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COMMANDER'S MINUTE

I wish to thank the members who assisted in the Post Everlasting service in the March meeting during which we honored Past Commander Dick Padgett and his son Richard Padgett Jr. It is important that we remember those who have passed, but we need to remember their families during their time of grief. Let us also remember the members of our armed services and their families, who have died or been injured while serving our great nation.

As I look at the changing scenery around our Post, we are in the process of working on new parking arrangements to make sure you will be able to safely park and leave the post. We are also looking at how we can improve the appearance of our post. I wish to thank our Vice Commander and Sgt -At-Arms for all their work these past few months with the post improvements.

We are close to 100% membership and if you have not yet renewed your membership, please do so since the year is from July 2017 to June 2018. I also want to remind everyone that the Department convention is in July and there are free classes that would benefit you in learning more about the American Legion.

As we look back at what our Post has accomplished we should all be proud. We have continued to provide the opportunity to have young men represent our Post in Boy's State and I cannot state enough that it was due to the efforts of Past Commander Costello. We have continued support of the Centurion Battalion USNSCC for the past 14 years; many of the youth have joined the armed services, gone to colleges and are great citizens. The Four Chaplains ceremony, thanks to Vice Commander Dress, continues to honor those chaplains who sacrificed it all to save their fellow service members. Our Memorial Day service is once again honoring those who were killed during time of war and those who have served. Our monthly breakfast where we donate a free breakfast to the VA Nursing Home members who attend and who continue to stress what

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YAHOO! GROUPS

**See Bob to
sign up!**

Do you

YAHOO!

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Nominating Committee Update

Each year, we nominate and elect our Officers for the following fiscal year. The Post's year runs from July 1 through June 30 each year. The elections must be held no earlier than 60 days prior to the Department Convention and no less than 10 day prior to the convention. This year, the Nominating Committee is being formed in April, the "slate" that they have prepared will be presented in May and changes can be made at that time and the election will be held at the June meeting. Per our Constitution and By Laws, there are no nominations made on the election day.

What does this mean to you? If you have an interest in serving in one of the positions in the Post, you should contact Bob Colbert, Nominating Chair, by sending an email to bcolbert@usa.net or calling him at 407-619-9611 and the sooner the better as the slate has to be ready for the May 17th meeting.

Anyone can run for any of the open offices! Interested? The offices being voted upon in June are:

- Commander
- 1st Vice Commander
- 2nd Vice Commander
- Finance Officer
- Chaplain
- Historian
- Sergeant At Arms

Positions like Service Officer, and associated chairpersons are all appointed positions handled by the incoming Commander and approved by the Executive Board. The Service Officer must also be certified by Department which means that he or she has to take the "Service Officer's Course" at the Convention or Fall Conference. As a rule, present chairpersons are asked if they will continue before a replacement is sought.

Instruction on what each position does and what its responsibilities entail are generally held at the Department Convention. Page 9 of this newsletter has detailed descriptions of the offices and their duties. If you have any questions about what a particular officer does, please don't hesitate to contact me at bcolbert@usa.net or call me at 407.619.9611.

From Jim's Korner—Jim Middlekauff

Greetings Post 112 members. Production behind our Post is moving quickly and the Supervisor has offered to assist us with some improvements to our Post as well, so stay tuned and stop by or better yet-come to a meeting. The huge grill that our past Finance Officer, Dyke Shannon, donated is finally up and working thanks to some effort from our Sgt. at Arms and myself along with some new parts. We will be planning some good use of this, so stay tuned. We will have our Annual Memorial Day Ceremony next month, so come out and help support your Post, perhaps the grill be fired up. Elections will be happening as well along with the Convention in July. The Sons of American Legion Commander is doing well to help and continues to provide an awesome Pancake Breakfast the last Saturday of every month, so come out and enjoy some camaraderie with your fellow members and Veterans from the CLC at Lake Nona. I hope everyone is doing well and looking forward to Summer events with our Post. I have fallen a bit behind due to some back issues that I am getting resolved (hopefully) on the 25th of this month so I can get back up to full speed around the Post again. Until the next time, Take Care and God Bless. Jim Middlekauff, 2nd Vice Commander.

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Notes From the Adjutant's Desk

ATTENTION!!!

THE MAY MEETING WILL NOT BE AT THE POST ON OUR REGULAR NIGHT BUT WILL BE ON THURSDAY, MAY 17TH, AT PERKINS ON UNIVERSITY BLVD - MEAL AT 6 PM, MEETING AT 7 PM!

