



THE SOURCE



Well Hello Everyone. I hope you all and your loved ones are doing fine and staying healthy. I'm still hearing about some Post closings and event cancellations due to Covid. With the vaccine coming out hopefully everything will slowly get back to somewhat normal. Traveling and visiting Posts has been tough this last year but remember the Detachment Officers are only an email or phone call away. If you have a question or need help please reach out to one of us. That's why you put us in the various offices - to help you.

Time to talk about membership. As of this writing the Detachment stands at 75.96%. We already passed the Feb. 4th. Target of 75%. The next target date is March 4th at 80%. You all are doing a fantastic job on membership. Let's keep up the great work. Remember the Detachment is going for their 26th consecutive all-time high. Let's keep doing the Buddy checks and concentrating on the renewals. Area Commanders and District Commanders need to push the use of MySAL. In the near future this is going to be the only way to submit membership.

As of now State convention is still going to take place. Anyone running for a Detachment Office needs to submit their endorsement letter. Guidelines on how to that is on the Detachment website. Make your reservations early and remember to bring your donations for our various charities.

In closing remember to stay safe and follow the CDC guide lines. I wish you good luck in any functions and activities you do. Hopefully I'll see you all soon.

Until next time be good and take care

For God and Country,
Tom Klinger
Detachment Commander



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March 4, 2021	80%	
April 14, 2021	90%	
May 6, 2021	100%	
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Delegate Cut-off		



Team,

Even though another year has started, it sure feels like a rerun of 2020 with Covid-19 still running rampant throughout the Country. You hear so many conflicting stories about the Virus and how it affects some people differently than others. Hopefully with the vaccine being distributed around the country we will at some-time return to normalcy.

With that said, we are moving forward with plans for District Conferences and the Detachment Convention in July. If you haven't made your reservations yet, plan on doing so. I know the hotel refunded the deposits everyone had last year when it was canceled. The entire format has not been set yet, but it should not deviate much from the previous years. More information will be forthcoming!

Membership is doing fantastic! Our Membership Chairman John Jennings and his team are really working hard to see that we attain another All-Time High and break the 20,000 member mark. Let's make sure that Detachment Commander Klinger goes out with a BIG SPLASH!!!

Going to get on the Old Soap Box for a minute!!! Year End Reports!! Yes, we will be getting close to that time when we need you to submit your Year End Reports. Why are these so important? A couple of reasons...first, several of the Detachment Awards are geared around what you as a Squadron has accomplished this past year. Second....when all the numbers from the reports that you send in are tabulated, these figures go to National Headquarters so when the National Commander goes before Congress he can report on what good the American Legion Family is doing for our Veterans and the communities in which we live.

When I agreed to go back in as Detachment Adjutant, it was to be on a short time basis. With everything that has transpired with the Covid-19 virus we have not been able to meet and or starting training anyone for this position. You will see in this issue that a search Committee has been formed to look at an Assistant Adjutant and the future Detachment Adjutant. Potential candidates interested need to submit a resume. Hopefully we will get good response.

Until next month!!

Ed Sheubrooks

Detachment Adjutant





Greeting Membership Team,

“CONGRATULATIONS” to everyone on reaching our first five membership goals (10%, 25%, 35%, 45%, and 60%). As of January 21st, 2021, the Detachment is at 75.96%% with our 75% goal being February 4th, 2021, you guys have blown that out of the water. You guys are the best. Keep up the hard work!! Let us make another **“BIG SPLASH”** for Commander Klingler give him another all-time high along with his goal of 20,750 members. To reach Commander Klingler's goal, we need to reach 20,750 by June 16th, 2021. We can do this, and we need to make up the lost ground from last year. Let us make this a priority in our membership campaign to give it all we can toward that goal of 20,750 members for our Commander.

With our membership year moving along the Detachment is 188 Squadrons strong. We had several new Squadrons and several Squadrons that were reinstated; we still have more room for growth within the Detachment. I challenge every District Commander and his staff to reach out to you Legion District Commander and ask about interest from Posts without a Squadron.

