## Post Commander: <u>Hank Morris</u> Auxiliary President: <u>Barbara Reyna</u>

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### The Bugler



Monthly Executive Meeting Monday 6:30 PM Before General Meeting, 3rd Saturday 10:00 AM Off. Hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:30-5 PM Office: 904-387-3373/Lounge: 904-387-1581

#### "A Message From The Commander"

June, a month to reflect on the past Legion Year and to set the stage for the 2016-2017 year. You, the membership, should be proud of the accomplishments of our post for progress that has been accomplished this past year.

- A review and update of the Post Constitution and Bylaws.
- A review and update of the Post Rules and Regulations.
- Changes in Leadership, Management and Staff of the Post.
- Physical changes throughout our Post Home including outside grounds.
- Improved monitoring by committees to insure desired results.
- Continued efforts by the entire Legion Family of Post 137.

These actions, as well as many more behind the scene activities, were to improve our post in the support of post membership and continue to support America's Veterans. Positive results of these can be observed throughout the post and in recorded documents including Monthly Bugler reports, Finance reports, Meeting reports, and the increasing attendance and participation of membership in Post activities. Especially in volunteering to perform the many hours necessary to continue existing activities and adding new ones.

The nominations for next year's slate of officers to continue (or improve) on these many functions has been set. The list is posted elsewhere in this Bugler and on the bulletin board. Now it is up to you to exercise your rite to VOTE and place in office those to serve the 2016-2017 year. Voting is scheduled for 4 June 2016, 0800-1700 and installation of New Officers at the regular General Assembly Meeting, Third Saturday in July (7/16/2016).

It's All About Veterans For God and Country Hank Morris

#### **ADJUTANT**

June brings a lot of things for the Post. Summer is in full swing. So bring you and your family out to enjoy the pool and other happenings around the Post.

Post elections will be held on June 4th, 8am to 5pm. Please come out and vote for the Post 137 Legion Officers for the 2016-2017 Legion year. Good luck to all of the nominated personnel.

The 5th District Constitutional Conference will be held at the Post on June 5th starting at 9am in the Moon Building. If you have never been to one, check it out to understand what goes on within the District.

For God and Country, Ron Reaves

#### **1ST VICE COMMANDER**

"Happy Fathers Day" to all the fathers and grandfathers out there. Hope you have a good day. Here we are half way through the year already. The pool must be warming up, sure has been busy. We have our many summer time events coming up, come out and support post 137.

We need a big turnout for the Post election the first Saturday of June, time 8:00 AM till 5:00 PM. As of May 9, 2016 our membership is at 1,297, putting the Post at 90.19% of our goal. Have safe and great summer.

Yours In Service Jerry Kiel

#### 2ND VICE COMMANDER

Summer is here! We now have the Tiki Bar open Friday 5-10pm, Saturday 2-8pm, & Sunday 2-8pm every week when weather permits. We also now have Karaoke on Saturday & Sunday at the Tiki Bar from 2 to 6pm and Wednesday night still from 7:30 to 11:30pm. Come out and enjoy the experience of both Tony & Kent, both do a Great Job on the Open Mike & Karaoke! I also noticed the pool is becoming more popular every day now as well as our boat ramp. Also help support our Boat Ramp Maintenance and get your boat pass from our lounge (need your boat & trailer registration).

Entertainment is already booked for your listening pleasure all summer long so come out and

enjoy these great entertainers. I have also booked a few new Bands "Lucidity", "Broke Till' Friday", & "Group Therapy". I am sure you will find these new Band additions great musicians so come out and support these new groups to Post 137. Also we know you will support all our events, bands and entertainment all summer long!

MY MONTHLY SHOUTOUT! This is for our new Boy Scout & Cub Scout Troops at Post 137. I would like to thank all the hard work their leaders do for those young Scouts. This month someone I was talking with wanted to give away some Camping equipment, which I told about our Scouts, so they donated several Hundred Dollars in Camping Equipment the Scouts could use. I also just received a promise of two tents that will be donated by someone else to give them. They can always use some of these expensive items donated so keep them in mind. All donations are accepted and also a tax write off for that person!

