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Well Hello Everyone. I hope everyone and their families are doing well. First of all I would like to congratulate the Detachment on the membership numbers. The Detachment is already ahead of the next two target dates and just over 5% from reaching the April 8th. target date of 90%. With Convention around the corner we have less than 4 months to reach our 25th consecutive all-time high. Keep up the good work.

COMMANDER Detcommander@legionmail.org

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We started out February by attending the Special Olympics picnic in Palm Bay Post 117. Inclement weather kept the attendance down, but the event was very successful. A special Thank-you to Randy Chilcott and Post 117 for their welcome and hospitality.

On February 16th I visited Post 155 in Crystal River for their BBQ event. Timber and Squadron 155 went out of their way to make the event outstanding and I hope they do it again next year.

The Area Balls and Homecomings are approaching us fast. The American Legion Auxiliary President's Homecoming is March 28th. The American Legion Commander's Homecoming is April 18th. The Sons of the American Legion Commander's Homecoming is May 16th. More info on these events and the Area Balls can be found on the website.

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Convention is coming and we will be electing new Officers. If you would like to run for an office please get your endorsement in. If you would like to be an Officer, but are not sure if you could do it, "Go for it!" The other Officers and past Officers are here to help you. Directions are on our website. Don't forget to make your reservation for Convention. The hotel sells out every year.

In closing I just want to say I'm proud to be a member of the greatest Detachment. I'm proud of each and every one of you.

Until next time. Be good and take care

For God and Country,

Tom Klinger Detachment Commander



2019-2020 Membership Target Dates:		
September 1, 2019	15%	Congratulations! 15.96%
October 9, 2019	25%	Congratulations! 30.10%
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December 11, 2019	45%	Congratulations! 55.61%
January 15, 2020	60%	Congratulations! 73.57%
February 12, 2020	75%	Congratulations! 84.63%
March 11, 2020	80%	Legion Birthday
April 8, 2020	90%	
May 13, 2020	100%	
June 11, 2020	20,500	Commander's Goal Delegate Cut-Off



This month we are preparing to mass mail all of the report forms that you will need to complete the yearend reports. These reports will be mailed to all Squadrons beginning at the end of March. These forms are also in the Administrative Manual that you received with the membership cards during the last Convention. Please take the time to complete the forms and mail them to me no later than June 1, 2020. I must reiterate again this year, **there is no need to send the forms registered mail**. Regular mail is fine. The main Post Office is about twenty minutes from my house, so it's a forty-minute round trip to pick up these packets. I cannot do this on my lunch hour, and the Post Office is closed after 5:00 pm. So again, <u>please send</u> to me by regular mail.

The District Constitutional Conferences should already be in the planning stages. All SAL District Commanders are required hold and are responsible for setting up their Constitutional Conference meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a new District Commander and District Vice Commander for the following year, and conduct business of the District that has been properly presented. It is not appropriate for a District to hold their elections at the Detachment Convention. So all District elections must be held in accordance with Article IX, Section 8 of the Detachment Constitution, which states, "there shall be held in each District a District Constitutional Conference not more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days prior to the date of the Detachment Convention." This means that your elections must be completed before the convention.

You do not have to schedule your conference at the same time as the Legion's; however, it is a good idea to set it up at the same location so you can have any dual members participate. For a list of the scheduled Legion District Conferences, you can go to the Florida Legion Website at floridalegion.org. Once your District Constitutional date is set, send us an e-mail at floridasons@legionmail.org and let us know the location and date. This way we will be able to publish the information and put on the Detachment Website.

We are continuing the push for Squadron Adjutants to sign up for and begin to use the MySAL Membership Portal. This is a new and important tool that Squadrons can use to begin processing membership renewals which allows for membership to processed electronically. While Florida is one of the test Detachments this will be rolled out Nationally very soon. All of the work done in MySAL now will shape it for the future. If you are a Squadron Adjutant please go and register to use MySAL and begin using it to process your membership renewals today.

The 48th Annual Detachment Convention is scheduled for June 25, to June 28, 2019. We will be meeting at the Marriott Orlando World Center in Orlando. The Resort is very nice and should be enjoyed by all. Please make your reservations early. Registration will open at 1:00pm on Thursday, June 25th. There is a hotel reservations deadline and that is June 1, 2020. Please make a note of this and book early. A tentative schedule is being worked on and will be published next month

Thank you all again for all that you do. Until next month!