Ladies and Gentlemen we are rapidly approaching the end of the 2017-2018 year. The Post's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30 and now is the time to begin thinking about the 2018-2019 Officers. Are you interested? As the Adjutant, I am the lead on the nominations committee and I would like to have one or two other members help me recruit our next Officers for the Post. There will be an article elsewhere in this issue describing better what we are looking for.

Changes around the Post and happenings have been fairly slow. The new sign is still not installed and Vice Commander Middlekauff is pursuing the vendor vigorously. We don't have a date for the final installations just yet, but it is being worked on. Other things around the Post include the work on the apartments behind the Post. The road is at times a mess, but for the most part, they have tried to keep it passable for us while the construction continues. We had a limb fall across the power and cable lines that, while it didn't do any harm, emphasized the need to remove the tree. A closer inspection revealed that the roots are growing under the foundation of the building. They haven't done any visible damage to the building but the Executive Board feels that it is only a matter of time. Bids have been accepted and Miller's Tree Service has been selected and the membership at the April meeting voted approval for the expense to remove the tree.

The minutes for the meetings are now being posted on the WEB site so you have the ability to read them at home at your leisure. Go to the WEB page, <http://www.wpflpost112.org> and you

will see a tab on the left side of the screen. The calendar on the WEB site is current! It is updated regularly and shows events of interest to the members. AND, the list of schools with the dates is being put on the WEB site, along with the dates and times of each school's presentations as we get them - We will show those that have someone presenting so that you can tell which schools still need presenters. Commander Dover is coordinating these events and is your point of contact to volunteer to be a presenter. It takes a few minutes to do and most of them are in the morning. And, if you have an email address but are receiving the newsletter by US Mail, you could save the Post about \$1 per issue AND get the newsletter faster and in color by sending us your email address! Send it to the Post's email at FLPost112@gmail.com and we will make certain that it is added to the list.

The 2018 American Legion Convention is coming up on July 5-8, 2018 at the Orlando Marriott World on World Center Drive near Walt Disney World. Information and the agenda is posted on the Department's WEB page as well as on our bulletin board. It is an excellent chance to learn more about the Legion in general and what the Legion and Post do.

Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the May 17th meeting at Perkins! The meeting date was changed to allow for a continuation of the Project Vet Relief at Perkins on University which is all day on May 17th. The meal is at 6 PM and the meeting will start at 7 PM. A "Slate" is being prepared but other people can run for the positions. If you have an interest in any position (all are "fair game"), please let me know ASAP by email or phone.





ADVERTISING INFORMATION

Would your business like to advertise in our Post newsletter? This newsletter, with distribution via email and USPS to over 200 members and organizations, is now accepting advertising for our monthly newsletters.

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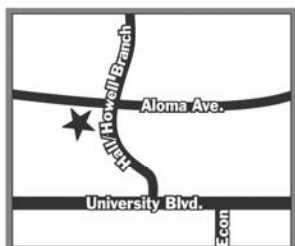
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Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

May meeting date change -

To support Project Vet Relief, our Unit meeting for May will be held on THURSDAY, MAY 17TH, beginning at 6pm at the Perkins Restaurant on University Blvd. at Forsyth Road. A portion of our meal cost will be donated to Project Vet Relief so come out, enjoy a great dinner and fellowship, and support our Veterans!



National Poppy Day is May 25th

Honor veterans by making a donation and wearing your Poppy proudly.

Since the 1920s, Auxiliary members have distributed millions of poppies annually across the country in exchange for donations that go directly to assist veterans, military, and their families in need. Your

Auxiliary Unit will have Poppies available at the meeting on Thursday, May 17th at Perkins. Funds raised through our Poppy distributions are used to purchase the items we include in our holiday food gift baskets we give to Veteran families in need each Christmas.

June 12th Elections

Unit 112 will be electing its 2018-2019 officers during our meeting on June 12th. Our Nominating Committee was elected at our April meeting and is seeking interested members to fill the positions of President, Vice president, Secretary-Treasurer, Chaplain, Historian, and Sgt. At Arms. If you are interested in holding any of these elected positions please contact Nell Colbert, Nominating Committee Chair before May 17th where the slate will be presented. Please remember, in order to run for any office, your dues for 2018 must be paid.

2019 Dues Increase

Per our Constitution and By-Laws and Standing Rules that were updated and approved in December, to keep up with the increase in the National and department dues increases, our Unit dues for 2019 will be \$36 for Seniors and \$12 for Juniors.

