

June 2023



American Legion Post 57
2602 SW Main Blvd
Lake City, FL 32025

Commanders Corner

May: Was a great Month we had

May 2nd SAL Elections were held congratulations to incoming officers.

May 6th Kentucky Derby night was a great turn out, Brenda Morgan won the Kentucky hat contest congratulations.

May 12th Was Karaoke night at 7pm. Good participation.

May 20th Country Night with the Stone Jones band was a great turn out food was provided by Mr. B, s Barbecue. Thanks to the Entertainment committee for a great night.

May 16th Legion and Auxiliary Elections congratulations to all incoming officers.

May 26th / May 27th Auxiliary Poppy Day was a great success.

May 27th Navy Sea Cadets Awards, Congratulations to all cadets that received awards.

May 29th Memorial Day Ceremony, Flag Ceremony, was a great turnout, the food was great, Thanks to Chuck, Steve, Tom J, Sharon H, Laura C, for cooking and all others that helped with this event. A special thanks to Kimber Lee Cabrera for leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance

Now for June

June 3rd District 3 DCC Meeting registration at 10am meeting at 11am lunch will be served.

June 10th Come join us at our version of Margaritaville night, with DJ Scott Corral, wear your best Jimmie Buffet.

Jun 14th – Jun 18th Department of Florida Convention in Orlando.

Jun 20th- General membership meeting we will vote on the non-smoking issue again. As a reminder only legionnaires will be allowed to vote. Let your voice be heard.

Queen of Hearts winners Larry and Joey Carroll.

Friday Red Shirt winners: Charlie Burton, Brenda Morgan, Victoria Ziegler and Tom Wilcutts
Congratulations.

As always Volunteers are needed in Bingo, Kitchen and Events please take time to Volunteer and help with your post. Thanks.

For God and Country
Commander Rick Cabrera

Volunteer of the Month

Sha Musgrove

Thanks for all you do.



Welcome to June of 2023 to all.

I'd like to take a moment to congratulate Mike Ziegler and Chuck Caldwell on their elections to Director and Assistant Director respectively, as well as all the others who remained in place for the 2023/2024 year ahead.

I trust that they will receive the same support you gave me over the past years and continue to thrive as a group. Remember, there is no I in team, it takes everyone pulling together to make it work.

Remember, Saturday, June third is the District's DCC here at Post 57, it's also the day for the District 3 Bike giveaway at Ellie Ray's, so this will be a very busy day for the Riders. The actual awarding of the bike is scheduled for 5:00 pm with activities going on both Friday and Saturday.

June 14 - June 18th is when many of us will travel to Convention in Orlando, this is ALWAYS a great learning experience for all in attendance. As of this time, we still have no one who will be here that has volunteered to do the Rider's dinner on the 17th, if no one volunteers to take this dinner, there will be no dinner this month for the Riders, so please let me know if you can put it together.

Our next Roadkill bingo is slated for June 24th, this will be the first Roadkill we've done in a while, it's important to that we get back on track with it as it's one of the few fundraisers we have on a regular basis.

Once again, I want to thank everyone for their support over the years as your Director. It's been a great experience that I will never forget.

For the Cause, Not the applause
Bill



AUXILIARY NEWS

I want to congratulate the new Executive Committee that was elected last month. Your new Committee members are:

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| • President – Lisa Dye | Chaplain – Gwen Allen |
| • 1 st Vice President – Sharon Huggins | Historian – Kathy Honeycutt |
| • 2 nd Vice President – Donna Sessa | Sgt-At-Arms – Laura Cabrera |
| • 3 rd Vice President – Maryann Dennis | Members At Large: |
| • Secretary – Kay Peterson | Phyllis Hanechak |
| • Treasurer – Judy Morelan | Brenda Morgan |
| | Penny Weber |

Kay Peterson will remain as your Membership Chairman.

