

THE SCUTTLEBUTT

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN - -

July through September were busy months - - Independence Day on July 4th, with the parade in Lake Helen (which I missed due to another commitment - - sorry about that), the 57th Anniversary of the Korean Cease Fire on July 27th (Charlie Carafano and KWVA 153 did their usual fine job), The U.S. Coast Guard birthday on August 4th (Small turn out, but it included two retired "Coasties"), September 2nd saw the 65th Anniversary of V-J Day (Which I also missed - - thanks to John Masiarczyk for covering for me), and a MOW/MIA ceremony and the U.S. Air Force Birthday on September 18th (And many thanks to Mario Grasso for doing the honors, since I was again out of town for a Military Officers of American Association event in Jacksonville). Things do get too busy sometimes.

Some interesting events coming up during the October-December period - - pages 2 and 3 show the schedule, and the details for Veterans Day, which should be very special. I encourage everyone to come out and take part in any and all activities.

I am still like a broken record, and must state that we still need a lot of help with the Museum in the form of volunteer Docents - - those folks who you see in any museum who are there to assist visitors. So, we have scheduled another volunteer Docent Training for 10:00 AM on Saturday, October 16th, and are praying that you will show up. It would help for us to have a "head count" a few days before the 16th, so please contact either myself (386-960-5425) or John Masiarczyk (386-789-4155) before 13 July to make a reservation. I should add that being a Volunteer Docent is NOT HARD WORK - - just a matter of devoting a few hours "baby sitting" our Veterans Museum, which is air conditioned and has very comfortable seating (and a state of the art television, with outstanding DVD's and some pretty good programming - - especially during football season). So PLEASE give it a try.

Semper Fi!

Marion L. "Mick" Cotten, MAJ, USMC (Ret'd)

Chairman

VIETNAM WALL OF HONOR - -



Our 4th of July "Bar-B-Cue Dinner" at Dewey Boster Park (to raise funds towards the completion of the wall) was successful in raising over \$1,000.00. Michael Kiepert and Bill Tavernier, did an excellent job with the event. Mayor Dennis Mulder, his father, Waste Pro, Office Depot and the City of Deltona have also contributed a great deal to the effort. Many thanks to all participants.

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SCHEDULE OF VCEP & OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST:

OCTOBER - -

2ND, SATURDAY, VETERANS WORK DAY, 8:30 AM, DVMP.

7TH, THURSDAY, VCEP BOARD MEETING, 7:00 PM, DELTONA VETERANS MUSEUM.

13TH, U.S. NAVY BIRTHDAY PARTY AT THE DVMP "MESS HALL," 6:30 PM.

16TH, SATURDAY, VOLUNTEER DOCENT TRAINING. 10:00 AM, MUSEUM.

23RD, SATURDAY, KWVA CHAPTER 153 PICNIC AT THE DVMP "MESS HALL," 11:30 AM UNTIL 1:30 PM.

NOVEMBER- -

2ND, TUESDAY, ELECTIONS (City, County, State & Federal Offices) - - **VOTE!**

4TH, THURSDAY, VCEP BOARD MEETING, 7:00 PM, VETERANS MUSEUM.

6TH, SATURDAY, **NO** VETERANS WORK DAY AT DVMP.

10TH, WEDNESDAY, U.S. MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY PARTY, 6:00 PM, DVMP

11TH, THURSDAY, VETERANS DAY - - **SEE PAGE 3 FOR EVENTS.**

13TH, SATURDAY, 9TH ANNUAL VETERANS DAY PARADE, DELAND.

14TH, SUNDAY, VETERANS DAY CHURCH SERVICE, 2:00 PM, DVMP.

21ST, SATURDAY, ROLLING THUNDER POKER RUN (With a scheduled stop at our Veterans Museum).

25TH, THANKSGIVING - - ENJOY THE BIRD & THE TRIMMINGS.

DECEMBER - -

2ND, THURSDAY, VCEP BOARD MEETING, 7:00 PM, VETERANS MUSEUM.

4TH, SATURDAY, VETS WORKDAY, 8:30 AM, DVMP.

7TH, TUESDAY, PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY.

25TH, SATURDAY, MERRY CHRISTMAS. **MUSEUM CLOSED!**

31ST, NEW YEARS EVE - - **DRIVE RESPONSIBLY!**

EVERY SATURDAY - -

EXCEPT CHRISTMAS

AND NEW YEARS EVE:

MUSEUM IS OPEN FROM

11:00 AM UNTIL 4:00 PM.