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I am again asking the Area, District, and Vice Commanders to look over their membership report. We have a lot of ZERO's that need to be addressed. As of our January 21st, 2020 report we have 16 ZERO Squadrons. We must make improvements in this area. Get on the phone, send those emails, attend meetings, and have those conversations about what the issues are and let them know we are here to help. We must communicate with these Squadrons as the issues will not just go away. I would also ask each of you to work with the Squadrons that make their 100% early. These Squadrons have historically not submitted any more membership the rest of the year. WHY? For the Detachment to continue to grow we must ALWAYS be recruiting NEW members while retaining our current members. Let us watch this during this membership year.

We need to continue to always stay focused on our membership. We all need to remember the **3 “R’s”** (Renew, Reinstatement, & Recruit). **“RENEW”** our current members, **“REINSTATE”** our AWOL members, and **“RECRUIT”** new members to continue to grow your Squadron, the Detachment, and our National organization. It is a process, so let us work the process.

The 2021 Recruitment Award application is available and can be accessed by clicking here. When completed and sent, it gives the recipient an opportunity to be properly recognized for their work in helping to grow our organization. The pins are genuinely nice. Just to let you know, we are in the South Region and Jason Roberts is the go-to person and his contact information is on the form.

MySAL is a wonderful tool for all Squadrons to use. Once it is set up you can submit your membership, complete address changes along with other functions. It is an extremely easy process. Go to the Detachment website www.floridasons.org and find the MySAL icon. Click on the icon, print the instructions and application, fill out the application and follow the instructions. The only issue at this time the Squadron Adjutant will be given the access by National. Therefore, the Squadron must have submitted a Squadron Officer Report form, or they will have to submit one before access will be granted. It is an easy process if we have done our jobs. As of our December 17th, 2020 membership report we have 76 Squadrons that have been reported to me using MySAL. As great as that is, this number represents only 37.23% of our Squadrons within the Detachment. This number must increase and once again I am tasking the Area and District Staff to work this issue. The National organization will be going completely electronic in the very near future. We need to be ready for that transition. Get with your Post Officers and get the guidance on getting signed up. We will get this done.

The Squadron Administration Manual is a great resource and all Squadrons should have at least one avail-

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Membership (continued)

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able. Look at the target dates and get them in the hands of our Squadrons. They need to know what is expected and understand that is especially important that we reach these targets. Membership is our life line.

We need to have better contact information for all members. Phone numbers, email addresses, and up to date mailing addresses. COVID-19 showed us why that is important. So, let us be proactive and put a plan in place and execute it, by doing this we will have much better-informed members.

SPLASH II (The Sequel) is underway, and we need to keep our pools cleaned and treated. District Commanders you must take the lead as a lifeguard and give them the needed swimming instructions. Each Squadron, each District, and each Area play a big part to our success with membership. We must communicate regularly with each Squadron. Let them know you are available and willing to help. Go to their meetings with positive information, conduct training classes that they may need on using MySAL and subscribing to our email list. Communication will be an very big topic this year. We must make improvements in our communications.

Commander Klinger and I are looking forward to a GREAT 20-21 MEMBERSHIP YEAR.

Each Squadron is responsible for their membership. But when they are not taking care of their membership it now becomes our problem. Communicate with them and ask them if they need help with anything, please ask. We are an email or phone call away.

LETS MAKE A BIG SPLASH!!





Greetings Detachment of Florida,

We are fast approaching the end of our 2020-2021 year and what a year it has been. As of this article planning is underway for our Detachment Convention scheduled for July 1st to July 4th. I am excited that we just might get together again and renew our friendships and make some new ones. The convention information is posted on the Department of Florida website and I am sure it will be posted on our website as soon as the information is made available to the webmaster. Keep your eyes on the prize! It will be a wonderful Convention with lots of awards to be given out.