Installation of Officers will be Saturday, July 8th at 4 PM. Please come and support all the new officers for our Post family. Also at May's meeting we voted to purchase a canopy with our logo on it. The Sea Cadets purchased one and it's fabulous. I think we will get a lot of use out of it during other Post events as well as community events. We are planning another Ice Cream Social for the residents at the Domiciliary on Friday, June 9th at 1 PM. We had so much fun doing the last one and the residents loved it. If you wish to participate, please meet at the Domiciliary by 1 PM that day. Our next Friday Night Dinner is June 9th. Judy Morelan and her daughter Tiffaney are chairing the dinner. The menu will be spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and dessert for a \$10.00 donation. Dinner is served from 5:30 to 7:30 PM or until the food runs out. The next District Meeting is Saturday, June 3rd at Post 57. This is our Constitutional Conference where we will be voting for our new District President. All members are welcome to attend. Registration starts at 10 AM and meetings start at 11 AM. Saturday, June 10th at 7 PM, the Entertainment Committee is hosting, "Margaritaville" in the lounge. Come out and enjoy some Island delights and dress in your finest Hawaiian shirt and flip flops. We will be serving grilled chicken, summer salads and sides along with desserts. A DJ will be providing the music. Saturday, Jul 15th at 4 PM, we will be doing a "Painting with a Twist" event for all Auxiliary members. This is going to be a fun event. The cost will be \$25 per person. You will learn how to paint on a canvas. We will also have snacks and refreshments. Looking forward to a great year coming up.

For God and Country,
Lisa Dye
President

Honor Guard

For news and information about Honor Guard, please follow us on Facebook. Search Honor Guard 57 to find our page. You can also email us at honorguardpost57@gmail.com

Thank you
JD Morris, Commander
American Legion Post 57
Honor Guard

Chaplain's Corner

Hello everyone, your Chaplain here. Our conversation for June is, Memorial Day (May 29) which some refer to as Flag Day which is actually June 14. Memorial Day is a celebration of the brave men and women who fought around the world to bring about freedom and democracy to all who would embrace it. The flag is an honored symbol of a nation's unity to perfect hopes and achievement of freedom of all as a God given right. Even today Memorial Day and Flag Day are under attack, just as the Constitution is. We must ensure it remains as a focus of all good citizens, and to not waver to those who want to change it. We must believe that this country is the heritage God left to us to cherish and live free.

Chaplain Rev Allen Wood (Sarge)

Hello S.A.L Squadron 57 Members

Hope everyone had a safe and prosperous May. It's been another fun filled month and I would like to thank Jim and Lee for another successful Roadkill Bingo. I would also like to thank Jim, Vanessa, Leland and Warren for making our Friday Night dinner a big success.

Upcoming Events:

Saturday June 3rd @ 11:00 a.m. DCC Meeting
Tuesday June 9th @ 6:30 p.m. Squadron 57 Meeting
June 15th thru 18th Convention @ Orlando
June 23rd @ 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday Night Dinner
Roadkill Bingo is cancelled for June:
S.A.L. Squadron 57 Commander:
Brian Wolfe

Mike's Message

Hello Post 57,

It is official, we made our goal this year. We have 685 members, which is 3 more than what Department of Florida set for us of 682. Awesome job to all of you who signed up, renewed and recruited your friends, neighbors, coworkers, etc, to join our post.

Department Convention is June 15 through the 18 and at time we will get our 2024 membership cards. Shortly thereafter we will be able to process your renewals and new member requests. Dues are still \$40 for the year and go ahead and renew early so you don't have to worry about it in December. All we ask is be patient as this is a busy time as you all do turn in your renewals.

Until next month
Michael Ziegler

2023-2024 Board Members

COMMANDER	Enrique (Rick) Cabrera
FIRST VICE	Mike Ziegler
SECOND VICE	Chuck Caldwell
THRID VICE	Thomas (Tom) Johnson
FOURTH VICE	Rusty Brown
FINANCE OFFICER	Otis Pewitt
CHAPLAIN	Allen (Sarge) Wood
SARGENT AT ARMS	James Taylor
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	George Wehrli
	Steve Cox
	Ray Funck
	Kelly Valliere