UPCOMING EVENTS: July 4th Celebration on the Pool Deck Bandstand: "Black Creek Rizin" with Clint McFarland 2-6pm

For God and Country, Richard Lane



#### 4TH VICE COMMANDER

We had 11 volunteers to travel to Lake City for the April VAVS visit. Thanks to all who made this trip. our next visit will be on June 24th. We will meet at the Post at 4:30PM and either eat at the Post and leave about 5PM or leave at 4:30PM and eat in Lake City. Please consider making this visit with us. We still need used books and clothing to take to the hospital for this visit.

Richard Lane will made his last visit to the Jef-

ferson Street clinic on the 21st. We need volunteers to take over the responsibility if making this monthly visit to the clinic. after serving for the past four years, Richard is having to give it up due to having several other responsibilities requiring his time and attention. please consider taking on this once a month visit to the clinic to serve our Veterans a sandwich and a snack. If interested, please contact Richard Lane or the Post's office staff.

For God and Country, Lee Jones

#### **CHAPLAIN**

Sin will always be an offensive word. We can talk openly and impersonally about crimes like rape and murder, we can make statistics of our adulteries, unwed pregnancies, and divorces, we can trivialize greed, selfishness, and lust -- or elevate them to the level of cultural values - - but to call anything sin makes us uncomfortable. The word sin implies the violation of an objective and absolute standard or code of behavior established by God. We almost instinctively feel this is an infringement of our rights. Yet such an attitude displays a terrible misunderstanding of sin and an underestimation of god. When a doctor correctly diagnoses a disease in our body we do not accuse him of impinging on our freedom, rather; we are grateful because we know disease can destroy our lives. The Bible teaches that God is concerned about sin - - not to limit our freedom and enjoyment of life - - but because sin is a disease of the soul that destroys our lives and leads to spiritual death. There is no such thing as a private sin. Sin always hurts someone. God's Word leads us away from sin. Heavenly Father help to do our best and be in your light.

It is my sad duty to report to you the name of a Legionnaire who has transferred to Post Everlasting of the American Legion Edgar Joseph GUMS Jr. Keep this Legionnaire and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Remember our sick and shut-ins, let them know you care. May God watch over our active duty troops wherever they may be. To our Legion Family, may God bless you all. Enjoy our warm weather and utilize what we have here at our Post.

God Bless you all, For God And Country, Tony Romano

#### **CLUB MANAGERS REPORT**

We have had some great events throughout the month of June. Summer is on; the Pool and Tiki are becoming the main attractions here at Post 137. Come on out bring the kids or a friend and enjoy the festivities around the Post. We have made several changes to the floor plan in the Tiki area, which has given us a roomier atmosphere. The Tiki Bar will open on Friday evenings 4:00 pm – Till. Saturday and Sundays the Tiki will open from 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm. The Kitchen will be open on Saturdays & Sundays 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm. Thank all of you Karaoke Performers for making the weekends a special event here at Post 137.

We regularly have many activities here at Post 137. Weekend entertainment will include dinners and live music on Fridays and Saturdays and karaoke in the Tiki on Sunday. During the week we will have Bingo on Monday, Darts every week on Tuesday & Thursday Free Member Appreciation Lunch on Wednesdays and Thursdays we have \$0.50 wings. Come on and check out the changes at the American Legion Post 137.

Serving our Members Daily, Ted Boutwell

#### SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Hello again from the Squadron,

The end of the year has come. Where has the time gone? It's been a pleasure serving as the Squadron Commander for the last two years. Congratulations to Walter who will be the new Commander. I will give him all the support that he needs to continue with the traditions of the Squadron. I hope everyone does the same.

I will be attending the annual Department Convention in Orlando, FL 16-19 June. I hope to bring back good information to pass out to the Legion family.