Each Squadron at this time should be making plans for the nomination & election of new Officers for the 2021–2022-year, Squadron Officers report form (a requirement) completed and sent in, both Detachment and National consolidated report forms, and any other activity reports that your Squadron has done during the year. An example of the things a Squadron can report on, work hours in the Post, monies donated to the Post, Help with dinners or activities other than the Squadron activities. Squadron activities generally as a fundraiser for a program and should be in that program report. These are just a few of the examples of what each Squadron should be collecting and reporting on.

District Commanders should be looking at and planning their Constitutional Conferences for the purpose of Officers elections for the 2021-2022 year so that they can be ratified at Convention.

Back onto communications. Does your Squadron have an email account? If not, why? In these times communication is especially important to maintain good communication with our members. Talk with your Post Commander or Adjutant and discuss using their computer if the Squadron does not have one. Perhaps you could have a fundraiser and purchase one for the family.

PLEASE FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS OF YOUR POST COMMANDER!

Your Post Commander has been given direction by the Department of Florida Headquarters

I made this same statement last month. As we continue to grow our needs will be ever changing and we must be prepared for these changes. Our National Organization is working toward an all-digital future, and this is not too far away. We need to prepare now and be ready for the future, now is the time to get those changes done and be ready for the future. We must:

- Improve the education of our Officers, our Chairmen and our Members
- Improve the use of MySAL.org by properly training our Squadron officers
 - Gain access with the application form online. Your Post leadership must approve this.
 - Use of MySAL.org is predicated on a current Squadron Officer report. Ensure your information is up-to-date and submitted to the Detachment.
- Improve Squadron reporting
 - Fillable forms are available at the Detachment Website.
- Improve Communication
 - Gather email addresses for Squadron members
 - Gather email addresses for Squadrons
 - Ensure that postal mailing addresses are correct
 - Ensure that phone numbers for members are correct

It should be very clear that MySAL is an important and vital tool for all Squadrons.

As you can see MySAL is an especially important tool for all Squadrons. If is coming and we need to be ready.

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Internal Affairs (continued)

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The Source is the official Detachment of Florida Newsletter, published each month of each service year—this is a wholly underutilized tool that every Squadron should be leveraging to their benefit. It is NOT just a place for Detachment Officers, Chairs of Committees and Commissions and District Officers. Every Squadron or District Officer are welcome to [submit articles of interest](#), [promote events in their areas](#) and tout the great works that we as Sons of the American Legion perform every day. Let's spread the word to everyone about these great works. The more information we supply, the better it will be for membership. Recognize those that work hard for our Veterans, their families and our communities.

I will publish this with every Internal Affairs article I submit. Please read and memorized our preamble to our Constitution. Read each line and stop for just a minute and reflect on the words. These words are powerful and should have great meaning to us all. This would also be a great training opportunity at each Squadron meeting. I keep this in my article because I think it is something very meaningfully for you as a member and us a Veteran Organization.

PLEASE NOTICE THE CHANGES TO OUR PREAMBLE. These changes were done by a resolution approved by the National Executive Committee after the Legion Act was passed. All literature is being updated and will be made available when changes are all completed.

PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

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

ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER AS "SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION" FOR THE FOLLOWING 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 All 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.
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As our 2020-2021 year is underway and our 2019-2020 year has become our history, let us take time to reflect on the good things that you, your Squadron, and the Detachment have done this past year. Let us also begin thinking about what we can do to make this year even better - not for us, but for our Veterans, Children & Youth, Communities, and our Post homes.

If you haven't already, please sign up for our Goggle Groups mailing list. This is how we get information out to the entire Detachment. [Simply click here and enter your email address to subscribe.](#)



Hello to the Detachment, I hope all of you are safe and looking forward to a better 2021 year. With the vaccine in the works I hope that it will bring us face to face soon.

As we move toward the end of another great membership year let us remember to have fun, raise money and give it to those in need. Our veterans and the charities we hold dear to our hearts have been hit hard this year. The smallest donation could make the biggest difference. The way to do that is through fundraising and membership.