EVERY SUNDAY - -

EXCEPT NEW YEARS DAY:

MUSEUM IS OPEN FROM

1:00 PM UNTIL 4:00 PM

COMING VETERANS DAY, 2010 - -

Tim Beasley is a nationally known General George S. Patton impersonator, with many performances to his credit - - including the U.S. Army's 230th Anniversary celebration in Washington, D.C., where he was recognized as the "Best Patton Impersonator Ever."

Got that? OK, so now the good news! Tim Beasley is bringing his act to Deltona on Veterans Day, Thursday, November 11, 2010.

Mr. Beasley's Deltona appearances (There will be three of them) are the results of a very generous Group 10 Financial, LLC, and the cooperation of the City of Deltona Parks & Recreation Department, VFW Post Number 8093, DeBary, and VCEP.

Funds collected at these events will benefit the completion of our Vietnam Wall of Honor at Veterans Memorial Park. The schedule of "PATTON EVENTS" is outlined below, along with other useful information. So, COME ON DOWN!

**10:00 AM - - AMPHITHEATRE AT DELTONA REGIONAL LIBRARY**

on Eustace Avenue (at Providence Boulevard). This show will be geared to a Family Audience - Families with children will enjoy this show. General Patton was well known for his colorful language, but this show will have none of that. There is no admission charge for this show, but we will have "donation buckets" available for making donations - - and we'll have FREE FAVORS for some attendees.

1:00 PM - - VETERANS DAY CEREMONY AT DELTONA VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

located at the corner of Elkcam Boulevard and Evard Avenue - - will include the unveiling of our new Vietnam Wall of Honor. The wall will be engraved with all of the service members from West Volusia who paid the warrior's ultimate price in South Vietnam. Again, no admission, but donations accepted.

6:00-8:00 PM - - DINNER FOLLOWED BY AN ADULT ORIENTED SHOW

at VFW Post #8093 (HWY 17/92, South, in DeBary). The cost of the Dinner is \$10.00 per person - - but an extra \$5.00 will get the purchaser a copy of Lee Greenwood's book and CD, "God Bless The USA." There is no charge for the show itself - - paying for the dinner gets you a seat, and the Bar Area will be separate from the Dining Area. Tickets are not yet available, but reservations may be made through VCEP (Mick Cotten, 386-960-5425), VFW Post #8093 (Canteen, 386-668-8640 - - or Post 8093 Commander Med Tessier, Home 407-314-3533 or Cell 407-314-1615), or the Veterans Museum (386-789-8247).

NOTE: By check donations to VCEP for the first two (2) events listed above should be deductible for Federal Income Tax purposes. However, donations for the Dinner at the VFW and the Lee Greenwood book & CD would not be deductible because the value of the donation is met or exceeded by the value of the benefit(s) received.

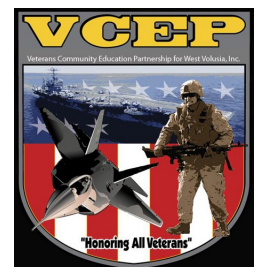
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POST # 8093, DeBARY



MILITARY TRIVIA - -

Q: What marked the first time since the Revolution that the U.S. accepted direct financial aid to fight a war?

A: The Persian Gulf War.

Q: What U.S. military base was won in the last major battle against Japan?

A: Okinawa.

Q: What opportunistic country declared war on Japan five days before its surrender in 1945?

A: The Soviet Union.

Q: What U.S. war broke out the same year the federal government first printed paper money?

A: The Civil War.

Q: What country did ever-prudent King Farouk I declare war on in 1945?

A: Germany.

Q: What Bill Murray Ghostbusters term did Persian Gulf Warriors use to describe being hit by chemical weapons?

A: Slimed.

Q: What did an enemy have to be, for a U. S. soldier to call him a "believer" in the Vietnam War?

A: Dead.

Q: What trials, beginning in 1945, spawned the phrase "I was only following orders"?

A: The Nuremberg war crimes trials.

Q: What was the first war the U. S. took part in that was partially financed with lottery dollars?

A: The Revolutionary War.

Q: What southeastern state was the last to return to the Union after the Civil War.

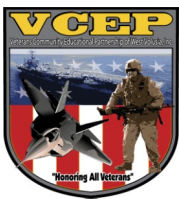
A: Georgia.

Q: What Civil War general graduated first in the West Point class of 1829?

A: Robert E. Lee

Q: What was the B-17 long-range bomber nicknamed in World War II?

A: The Flying Fortress.



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