



# BUGLER



Monthly Mtg. Exe.2<sup>nd</sup> Wed 6 p. m. Gen 10 a.m.  
Off. Hrs. Mon. Wed. and Fri. 1:30- 5 p.m.

**Commander Fred Bergman**

**Editor Nora Marcantel**

**President Anita Lee**

## **COMMANDER'S REPORT**

**NOVEMBER 2009**

As usual we have had a very busy month and do not anticipate a slowdown any time soon. I cannot begin to Thank those of you that are helping the Post continue to meet its obligations and advance forward.

Over the past month we have enjoyed the Family Halloween Fest, FL / GA Game blowout and Halloween party. Everyone involved with those events can be proud of their efforts to support Legion programs.

In November we plan to celebrate Veteran's Day and the City of Jacksonville Parade. If you would like to take part in this event please let the office know.

I am sure that those members that have been unable to attend Post functions and have not been to the Post for a while would enjoy a visit. Our members have done a lot of work and would love to show you around. So come on out, see old friends and make some new ones.

Congratulations to the newly elected Officers of Chapter 137 Riders. Our Chapter has come along way and they have become productive and valued members of our Legion Family. Thanks Riders.

Congratulations to Sherry Shelton, Post 137, Finance Officer. Sherry recently earned a Bachelors Degree. If you do not know Sherry, stop in the office and meet her. BUT, if you do, make sure your financial statements are in order.

We have received donations of money, cabinets for the Moon Building, and paint with painting supplies for the main hall. Thanks to those caring individuals for all of their support of the post. We will put the items to good use.

Please join us for the ANNUAL EARLY BIRD DINNER on NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>

**The dinner will be in the MAIN BUILDING at 5:30 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. Your 2010 membership card is your ticket into the Event. Covered dishes and desserts are welcome**

**For GOD and Country,**

**Fred Bergman**

**SONS of the AMERICAN LEGION**

Hello Legion Family!

Lakeshore Squadron 137 will be meeting on Thursday, November 12th at 7 P.M. in

the Spencer Room. Members and guests are encouraged to attend!

Thank you, to everyone who stopped by for our Steak Night on the 23rd of last month

and please stop by for our next Steak Night on the 27th of NOVEMBER.

We had a great time helping with the Family Halloween Fest. Hope you made it out,

everyone had a great time! Also, keep an eye out for **Wii Bowling** it is coming soon !!

For God, Country and Our Legion Family, Jonathan Cooke  
Commander

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**POOL NEWS**

SAFETY around the Pool is getting better and better each month.

THANKS to all our helpful pool patrons. By next season we should be in great shape. Please remember that I treat the pool with chemicals during the evening hours. I always put up the caution tape, but there have been a few members who ignore the tape **This is not good!**

Please, do not swim in the evening hours. It is not a good time.

“ SAFETY is our **FIRST CONCERN!**”

For GOD and Country and our American Legion Family, Kathy Brett

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**WEBMASTER’S REPORT**

Don't forget, if you have any photos to be loaded onto the website to get them to Rick Wiggs who is doing a fantastic job maintaining our online Photo Gallery! Stop by Post137.come and check it out!

For God, Country and Our Legion Family, Jonathan Cooke Webmaster

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:** You have joined a fine Post and we all hope you come on in and get involved. We are always looking for happy folks who want to do something. Two of the new Legionnaires, MIKE CAMPBELL and WILLIE BROWN were at the October 10<sup>th</sup> Post meeting. Welcome Legionnaires!

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A “**Great to see you guys around and about the Club**” to our House Committee Team: Rick Micheals, Danny Hiers and Rod Derting. Smiling faces and a can do attitude is always a welcomed sight. Thanks guys for doing a find job.