Greeting Membership Team,

As we move toward Convention and our 25th consecutive all-time high we need to continue to stay focused on our membership. We all need to remember the 3 "R's" (Recruit, Reinstate, & Renew). We had passed our midway point in membership and we have made our first (5) five targets. Our February 20th, 2020 membership report had the Detachment at 86.15% % with our 80% target date March 11th, 2020. Our renewal rate for the Detachment is 67.96%. We still have 8 ZERO Squadrons that need the attention of the District Officers and membership teams. We are on a great pace to make Commander Klinger's goal of

20,750 by delegate cut-off. We need 2,735 members for your Detachment goal and 3,732 members for our Commanders goal. I know we can get his done. A concern for me is that we have several Squadrons that are at 100% and have been for weeks. Great job getting to the 100% mark, but the issue is they have not RE-CRUITED any new members in weeks and/or months in some cases. What is up with that? If we as a Detachment are to grow, we must recruit new members into ALL Squadrons. I know everyone is working hard on membership and Commander Klinger and I do thank you for that. Renewals are another issue with our growth. As noted above our renewal rate is 67.96%. If you look at the overall numbers you will see as I see, we are missing the mark on renewals. We are losing membership. Why?

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I believe we have finally got the numbers right with membership and look forward to us crashing our targets as we move toward Convention. To date we have 84 Squadrons that are signed up for MySAL. If you are not signed up, talk to your Post Commander or Adjutant to get on board with the new process. It does help with reporting and will in time make it much easier to get your membership done. I have talked with several Squadron Adjutants and they really like to ability to work their membership from a desk and not have to

mail information. So, if you are not signed up, get signed up. Your Squadron Officer report form is the first step .

Until next month, safe travels and let's make a BIG SPLASH for Commander Klinger as we move toward his goal of 20,750 members. We can do this!!!





With our annual Convention around the corner we need your help. We need each Squadron to complete your required reports. These reports are important to the Detachment as well as the National organization. Now is the time to start putting your forms together and be ready by the deadline. Forms are available on our Detachment web site (www.floridasons.org). A lot of the forms are fillable and printable, make it much easier to get your forms completed and sent in on time. With the passing of the Legion Act and the implementation of the MySAL membership portal it is imperative that your Squadron Officer report forms are completed and those get to the proper person for processing. If this form is not on file with the National organization, you cannot get access to MySAL. This is a must. As of January 21, 2020, we had 84 Squadrons signed up to use My SAL, this number must increase. Let me repeat, that you must completed and transmitted to the responsible party the completed Squadron Officers report form in order to get your temporary log-in information. The Squadron Adjutant will be verified with Department before access is given. I am sure that Adjutant Roberts will have more to say about this issue. A valid Squadron email is becoming very important. We need the ability to make communications with you the Squadron and yes get information down to our membership. There are a lot of free email services available for your use. A Squadron that does not have a valid email address will in time lose out on so much. We need to get this done.

We continue to have issues with our members not knowing who to contact for questions, answers and/or concerns. We have got to get this right. Our web site has all the Detachment Officers and Commission/Committee Chairman that you may need to contact. A Detachment directory has been completed and sent to the District and Area Commanders for distribution. Texting, Facebook, messenger, Face Time are not the way to contact and communicate with one another. We need to be making a phone call or sending an email to the person you are taking to. This way if others are needed in the conversation they can be included, and you will get the information you were looking for. We must improve our communication skills.

I am going to keep discussing the Member Training & Development Committee and our need for additional instructors. We have been dissing this for a long time and no one has stepped up. WE NEED INSTRUC-TORS. Please provide Jim Roberts (Chairman) or John Jennings (Vice Chairman) a resume of your interest and of your instruction capabilities. We must get this done and it needs to happen very soon if we are going to provide training to our membership. We only have 3-4 instructors and we need your help. If you have the background or think you are interested, please get with the MT & D Committee Chairman or me.

While we are discussing the MT&D Committee, we have had only one organizational class in 2019-2020. This concerns me! I know that a lot of interest was shown at Fall Conference, but no one has communicated the need. We need to continue to educate our members as we continue to grow. We will surpass the 20,000 members mark this year and I have a hard time believing that all of our members understanding the workings of the Squadron much less the Detachment or the National organization. I make this statement. Do we not have a need and an obligation to our membership to educate them?

Please read and memorized our preamble to our Constitution. Read each line and stop for just a minute and reflect on the words. These works are powerful and should have great meaning to us all. Think about what each line is saying. It is why we do what we do! This would also be a great training opportunity at each Squadron meeting.

