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March, 2025

PENNY'S WORDS OF WISDOM



Happy March! Can you smell the Spring in the air? It has been a busy Auxiliary year as we prepare to start our election processes and our year end reporting.

I wanted to share a few thoughts on moving forward, please remember to mentor those in your own units that wanted to move ahead - be it a President, a Chairman or just a volunteer. Most everyone joined the American Legion Auxiliary for the common goal of helping our Veterans, our Community and our Children and Youth. One of things I get most as District President are the phone calls or texts about members not getting along. We should be working together for our common goal and understanding what our *Why* is. We do not have to best pals with our fellow auxiliary member, but we do have to treat each other with respect. We do not know what each person might have going on behind the scenes that is causing them to react adversely to something, become withdrawn or agitated. Remember, the Unit disciplines the Unit. Refer to your governing documents such as your Standing Rules and Constitution and By Laws on how to handle the operations of your unit. Make sure new members get a copy and refer to these often and update when needed.

"Respect is one of [life](#)'s greatest treasures. I mean, what does it all add up to if you don't have that?" — [Marilyn Monroe](#)

Congrats on all the Units with 100% membership - let's keep up the great work lighting the way with our torches!

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Stories From Our Units

ORLANDO UNIT 19



From Cheerleading competitions to Equestrian events to serving their community, Unit 19's Juniors have been very active this past month.

The pictures here show Carlee at a cheerleading competition for her Haggarty High School squad—Carlee is the flyer in the picture to the right! And below is Evie competing in another Equestrian event where she won several ribbons for her expertise.



Also pictured below are Junior Lily Jessen and Senior Renee DeRouin-Jessen weeding, raking, and taking out trash for the Apopka Bobbie Dean Community Garden on February 22, 2025, where they spent four hours.



WHAT DID YOUR UNIT DO LAST MONTH?

Send your articles to necolbert@usa.net

BY the 15th of every month

To be included in next month's newsletter

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WINTER PARK UNIT 112



About one-hundred people attended our Winter Park Memorial American Legion Family Four Chaplain's ceremony held in early February at the Winter Park Baptist Church, including members from several 6th District Post's as well as members of the church community, and our Sea Cadet Squadron, in addition to our Winter Park Legion family. Debi, Lisa, Christine, and Nell represented our Unit. Our very own Chaplain, Debi Shannon participated in the ceremony as one of the Four Chaplains. For anyone wanting to learn more about the Four Chaplains and their un-



selfish acts during WWII, please see: <https://fourchaplains.org/the-four-chaplains/>



Unit President and Girls State Co-Chair, Marge was hard at work contacting our local high schools to obtain their top candidates for our Girls State interviews. We interviewed eight amazing young women and we wished that we could sent all eight to Tallahassee this summer. We selected two delegates and two alternates



to represent our Unit.

Nell was also busy in January contacting our elementary schools about our annual Americanism Essay Contest. The theme this year was "What does America the Beautiful mean to me (regarding veterans and our military)?" We received about a dozen entries from Eastbrook and Dommerich Elementary Schools and we judged the essays submitted at our February meeting.

March will see the beginning of our process for the election of officers for the 2025-2026 Auxiliary year with the formation of our Nominating Committee. The slate of officers will be presented at our April meeting where nominations from the floor can be accepted. Elections will be held during our May meeting per our Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules. Our installation is usually held as a joint Legion Family event in July.



Our September Give Ten to Education program continues to delight the students in one of the Eastbrook classes where each student in the class receives a book of their own to keep every month during the school year. At left is a smiling recipient of the February book.

April brings the Scholastic Achievement awards into focus so Nell will be contacting the eight elementary schools we serve requesting the names of one boy and one girl from the 5th grade class to be recognized as of Scholastic Achievement award recipient for 2025. Medals and certificates will be presented at the schools' 5th grade graduation ceremonies.

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FERN PARK/ALTAMONTE UNIT 183

Greetings from Unit 183 Old Glory, Fern Park.

Our unit is currently gathering items for our annual Easter Basket donations to Ronald McDonald House; along with preparing for our District Picnic to be held March 22, 2025 at Post 183 Old Glory. We are also currently gearing up for reporting due April 1.

More news to follow next month!



It's that time

Again!

Daylight Savings Time

Begins March 9th



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FRUITLAND PARK UNIT 219

Unit 219 in Fruitland Park, recently held interviews with students from First Academy in Leesburg for ALA FL Girls State.