Without membership we have nothing. Membership is the life blood of our organization. This year we are working toward our 26th all-time high. An achievement that I believe has not been done nationally. With that said the best way to help is thru **COMMUNICATION**. District and Area commanders this is on your shoulders to help your squadron complete a 100% membership. Contact those in need and help those low numbers you see on our weekly report. Sometimes all it takes is a phone call. Attend their meeting if they are able to hold them. As officers we have a duty to help them achieve their goals.

Some of you may have seen the results of our membership is the past month and notice district 3 went from last to first overnight. Well that was because of 2 phone calls made to Post Commander; the results speak for themselves. Communication is the key to success. We as a Detachment have so many tools to help us reach the top. Our web page, email group, our leadership, MySAL.org, National Web page and of course, the phone.

As we are round the corner to the end of another year remember those CSR's coming due. We need to fill them to completion. Even if you haven't submitted to a certain part of the form do not leave is blank. The National Organization then takes these and adds to their reports and submits to Congress the accomplishments our State has made for our Veterans and our communities. The more Squadrons who turn in these reports the better so that Congress can see the differences you have made.

Also elections are coming to the forefront once again. As we get closer to convention I am hopeful we can have it in person even if it's on a smaller scale. Incoming District and Area, and Vice Commanders you need to act soon and submit your letter of endorsement for the office of your Choice. Being an officer of this Detachment is one of the most honored and rewarding things I have done in my years of service to this Detachment. You could be next. At the core of every outstanding leader is the ability to connect, achieve, inspire and act with resilience.

Committee and Commissions members and Chairs are other positions to consider.

Every year we hear the same thing at convention and conference. There are always the same people that hold these Chairmanships. That is because we need you to step up and throw your name in the hat. Those that hold these positions are not going to be there forever and some are ready for a much needed vacation from it all now. This is your Detachment too. We need new faces to carry this organization into the future. Contact your Commander's Advisory Committee and submit your name.

Once again to the Northern Area Squadrons and District officers, thank you for a great year. If you know of a Squadron having an event please contact me so I can adjust my schedule and possibly attend. Keep pushing membership and most importantly support our Veterans, your communities, and teach our youth the value of freedom.

Remember, Honor, and Teach

Northern Area Vice Commander
Brian Carter



Greetings from the Eastern Area.

I hope all of you are staying safe and healthy. Activities seem to be picking up and hopefully we can get back to a semblance of normalcy soon. The following events are scheduled for the Eastern Area.

6th DISTRICT District Oratorical Contest February 13, 2021 – 9:00am Post 55 1063 W Desoto St, Clermont, FL 34711	District Meeting February 20, 2021 - 8:30 AM (Registration) Post 286 529 Fairlane Ave, Orlando, FL 32809
12th District S.A.L. Annual Special Olympics Poker Run February 6, 2021 – 9:00am (Registration) Post 117 189 Veterans Drive, Palm Bay, FL 32909	Open House Weekend Post 163 , 795 N Harbor City Blvd, Eau Gallie, FL 32935 Friday, February 19, 2021 - 6:00pm, Dinner Saturday, February 20, 2021 - Annual Big Chill Ride - 9:30am (Registration) Sunday, February 21, 2021 - Car Show 9:00am-2:00pm Benefits Family Promise of Brevard & Project Vet Relief
Eastern Area Ball Country Hoedown February 20, 2021 – 12:00pm Post 117 189 Veterans Drive, Palm Bay, FL 32909	Eastern Area Oratorical Contest February 21, 2021 – 3:00pm Post 359 7260 US-1 S, Titusville, FL 32780

As usual please check with the respective Posts to confirm the events are taking place.

Thank You For All You Do.