Internal Affairs (continued)

PROUD POSSESSORS OF A PRICELESS HERITAGE, WE MALE DESCENDANTS OF VETERANS OF THE GREAT WARS,

ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER AS "SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION" FOR THE FOL-LOWING PURPOSES:

- To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
- to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a true spirit of Americanism;
- to preserve the memories of our former members and the associations of our members and our forefathers in the Great Wars;
- to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;
- to combat the autocracy of both the classes and masses;
- to make right the master of might;
- to promote peace and good will on earth;
- to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;
- to consecrate and sanctify our friendship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness;
- to adopt in letter and spirit all of the great principles for which The American Legion stands;
- and to assist in carrying on for God and Country.

Programs

The Sons of the American Legion has a broad range of programs for Family, Youth, Community and National Affairs. With over 27 different programs, we've got you covered from the baseball diamond to our nation's borders. Additionally, we make a difference not only within our local communities, but nationwide as an organization.

Please use our website as it is full of information. It is just one of many tools to help you help your Detachment, District, and most importantly your Squadron.

Sign up on our website for the Goggle mail distribution where we send information out to our membership. It is simple to sign up. Go to <u>www.floridasons.org</u> and scroll to the bottom of the first page. You will find a button asking you if you would like to sign up for the google group. Click the button, enter the information and submit. You are now signed up to receive Detachment only information and if you find you do not want if do the road, you can unsubscribe.

Always remember that our Detachment is only as strong as it's member. We need to continue to recruit, reinstate, and renew if we want to continue to grow. Let's continue to our 25th consecutive all-time high in membership.





Veterans March on Tallahassee

The Detachment Legislative Commission assisted again this year with the March on Tallahassee January 29th, 2020 at the FL. Capitol Building. Department Chairman Foss, Department Adjutant Mc Daniel, Assistant Adjutant Comer, PDC Smith, myself and other comrades brought the concerns of our veterans to our FL.

State Legislators. The 2020 American Legion issues of discussion was to ensure the legislature continued to budget funding for The Department of Florida Boys &

Girls State Programs, and the continuation of the Florida American Legion Auto License Plate Program.

One of our important legislative bills this year are HB 877 and SB 1076 these bills would continue to provide Ad Valorem (property) Tax Discounts for Spouses of Deceased Combat Disabled Veterans. You can tell your FL. State Legislators that you also support these bills also.

Washington Conference

Your Detachment of Florida will once again be representing you in Washington DC March 7th - 11th. This is where The American Legion presents in person to our Congressman and U S Senators the 2020 TAL Legislative Agenda. You can assist the Legislative Commission by emailing your U S House of Representative and Senator at legion.org/legislative and letting the know you support The American Legion Legislative Agenda as part of the Florida American Legion Family. We will have an article in the April Source with all the 2020 report from the conference



Washington Conference 2019 in FL-5 Congressman Rutherford Office R to L Jim Bowers, Congressman Rutherford, Barbara Rayna, Bill Kelly

Please read The American Legion Legislative Agenda

Remember: The American Legion supports Veterans issues, not candidates.

From the Editor of 'The Source'

Fellow Sons,

Please support Commander Klinger's Homecoming event at Post 155 (Crystal River) on 16 May 2020. All proceeds will benefit <u>Project: VetRelief</u> and tickets are ONLY available online at <u>https://homecoming.floridasons.org</u>. Your contribution to making this Homecoming a success is vital.

Throughout this edition of the Detachment of Florida Newsletter, you've read about the importance of properly filling and submitting the end of year forms. These forms are now available as form fillable PDF documents and can be downloaded from the Detachment Website. Make use of this valuable asset if you are able. Detachment Report Forms are available here: <u>https://floridasons.org/detachment-report-forms/</u>

Thank you for all you do in service to our Veterans, their families and our great organization!

Ray Leventhal, Editor

Commissions and Committees Update

Special Olympics – Randy Chilcott, Chairman

March's Special Olympics Events:

