



THE AMERICAN LEGION

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January 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2 Post 351 Coffee Mugs on sale \$5.00	3 	4 Darts – 7:00 PM 	5 	6 Fish Fry 5:00PM – 7:30PM	7 Post 351 Volunteers to remove the trees at VA Clinic 8 AM Post
8 Free Jukebox 	9 Don't renew your membership by CREDIT CARD.....	10 U.S. VETERAN	11 Darts – 7:00 PM 	12 Auxiliary Meeting 6 PM	13 Fish Fry 5:00PM – 7:30 PM	14 SAL Meeting 11:00 AM
15 Free Jukebox 	16 Kazoo on STEROIDS!	17 Johnny-Skip- Maurice "I pay for nothing."	18 Darts – 7:00 PM 	19 I'm watching You....	20 Fish Fry 5:00PM – 7:30PM	21 Exec. Meeting 10:00 am Gen. Mtg. 10:30
22 Free Jukebox 	23 2012	24 	25 Darts – 7:00 PM	26 Dorina says "Read the Pictures".	27 Fish Fry 5:00PM – 7:30PM	28 One Nation Under God
29 District meeting at our post.. 11:00 am	30 free WiFi	31 Please support the Slapahoo Indian Tribe	 Randy Smith	Challenge coins are here!!! \$10.00 	Lan Mac Pest Control is proud to sponsor Post 351 Newsletter... 	

Commander's Corner

Howdee all,

Well we made it through another year with only having to repair 3/4 of the Post's equipment. we should be setting pretty good for next year..hopefully.

There will be a 4 day ceremony with the traveling wall at the sports complex on six mile cypress, Jan. 26 thru 29. The ceremony will include lots of things (events are posted on the board) including honoring Brigitte Schultz, wife of Ernie. I will be escorting her and their children for recognition. Donna Berger, who has worked tirelessly to put this together will be at our next meeting to fill us in on more details. She promised she would be very short.

Our Post will be very busy on Jan. 29 when we hosting a three-part district meeting. The SAL meeting will be at 11:00 AM, the Ladies Auxiliary at noon, and the Legion at 1:00 PM. There will be over 100 people attending. So please try to car pool that day. We will be having "snack-wiches" afterwards.

On a very sad note, our long time comrade, officer and friend, Randy Smith has passed. Carol and I and Randy and wife Jill go back before our Post was even thought of. We will have a celebration of life for him on Jan. 21 at 1:00 PM.

We have had all of our bar stools repaired that needed it. Thanks to "Pool Boy" George Nelson who paid for two of them. Anyone else who wants to step up and help us with the expense will be appreciated.

My heartfelt "Thanks" goes out to Steve Urban who has basically taken over for Nance in our office. What a load off of my load.

We're getting there. It ain't been easy, but we're figuring stuff out, making changes and trying to make everything as easy as possible.....we are almost there.

What would we do without "Hoppin Johnny"? Thanx for doing the repair work on the walls in the head (that is the restroom for those of you who weren't in the Navy) and lounge. He only charged us for 22 pitchers of beer. Also, "Thanks" for all of Santa's elves who made Christmas Day eventful with great food. Some how you are always there for us....we musta been good!

And again, Kenton Gregg has made and donated 2 beautiful "God bless America" signs for the lounge area...."Great job!"

Reminder!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We will be nominating Post Officers starting at our Feb. monthly meeting. Please consider running for office and helping YOUR Post. In one of my previous letters, I mentioned that this year would be my last year as your Commander due to fuel prices. I lied! If you want me to serve you another year, I would be honored to do so.

Well, that's all I can remember for now. So til next time, I want to wish all of you a great, healthy, wealthy and wise new year.

Yours in service, Dave Doty

Auxiliary News

ATTN: THE AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIPS HERE!!!! PLEASE CONTACT CINDY SEE. Our goal is to reach 100% . So far out of 139 members only 47 have paid their dues. Please help us reach our goal of 100%!!!

Happy New Year to Everyone! We hope your holidays were festive!

Special thanks go to our very own 351 elves who generously donated their time to decorate 11 or so Christmas trees at the VA clinic on December 3rd.

We will be taking down the trees on January 7th. We will meet at the post for donuts and coffee at 8am and head to the VA clinic at 8:30am. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the lounge area!

We are in need of pre-lit Christmas trees for the VA clinic for next year. As many of you know the new clinic will be open by then and is 4 stories. If you or anyone you know has a tree they would like to donate please contact me or Judy Crocker.

The Auxiliary meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6pm. Please try to attend. We need your input!

If you have not paid your dues please try to asap! We are currently at 67% for membership.

As we reflect on 2011 the Post was able to accomplish the following:

LABOR DAY PARTY

4TH OF JULY PARTY

SELLING HOLIDAY HANGERS FOR THE TROOPS

DONATION OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES (20 BOXES) MANATEE ELEMENTARY

LUAU FOR 22 WOUNDED WARRIORS OCTOBER 29TH

SELLING POST 351 COFFEE MUGS AND CHALLENGE COINS

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE FOR THE TROOPS

MEMEBERSHIP DRIVE

VETERAN DAY LUNCHEON NOVEMBER 11TH

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS DINNERS

DECORATED THE VA CLINIC FOE CHRISTMAS

SELLING "SUPPORT OUR TROOPS" BRACELETS

BREAD FUNDRAISER FOR THE TROOPS

DONATION TO THE SHRINERS FOR CHILDREN BURN UNIT

DONATION TO A WOUNDED SOLDIER IN THE VA HOSPITAL IN GEORGIA

PLANNING POST CLEANING PARTY

YARD SALE FOR NOVEMBER 5TH

SAVING TABS FOR BREAST CANCER

16 BOXES OF SUPPLIES DONATED TO OUR TROOPS FOR CHRISTMAS

GAVE DONATIONS TO 3 FAMILIES FOR CHRISTMAS

NEW SHED

FLAT SCREEN TV'S

NEW FOLDING CHAIRS

SENT 12 CHILDREN TO THE SHRINERS CIRCUS

DONATED FLAGS

THIS IS JUST TO MENTION A FEW OF THE THINGS THAT WERE DONE.

As you can see this post does **A LOT**, which confirms my statement that:

"WE ARE SMALL BUT MIGHTY !!!THANK-YOU ALL FOR MAKING THIS PAST YEAR A VERY PRODUCTIVE AND REWARDING ONE!!!

As we move into 2012 we look forward to your continued support to make this the best post in Southwest Florida.

For God and Country,
Cindy See
President

P.S Next year we'll work on the "**best post**" in the Nation!

SAL News

The SAL district meeting will be held on January 29th at 11:00 AM

Vinnie Ferrovocchio SAL Commander

Kitchen News

Watch the bulletin and message boards for further developments.

**The kitchen will be serving Friday night fish dinners from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM.
Please come and enjoy dinner and support the post!**

Watch the board and Newsletter for updates.

Editors Notes

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