

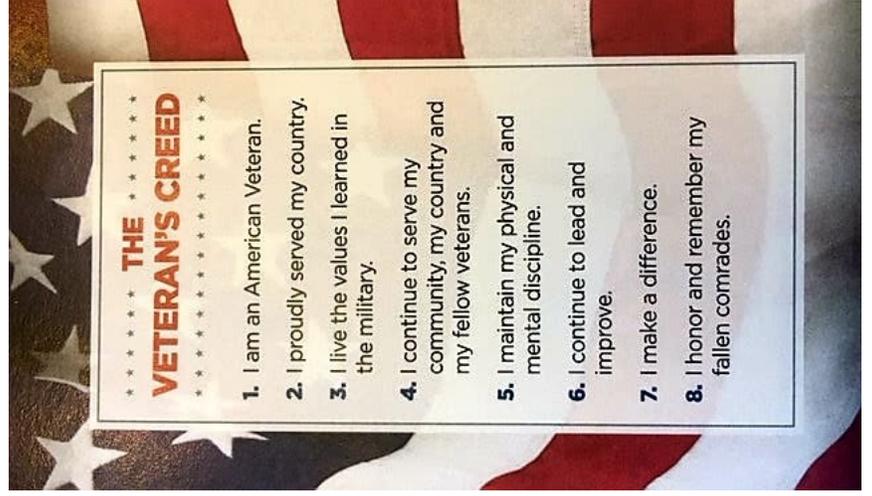
Place  
Stamp  
Here



**VFW POST 3349**  
**3201 REID ST., PALATKA, FL 32177**  
**Phone: 386-328-2863**

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

**VFW Post 3349**  
**PO Box 218**  
**Palatka FL 32178-0218**



**THE  
VETERAN'S CREED**

1. I am an American Veteran.
2. I proudly served my country.
3. I live the values I learned in the military.
4. I continue to serve my community, my country and my fellow veterans.
5. I maintain my physical and mental discipline.
6. I continue to lead and improve.
7. I make a difference.
8. I honor and remember my fallen comrades.

**January 2019**

**VFW POST 3349**  
**P.O. BOX 218, PALATKA, FL 32178**  
**PHONE: 386-328-2863**  
**Publisher: Mark Retzlaff - Post Adjutant**

**FROM THE COMMANDER**

The post had a beautiful Veteran's Day remembrance. Bill Thompson spoke at the park on Sunday November 11th. The commander offered a prayer for those in attendance.

On Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. The Palatka City Mayor visited the post to help celebrate Veteran's Day. Thanks to the women for the food both Sunday and Monday.

On December 2nd Santa visited the post for the Children's Christmas party. Florida VFW State Quartermaster Gene Perrino, his wife, and the state youth director were also our guests this year. The women did an outstanding job on the prize for the children.

The auxiliary donated leftover gifts to the State VFW to support their efforts assisting children, of fellow VFW Post members, effected by hurricane Michael.

On December 7 we honored Pearl Harbor Day with a prayer and small speech before our Friday dinner. Bill Thompson did an outstanding job on ribs again. Thank You

Post 3349 won the Patriot Pen and Voice of Democracy for the District this year. I am planning to honor all recipients at the January meeting at 7:00 PM.

Check the calendar for further events.

Commander

Gerald Donnelly

*Photo top right*

Gene Perrino, Gerald Donnelly, and Bill Thompson with Santa

*Photo bottom right*

Mike - VFW State Youth Director with Santa and kids

**Post Event Info**

***Children's Christmas Party***





*The women won the bowling tournament with Interlachen on Saturday Dec.15th. The next tournament with Interlachen will be on Saturday January 19th.*

## **AUXILIARY PRESIDENT – VALERIE FRENCH**

**BINGO** Can use some more volunteers to work the floor and call. If we can get enough workers, you would only need to work one Tuesday a month. Bingo is one of the main supports of the Post, so please help if you can.

**AUXILIARY LUNCHESES** – None Scheduled till 2019

BE SURE TO CHECK THE CALENDAR FOR ALL THE ACTIVITIES GOING ON AT THE POST SUCH AS:

BINGO, LADIES NIGHT, QUEEN OF HEARTS, BOWLING TOURNAMENTS, DARTS, TEXAS HOLD'EM.

THESE ARE OPEN FOR EVERYONE AND THE MORE WHO PLAY THE MORE FUN WE HAVE.