Date	Event	Venue	City
03/01/2020	Area 9 Athletics Competition	Traz Powell Stadium – Dade Community College	Miami
03/01/2020	Leon County Summer Games	Goodby High School	Tallahassee
03/01/2020	Coaches Training School - Bocce	Leon High School	Tallahassee
03/02/2020	Lee County Bocce Competition	Veterans Park	Cape Coral
03/03/2020	Miami-Dade County Soccer Competition	Tamiami Park	Miami
03/03/2020	Health and Fitness Webinar Series		
03/03/2020	Clay County Cheerleading Competition	Clay High School	Green Cove Springs
03/04/2020	Special Event: Spread the Word Day		
03/05/2020	Miami-Dade County Soccer Competition	Tamiami Park	Miami
03/05-06/2020	FHSAA Basketball Championships - Division 1	RP Funding Center	Lakeland
03/05/2020	Area 5 Cycling Competition	Wesley Chapel High School	Wesley Chapel
03/06/2020	Area 5 Cycling Competition	Mitchell High School	New Port Richey
03/07/2020	St. Johns Summer Games	Pedro Menendez High School	St. Augustine
03/07/2020	Broward County Summer Games	Cardinal Gibbons High School	Ft. Lauderdale
03/07/2020	Columbia County Summer Games	Columbia High School	Lake City
03/07/2020	Lake County Summer Games	Tavares High School	Tavares
03/07/2020	Orange County Summer Games	Lake Highland Prep	Orlado
03/07/2020	Palm Beach County Cycling Competition	LC Swain Middle School	Greenacres
03/07/2020	Palm Beach County Summer Games	John I. Leonard High School	Greenacres
03/07/2020	Pinellas County Summer Games	Lakewood High School	St. Petersburg
03/07/2020	St. Lucie County Summer Games	Lawnwood Stadium	Ft. Pierce
03/07/2020	St. Johns County Bocce Competition	Davis Park	Ponte Vedra
03/08/2020	Indian River County Summer Games	Sebastian River High School	Sebastian
03/10/2020	Miami-Dade County Soccer Competition	Tamiami Park	Miami
03/12/2020	Miami-Dade County Tennis Competition	Tamiami Park	Miami
03/13/2020	Clay County Athletics Competition - High Schools	Ridgeview High School	Orange Park
03/14/2020	Area 7 Summer Games	Golden Gate High School	Naples
03/14/2020	Area 7 Tennis Competition	Naples Bath and Tennis	Naples
03/14/2020	Area 9 Cheerleading Competition	Nova Southeastern University	Fort Lauderdale
03/14/2020	Polk County Summer Games	All Saints Academy	Winter Haven
03/14/2020	Florida Southern College Intramural Basketball	Florida Southern College	Lakeland
03/16/2020	Miami-Dade County Tennis Competition	Tamiami Park	Miami
03/20-21/2020	State Equestrian Competition	The Grand Oaks Resort	Lady Lake
03/20/2020	Fundraising Event: Designer Bag Bingo	American Legion Post 117	Palm Bay
03/21/2020	Area 5 Tennis Competition	Hillsborough Community College	Plant City
03/21/2020	Area 8 Tennis Competition	Fountains County Club	Lake Worth
03/21/2020	Area 9 Summer Games	North Broward Prep	Coconut Creek
03/21/2020	Fundraising Event: Polar Plunge Tampa Bay	Busch Gardens Adventure Island	
03/22/2020	Fundraising Event: Designer Bag Bingo	Knights of Columbus	Kissimmee
03/27/2020	Fundraising Event: Sponsor an Athlete	Amsterdam's Curry Mansion	Key West
03/27/2020	Fundraising Event: Designer Bag Bingo	Knights of Columbus	Orlando
03/28/2020	Hillsborough County Summer Games	Berkeley Prep	Tampa
03/28/2020	Area 9 Volleyball Competition	Nova Southeastern University	Fort Lauderdale
03/28/2020	Area 4 Summer Games	Ridgeview High School	Orange Park
03/28/2020	Area 2 Summer Games	Godby High School	Tallahassee
03/28/2020	Area 3 Tennis Competition	Westside Recreation	Gainesville
03/28/2020	Area 2 Cheerleading Competition	Godby High School	Tallahassee

Commissions and Committees Update (continued)

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From the Special Olympics Chair

I need your help to know about any events you are doing for Special Olympics so I can come and participate. Contact me at <u>saldistrict12@legionmail.org</u>. The cutoff date to receive recognition at convention is May 1st

Cash donations can be made by sending your tax-deductible donation payable to;

Sons of the American Legion Detachment of Florida Special Olympics

Mail to:

Sons of the American Legion Detachment of Florida 1912A Lee Road Orlando, FL 32810

To receive recognition at our convention pleases forward copies of the checks/money orders along with a letter describing the donation to:

Randy Chilcott, Special Olympics Chairman Detachment of Florida 189 Veterans Dr. Palm Bay, FL 32909

From the Children & Youth Chair, Tom Soeder

Save the dates for:

C&Y Family Picnic (Kids included) - Titusville, Post 1 April 4

https://www.floridalegion.org/programs-services/children-youth/picnic-2/

C&Y Golf Tournament – Bradenton, Post 24 April 25

https://www.floridalegion.org/programs-services/children-youth/picnic/

Best Western in Titusville has Rooms available for \$65.00.