Girls State

Just after the last newsletter went to press, our Unit conducted its Girls State interviews. We had five awesome candidates and we are proud to announce that our delegate is Kira Diehl and our alternate is Serenity Anderson. We were thrilled to learn just before press time that Serenity will be paid for by Fern Park Unit 183 so both girls will attend. These outstanding young women will proudly represent Unit 112.



As always, we welcome new ladies who would like to actively support our military, our youth and our community through our community service projects. To become involved, please call us at 321.578.8612.

Check out our Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/ALA112FL>

or our website at:

www.AmLegionAux112FL.com to see what we've been doing.



Sea Cadet Update: Billy Dover



CENTURION BATTALION

We wish to invite you our annual end of the year graduation on May 6, 2018 at the First Baptist Church Winter Park @ 2:00 PM. Winding down the drill season comes with a bitter sweet time in which cadets are busy getting ready for summer trainings. The unit assisted with the Central Florida Navy League Lone Sailor 5K on 14 April and observed the dedication of the first female statue of CPO Navy Recruit in honor of those who did there recruit duty here in Orlando.

The cadets once again wish to thank the Winter Park Memorial Post 112 in all your service to this great youth organization. The staff wishes to thank you for fourteen (14) years of support which allowed us to serve over two hundred youth. May God continue to bless your post and the leaders.

The annual inspection was conducted in March and we received an unofficial score of 3.5 and we are at 45 cadets. The cyber patriot team, ended up 3rd of all Sea Cadets units in the nation however was not selected to attend the National finals. Our new shooting team has turned in their first scores and waiting results.

Very Respectfully,
Centurion Battalion USNSCC

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Fleet Reserve Makes A Donation

At the April General Meeting, Jim Middlekauff, FRA President, gave a check to the Post from the Fleet Reserve in the amount of \$50 in appreciation for the Post allowing the Fleet Reserve to meet there monthly. Accepting the check is Commander Billy Dover.

FRA has been working to preserve and protect benefits and quality-of-life programs for Sailors, Marines, Coast Guard personnel since 1924. The Association gives voice to its members' concerns and, as a result, continues to generate significant improvements for military personnel and their families.

The Post makes itself available to service organization, generally for a fee, but veterans organizations have been allowed to use the building at no charge in honor of their service.



Picture by Russell Kraeger



Notes from Our Service Officer

OTH VETERANS FILE LAWSUIT AGAINST DOD - Thousands of Navy and Marine Corps veterans who served in Afghanistan or Iraq and have an Other Than Honorable (OTH) discharge, recently filed a class-action lawsuit against the Department of Defense (DoD). The plaintiffs feel they were unfairly given less-than-honorable discharges by the Navy, preventing them from getting their benefits. The veterans are represented by students from Yale Law School's Veterans Legal Services Clinic, which filed a similar lawsuit against the Army last year.

DoD and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) recently launched a web-based tool that provides customized guidance to veterans who desire to upgrade or change the conditions of their military discharge. **The tool can be found at [Vets.gov](https://vets.gov)** site. The link is also available on [Military OneSource](https://militaryonesource.militaryonesource.com/) as well as each of the review board's links listed on the Navy Board for Correction of Naval Records [website](https://www.bcnr.mil/).

MEDICARE SCAM ALERT!

The Scam: Someone from Medicare will call you and say that you're getting a new card; they will say that until it comes, you will need a temporary card that costs between \$5 and \$50. And then they will ask for your bank information and credit card information to process the temporary card. Please Don't. This is a scam. The Facts:

1. Medicare communicates only by mail, unless you tell them to call you.

Starting on April 1, 2018, Medicare will begin a year-long program to replace all current Medicare beneficiary cards to convert to alphanumeric ID numbers. Currently your ID number is your social security number. All the new Medicare cards will come in the mail; you don't need to do anything. Your Medicare card will show up.

MIA Update: The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency has announced identification and burial updates for eight American service members who had been missing in action from WWII and Korea. They will be returning home for burial

with full military honors. Three Navy, Three Army and One Marine Veterans.