The Squadron held second round nominations and elections at our last meeting on 12 May. The newly elected SAL Officers for the 2016-2017 Legion year are as follows:

CommanderWalter Rasco1st Vice CommanderRon ReavesFinance OfficerBill KellyChaplainCorey GlasnorSgt-at-ArmsKenny Campbell

Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings which are held on the Second Thursday of every month at 7pm in the Spencer Room. Thanks for your support. I would like to wish all the fathers out there a Happy Father's Day, especially all of our past and present fathers

that have served our country.

Let's Build Bridges together and have fun!

For God and Country Ron Reaves, Commander

#### **AUXILIARY**

It's hard to believe that another year has come and gone. We had our elections last month. I will be returning as President. Donna Runyan will again be 1st Vice President and I am very glad. She did a fantastic job last year keeping up with membership. Lisa York will be 2nd Vice President and will be cooking up some of her fabulous meals once again. We have someone new, Vicky Tamasello, who will be our Sectary/Treasurer. Kathy Norris will remain as Chaplain. JoAnn Spencer will be Sergeant at Arms and Ginger Halsey will be her assistant. Our Executive Committee members are Nancy Conley; and Debbies Sisk, Jennings, and Geisinger. (I had to do that!) I look forward to working with them all.

Summer is here and the fun has begun! Everyone had a great time at the Memorial Day party. It's great to see the kids having so much fun. I look forward to our Fourth of July party as well as Labor Day.

We will have a kid's craft party to make gifts and cards for Fathers Day. It will be held in conjunction with the kid's fishing tournament on the first Saturday in June ( $4^{th}$ ). Look for signs around the post to find more specific details

The Auxiliary is hosting the 5<sup>th</sup> District Constitutional Conference on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM. We will have a light breakfast and lunch. This is the time when we elect our District officers and hold a memorial service for the members who have passed away in the last year. I invite all members to come. You will get to meet our officers and other members from around the district. You may even win a door prize!

Happy Father's Day to everyone!!

For God and Country, Barbara Reyna, President

#### 40 & 8

The 40&8 Elections will be held this month on June 2nd so Voyageurs please come out to our Promenade to help select our future leaders.

Nominee's are: Jeff Fazan - Chef De Gare, Ray Runyan - Chef De Train, Binion Williams - Conducteur, Guard De Le Porte - Jerome Chester, Guard De Le Porte - Paul Gullbrant, Commis Voyageur - Lawrence McFarlin, Aumonier - John Walsh, Correspondant - Ron Reaves

Many of our 40&8er's will be attending Florida Grand Promenade on June 9th to 12th in Sebring, Florida to decide who will be our next Grand Officers & Policy's for the State of Florida.

Merci, Chef de Gare, Jim Porterfield

#### **CABANE**

Well, the end of the year for the Dames has come. I will be leaving as La Presidente around the first of July. Donna Runyan will be the new La Presidente. I hope that she will receive all the support that I have from all of you. Thank you.

We will not be having a dinner in June. Donna and her crew will pick it up again in July.

I want to take the time to thank all the Dames and Voyageurs helped with the meals and other projects throughout last year. A special thanks to Barry and Jo Ann Kelly. Without their support, I wouldn't have made it through the year.

There are so many to thank. To our loyal Legion members, thank you for supporting us by buying our meals. You are appreciated, believe me.

Good luck to all the new officers in the Cabane, the Voyageur and, of course, Post 137.

For God and Country
Diane Congressi, La Presidente

#### **ROD AND POLE BENDERS**

We want to say Happy Father's Day to all our fathers. For May's local water fishing tournament; Ray Runyan got big fish and Donna Runyan got aggregate. Yellow mouth trout has to be at least 10 inches long for them to count. We will have our local water fish tournament on June 25th. Speaking of fishing tournament's don't forget about the Kid's fishing tournament on June 4th at Stockton Park from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.; please see the flyer at the