January 30, 2020, I Attended a Planning Meeting for the C&Y Picnic and Golf Tournament at Treasure Island Post. Lee Martin from Department, Dee Bell from the Auxiliary, Ray Perez From Department were also in attendance along with Donna Hamilton form Post 1 by phone.

Donna committed to a new flyer for the picnic. Donna also asked the Sons to provide 8-10 people for setup and cleanup to be at the Post by 10am.

The Venue is for the entire family and starts at Noon. The Post will sell Pulled Pork and Hot Dogs with Salt Potatoes and Beans for food. Also Dee Bell will be on the Dunk Tank along with (maybe) Jane as a guest dunkee.

The "Sons of the Confederate" will perform a battle re-enactment; there will also be a Monster Truck, Face Painting, and more...

From the Community Affairs Chairman, George Aichele

Spring is almost upon us, not that winter is a terrible "season" in Sunny Florida! That being said, there are many programs and events that we can work on throughout our communities. As we look for community activities, remember to reflect back on the Four Pillars of the American Legion: Americanism, Children and Youth, National Security and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation.

Remember to record all of your community efforts both for your Squadron History but also for the Community Affairs Scrapbook Competition at our Annual Convention in June. I would love to see overwhelming participation, that way your fellow members can see what you are doing as well. Good luck, and God Bless!

Endorsements for Office



It is the policy of the Detachment of Florida that no endorsement be posted prior to the Annual Fall Conference. The Detachment of Florida provides this information for the benefit of our membership. The addition of endorsement information does not indicate support for an individual candidate by the Detachment of Florida.

In order for an endorsement to be posted to the Detachment Newsletter "The Source" or the Detachment Website, an endorsement letter must meet the following requirements.

- 1. Each endorsement letter must come from a Florida Squadron or Post and must be signed by the Squadron Commander and Squadron Adjutant, or the Post Command- er and Post Adjutant or any combination of these.
 - a. The letter must be on Squadron or Post letterhead and include the date that the Squadron or Post made the endorsement and that the membership approved said endorsement.
 - b. This letter should contain information explaining why the individual should be considered for the office he is seeking and a narrative of positions held to show his leadership potential.
- 2. Endorsements will only be accepted for the elected Detachment Officers, District Commanders as follows:
 - a. Detachment Commander, Detachment Vice Commanders, National Executive Committeeman, National Executive Committeeman Alternate, Detachment Historian, Detachment Chaplain, Detachment Sergeant-At-Arms and the District Commanders

Endorsement letters must be submitted, in writing, to the Detachment Adjutant as follows with the required signatures (in the format listed above).

- 1. Endorsement letters can be sent via the US Postal Service to the Detachment Adjutant Jim Roberts – 2691 Mount Pleasant Rd, Quincy, FL 32352.
- 2. Endorsement letters can be scanned and sent by e-mail to the Detachment at floridasons@legionmail.org. Scanned documents are required to be in an Adobe Portable Document Format (.pdf) and must have all of the original signatures as required and be of good quality.



Detachment Officer Endorsements

Detachment Commander	Brian Carter (120, Holly Hill)	
Office of Detachment Vice Commander		
Western Area	Robert Farley (240, Pensacola)	
Northern Area	Bryan Barcomb (270, Port Orange)	
Eastern Area	Randy Chilcott (117, Palm Bay)	
Central Area		
Southwestern Area	Ernest Sheffield (266, Sarasota)	
Southern Area		
National Executive Committeeman	<u>William D Kelly Jr (137, Jacksonville)</u>	
National Executive Committeeman Alternate	Tom Klinger (7, Clearwater)	
Detachment Chaplain	Randy Collinsworth (7, Clearwater)	
Detachment Historian	Chris Richert (117, Palm Bay)	
Detachment Sergeant-At-Arms	George Steger, (238, Safety Harbor)	

District Commander & Vice Commander Endorsements

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12	<u>Peter Puzzo (189, Sebastian)</u>	
13	Christian M Rapp (323, Lehigh Acres)	Michael Nigbor (136, St James City)
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15	Mark Getty (148, Riverview)	
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Upcoming Events



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ETHED R **COMMANDER'S** Homecoming and Luau Post 273, Madeira Beach Party begins at 1600...or 4:00pm for you civilians!!! Tickets are \$35.00 per person All Proceeds benefit Commander's Charities... email - 16history@gmail.com for more info...