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If you get a notice from Dept. of Florida or from National about your membership dues, PLEASE do not worry. All is well. You pay your dues to your Post home, which in turn sends a % to Dept of Florida, which in turn sends a % to National. All three levels get a % of your dues to help support the various programs at the different program levels. Post 137 is a large Post and the programs it helps to support are many and vital. This dear ones is why we all need to frequent the Club and support the various events and meals that are offered. Trust me! We do not get to the post at 6:30 A. M. ready to cook a breakfast for the shear fun of it. You and your participation is the very lifeblood of many programs for Veterans, Youth, Community and our own members sometimes. We can be so proud of ourselves. So do your part if not already and send those dues in. One day we may all get a lollipop for the nice things we do! Want that be fun, I want strawberry.

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BIG OLE THANK YOU TO HAZEL WALKER. This lady is a charm, she in the goodness of her heart made a very nice donation to Post 137 in honor of her beloved husband.\*\*\*\*\*

**HPB.** The girls are still at it. The cool weather has made everyone start thinking about a winter type activity. Maybe “dancercise”? We will cross that bridge when we get to it.

Looking for a fun morning come join us. Kathy Brett keeps us all Happy and Moving!

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**A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to all you folks born October 24th through November 22<sup>nd</sup> You are the Scorpion, Eagle or Gray Lizard.

Usually you have a pale complexion, blushing rarely with piecing eyes. You seldom show embarrassment or pride. Scorpio makes an excellent soldier. You must totally destroy your enemy or at least top them.

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**Our Sincere Sympathy** to the families that have lost loved ones. We are all, always saddened by the passing of a Post family member. A very well known Chaplain, Robert McDonough, has left us. His joy for life, warmth and guidance will be missed. EDITOR

**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE REPORT**

**No report**

**2<sup>ND</sup> VICE REPORT**

Legion Family another fun filled month has come and gone with the Family Halloween Festival, Florida / Georgia football party and it is followed by the Legion Halloween party. There is always something going on at your post.

We have a new Hi Def flat screen TV in the hall so you can come and watch your favorite sport. There is football, baseball, golf and Nascar, so bring your friends and enjoy, have fun.

Your 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Eddie Dykes will be posting the date and time for the, Early Bird Dinner sometime in November Don't forget to come out for a great meal and it's free too!!! That's about all the info I have at this writing.

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR POST ACTIVITIES the things we do and our members.

That's why we have been the number one post two years running.

For GOD and COUNTRY

Emory T. Austin

**3<sup>RD</sup> VICE REPORT**

Well folks if you missed out on the first Post Family Halloween Fest you missed a Good One. We estimate approximately 200 funny, scary, weird and down right ugly Gals and Guys having fun.

Our Children and Youth/ S.A.L. Dinner on the 23<sup>rd</sup> went very well. Thank you to all that supported this Legion Program fund raiser.

Just a reminder the Post is Closed to Business on Thanksgiving Day.

For GOD and Country,

Walter Rascoe

**4<sup>TH</sup> VICE REPORT**

**No report**

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**CHAPLAIN'S REPORT**



*“When you have to let it go”*

No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment: or the new piece pulls away from the old and the tear is made worse. Mark 2:21 There are times when we have accumulated a great deal of old clothes, still useful, gee how I hate to throw these away they are still good. Many times these items are outdated. This also holds true in our ideas and the way we do things. Old ideas bring the same results. Something new and different to an old idea makes way for new growth. We are adding new ideas to an old way with our Halloween program.

**Pray:** GOD there's an awful lot of "old" stuff in my heart, old hurts, old thoughts, old dreams. I give them to YOU now, I trust you LORD to replace them with new healings, new thoughts, and new dreams.

Remember the NAVY BIRTHDAY October 13 MARINE BIRTHDAY November 10.

It is my sad duty to report to you the following Legionnaires who have transferred to;

**POST EVERLASTING**

**\*WILLIAM H. BRINKMAN**

**\*THOMAS L.PIERCE**

**\*ROBERT S. MCDONOUGH**

Keep these Legionnaires and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Remember the sick and disabled, visit them, say hello, send a card.