Expanded Chiropractic Care for Veterans Passes

The recently passed omnibus spending bill for FY2018 includes a provision to expand access to chiropractic's non-drug approach for pain relief to veterans. There are many veterans suffering from back pain and other musculoskeletal conditions as a result of their time in service. *This mandates that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) expand the availability of chiropractic services at no fewer than two medical centers or clinics in each Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) by no later than Dec. 31, 2019; and at no fewer than 50 percent of all medical centers in each VISN by no later than Dec. 31, 2021.* For the first time, the measure codifies and broadens chiropractic services in the VA to include services provided by doctors of chiropractic under the Preventive Health Services and Medical categories.

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Son's of the of the Legion: Charles Coleman

The Costco in Winter Park Florida was the recipient of the American Legion Certificate of Appreciation Award in February 2018. The award is in recognition of Costco's donation of Gift Cards to support our monthly Veteran's Pancake Breakfast.



The Award was presented to Tamika Robinson (Membership Mgr) and Hector Santiago (Assistant GM). The award was presented by Squadron Commander Charles Coleman.

The Sons of The American Legion at squadron 112 have exceeded our membership goal of 100% percent. As of this date we have exceeded our membership goal by 29.4% percent, thanks to our American Legion family here at Memorial Post 112. Right now, we are in second place in our district (District 6) which consists of a total of 15 squadrons. We are focused

on being # 1 in our district by June 30, 2018. We believe this goal can be accomplished with the help of our Legion family and our squadron staying focused.

Squadron 112 is actively involved in marketing and planning another fundraiser for PROJECT: Vet Relief called Dine To Donate. The event is scheduled for Thursday May 17, 2018. The location for the event will be the Perkins Restaurant located at 6425 University Boulevard in Winter Park Florida from 7:00am until 4:00pm. Squadron 112 would
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The Chaplain's Prayers : Billy Dover

"It's not what happens to you that determines how far you will go in life ;it is how you handle what happens to you." Zig Ziglar



God never promised you that life would be easy however he would be with you in all that you do. God sent his son to die for our sins and arose on the third day to sit at the right hand of God the Father. God then sent the Holy Spirit to be with us until our death to protect us and guide us in each moment, trials and tribulations.

1Peter 4:1- So then, since Christ suffered physical pain, you must arm yourselves with the same attitude he had, and be ready to suffer, too. For if you have suffered physically for Christ, you have finished with sin. 4:2 You won't spend the rest of

your lives chasing your own desires, but you will be anxious to do the will of God.

Prayer: God bless our country, our state and our post that we may continue to look to you for guidance in all things. Be with our service members, first responders and their families along with keeping them in your loving arms. During the best of times and worst of times we know that you are in control. For this we thank you in all things in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen.

For God and Country,
Billy Dover, Jr. SAL Chaplain



Post Officer Roles and Responsibilities

The Nominating Committee is working hard to build a slate for our June election. Listed below are the roles and responsibilities of all Post officers:

Commander: The Commander shall be the executive head of the Post with full power to enforce the provisions of the Constitution and ByLaws. He shall be the chairman of the Executive Committee. He shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

Vice Commander: The Vice Commanders shall act as representatives of the Post on all matters referred to them by him, and shall, on his request, preside over the meetings of the Executive Committee, and perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

- 1st Vice Commander duties include overseeing Post Membership.
- 2nd Vice Commander duties include overseeing the Post Facilities and assisting in Post Meeting Programs.

Finance Officer: The Finance Officer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Organization. He shall sign all checks disbursing the funds of the National Organization, and shall make reports upon the condition of the treasury when called for by the Commander. He shall per-

form such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

Chaplain: The Chaplain shall perform such divine and non-sectarian services as may be necessary, adhering to such ceremonial rituals as may be recommended by National Headquarters from time to time.

Historian: The Historian shall collect from year to year all records and data of value and interest for the Post, and shall compile during his term of office a complete history of the year's activities.

Sergeant At Arms: The Sergeant-At-Arms shall preserve the order at the meetings of the Post and meetings of the Executive Committee and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee, and he/she is authorized to appoint such assistants as he/she may choose

We will also be looking for people to chair committees. These are appointed positions that are approved by the Executive Board each year. Our committees are:

- Scouting,
- Baseball,
- Blood Donor,
- Boys State,
- Americanism,
- First Responder of the year

(combined police and fire but can be split),

- Oratorical,
- ROTC,
- Employment,
- Shooting Sports,
- Disaster Preparedness,
- Military Family & Veterans Assistance
- Nominating Committee.

Many of the above committees are inactive due to a lack of someone to "champion" them. There is no reason why we can't start them up if you have the interest.

If any of these officer or committee chair positions interest you, please contact Bob Colbert at bcolbert@usa.net or call 407-619-9611 for the details.