Diane Rousseau and Dara Oliver held interviews and found out that all four girls interviewed, were eligible for membership in the American Legion Auxiliary.

After the selection of 3 Delegates and 1 Alternate had been made, we found out that one of the girls Grandparents are members of our Legion Family, so she will be our next Junior Member to join us.

Welcome Madison Holt and Congratulations to the Girls Selected for ALA FL Girls State.



*Dara Oliver
American Legion Auxiliary
Unit 219 Member - PR Chairman
6th District & Department FL Historian 2023-2025 National Historian 2024-2025*

Does your Unit have a special event coming?

Please send your information to the 6th District Legion webmaster, Bob Colbert, so it can be posted on the Legion Family website.

Email - bcolbert@usa.net

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PINECASTLE UNIT 286

Happy Spring from Unit 286. We hope everyone had a great Valentine's day.



We had four members that were part of the Four Chaplains Program this year. First Vice Laurie Mesa and our PPP Chairman Mary Amodio read about two of the chaplains. Terri Berry and Wendy Persons-Hoffman participated with the Honor Guard.



Our unit held girls state interviews in February. President Jennifer Summers, 1st Vice Laurie Mesa, 2nd Vice Robin Shellhammer, and our unit Historian Susan Kerlin interviewed eight girls in person and one over the phone. We thanked her for not coming in person as she had the flu. All of the girls were great, and we had a hard time choosing our delegates and alternates. Our unit is sending three girls to Girls State this year. We were also able to provide Unit 80 and Unit 19 with delegates as well. Unit 183 was also able to get an alternate from us. We're hoping that they all end up getting to attend.

The SONS cooked steak dinners for Valentines Day. Several Auxiliary members assisted them in one way or another. Terri Berry assisted past SAL Commander Doug Shellhammer on the grill.



We are currently assisting cancer awareness chairman with the planning of the post family cancer fundraiser coming in May.

The poppy chairman Sue S. is working on National Poppy Day distribution.

We are also starting to plan for our annual back to school party.

We hope that everyone has a great March.

For God and Country,
Robin Shellhammer



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LADY LAKE UNIT 347

Auxiliary Unit 347, under the dedicated leadership of Tina Burgess, celebrated Veteran's Day by honoring local veterans. Volunteers delivered special gift bags to six facilities: Watercrest in Buena Vista, Watercrest in Spanish Springs, Freedom Point Assisted Living, Chatham Glen Health and Rehabilitation, The Carriage House, and The Willows. The bags and stockings were thoughtfully filled with a variety of items including deodorant, lotion, red/white/blue bandanas, bags of dental floss, toothpaste, toothbrushes, tissues, word find books, boxes of Christmas chocolates, band-aids, granola bars, decks of cards, lens cloths, pencil pens, highlighters, combs, chap sticks, pencil sharpeners, flashlights, military branch wooden bracelets, Christmas cookies, candy canes, Veteran's Day cards, Christmas cards, and small American flags. A remarkable total of 273 bags were created and delivered by the Auxiliary volunteers.



Unit 347 recently hosted a dinner in honor of the Phillip DeLong Marine Detachment 1267 Toys for Tots volunteers. These dedicated individuals have been working tirelessly from September to December, ensuring that countless children receive gifts during the holiday season. Their efforts include collecting toys, sorting them by age groups, counting, and preparing individual gift bags for each child. This year, the volunteers' hard work allowed them to bring joy to over 19,000 children by collecting an impressive total of 62,000 toys. This extraordinary achievement is a testament to their unwavering commitment and the community's generosity. The dinner served not only as a thank-you gesture but also as a celebration of the profound impact these volunteers have made. Unit 347 remains committed to supporting such invaluable initiatives, recognizing the profound difference they make in the lives of children and families.



Unit 347 members, and Lady Lake Firehouse 52, along with the support of Lake County Fire Rescue personnel, have significantly enhanced the community's ability to respond to pet-related emergencies.



Susan Duncan, Chair of the National Security Program at Unit 347, has made significant strides in promoting animal safety by collaborating with Lady Lake Firehouse 52. Together, they successfully acquired oxygen masks designed for various animals, including birds, guinea pigs, ferrets, cats, and dogs. This initiative highlights the importance of preparedness for emergencies involving pets. The joint efforts of Susan Duncan, the Unit 347 members, and Lady Lake Firehouse 52, along with the support of Lake County Fire Rescue personnel, have significantly enhanced the community's ability to respond to pet-related emergencies.



