

THE COMMANDER'S DESK



Greetings from the Commander,

It is hard to believe we have come to the end of the year, and this will be my last Newsletter input as your Commander. We've had some hurdles throughout the year, but for the most part, we have gotten through them. Your new officers were elected on May the 20th. Thanks to Tommy Reichard for stepping in to fill in for our JAG at the last minute to oversee the elections; and a special thanks to the volunteers. I urge all of our members to come out and participate in the installation of your new officers on July 15th, 2017, at two pm.

We still have a number of activities during June and July that are very worthy of mentioning. The 15th District Convention will be held on June 3rd at Post 111; Father's Day dinner on June 18th; ALR Dinner will be on June 24th starting at five pm; and the State Convention will be held in Orlando 29 June through July 2. Field of Honor Ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park on July 8th; your New Officers will be installed on July 15th; and the ALR dinner is scheduled for the 29th. Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of the post that has supported me during the past year. It has been a pleasure serving you.

For God and Country
George H. King
Commander,
Alafia Post 148

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Hello Ladies,

It is that time of the year again we are coming to the close. I want to thank all who have made it a great year; I could not have not done what was needed if it hadn't been for each one of you. "Thank You" from the bottom of my heart.

We still have a few more things going on the next two months. June 3rd we have our 15th District Conference held at Post 111, 9am registration and 10 am meeting begins. We will have reports and learn what has happen in other Units. Awards presented. Then later in the month we have Fathers Day and we have a wonderful dinner lined up for them. So fathers of the Post please come and enjoy your meal. On June 29 through July 2nd we have our Department Convention held in Orlando at the Marriot Orlando World Center. If you can attend just one day it is most definitely something to come and be a part of.

July we have the 4th with celebrations so please join us in celebrating our freedom. We want to thank those who have fought and giving all and those Veterans still going to give us our FREEDOM! Some time this month we will have our Installations of Officers, Legion, Sons of American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, American Legion Riders. We are having the family joining as one to start our new year off to wonderful start. We will be letting everyone know date and time. We look forward to everyone joining us to start off the NEW Year.

We as a family thank you for all the support you have given and look forward to the up coming year.
For God and Country,

Georgia Mackenzie
American Legion Auxiliary
President

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Greetings Fellow Riders,

First, I would like to thank everyone for helping in the Luau Party.

The scouting program in our community and our new representatives of the Post have made the successful transition of Cub Scout Pack 606 and have commissioned Pack 148.1 and Troop 148.2 ...***CONGRAGULATIONS*** and I would like to thank the riders that showed up for supporting this Ceremony.

The next Field of Honor Ceremony at Veterans Park is July 8th and we would like to have a good crowd from the riders in supporting this Ceremony! Also, our next rider dinners are on June 24th and July 29th; as always we need volunteers.

Don't forget Installation on July 15th. We will be doing it with the Legion Family.

Additionally, please remember that the Haley House is coming up Oct 7 and we are going to need many volunteers to help with this event!

Happy Fathers Day, and *****HAPPY 4th of JULY***** !!!

For God and Country
Steve Nasrallah
Director
ALR

POST 148 SCOUTING PROGRAM

May 17, 2017, was a historic night for Post 148. For the past 12 years, ever since Roger Dunn first signed the agreement, Post 148 had chartered Cub Scout Pack 606. Over 1,000 boys had funneled through the program since then. In 2014, Cub Scout Pack 606 was the largest Scout unit in the American Legion Florida Department. On May 17, 2017, Post 148 officially adopted the Scouting program and made it part of the Legion Family. Cub Scout Pack 1481, Boy Scout Troop 1482, and Girl Scout Juliette Co-op 148 were activated with numerals to match the post. Cub Scout Pack 606 was retired. The Legionnaires, Sons, Riders, Auxiliary, and the Marine Corps League all turned-out for the historic event. All of the Cub Scouts graduated to the next higher rank while the oldest boys crossed over into the new troop.