Rocky Cirigliano
 Vice Commander-East
 Detachment of Florida





Hello Sons! I hope this message finds you all safe and healthy. I'm going to sound like JJ for a minute, so read this with a Southern Accent: I'd like to say "**WOW!**" and "**CONGRATULATIONS**" to the Mighty 13th District for your work on membership. Our District currently stands at 79.92%. Our February 4th Membership Goal is 75% and you all continue to blow the goals out of the water. Here's a breakdown:

- Squadrons 90 & 38 at or over 100%
- Squadrons 130 & 135 over 90%
- Squadrons 336, 136 & 323 over 86%
- Squadrons 110, 103 and 303 over 76%
- Squadrons 351 & 274 about to reach 75%

We have three Squadrons with a ZERO, which I know the Post Commanders are helping out. I am asking all, even those at or above 100%, not to rest. Please continue to work your membership! Our next membership goal is 80% by March 4th (The American Legion Birthday). Together, we can all help the Detachment reach its 26th consecutive All-Time High in Membership!

Read in regular voice:

I know most of us are back open and having functions, yet I still receive very little information on your events. Please either email me personally or submit your event through the Detachment website at <https://floridasons.org/event-submission-form/>. I am limiting my time on Social Media, so if you tag me in an event, I may miss it. If you would like me to attend your event, please contact me. I would LOVE to be at your event.

I believe I mentioned this at our last district meeting, but I will say it again here just in case I didn't. I have received endorsement from my Squadron for the position of Southwestern Area Commander for the upcoming 2021-2022 service year. Additionally, current District 13 Vice Commander (and all-around great guy) Michael Nigbor has received endorsement from his Squadron for the position of District 13 Commander for the upcoming 2021-2022 Service Year. If you would like to be on District Staff next year, please reach out to me or Commander Nigbor. We would love to see some new faces on the District Staff!

Just a reminder, our next District Meeting will be held on March 14th at Post 136, St James City.

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy and THANK YOU for all you do!

For God and Country,

Christian M Rapp

13th District Commander 2020-2021

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Detachment of Florida





Hello Sons! I hope your New Year is off to a good start!

In my last article, I reminded you of the tools available to help increase communication about your squadrons, districts and areas throughout the Detachment, so I won't write about them in detail here. I will say, though, that these tools are still not being utilized to their potential. I am asking you all to PLEASE submit your events through the Detachment website at <https://floridasons.org/event-submission-form/>.

When you submit an event, it not only comes directly to me, but it goes to Ray Leventhal, the editor for "The Source". I will make sure to add your event to our Detachment Calendar, Facebook Page, Website and all other available outlets and Ray will make sure your advertisement goes into "The Source". Events listed in "The Source" are usually at the end where they are grouped together to give you a snapshot of what's happening throughout the Detachment. It's FREE ADVERTISEMENT and may just help to grow your event's attendance.

Our current, crazy, service year is winding down. That means that it is time to start planning for the next service year. If you are considering running for a position on the Detachment Staff such as an Area or District Commander, Sgt-At-Arms or any other position within the Detachment, you must submit your endorsement letter to Adjutant Sheubrooks via email or snail mail. More information about submitting a Detachment Officer Endorsement can be found at <https://floridasons.org/detachment-officer-endorsements/>.

If you want to get involved on a Detachment level, but a Detachment Officer position isn't appealing to you we have many ways you can still be involved. We have many Commissions and Committees that you could be a member of. Visit our Commissions and Committees page at <https://floridasons.org/detachment-commissions-committees/> and see what is available. If you would like to be on a committee, please let Adjutant Sheubrooks know via email.

District and Area Commanders Please submit your list of remaining District Meetings and your DCC Schedules so we can post them to the website and include them in "The Source". Publishing these will not only inform the members in your areas and districts, but will also give potential candidates for office a chance to plan their attendance.

Stay Safe, I hope to see you all soon!

For God and Country,

Christian M Rapp

Public Relations Chairman

Sons of the American Legion

Detachment of Florida

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THE SOURCE SPOTLIGHT IS A FEATURE OF THE DETACHMENT OF FLORIDA'S MONTHLY NEWS-LETTER, INTENDED TO HIGHLIGHT PARTICULAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MEMBERS OF THE DETACHMENT OF FLORIDA. THE EDITOR WISHES TO GIVE A HUGE THANK YOU TO DISTRICT 13 COMMANDER CHRISTIAN M. RAPP FOR PROVIDING THIS MONTH'S SPOTLIGHT. [ED]

On January 26th, we've had a shining moment for the 13th District.