Sometimes we get to hear a "feel good" story that brightens our hearts and inspires us. Shelby Lenz has been creating heartfelt cards for Veterans and Nursing homes since she was a little girl. This year, Shelby devoted her creativity to honoring Veterans in a special way by providing 400 cards that have been distributed to seven local Assisted Living facilities. Each card is a symbol of gratitude and love, bringing joy and comfort to those who have served our country. Shelby is 20 years old and a dedicated student at the University of Central Florida. She is the daughter of Joyce and Perry Lenz; Perry is a proud member of the American Legion 347 SAL. Shelby's story reminds us of the impact one person can have through simple, yet profound, acts of kindness. Shelby's journey is a beautiful example of how creativity and compassion can make the world a better place, one card at a time.



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Program Feature of the Month

LEADERSHIP



As we reflect on the year we have had and look forward to elections and reporting, one thing to note is there are so many different interpretations of what a leader is. A good leader is someone who is an inspiration, sets clear goals and good examples, listens encourages, inspires and recognizes. What is your idea of a good leader?

A key point to remember is a leader is only as strong as his or her team that they have in place to support, mentor, and advise those that might need guidance or assistance. The leadership team is not the one to spread rumors or gossip, belittle those that might not be as

strong as others, or make anyone feel inferior. True leaders lift one another up in times of difficulty, advise when needed, and listen with an empathetic ear when asked. Many struggle with difficult meetings, being challenged by others, or life struggles and it's important to remember, you have a team around you.

As we look through social media, emails, etc. realize that we are not in competition with one another but proud to share our accomplishments, our challenges and our ideas to others so that they may strive towards our own mutual goals.

As we near our reporting deadline on April 1, 2024 please remember that these deadlines are real. We will be focusing on our Reporting at the District meeting on March 1, 2025 at Post 347, Lady Lake, FL. Registration starts at 930 am and the meeting will be 10 am. Unit Presidents and District Chairman please be prepared to update us on your units activities and anything else you would like to share.

Other Important dates:

Tushies and Toes Run March 8 Post 55 Clermont

District 6 Picnic March 22 Post 183 Fern Park

PLEASE NOTE THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE TO THE DISTRICT CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IT IS NOW MAY 10, POST 80 ST CLOUD



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GIRLS STATE

Hello Girls State ~

I'm sure you all have found some amazing girls to attend Girls State. Here are a few reminders:

Selection

1. A girl can only apply to 1 Unit and only be interviewed 1 time.
2. If a girl has already been assigned an alternate spot she can not be re-selected to a delegate slot by another Unit.
3. The girls need to check email (including spam folders) for any and all correspondence.

Orientation

The updated orientation schedule has been sent to the Department and will be posted soon. Our 6th District Orientation dates are:

Saturday, April 12, 2025
Unit 286, Pinycastle
Registration 9:00am
Meeting 9:30am

Sunday, May 4, 2025
Unit 219, Fruitland Park
Registration 9:00am
Meeting 9:30am

If a girl cannot attend our District's orientation, she may attend another. BUT, you Must Contact that District Chair and provide the girl's name and information.

If you require any information about receipt of delegate/alternate information (and have checked your spam folder) or over-quota information, you should contact the Girls State Director at fgsdirector@alaf1.org, as I don't have this information.

However, I will be happy to answer any other questions.

Girls State is GRREATT!!

TK
Treva Kay Wildrick
ALA FL Girls State
6th District Chairman
407-462-0173



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CHILDREN & YOUTH

Here is some important information from our Children and Youth Chairman and Department 3rd Vice Lisa Hoyland:

News from Camp Boggy Creek

Please start collecting items for Camp Boggy Creek. They currently need beach and large bath towels for their pool and can always use wash clothes, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and travel soaps and shampoos. I hope to have a March Zoom Call scheduled soon, along with a date in March to deliver items to the camp and set up a tour.



April - Month of the Military Child.

What are the unit and district planning for the Month of the Military Child? Now is the time to start planning an event.

Some ideas:

- Month of the Military Child Table Ceremony.
- Wear Purple to the Unit and District April Meeting - take a picture, and let's flood our Facebook pages.

Month of the Military Child Proclamation. Contact your local officials today and ask if they would have the Month of the Military Child Proclamation presented at their March or April meeting. Many officials' offices are familiar with the proclamations process.