## **AUXILIARY TREASURER – MARY LOU BERRY – 325-6190**

### **WANTED:**

**A volunteer to be Auxiliary Assistant Treasurer. If interested contact Mary Lou at 386-435-6190.**

## **CANTEEN CHATTER**

Check the calendar for upcoming events.

Come join us.

*Charlene*

# January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 House Committee Meeting 7 PM  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM	4 <i>Beans &amp; Cornbread</i> 6PM	5 Texas Hold'em
6	7 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	8  Bingo 6-10 PM	9 Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM	10  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM	11 Steak Dinner 6PM	12 In House Bowling 1:00 PM
13	14 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	15  Bingo 6-10 PM	16 Bowling 6 PM	17  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM	18 <i>Bruce's Italian Dinner</i> 6PM	19
20	21 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	22  Bingo 6-10 PM	23 Bowling 6 PM	24  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM	25 <i>Gene's Fish</i> 6PM	26
27	28 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	29  Bingo 6-10 PM	30 Bowling 6 PM	31  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM		

# February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Chili Cook-off 6PM	2 Texas Hold'em 6-10 PM Auxiliary Lunch
3	4 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	5  Bingo 6-10 PM	6 Bowling 6 PM	7 House Committee Meeting 7 PM  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM	8 Steak Dinner 6PM	9 Bowling 6 PM
10	11 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	12  Bingo 6-10 PM	13 Post & Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM	14  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM	15 Spaghetti Dinner 6PM	16 District 14 Meeting Gainesville 10 AM
17	18 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	19  Bingo 6-10 PM	20 Bowling 6 PM	21  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM	22 Weiner Roast & S'mores	23
24	25 Pizza & Bowling 6 PM	26  Bingo 6-10 PM	27 Bowling 6 PM	28  Queen of Hearts 7 PM Darts 7 PM		

**POST OFFICERS**

Commander	Gerald Donnelly
Sr Vice Commander	Robert Thropp
Jr Vice Commander	Carl "Bill" Jones
Judge Advocate	Phil Haeseker
Adjutant	Mark Retzlaff
Quartermaster	Gerald Shuler
Chaplin	Bruce Howe
Surgeon	Rubin Myers
Service Officer	Charles Burkley
Trustees 1 yr	Ron Sliter
2 yr	Weldon Taylor
3 yr	William Thompson
Membership Chairman	Bill Jones
Employment Officer	Weldon Taylor
Legislative Officer	John Dillingham
Disaster Preparedness/Relief	Phil Haeseker
Historian	John Dillingham
House Committee Chairman	Gene Neiman
National Home for Children	Quartermaster
Communications/Media Relations	Commander

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Bill Jones
Members	Commander and ALL Members

**COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA RELATIONS**

Chairman	Commander
Members	Adjutant and Quartermaster

**HOUSE COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Gene Neiman
Members	Gerald Donnelly
	Phil Haeseker
	Gerald Shuler
	Bill Jones
	Mark Retzlaff
	John Dillingham
Canteen Manager	Charlene Dillingham

**AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

President	Valerie French
Sr. Vice	Marian Chialastri
Jr. Vice	Joyce Donnelly
Treasurer	Mary Lou Berry
Secretary	Marian Chialastri
Chaplain	Charlene Dillingham
Conductress	Linda Sliter
Guard	Dorothy Donovan
1Yr. Trustee	Kathy Thompson
2Yr. Trustee	Neva Lyons
3Yr. Trustee	Jon Berry
Patriotic Inst.	Charlene Dillingham

**DISTRICT 14 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Qtr	Date	Post	Location	Time
3rd	Feb 16		Gainesville	10:00 am

**Useful Web Sites**

Get copy of DD Form 214 or other discharge documents: <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>

Request Lost and Replacement Medals: <http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel/public/awards-and-decorations.html>

VFW National Headquarters Web Site: [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org)

VFW National Web Site for Members: [www.jointhelite.org](http://www.jointhelite.org)

VFW eMembership: <http://emem.vfw.org>

VFW Store Online: [www.vfwstore.org](http://www.vfwstore.org)

VFW Department of Florida Web Site: <http://www.myfloridavfw.org>

National Do Not Call Registry [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov)

VFW Post Website <http://vfw3349.org>

From the Publisher:

Please forward any news, pictures, or article submissions to [markretzlaff81@gmail.com](mailto:markretzlaff81@gmail.com) by the 20th of each month.

Thank you

Mark Retzlaff - Adjutant