POPPIES ARE HERE

**Please support our
Auxiliary Poppy Drive**

**And help fund
Our Holiday Food
Basket Project**





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like to thank Jennifer Cooper at the American Legion Department of Florida for her help with the Dine To Donate event.

Squadron Commander Coleman spent the weekend of March 24—March 25, 2018 attending Sons of The American Legion College and re-

ceived a Certificate Of Completion. The class covered Communications, Personal Administration, Personal Development, Time management and much, much more. This class is offered to all members of the American Legion Family.



Commander's Minute—Cont'd from Page 1

a joy it is to visit the Post is now supported by our SAL members. It is my pleasure to watch how this breakfast continues to grow.

Thanks to SAL Commander Coleman, who heads up the Vet Relief program, has worked with Perkins on University Blvd so that a portion of the meal cost for all meals on May 17th will be donated to the Vet Relief Program. May's Post meeting will be held on May 17th and that way you can arrive around 6 P.M. order a meal and attend the meeting also. Bring your spouses and friends so that we can support this great cause.

There is a chance for you to volunteer at the 38th National Veterans Wheelchair Games from July 30 to August 4, 2018. There will be plenty of opportunities to serve these veterans. To register as a volunteer go to

<http://wheelchairgames.org/> and click under the Orlando 2018 volunteer tab. I hope to see all of you there. Be sure to wear your Legion cover to let these veterans know we are supporting them.

I wish to thank you all for the thoughts and prayers during my surgery and recovery this past month. We all face challenges from time to time; how we meet those challenges is helped by our friends who encourage us during those challenges. THANK YOU FOR THE THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

Dear Comrades, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your commander these past few years. I truly had great guidance from our past commander's, vice commanders and adjutant. It is my goal to do the same in assisting our new executive board as they are tak-

ing office.

To the members who have participated in our activities, THANK YOU! We hope many more of you will be willing to volunteer in the future. Instead of waiting to be asked take the initiative and look at how you can help with the activities of the Post. **"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."** Helen Keller

For God and Country,
Billy Dover, Jr. Commander



**With Honor & Gratitude
We Remember**



Happy Birthday to YOU!

*Happy Birthday to YOU!
Happy Birthday to you!
Happy Birthday dear _____.
Happy Birthday to YOU!*

May 2018

05/01 Devasto, Richard R
05/04 Newsome Willie C
05/06 Shipman, Fred B
05/09 Piltz, Kerry
05/13 Turner, N. James
05/20 Brower, James L
05/21 Finch, Glenn H
05/22 Bonney, Benton
05/23 Sprague, Arthur R, Sr
05/24 Colon, Alfonso
05/27 Cruz, Thomas

05/28 Telson, Richard
05/30 Finn, Paul T, Jr

June 2018

06/04 Arocho, Jimmy
06/05 Fleming, John J, Jr
06/05 Yaroma, Michael H, Jr
06/06 Bruneau, George J
06/06 Cole, Leonard
06/07 Gagne, Mark T
06/08 Colbert, Aurora
06/13 Council, James M, Sr
06/14 Cunningham, Robert D, Sr
06/17 Brown, Elmer
06/21 Reyes, Ramon L
06/23 Mishoe, Floyd E

06/25 Brown, Ronald R
06/29 Culver, Samuel E



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Veteran of the Month

On April 10, 2018, Master Chief Petty Officer Charles J. McDevitt, Jr. United States Navy (Retired) was recognized by the Seminole County Board of County Commission (BCC) as April 2018 Veteran of the Month. A Proclamation, signed by the Chairman of the Board, was presented to Master Chief Petty Officer McDevitt, Jr. He retired from the United States Navy after twenty-three years, he served during the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Master Chief Petty Officer McDevitt, Jr. served as a Master Chief Missile Technician on various nuclear Fleet Ballistic Missile submarines, having twenty-nine Strategic Deterrent Combat Patrols spending over nine years of his career under water. Post retirement, he started a Navy Junior ROTC program with an annual enrollment of over 350 cadets and worked as a career counselor. Congratulations Master Chief Petty Officer Charles J. McDevitt, Jr., we honor you.

Women Veterans' Conference

The Florida Department of Veterans Affairs (FDVA) is sponsoring the 2018 Women Veterans Conference from June 11th and 12th. It is open to all women who have served or are currently serving in the military. This year it will be held at the Palm Beach State College, 4200 Congress Avenue, Lake Worth, FL. For more information contact Darlene Scully, Women Veterans Coordinator, FDVA, 727-319-7418 or email scullyd@fdva.state.fl.us register online at: <https://floridawomenvets.eventbrite.com>.

