- Get with Dan Carroll (239-699-3432) to pay



UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Veterans Day Parade - Meet @ Palatka Post Office - Nov 11 - 9:30am
- BSA Car Wash & Legion Membership Drive @ Ace Hardware - Nov 12
- Executive Meeting - Nov 14
- Dinner Dance - Nov 19
- General Meeting - Nov 21
- Breakfast - Nov 26

Be sure to see the full calendar at the end of the newsletter.

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

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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 Gas Range in the Kitchen
- New Bingo Board and machine
- Inspection/Maintenance on septic tank and drain field
- Fixing front door latch mechanism
- Fixing outdoor and marquee sign lights
- Driveway leveling and paving, fixing drainage issues
- Laptop/Tablet - Donated by Terry & Ann Frickey - Thank You!



OLD BUSINESS (CONTD)

Our relationships with the Boy Scouts and the JROTC has grown closer and we plan to continue to work together with both youth organizations to help them grow and succeed.

NEW BUSINESS

We have several things coming up quick in November. The Veteran's Day parade in Palatka is on Nov 11. Please meet at the Post Office at 9:30am

We've found a great deal on a new stove to replace the old one in the kitchen. The executive committee met and decided to move forward and purchase it. We will spend \$2995 for a slightly smaller, professional gas range that would normally cost \$4995. There should be minimal modifications to the existing fire suppression or kitchen infrastructure. We have not decided what we are going to do with the old range yet, so any ideas are welcome. Donations specifically for this would be welcome as well.

Unfortunately, the Thursday night Bingo we tried for a couple of months did not generate enough interest to keep it going.

Remember, our Boy Scouts will be doing their Car Wash at Ace Hardware again this month. This generates a lot more traffic for them and the Legion will again do a membership drive at the same time.

This is your post. Please do what you can to support us and our associated organizations.