Mark Your Calendars for the 2025 Children and Youth Picnic Need Baskets

The Children and Youth picnic is scheduled for April 5 at Post 117, Palm Bay. I am awaiting an updated flyer and will post it on Facebook so that you can share it. I need your assistance in making this a great success this year. Please consider donating a basket for this event from units in your district or even a district basket.

For God and Country,

Penny Kanbara
District 6 President
407-879-2528
district6president@alaf1.org



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The Chaplain's Prayer—Penny Kanbara



On behalf of the 6th District we hold Unit 219 in our hearts and prayers after the loss of two of their members. We also send continued prayers and healing thoughts to Past Department President Peggy Hearlson on the loss of her beloved husband Phil.

We also hold in our hearts the families of FBI Agent Clint Hill, part of President Kennedy's security team who shielded the First Lady after the President was shot and beloved performer Roberta Flack, both of whom passed away during the last few days of February.

In remembering our Military:

Prayer for Military Personnel

Be present with those who serve, O Lord. Be present with and guide all our military personnel. Sharpen their skills. Make their judgments true. Give them those things necessary to achieve their goals and defend our cause.

Be present with those who serve, O Lord. Give to each man and woman your special love, strength, wisdom and grace that their fears may be laid aside, their faith fostered, their courage made sure, and their spirits comforted by the knowledge of your divine presence throughout their days.

Be present with those who serve, O Lord. Guard and protect them from evil and the ways of darkness that threaten us. Send your holy angels to have charge over them and bear them up. Bring to us all the victory of light over darkness as you are the God of light and love.



If your Unit has suffered the loss of one of your members, please remember to notify both our District Chaplain, Paula Fox, and the Department Chaplain, Karen Marks.

**Email Karen at chaplain@al afl.org and Paula at foxinails1282@aol.com
The Member Data Form should be completed for each member who has passed and included with your emails.**

The Member Data Form should also be emailed to Department Membership at membership@al afl.org so that National's records can be updated.

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REPORTING TIPS—LINDA KNOBLACH-HARKNESS

Reporting Tips For Efficient Strategies for Timely Submission—submitted by our 2024-2025 2nd Vice President and VA&R Chair—Linda Knoblach Harkness

It's that time again, reports are due to the District Chairmen no later than April 1st, and District Reports are due to Department Chairmen no later than April 15th. The timely submission of your reports is crucial. Delays can negatively impact both the District and the Department. If your unit report is late, it may not be included in the overall reports.

Here are a few tips that might make this task a bit easier.

1. Start Early

One of the most crucial tips for timely and efficient reporting is to start early. Gather all necessary documents and information well in advance. If you haven't already started collecting hours, dollar amounts, and mileage from your unit members, please begin now. You might need to contact your members to gather the necessary information. This will give you ample time to review, edit, and ensure accuracy before submission.

Benefits of Starting Early

- Avoiding last-minute stress
- Providing enough time for a thorough review
- Ensuring accurate and complete information

2. Organize Your Data

Before you begin writing your report, organize all your data. Categorize the information into different sections. This will simplify the writing process and make the report easier to read and understand.

Steps to Organize Your Data

- Gather all relevant documents and information
- Sort the data by category or section
- Create a checklist of required information

3. Use a Template

Using a pre-designed template can save you a lot of time and ensure that you do not miss any critical sections. Templates provide a structured format that you can follow, making the report-writing process more efficient. You can access the report templates at <https://alafl.org/veterans-affairs/>. Once there, click on the 'Reports and Plans' link. The questions are crafted in a narrative style, making reporting a breeze by highlighting the key points within the questions themselves. This approach not only simplifies the process but also ensures you capture all essential details effortlessly.

4. Be Clear and Concise

While it is important to provide detailed information, ensure that your report is clear and concise.

Tips for Clear and Concise Writing

- Use simple and direct language
- Avoid unnecessary words or phrases
- Break down complex information into smaller sections

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5. Review and Edit

Once you have completed your report, take the time to review and edit it. Look for any errors or omissions and ensure that all information is accurate and complete. It can be helpful to have a fellow member review your report as well, to catch any mistakes you might have missed.

Steps for Effective Review and Editing

- Read through the report multiple times
- Check for grammatical and spelling errors
- Ensure all data is accurate and complete
- Get feedback from a fellow member

6. Submit On Time

Finally, ensure that you submit your report on time. Late submissions can cause delays and complications. Mark the deadline on your calendar and set reminders to ensure that you do not miss it.