Upcoming Events

American Legion Commander's Homecoming Program Advertising

Ray Perez, would like you to know that you now have an opportunity to advertise, at a low rate, in the Commander's Homecoming Program book.

Information is attached, along with the cover!

Contact Ray Perez to get your tickets and advertise. Tickets and advertising space are limited, so please don't delay!

Make checks payable to Post 273, ATTN: Ray Perez and send to 600 American Legion Drive, Madeira Beach, FL 33708. For more information you call 727-412-5356.



Dinner: Beef Tips with Noodles

Hotel: Hampton Inn, 1103 US N HWY 19, Crystal River, FL 34429 (Rooms: \$96/NIGHT)

CALL THE HOTEL DIRECTLY FOR RESERVATIONS—352-564-6464 Mention **'The American Legion**' for **'Military Rate**'

DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA CHILDREN AND YOUTH PICNIC APRIL 4, 2020 - NOON - 6 P.M.



TITUSVILLE POLICE DOG DEMONSTRATION





SOUTHERN ROCK 1P.M.-?



Military History Timeline & Reenactment Camp

Titusville American Legion Post 1 1281 N US Hwy 1 Titusville, FL 321 269-9959

Special American Legion Room Rate Best Western Hotel – Titusville <u>Address</u>: 3455 Cheney Hwy, Titusville, FL 32780 <u>Phone</u>: (321) 269-9100 (book before March 15)





Italian Ice Pop Corn Pulled Pork & Hot Dogs





Win a New Cadillac XT5

Longest Drive Contest Hole-in-One Contest **Closest to Pin Contest**

^{\$}75.00 per golfer, includes box lunch, 2 drinks on course

9:00 AM Shotgun Start Scramble Play



BENEFITTING The Programs and Charities of the Florida American Legion Children & Youth Commission

Early dinner, awards, raffles, 50/50 at American Legion Post 24 2000 75th St. W., Bradenton, Fl. 34209



CHILDREN & YOUTH CHARITY **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

APRIL 25, 2020 IMG ACADEMY GOLF CLUB 4350 El Conquistador Pkwy Bradenton, Florida





Sponsorship Opportunities

HOLE or TEE (Silver): \$100 HOLE or TEE (Gold): \$250 **BEVERAGE CART: \$500** LUNCH: \$500 **DINNER: \$1,000** TOURNAMENT: \$2,000 DONATE A RAFFLE GIFT

Cut-off date for sponsorships & gift submission April 15, 2020

Checks made payable to: Sons of The American Legion Squadron 24 2000 75th St. W., Bradenton, Florida 34209 Attn: C&Y Golf Tournament

Hotel: Lantern Inn & Suites, 7251 N. Tamiami Trail (14th St. W) Sarasota, Fl. 34243 941-355-7747 \$89 King, \$99 - 2 Queen - Ask for American Legion Rate Reservation Cut-off - 4-10-2020



HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

Each member has access to many benefits including the National Emergency Fund if a natural disaster should occur. However, your dues have to be current at the National Organization for you to be eligible for this and many other benefits.

Remember, your dues also help support Squadron Programs, the Child Welfare Foundation, National Emergency Fund, Operation Comfort Warriors, Fisher House and many more.

Without your support we cannot continue to support the great programs of the American Legion Family. Please follow up with your Squadron Membership Chairman to pay your dues and ensure they are transmitted for the current year.

Attention all Sons of the American Legion

If your Squadron, Post Family, District or Area are having an event, we can help get the word out.

If you are interested in getting your event published and promoted using:

- The Detachment of Florida's Website (<u>floridasons.org</u>)
 - The Detachment of Florida's Facebook page (facebook.com/pg/FloridaSAL)
 - The Detachment of Florida's Newsletter, The Source

There's only one thing you have to do: Let Us Know!

Visit the Detachment of Florida's online events calendar at <u>https://floridasons.org/detachment-events-calendar/</u>, and click the button labeled 'Click Here To Submit Your Event'.







We are looking for your input and help to keep this newsletter going. We are looking for articles from the Squadrons, Districts, or Areas. Let us know what is happening in your Squadron, District & Area and we will inform the rest of the Detachment. It could increase attendance at your functions and or meetings!!!! This is your newsletter. *Please send all articles to the Detachment by the 23rd of every month.* Articles can be emailed to <u>TheSource@floridasons.org</u>.