Federal Law Focuses on Elder Abuse

A new federal law is designed to address the growing problem of elder abuse. The law supports efforts to better understand, prevent, and combat both financial and physical elder abuse.

The prevalence of elder abuse is hard to calculate because it is underreported, but according to the National Council on Aging, approximately 1 in 10 Americans age 60 or older have experienced some form of elder abuse. In 2011, a MetLife study estimated that older Americans are losing \$2.9 billion annually to elder financial abuse.

The bipartisan Elder Abuse Prevention and Prosecution Act of 2017 authorizes the Department of Justice (DOJ) to take steps to combat elder abuse. Under the new law, the federal government must do the following:

- Create an elder justice coordinator position in federal judicial districts, at the DOJ, and at the Federal Trade Commission
- Implement comprehensive training on elder abuse for Federal Bureau of Investigation agents
- Operate a resource group to assist prosecutors in pursuing elder abuse cases

The law requires the DOJ to collect data on elder abuse and investigations as well as provide training and support to states to fight elder abuse. The law specifically targets email fraud by expanding the definition of telemarketing fraud to include email fraud. Prohibited actions include email solicitations for investment for financial profit, participation in a business opportunity, or commitment to a loan.

The law also addresses flaws in the guardianship system that have led to elder abuse. The law enables the government to provide demonstration grants to states' highest courts to assess adult guardianship and conservatorship proceedings and implement changes.

"Exploiting and defrauding seniors is cowardly, and these crimes should be addressed as the reprehensible acts they are," said Senator Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa), a co-sponsor of the legislation, adding that the legislation "sends a clear signal from Congress that combating elder abuse and exploitation should be top priority for law enforcement."



THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA



EVENT INFORMATION:

Location: Harbor Hills Country Club
6538 Lake Griffin Rd. Lady Lake, FL 32159

- Shotgun – 8:30 AM
- Cost per Golfer – \$70.00
- Longest Drive Contest
- Hole-in-One Contest
- Closest to Pin Contest
- Prizes and surprises

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- Silver Hole Sponsor – \$100.00
- Gold Hole Sponsor – \$250.00
- ** Includes sign on hole**
- Donate a gift to be used as a raffle prize

Cut-off date for sponsorships and gift submissions:
April 24th, 2018

Send all checks to Squadron 347
PO Box 1534 Lady Lake, FL 32158

ATTN: Children & Youth Golf Tournament

**After the tournament, please join us at Post 347 in Lady Lake, for an Italian meal
raffles, 50/50, and more**

Hotel: The Waterfront Inn

1105 Lakeshore Drive, The Villages, FL 32162

To make a reservation call the hotel directly at 800-592-0774

Ask for the American Legion Group Rate!

\$136.00 Standard Room \$146.00 Waterview \$156.00 Waterview/Balcony



THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA

**CHILDREN & YOUTH CHARITY
GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION**

(CUT-OFF DATE IS APRIL 24TH, 2018)

Golfer _____

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Golfer _____

Hole Sponsor Silver _____

Hole Sponsor Gold _____

POC for the Team _____

POC Phone# _____

Additional Guests for Dinner at Post 347 are \$10.00 _____

Please make checks out to: Squadron 347

PO Box 1534, Lady Lake, FL 32158

Attn: Children & Youth Golf Tournament

If you have any questions, please contact:

Bruce Carl – 352-942-7948

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CALENDAR

May 2018

05/06 Sea Cadet Graduation - 1st Baptist Church of WP - 2 PM
05/13 Mother's Day
05/17 Dine to Donate - Perkins Restaurant - 7 AM - 4 PM
05/17 Auxiliary and Post meetings AT PERKINS RESTAURANT
05/26 Son's Pancake Breakfast - 8 AM - 11 AM
05/28 Memorial Day Service - 11 AM

June 2018

06/02 6th District Constitutional Conference - Post 347 - 9 AM
06/04 Son's Squadron Meeting - 6 PM
06/04 Executive Board Meeting - 7 PM
06/12 Auxiliary and Post meetings & Elections - 7 PM
06/14 Flag Day
06/17 Father's Day
06/30 Son's Pancake Breakfast - 8 AM - 11 AM

Please see our website for additional dates and more detailed info about each event.

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