The Cub Scouts will slow down for the summer and only meet once a month. The Boy Scouts will continue to meet every week, including a week away at BSA Camp La-No-Che in the Ocala National Forest. On June 14th, Troop 1482 will perform an American Flag Retirement Ceremony at Post 148 at 7pm. We hope to see you there!

For God & Country,
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NEW MEMBERS

Casey Moffitt
Robert Cusumano
Carlos Guzman
Joseph Turney
Rhonda McCullough

Kent Guffy
Thomas Laing
Eric Wade
Charles O'Connell
Harold Devoti

TRANSFERS

Scott Roper
Mary Hogan-Wade
Sabrina Jones

Anthony Dague
Philip Jones

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Please note: Next *CALENDAR MEETING* is scheduled for 27 JUNE 2017

STEAK SHOOT

Every Saturday @ 2 PM



Pinochle



9:30AM Mondays & Fridays

At American Legion Post 148

Double Deck / Partners

Every
Sunday;
7 AM -
Noon



FLEA MARKET

Breakfast
Every
Sunday
8-11 AM

BINGO

Every Wednesday

6:30 PM

By ALA & SAL



EVERY FRIDAY

5-7 PM

Entertainment Schedule

All entertainment starts at 7PM (unless otherwise noted)

June

- 2 - Karaoke with Spirit Entertainment 
- 9 - Music with Bert and Sassy
- 16 - Karaoke with Spirit Entertainment
- 23 - Music with Silent Scream
- 30 - Music with Gene Cannon

July



- 7 - Music and Karaoke with Bridget
- 14 - Music with Silent Scream
- 21 - Karaoke with Spirit Entertainment
- 28 - Music with Gene Cannon



Boy Scout Pack 1482 will conduct a Flag Retirement Ceremony at American Legion Post 148 on JUNE 14th @ 7PM

Flag Day (June 14th) commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, which happened on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army Birthdays on this date; Congress adopted "the American continental army" after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775.



RETIRING OLD GLORY:

According to U.S. Flag Code, Public Law 94-344, when the United States flag (Old Glory) becomes worn, torn, faded or badly soiled, it is time to replace it with a new flag, and the old flag should be "retired" with all the dignity and respect befitting our nation's flag.

Father's Day Dinner



June 18th, 2017

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Courtesy of the

American Legion Auxiliary



Non – Dad's \$8.00
Kids under 10 \$4.00

Free for Dads!

Korean War Remembrance Ceremony

**Saturday,
24 JUNE 2017
1100**

**Hillsborough County
Veterans Park**



**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS
ALAFIA CHAPTER POST 148**

RIDER DINNER

DRAGON'S PORK BUTT



**5:00 PM
SATURDAY,
24 JUNE 2017**





**Department
Convention**
Marriott Orlando
World Center
Orlando, FL
June 29 - July 2, 2017



BEGINNING AT 1 PM

**Field of Honor
Ceremony**
JULY 8, 2017 @ 1100
Veterans Memorial Park



Installation of Officers

for
American Legion Post 148
2017-2018

2:00 PM,
SUNDAY
15 JULY 2017

Incoming Board of Officers:

Commander	Lee Hemmerich
1st Vice	TBD
2nd Vice	TBD
Adjutant	TBD
Finance Officer	Bob Benson
Sergeant at Arms	John Eskridge
Chaplain	Roger Dunn
Historian	TBD
Judge Advocate	TBD
Service Officer	Mike Moffitt

Executive Board:

Terry Johnson	Chuck Frietsch
Keith Regenhard	William VanDyke

RIDER DINNER

featuring

MEATLOAF

AND SIDES

5:00 PM
SATURDAY,
29 JULY 2017



It is with deep regret and heavy hearts that we announce the transfer of John Seasword, Fred Matney and Keith Thompson to "Post Everlasting".

May God rest their souls, and provide comfort to their family and friends.