Strategies for Timely Submission

- Mark the deadline in your calendar
- Set reminders leading up to the deadline
- Have all necessary documents ready in advance

In Conclusion

Reporting may seem like a daunting task, but with careful planning and organization, it can be manageable. Starting early, organizing your data, using a template, being clear and concise, reviewing your work, and submitting on time are key strategies to ensure a smooth reporting process. By following these tips, you can make your reporting task more efficient and stress-free.

Good luck, and remember, your efforts are crucial in maintaining the integrity of our work and helping the American Legion provide Congress with accurate reports on the VA&R program. Your contributions make a significant difference!

Happy reporting!

Data SPECIFIC TO VA&R to include and how it can be reported:

If a veteran who is a family member lives with you and you are a caregiver, you can report 10 hours per week. This data is crucial for understanding the scope of caregiving, as any additional support provided beyond what would be necessary if the veteran were able to fully care for themselves. This includes family members who assist with daily activities such as bathing, dressing, medication management, and transportation to medical appointments.

If the veteran is a family member and does not live with a caregiver, the caregiver can report 5 hours per week. This helps in understanding the extent of caregiving provided, even when the caregiver does not reside with the veteran. This can include widows and widowers of veterans.

If the veteran, widow, or widower is not a family member, you should report all the hours, money spent, and mileage. Please include travel time and the time spent assisting the veteran.

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For example, preparing a meal would include going to the grocery store, cooking the meal, and delivering the meal. This comprehensive reporting helps capture the full extent of support provided.

Did any of your unit members participate in making Comfort Articles such as lap robes, adult booties, caps, or kit bags? If so, the reporting should include \$5.00 per kit bag and \$25.00 per sewn lap robe. For hand-knitted or crocheted lap robes, report \$55.00 and up. Additionally, include the hours spent sewing, knitting, or crocheting the items. Include the time and the mileage for delivering the items.

Please incorporate pictures with captions in your report. The pictures must be in a high-resolution format such as JPG, JPEG, or TIF. Note that pictures from Facebook or other social media platforms cannot be used.

National Awards

If you would like to submit your unit for a National VA&R Award, please follow the instructions carefully when writing your report.

All award submissions must include a narrative (either a PDF or Microsoft Word Document) explaining why the Unit that you are nominating should win the award. You may also upload other supporting documentation that will give the committee a full picture of the important mission work your unit has done this year. These files can be photos (JPG, JPEG or TIFs -- not larger than 10MB) or PDF documents.

Unit Award:

Most Outstanding VA&R Program (per division)

- All unit entries must be submitted via electronic form by 6 p.m. EST on May 15th. Email to veteransaffairs@alaf1.org

Does your Unit have a special event coming?

**Please send your information to the
6th District Auxiliary Newsletter Editor at
necolbert@usa.net**

**by the 15th of each month so it
can be included in our newsletter.**

Open Studio Art Clinics for Veterans



This group is intended for Veterans interested in explore the creative art process to cultivate emotional resilience, express feeling, improving fine motor skills, develop a new leisure interest, and increasing peer interaction.



Who

Veteran enrolled in Orlando VA Healthcare network .

When

Dec 2, 2024

Jan 13, 2025

Feb 10, 2025

March 10, 2025

April 7, 2025

May 5, 2025

June 2, 2025

Where

9:30am-12pm

Lake Nona VA
conference Rooms
(Check video board
for room number.)

How

Contact

MaryBeth Verbinski
@ 407-403-4718
to register .

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FOURTH ANNUAL

SATURDAY
MARCH 8, 2025
REGISTRATION 9 AM
KICKSTANDS UP
10:00 AM

START:
POST 55
1063 W, DESOTO
CLERMONT, FL 34711



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH UNIT CHAPTER 55 AND UNIT AND CHAPTER 183

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**BENEFITING BOYS &
GIRLS STATE
TRANSPORTATION**

AMERICAN LEGION 6TH DISTRICT

FAMILY PICNIC

**SATURDAY, MARCH 22
12:00 PM-5PM**

FRIED CHICKEN AND SIDES - \$10.00
**LIVE MUSIC BY DOUBLE TIME AND TRIPLE
PLAY**
**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT/ 50 50/ RAFFLES
AND MORE**

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 183
2706 WELLS AVENUE FERN PARK FL 32730
MORE INFO : 407-879-2528**

Still looking for volunteers to help with set up, raffles tickets, food serving and tear down. Please remember this is a District Family event to raise money for Boys and Girls State Transportation.