Veterans Day Parade; come out and enjoy show your support. Remember to bring in your old worn American flags for proper retirement.

May GOD Bless you all abundantly.

For GOD and Country Tony Romano

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## AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 137

October was a good month for the riders. We had a decent turn out for the Bike Show.

Although not near what we had hoped for, there is always next year.

Our two dinners went well; everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and the food. We

helped out with the Halloween Family Fest and all the kids had a blast.

We elected new Officers and they are: Director: Tim Shelton, Asst. Director: Dave

Danford, Secretary: Kristy Belisle, Treasurer: Renee Shaffer, Sgt. at Arms: Joe

L'Heureux, Run Coordinator: Billy Bob Johnson, Historian: Larry Briggs, Membership

Coordinator: Vicki Hallenbeck, Chaplain: Bob Bolick, and Merchandise Coordinator:

Amy Kopso.

By the way we were given a donation of a 26 ft. cabin cruiser and trailer. We have decided to raffle it off to help raise money for the programs sponsored by the American

Legion Riders. The boat can be seen up at the Pastime Bar at 5301 Lenox Ave

Jacksonville FL 32205, and you can also purchase raffle tickets there or see one of the

Riders to purchase a ticket. They are \$5.00 per entry. The raffle will take place at the

American Legion on December 30<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 7 pm. You do not have to be present to win.

Just a reminder of my email address [scramjet76@yahoo.com](mailto:scramjet76@yahoo.com), just in case anyone

wants to send me an email to say Hi or make a suggestion about what the Riders

can do or what they think. Always nice to hear from people on how we are doing.

Take care and remember to keep all our Military men and women in your prayers,

along with their families, and our legion families. Ride Proud, Ride Safe.

For God and Country, Tim Shelton, Legion Rider Director

## **BUGLER CO-ORDINATOR**

If anyone has any comments or complaints about the bugler please

feel free to send them to Sherry Shelton at [ssherry15@yahoo.com](mailto:ssherry15@yahoo.com) or call and leave

a message at 904-693-6480 and I will get back with you as soon as possible.

**DO NOT MAKE COMPLAINTS TO NORA MARCANTELN.**

All concerns are to come through me from now on, this allows Nora the time she needs to get the bugler put together and printed for disbursement.

Thank you.

Sherry Shelton,

Finance Officer

Bugler Coordinator



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## AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello Ladies, Unit 137 in conjunction with the Legion Family had a Fall Festival

with a disc jockey, food, games and prizes and other exciting things.

Our community service chairman is collecting puzzles, books & magazines for the

local VA Clinic and the Lake City Hospital.

The Constitution and By Laws have been updated and are ready to send to Department.

The quilt that is being raffled for the Wounded Warriors was on First Coast News on October

25 and was entered into an international embroidery contest and won quilt of

the month. The quilt will be raffled at the Early Bird Dinner.

Our National Security chairman sent \$876.10 to 4 military bases last month. This is a small

number but we are just starting again and hope to bring those numbers up so

please bring us your coupons. Remember they cannot be older than 3 months if you

cut the coupons out and 2 months if you do not cut them. This gives us time to cut

and calculate for shipping.

The early bird dinner will be November 22<sup>nd</sup> and we will have our annual bake sale auction.

So please bring your special baked good down for the auction or just some cookies or

brownies just for sale or you can come and bid on one of the items.

The unit will be gift wrapping on November 29<sup>th</sup> and December 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> for

a donation. So come join us for breakfast and have your gifts wrapped while you eat.

Anita Lee, President (Un edited)

## AUXILIARY 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE REPORT

We have been a little slow up to this point. Money is tight!! We have read in 29 New Seniors

and 3 Juniors with a total New , Renewals and VIMs of 320 for a a 51.2%. The Department

of Florida is going up \$2.00 for Seniors and \$1.00 for Juniors. That means that our dues will

be \$22.00 for Seniors and \$4.00 for Juniors next year.