Past Squadron 90 Commander and Past District 13 Sgt-at-Arms, **BJ Gehling** was inducted into the United States Air Force! BJ is the son of American Legion District 13 Commander Brian 'Taz' Gehling.

I couldn't be any more proud of the accomplishment of this fine young man. Congratulations, BJ, and thank you for your service!

If you would like to watch BJ take his oath, please visit this link https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipMWfGr9oNjoBba9UtA9yWHYGX5_Du2Otoc_debgzNgCiV4bby3GoBVsgraQt5CjOg?key=ZldYYmlteVU1SGhNVVNmZGZxQmxiRzRLbi1ieXFR

If you would like to write to BJ, here is the address:

A1C Gehling, Brian
433 TRS/FLT 277 (Dorm A09)
1320 Truemper St
Unit 369575
JBSA-Lackland, TX 78236-6096

I would like to also congratulate current 13th District Commander Brian "Taz" Gehling on this accomplishment. I know you are one proud father (even though BJ didn't enlist in the Army)!

For God and Country,

Christian M Rapp

13th District Commander 2020-2021
Sons of the American Legion
Detachment of Florida



Brian 'BJ' Gehling [L] and Brian 'Taz' Gehling [R]



From the Editor

All Squadrons are urged to submit highlights of their events to The Source. Let's let the world know how the Detachment of Florida 'rocks the house' when it comes to making the words in our preamble come to life.

The Source will continue to be a great place to let the rest of the Detachment know about your upcoming events and your fundraising successes. Thanks to the Detachment of Florida's Public Relations Chairman Christian Rapp, it is now easier than ever to make a submission for publication in The Source.

Simply visit <https://floridasons.org/the-source-source-article-submission-form/> to submit your article. Submissions are due by the 23rd of each month, as we make every effort to publish on or near the 5th.

Now more than ever it is important that we use all means available to us to remain connected and in communication. The Source is **your newsletter** and is intended to serve all we do as Sons of the American Legion. If you know anyone, in or out of the American Legion family, who could be inspired by what we do, ask them to subscribe.

Subscription is easy and free. Simply join the [Detachment of Florida Mailing List](#).

The Source can only continue to be a viable and vital tool with your help and involvement.

In an effort to provide the easiest access to important forms and information, we've compiled this quick reference list of links for you:

- [Detachment of Florida Website](#)
- [Squadron Administration Manual](#)
- [All Squadron Report Forms](#)
- [Squadron Membership Report](#)
- [District Membership Report](#)
- [Detachment Officer Endorsements](#)
- [Detachment Email List Subscription](#)
- [Article Submission Form for The Source](#)
- [Event Submission Form — Promote Your Event\(s\) to the entire Detachment](#)

Thank you for what you do and for helping to keep The Source focused on what we do and who we are!

Happy New Year to you all. I continue to wish and pray that this year will bring us all back to a normal, connected and thankful existence.

Respectfully,

Ray Leventhal • Editor, The Source



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 Commander 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 Ed Sheubrooks – 800 S. Brocksmit Rd., Fort Pierce, FL 34945.
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	<u>Brian Carter (120, Holly Hill)</u>
Office of Detachment Vice Commander	
Western Area	
Northern Area	
Eastern Area	<u>Randy Chilcott (117, Palm Bay)</u>
Central Area	
Southwestern Area	<u>Christian Rapp (323, Lehigh Acres)</u>
Southern Area	
National Executive Committeeman	
National Executive Committeeman Alternate	<u>Tom Klinger (7, Clearwater)</u>
Detachment Chaplain	
Detachment Historian	<u>James Reed (1, Titusville)</u> <u>Chris Richert (117, Palm Bay)</u>
Detachment Sergeant-At-Arms	

District Commander & Vice Commander Endorsements

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The Detachment of Florida is searching for an Adjutant and Assistant Adjutant

Anyone interested in seeking the job of Detachment Adjutant or Assistant Detachment Adjutant needs to send a resume to fishermn9@aol.com, fl.johnjennings@gmail.com, or kellyjrwm@gmail.com. Please provide your experience with Computers, excel, email, and power point presentations.