legion with details. We will have a breakfast on June 26th. You can have your eggs anyway you want them cook and on the bar you need to try our succulent grits. So come on out and support the post for the breakfasts, dinners and all the activities that is happening at the legion. As always we are still looking for new members. We have our meeting every first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.. We are always looking for new members who likes to fish and be on the water. Speaking on being on the water the Red Snapper State season has been set. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has set the 2016 recreational red snapper season in Gulf of Mexico state waters (No Red Snapper season for the Atlantic Waters). The 2016 season will open Saturdays and Sundays in May starting May 7th. On May 28, the season will open continuously through July 10. Finally, the season will reopen for Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays in September and October, and on Labor Day. Learn more about red snapper at MyFWC.com/Fishing by clicking on "Saltwater," "Recreational Regulations" and "Snappers." Please remember our sick and our shutins. Sometimes they need our help but are afraid to ask.

See you on the water, Bin and Debbie

#### **BLOOD DRIVE CHAIRMAN**

One Blood has changed hours. Beginning in May, donation centers will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. On Monday-Open 11 AM to 6:30 PM. On Thursday and Friday-open 7 AM to 3 PM. On Saturday and Sunday-open 8 AM to 4 PM.

Also, One Blood will be installing a computer system. All donation canters will be closed from May 23rd thru June 5th

For God & Country/Friendly Vampire Bazile Bacino.

#### **RIDERS**

We kick off June with a revised monthly meeting on Saturday June  $4^{th}$  at 10AM. This meeting will be

the last round of nominations followed by the elections of new officers. Current nominations are as followed.

Director Jim Steel
Asst. Director Billy Hackett
Sgt at arms Brian Arbogast
Chaplin Zane Koonce
Membership Roger Jones
Road Captain Greg Allen
Cory Glasner

Kenny Campbell

Secretary None Treasurer None Historian None

Please come out and show support for our Legion family. This meeting will be the same day as the voting for Legion officers.

Ride Proud, Ride Safe Keith Shea

#### **BOY SCOUT CHAIRMAN**

In May the Boy scouts went to Kenyon Farms in Green Cove Springs for the North Florida camporee. June will be summer camp at Camp Shands, Hawthorne, Florida. The Boy Scouts and Cub Scout have space for new members. School aged boys are eligible so anyone that has school age sons or grandsons, summer is a great time to get them started in scouting.

For God and Country, Tim Pratt



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We will have <u>elections</u> on <u>June 4th from 8AM to 5PM</u>. At the time the bugler was sent to press we haven't had the 3rd round of nominations. They will be posted at the Legion Post on the bulletin board. Here are the current nominations.

Commander Hank Morris

1st Vice Eddie Dykes

2nd Vice None
3rd Vice None

4th Vice Lee Jones

Finance Officer Jerry Lepore

Chaplain None Historian None

Sgt at Arms Walter Rasco

**Tim Pratt** 

#### **Executive Committee**

**Bob Shupe** 

Don Schultz

George Cowan

**Philip Lindros** 

**Robert Reesman** 

Please don't forget about elections on June 4th From 8AM to 5PM. This is very important for our Post.





#### \*\*\*\*ATTENTION\*\*\*

#### **JUNE'S MEETINGS**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON THE 6TH AT 6:30PM AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE 11TH AT 10AM. THIS IS DUE TO THE DEPARTMENT CONVENTION.