When you get your renewals for 2011, it will reflect this change..Let's get through 2010 first!!

For God and Country, Jeri West, Unit 137 1st/Vice (Un edited)

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**Family Halloween Fest is a Winner** Families came played ate, had fun danced in the

street to the music of BOBBY G., watched toilet seats get tossed, visited a haunted cave,

walked for cakes donated by the Color Guard and others, jumped in a castle, tossed bean

bags with a witch, swam in the pool, dodged a gorilla, shelled peanuts, ate pop corn,

fished and won fish. It was FUN! Forest, Ed White and Ridgeview J.R.O.T.C. High

School Cadets cleaned, built, cooked, stuffed scarecrows, played with the little ones and

had a great time. Exe. Com. Art B. Dennis G. and Jerry L. judged costumes. A.L. Rider

papa Joe gave rides on a Motor Tyke and Art B in a Dune Buggy. This was an

experiment to expand Family Fun at the post and it worked well for approximately 200

happy folks and kids. Helpers: Legion 14, Auxiliary 2, A.L.Riders 13, S.A.L. 4,

USMCCA 6. On behalf of Cmdr Fred, 3rd Vice Walter, Lina B, and myself we truly

Thank Everyone who gave treats, food, decorations, rides, Games, time and energy for

your help, Thanks again! Nora

### V-304 Bugler Entry

V-304 is up and running well with the first quarter of the membership behind us. We have exceeded 505 in membership renewals. Through the concerted efforts of Voyagers Karl and Myra Jowers, and others, our long range Nurses Training Scholarship Endowment Fund has finally materialized. We have a Wreck tentatively planned for December 18-19, pending Grand approval. I would like to personally thank all who have helped out at the Chateau, as well as the Post. Keep up the good work. (Un edited)  
For God and Country, Ray Runyan Chef de Gare

### Cabane 304 Report

Our St. Louis style rib dinner on Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Was a great success. Thanks to all who helped and especially, those of you who purchased a dinner. We will be hosting the dinner on November 13<sup>th</sup>. It will be Old Fashioned Meat Loaf with mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, salad, dinner rolls and desert. All for \$6.00. This not your ordinary meat loaf. Stop in and try it. We attended the dedication of Inverness Florida, the 40 & 8 city of the year, on October 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. This was the first time any city in Florida was selected by the 40 & 8 National. Quite an honor for Inverness and the state of Florida. Out Christmas Dinner will be on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Santa, gifts, food and fun! (Un edited)  
Merci, Diane Congressi, La Presidente C 304

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### LEGACY FUND DRIVE

As was reported last month, the Pony Express Rider from Post 137 was late arriving in Louisville, Ky. and missed most of the activities. The reason for the delay was a roadside emergency. But the entrusted funds were delivered as promised. In a national American Legion Riders Newsletter that was just received it was reported that just the Legion Riders raised over half a million dollars for the fund. Note, that was not the Legion total, just what has been thus far turned in by the American Legion Rider's only. A very nice total wouldn't you say. Let us all now pray that at least, one dependant child may take use of that money and serve to treat at least one veteran. The time, money and efforts will all be worth it.  
For GOD and Country, A Rider

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### BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE

Our September 12<sup>th</sup> Blood Drive only added 9 pints to our account. We appreciate those who participated, but need more of you to step up for our Saturday November 14 Blood Drive. Come any time between 10am and 2:00pm. All Legionaires or family members are eligible to receive blood from this account, so come support your fellow members. This will be our last Blood Drive for 2009. With holidays coming up the Blood Alliance is always running short of demand, so if you can't give, talk to neighbors and friends and encourage them to come by and give. (Un edited)  
Binion Williams  
Blood Drive Chairman