Please keep in mind that we are seeking an individual that is looking a long term position. And one that can handle the day to day administrative operations of the Detachment. If you have any questions, please contact Detachment Adjutant Ed Sheubrooks at fishermn9@aol.com or by phone, 772-216-3063

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Special Events

SATURDAY
February 6, 2027

Special Olympics
Florida
Brevard County

POKER RUN
REGISTRATION 9AM AL POST 117
FIRST BIKE OUT 10:30 LAST BIKE IN 2:30
Broken Spoke
Post 189
The Old Fish House
Back to Post 117

Best Hand \$100
Worst Hand \$50

ALL WELCOME
CAGES & BIKES
\$10 RIDERS
\$5 PASSENGERS

50/50 RAFFLE

VENDORS WELCOME **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

PLATTERS \$5
SIDES INCULDED

DOG HOLIDAY
Country and Classic Rock & Roll
Entertainment by
Brevard's Favorite DJ

BREAKFAST
SANDWICHES @ 8:30
\$3.00

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
Squadron 117

For more Info call: Tom 321-508-1629
Hosted by Sons of American Legion Squadron 117
American Legion Post 117, 189 Veterans Drive, Palm Bay, FL



The American Legion Riders

Chapter 163



PRESENTS THEIR 9th ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND

FEBRUARY 19, 20, & 21, 2021

The Big Chill Ride

Saturday February 20th

1795 N. HARBOR CITY BLVD, EAU GALLIE, FL 32935

321-259-7239

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT

FAMILY PROMISE OF BREVARD AND PROJECT VETRELIEF

FRIDAY 2/19: Dinner - 6:00 to 8:00PM

Live Music: TBD , 6 to 10PM

SATURDAY 2/20: Breakfast Buffet \$5.00 8 to 11am,

"BIG CHILL RIDE" Register 9:30 to 11:30 Rider \$10.00 Passenger \$5.00

First Bike/Cage Out 10am Last Bike/Cage in 3pm Best Hand \$200.00 Worst hand \$100.00

Ride Details on reverse side

STEAK SHOOT 1 to 3pm, Doc Holiday 12 to 6pm

Cheese Steaks \$5.00, Burgers \$5.00, Hotdogs \$2.00 Fries \$1.00 12pm to 7pm

Sunday 2/21: Car Show Registration 9 to 11 am, Car Show 11 to 2pm

Games, Prizes, Chinese Auction

Raffles

50/50





CAR & TRUCK Show



Sons of the American Legion, Squadron #138

Saturday, February 13, 2021

12 noon - 4 pm/Open to the Public

✓ Be a Sponsor Put
your company's logo or
loved one's name on the
back of the Car/Truck T-
Shirt for only \$100.00.
Sponsors get one free:
Show Entry, T-Shirt,
Meal, & Raffle Ticket.

- Great Trophies • 50/60s DJ Music
- Food for Sale • Raffles • 50/50

ENTRY REGISTRATION FEES: \$15 in-advance; \$20 day-of-event

(no rain checks, encourage entrants to arrive early to select your parking spot)

all entrants receive 1 free meal, 1 raffle ticket & voting ballot

(see your bartender for registration forms)

All proceeds benefit Veteran & Children Charities

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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.

Having an Event? Let the Detachment of Florida Help!

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 (floridasons.org)
- 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

<https://floridasons.org/detachment-events-calendar/>, and click the button labeled 'Click Here To Submit Your Event'.

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The Florida Sons of The American Legion with over 185 Squadrons and nearly 20,000 members this year donated hundreds of thousands of dollars and hours to the many programs of The American Legion Family.

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