#### THE PERFECT GARDEN

First, plant five tows of PEAS

Presence, Promptness, Preparation, Purity

and Perseverance

Next to these, plant three rows of SQUASH

Let us be faithful to duty

Let us be loyal and unselfish

Let us be true to our obligations

Let us love one another

No garden is complete without TURNIPS

Turn up for the meeting

Turn up with a smile

Turn up with new ideas

Turn up with determination to make eve-

rything count for something good and

worthwhile

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|   |  | Wing Night  | Kent Mitchell<br>Open Mic7:30 PM                         | DARTS 🧩 7PM  | Bingo WITH Brenda<br>7-9 PM                                      |  |
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|   |  | 30  | 29<br>Legion Lunch 12-2PM                                | 28<br>Cabane 304<br>Rendezvous 7PM                             | 27<br>Blu60  | 26 Rod & Pole-Breakfast 8:30 AM-11 AM Tiki Open 1-8PM              |
| Almost Kin<br>7:30-11;30PM  | Rockin Machine 7:30-11;30PM  | Wing Night  | Kent Mitchell<br>Open Mic 7:30 PM                        | DARTS 🛞 7 PM   | Bingo WITH Brenda<br>7-9 PM                                      | Tiki Open 1-8PM  |
| 25 Legion-Steak-Dinner 5:30-7PM or till sold out Tiki Open 1-8PM                      | 24 Chicken Cutlets-Dinner 5:30—7PM or till sold out VAVS Visit 4:30 PM | <b>23</b> Blind 501 Darts                           | 22 Legion Lunch 12-2PM Work on Bugler 9AM                | 21<br>Color Guard Mtg.<br>7PM                                  | 20<br>First day of summer  | 19 FATHER'S DAY Cooking Team— Breakfast Special 8:30 AM 11 AM      |
| Group Therapy 7:30-11;30PM  | Complicated 7:30-11;30PM   | Cricket 7PM<br>Wing Night                           | Kent Mitchell<br>Open Mic 7:30 PM                        | DARTS 🧩 7 pm   | Bingo WITH Brenda<br>7-9 PM                                      |  |
| 18 Legion Stroganoff- Dinner 5:30-7PM or till sold out Tild Con 1 6PM                 | 17 Ham -Dinner 5:30—7PM or till sold out Tiki open 4-10PM              | 16<br>VA Clinic Visit<br>9 AM                       | 15 Legion Lunch 12-2PM Birthday Night Bring Covered Dish | 14<br>Flag Day   | 13   | 12 Legion—Breakfast 8:30 AM-11 AM Tiki Open 1-8PM                  |
| Tiki Open 1-8PM  Double Shott 7:30-11;30PM  | Broke till Friday 7:30-11:30PM   | Wing Night  | Kent Mitchell<br>Open Mic7:30 PM                         | DARTS 🛞 7 PM   | Bingo WITH Brenda<br>7-9 PM                                      |  |
| LEGION GEN ASSEMBLY 10 AM  Darts-BBQ-Dinner 5:30- 7PM or till sold out                | 10 Legion-Fish Fry-Dinner 5:30—7PM or till sold out Tiki open 4-10PM   | 9<br>Bugler Articles Due                            | 8<br>Legion Lunch 12-2PM                                 | 7<br>Steering Comm. Mtg.<br>6:30 PM<br>Color Guard Mtg.<br>7PM | 6<br>Rod & Pole Mtg. 7 PM<br>Chateau<br>Legion Exec<br>Mtg6:30PM | 5 ALR—Breakfast 8:30 AM-11 AM ALR Meeting 12:30 PM Tiki Open 1-8PM |
| 7PM or till sold out Tiki Open 1-8PM Backtracks 7:30-11;30PM                          | Tiki open 4-10PM Jackhammer 7:30-11;30PM                               | 7PM<br>SAL Mtg. 7PM<br>Wing Night                   | Kent Mitchell Open Mic7:30 PM                            |  |  |  |
| 4 Election 8-5 Business Offlice Rod & Pole Youth Tournament- Pork   Join-Dinner 5:30— | 3 Chicken Pot Pie-Dinner 5:30—7PM or till sold out                     | 2 Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30PM Voiture 304 Cheminot & Prom | 1<br>Legion Lunch 12-2PM                                 |  |  |  |
| Sat   | Fri  | Thu   | Wed  | Tue  | Mon  | Sun  |

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## JUNE

- \* June 4th @ 8AM-5PM Elections for Post Officers & Exec. Committee
- \* June 11th @ 10 AM. Legion General Assembly.
- \* Bingo Monday Nights, Darts Tuesday Nights, Open Mic Wednesday Nights and Wing night Thursday Nights.
- \* Friday Night Dinners 5:30-7:00 PM or until sold out.
- \* Friday and Saturdays. Live Music or Open Mic & Dancing. 7PM-11PM.
- \* Sunday Morning Breakfast 8:30-11:00 AM.