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# NOVEMBER 2009

# HAPPY THANKSGIVING

| Sunday                                                                                         | Monday                                                        | Tuesday                                                                                  | Wednesday                                                          | Thursday                                                                                        | Friday                                                                                                | Saturday                                                                                                                               |
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| Breakfast<br>:30- 11:30 a m<br>od & Pole                                                       | 2<br><br>USMCCA Mtg.<br>7 p m Moon Bldg<br><br>BINGO 6:30 p m | 3 Steering Com Mtg.<br>6:30 p m<br><br>Color Guard Mtg.<br>7:00 p m<br>Darts 7 p m       | 4<br><br><b>KARAOKE</b><br>7:30 p m                                | 5 Aux..<br>Exe Mtg 6:30 p m<br>Gen Mtg 7:30 p m<br><br>Voiture 304<br>Chem. 7 p m<br>Prom 8 p m | 6 Dinner 5:30 p m<br>Color Guard<br>Country Fried STEAK<br><br><b>PEGGY &amp; HOSS</b><br>8 p m       | 7 American Legion Riders<br>Mtg. 10 am<br>USMCCA MILITARY BALL<br>MOON BUILDING<br>Happy Hr. 6 pm<br>Dinner 7 pm<br>PEGGY & HOSS 8 p m |
| Breakfast<br>:30-11:30 a m<br>. L. Riders                                                      | 9<br><br>Trivia 7 p m                                         | 10<br><br>Darts 7 p m                                                                    | 11 Legion Exe<br>Mtg 6 p m<br><br>Veterans Day<br>Karaoke 7:30 p m | 12 S.A.L. Mtg 7 p m                                                                             | 13 Dinner 5:30 pm<br>Cabane MEAT LOAF<br><br><b>BO CATS 8 p m</b>                                     | 14 LEGION Mtg. 10 am<br>General Assembly Main Hall<br><br><b>Bo CATS 8 p m</b>                                                         |
| Breakfast<br>:30-11:30 a m<br>od & Pole<br><br>Early Bird Dinner<br>:30-7:30 p m<br>IAIN Bldg. | 16<br><br>BINGO 6:30 p m                                      | 17 Color Guard mtg.<br>7p m<br><br>Darts 7 p m                                           | 18<br>Birthday<br>covered Dish<br>Karaoke 7:30 p m                 | 19<br><br>Trivia 7 p m                                                                          | 20 Dinner 5:30 pm<br>USMCCA<br>T-BONE STEAKS<br><br><b>NOEL &amp; MINDY</b><br>8 p m                  | 21<br><br><b>NOEL<br/>&amp;<br/>MINDY</b><br>8 p m                                                                                     |
| Breakfast<br>:30-11:30 a m<br>Auxiliary                                                        | 23                                                            | 24 Cabane 304<br>40/8 Rondezvous<br>7pm<br><br>Darts 7 p m                               | 25<br><br><b>KARAOKE</b><br>7 :30 p m                              | 26<br><br>HAPPY<br>THANKSGIVING<br>Post 137 is Closed                                           | 27 Dinner 5:30 pm<br>S.A.L. STEAK<br>NO VAVS<br>Lake City Hospital visit<br><b>VICKI LEE</b><br>8 p m | 28<br><br><b>VICKI<br/>LEE</b><br>8 p m                                                                                                |
| Breakfast<br>:30-11:30 a m<br>L Riders                                                         | 30<br><br>Trivia 7 p m                                        | DECEMBER 1<br><br>Steering Com. Mtg.<br>6:30 p m<br><br>Color Guard 7 p m<br>Darts 7 p m | DECEMBER 2<br><br><b>KARAOKE</b><br>7:30 p m                       | DECEMBER 3<br>Aux. Exe Mtg. 6:30 p m<br>Gen Mtg. 7:30 p m                                       | DECEMBER 4<br>Dinner 5:30 p m                                                                         | DECEMBER 5<br>American Legion Riders<br>Mtg. 10 a m                                                                                    |