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VFW Post 3349
Palatka FL 32178-0218



## October 2019

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FROM THE COMMANDER VFW POST 3349

October-Newsletter

September was a busy month with all the 9/11 and POW/MIA ceremonious. October is going to be busy too. I have a candidate for Police Officer of the Year already and should be receiving nominations for EMT and Firefighter soon.

I am working on Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, and Teacher of the Year. If anyone knows of a teacher that we can nominate please let me know soon. I would like to have one each for Senior, Middle, and Elementary schools.

On October 12, at 6 am, we will be doing the Honor Guard for the Veteran's Bass Fishing Tournament at the Palatka dock. I may need help for this event. If you would like to fish, I have a flyer with the details at the Post. Fishing equipment will be provided by the Bass Pro people.

On October 26 the post will be at Ravine Gardens for Halloween. We need help to set this up. It starts at 6 PM but we need to setup at about 4 PM. I will be in Orlando for the State Fall Convention on Oct 26.

Check the calendar for events for October.

I am working on membership. If you know any members, please help me update their information for our records.

Commander
Gerald Donnelly



## FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

It's hard to believe that it is October already. We had a nice turnout for the Cancer Bingo held on September 21,2019. Special thanks to Valerie and everyone who worked to make this event a successful one.

We will meet for lunch at 11:30 am at Bradley's on September 16, 2019. If you would like to join us, please come - all auxiliary members are welcome. Our fall yard sale will be held on October 12, 2019 from 8am to 2pm in the auxiliary room. If you have anything you want to donate, please bring it by the post no later than October 10th so we can set everything up for sale.

The post and the auxiliary will be going to Ravine Gardens for Halloween if you would like to attend please let one of the officers know and check on time.

Respectfully, Marian Chialastri, President



Palatka men won the bowling tournament against Interlachen on Sept 14. They are Jim Jones, Ray Dixon,, Jerry Schuler and Larry Markle



Palatka women won the tournament against Interlachen on Sept 14. They are Diane Shinn, Milanda Taylor and Joyce Donnelly

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		] Bingo 6-10 PM	Bowling 6 PM	House Committee Meeting 7 PM	4 Jerry's Choice Dinner 6PM	5 Texas Hold'em 6 PM
6	7 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	8 Bingo 6-10 PM	9 Post & Aux Meetings 7 PM Bowling 6PM	10 7 PM	11 Steak Dinner 6PM	12 Yard Sale  Inhouse Bowling 1 PM
13	14 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	15 Aux Sewing 10am Bingo 6-10 PM	16 Auxiliary Lunch1130 @ Bradley's  Bowling 6PM	7 PM	18 Spaghetti Dinner 6PM	19
20	21 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	22  Bingo 6-10 PM	23 Bowling 6 PM	24 7 PM	25 Beans/ Corn Bread Dinner 6PM	Halloween Spooktacular 6-9 pm Ravine Garden Fall Conference 25/26 Oct Orlando
27	28 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	29 Bingo 6-10 PM	30 Bowling 6 PM	31 7 PM		

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Dinner 6PM	2 Texas Hold'em 6 PM
3	4 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	5 Aux Sewing 10am Bingo 6-10 PM	6 Joint Post & Aux Meetings 7 PM Bowling 6PM	House Committee Meeting 7 PM 7 PM	8 Steak Dinner 6PM	9 Post Golf Tournament
10	11 Veterans Day Open House	12 Aux Sewing 10am Bingo 6-10 PM	13 Auxiliary Lunch1130 @ Corky Bells  Bowling 6PM	14 7 PM	15 Spaghetti Dinner 6PM	16 Lake City District Meeting 1000 In-house Bowling 1500 hrs.
17	18 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	19 Bingo 6-10 PM	20 Bowling 6 PM	21 7 PM	22 Bill's Rib Dinner 6PM	23
24	25 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	26 Bingo 6-10 PM	27	28 Thanksgiving Post Closed	29 No Diner	30

#### **POST OFFICERS**

Commander Gerald Donnelly
Sr Vice Commander Carl "Bill" Jones
Jr Vice Commander Bruce Howe
Judge Advocate Rubin Myers
Adjutant Mark Retzlaff
Quartermaster Robert Thropp

Chaplin Gerald Shuler
Surgeon Charlie Wellborn
Service Officer Charles Burkley
Trustees 1 yr Weldon Taylor
2 yr William Thompson

3 yr Ron Sliter

Membership Chairman Bill Jones

Employment Officer Weldon Taylor

Legislative Officer John Dillingham

Disaster Preparedness/Relief

Historian John Dillingham
House Committee Chairman
National Home for Children
Communications/Media Relations
John Dillingham
Gene Neiman
Quartermaster
Commander

#### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chairman Bill Jones

Members Commander and ALL Members

## **COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA RELATIONS**

Chairman Commander

Members Adjutant and Quartermaster

## **HOUSE COMMITTEE**

Chairman Gene Neiman

Members Gerald Donnelly

Gerald Shuler

Bill Jones

Mork Pottloff

Mark Retzlaff John Dillingham

Canteen Manager Charlene Dillingham

#### **AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

President Marian Chialastri
Sr. Vice Joyce Donnelly
Jr. Vice Malinda Taylor
Treasurer Mary Lou Berry
Secretary Vickie Dixon
Chaplain Charlene Dillingham

Conductress Linda Sliter
Guard Dorothy Donovan
1Yr. Trustee Neva Lyons
2Yr.Trustee Jon Berry
3Yr. Trustee Kathy Thompson
Patriotic Inst. Charlene Dillingham

#### DISTRICT 14 MEETING SCHELULE

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## **Useful Web Sites**

Get copy of DD Form 214 or other discharge documents: <a href="http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/">http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/</a>

Request Lost and Replacement Medals:

http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel/public/awards-and-decorations.html

## **VFW National Headquarters Web Site:**

www.vfw.org

## **VFW National Web Site for Members:**

www.jointheelite.org

## VFW eMembership:

http://emem.vfw.org

## **VFW Store Online:**

www.vfwstore.org

## VFW Department of Florida Web Site:

http://www.myfloridavfw.org

#### National Do Not Call Registry

www.donotcall.gov

## **VFW Post Website**

http://vfw3349.org

## From the Publisher:

Please forward any news, pictures, or article submissions to markretzlaff81@gmail.com by the 20th of each month.

Thank you

Mark Retzlaff - Adjutant