We are also looking for donations for : Cole Slaw, potato Salad, Rolls and Desserts along with Raffle Baskets. If you can help, please reach out to Penny Kanbara 407-879-2528 or gatorpenny@icloud.com. Hope to see everyone there!

D6 Post Challenge

Cornhole Tournament

Posts, send your best team to the 6th District Picnic to compete for bragging rights. Only 16 team spots available. Sign up now!



Saturday, March 22

Post 183, 2706 Wells Ave, Fern Park

Registration 1200

First matches start at 1300

\$25 per team preregistered/\$30 day of
Single elimination

To Preregister: oviedolegion.org/give

Select the PayPal button

Enter amount and select Cornhole Registration

Be sure to include your team name in the notes

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MARCH IS THE MONTH OF GIVING

Jersey Mike's is celebrating its 16th Annual Month of Giving fundraising campaign and will be supporting Special Olympics Florida!

ALL MONTH LONG

- Make an in-restaurant donation at any of the 95 participating stores or on the Jersey Mike's mobile app.

DAY OF GIVING — WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26

On Wednesday, March 26, participating franchise restaurant owners will donate 100% of all sales to Special Olympics Florida. Here's how you can enjoy a great meal and support more than 75,000 athletes!

- Grab a meal in-restaurant at any of the participating locations during operating hours on March 26.
- Place large orders for your office, family or friends 24 hours ahead of your March 26 pick-up time, and please indicate you would like payment processed on the 26th to ensure your donation.

Scan the QR code for more details and a list of participating restaurants



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American Legion
Department of FL
Presents

Inspire Empower Educate
CHILDREN & YOUTH
FLORIDA LEGION
2024 2025

Children & Youth Picnic

Saturday April 5th 2025
12pm - 5pm

**American Legion
Post 117**
189 Veterans Dr
Palm Bay, FL.
32908

1/3 Pound Burger or 1/4 pound Hot Dog \$10
Kids under 12
1/4 Pound Burger or Hot Dog \$5
All Meals Served with Sides

**Music by
Doc Holiday**

**Raffles
50/50**

**Poker Run
\$15 Rider
\$5 Passenger
Stops TBD**


Questions: Contact
AL Dept C&Y Chairman
Rick Johnson 954-242-4496
MaryAnn Spellman 917-834-5763

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We need Baskets

 Lisa Hoyland: childrenyouth@alaf1.org

Children & Youth Picnic
Saturday, April 5 from Noon to 5pm

 American Legion Post 117
189 Veterans Dr SE, Palm Bay, FL 32909



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*Fundraiser for President Charlotte Bass's
Special Project Operation 300*

PURSE



AUCTION

FRIDAY MAY 9TH, 2025

AMERICAN LEGION POST 80 ST CLOUD

DINNER FROM 5PM - 7PM

STEAK DINNER MENU FROM POST 80 FROM 5PM-7PM

Purse Auction Immediately Following AT 7PM

**SPECIAL GUEST MODELS MAKING A RETURN
APPEARANCE**

**LOOKING FOR MALE MODELS AND GENTLY USED
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Call or Text Penny 407-879-2528

1019 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE ST CLOUD 34769

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Looking for gently loved purses for this great fundraiser! if you have any, please bring to the District meeting or contact Penny for pick up . 407-879-2528

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2024-2025 District Calendar

6th District Family Meeting

Saturday, March 1st, 2025 - 10 AM
Post 347, 699 W Lady Lake Blvd, Lady Lake, FL 32159

4th Annual Tushies & Toes Run

Saturday, March 8th, 2025 - 9:30 AM
Post 55, 1063 DeSoto St, Clermont, FL 34711

6th District Picnic and Corn Hole Tournament

Saturday, March 22, 2025
Post 183, 2706 Wells Avenue - Fern Park, FL 32730

Department of Florida Children & Youth Picnic

Saturday, April 5, 2025—12n—5pm
Post 117, 189 Veterans Drive, Palm Bay, FL 32905

6th District Family DCC

Saturday, May 10, 2025 - 10 AM
Post 80, 1019 Pennsylvania Ave, St. Cloud, FL 34769

Department of Florida 2025 Convention

June 12-15, 2025
Orlando Hilton Lake Buena Vista, 1751 Hotel Plaza Blvd, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

American Legion 2025 National Convention

August 22-28, 2025
Tampa, Florida



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