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HANNITON WATTS AMERICAN LEGION POST 193

From Your Commander

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Greetings Legion Family,

On July 20, 2013, as is our tradition, we came together to honor the memories of who offered their lives in service of our country and who has now enrolled in that great spirit army, whose footfalls cause no sound, but in the memory of mankind, their souls go marching on, sustained by the pride of service in time of war. Because of them our lives are free; because of them our nation lives; because of them the world is blessed.

May this service deepen our reverence for our departed comrades:

I would like to thank all of you who took part in the Post Everlasting Ceremony, Founders Day Program and the 60th Anniversary of the Korean War honoring our Veterans. An honorable mention of Army Private Rosamond Johnson, Jr. who was the first resident of Escambia County to die in the Korean War. Johnson Beach was named in his honor. I encourage all Legionnaires, Auxiliary and SAL to get involved. Let's make our Post the best in the Western Area. For God and Country, Will Warren, Commander



- Emmett Anders Sr.
- Harry Brown
- Fred Carter, Jr.
- Michael A. Edwards
- Charlie O. Frye,
- John C. Gaylord
- Robert L. Howerton
- James E. McDowell
- Curtis M. Monroe
- Alfred C. Randerson

FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION

On July 21, 2013, Hanniton Watts Post 193 held its Founders Day Celebration. It had its beginning in Pensacola, FL in the early months of 1946. Its organizers consisted of Dr. Eli Sanford Cobb and fourteen other veterans who lived in the community and had served in the World Wars. Dr. Cobb, a general practitioner and surgeon served this community for a total span of about forty-nine years.

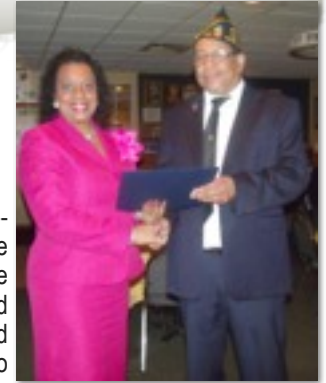


Cobbs and Watts Families

It was through his guidance that Hanniton Watts came to be. A constitution was established and the name "Hanniton Watts" was adopted. Hanniton Watts, born in Mobile AL. on the 29th day of December 1919, he died in action defending his country. He was killed in action on May 24, 1944. His name was chosen because he was noted as the first serviceman in the local area to make the ultimate sacrifice while serving during WWII. Upon application and approval by the American Legion Department, State of Florida, Post 193 received its temporary charter on July 22, 1946. On June 21, 1962, Post 193 received its permanent charter. In earlier years members met at each others homes, in 1971 the first Post Home was purchased and opened in 1982 we moved to current location. The Watts Family (pictured above) traveled from Daphne, Alabama and the Cobb Family from the local area every year to join in the celebration and are deeply honored to be a part of Post 193's history.



Comrade Frank Cotton & CO Warren



Comrade Fred Carter's Family & CO Warren



Speaker Robbie Gregg & Comrade Walter Blount



Comrade Clarence Blount's Family

PRESIDENTS PROCLAMATION

America pauses to observe the 60th anniversary of the end of the Korean War -- a conflict that defined a generation and decided the fate of a nation. We remember the troops who hit the beaches when Communist forces were pressing south; who pushed back, and fought their way north through hard mountains and bitter cold. We remember ordinary men and women who showed extraordinary courage through 3 long years of war, fighting far from home to defend a country they never knew and a people they never met.

Most of all, we remember those brave Americans who gave until they had nothing left to give. No monument will ever be worthy of their service, and no memorial will fully heal the ache of their sacrifice. But as a grateful Nation, we must honor them -- not just with words, but with deeds. We must uphold our sacred obligation to all who serve -- giving our troops the resources they need, keeping faith with our veterans and their families, and never giving up the search for our missing and our prisoners of war. Our fallen laid down their lives so we could live ours. It is our task to live up to the example they set, and make America a country worthy of their sacrifice.

This anniversary marks the end of a war. But it also commemorates the beginning of a long and prosperous peace. In six decades, the Republic of Korea has become one of the world's largest economies and one of America's closest allies. Together, we have built a partnership that remains a bedrock of stability throughout the Pacific. That legacy belongs to the service members who fought for freedom 60 years ago, and the men and women who preserve it today.

So as we mark this milestone, let us offer a special salute to our Korean War veterans. Let us renew the sacred trust we share with all who have served. And let us reaffirm that no matter what the future holds, America will always honor its promise to serve our veterans as well as they served us -- now and forever.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARACK OBAMA, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim July 27, 2013, as National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day. I call upon all Americans to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities that honor our distinguished Korean War veterans.

POST 193 HONORS:

- GEORGE G. ALLEN
EMMET ANDERSON, SR.
CLARENCE W. BLOUNT
WALTER R. BLOUNT
JESSE O. BROOKS
ROBERT BROUGHTON
FRED CARTER, JR.
FRANK L. COTTON
CHARLIE O. FRYE
JOHN GAYLORD
WILLIAM E. GOVE
SAMUEL C. HARDY
FRED HICKS



Comrade Eddie Todd's Family

POST 193 HONORS:

- LEONARD A. HUDSON
ARTHUR W. HUMPHREY
WINCE E. JERIDO
CHARLES M. JOHNSON
FOSTER M. KING
AARON LONG III
ALLEN MOORE, SR.
CHARLES O. SHAMWELL
ALBERT S. SMITH JR
RICHARD L. THOMAS
EDDIE S. TODD
LAWRENCE WILSON

A "Blueprint" for the 21st Century



For continued success, we must provide first-rate service to our veterans throughout the next century, the basis for this blueprint is the Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion, which was finalized at the St. Louis caucus in 1919 and reaffirmed at Minneapolis in 1994. This declaration reaffirmed the principles on which our great organization was developed (*Special Resolution 419, the Preamble Minneapolis Affirmation follows the 21st Century Blueprint information*).



2013-14 Committee Chairpersons

Get involved! Contact your Committee Chairperson today!

Americanism Committee
Chair: 2nd Vice Byron Long

Ceremonial Committees
Chair: 1st Vice Zee Osuigwe

Economic Committee
Chair: Serv. Officer Michelle Coger

Entertainment Committees
Chair: 2nd Vice Byron Long

Finance Committee
Chair: Fin. Officer Joseph Holmes

House Committee
Chair: Willie Mooror

Membership Committee
Chair: 1st Vice Zee Osuigwe

Special Projects Committee
Chairman: Adjutant Eugene Ford

Security Committee
Chair: Sgt at Arms; Roy Smith

Veterans Affairs & Rehab Committee
Chair: Serv. Officer Michelle Coger

Greetings Legion Family & Friends,

I am honored to serve as your 1st Vice Commander for the 2013-14 year. Although I have taken on a few tasks around the Post, my main focus is on Membership. Membership is very important because without members the post would not exist and veterans would not receive the benefits due to them. We all can play a big part in growing our Post and our presence. There is strength in numbers! Right now we stands at 436 Legionnaires, but if all of us bring one new member to our Legion Family we could double to 872. That number is very realistic with the number of military bases and veterans in our area. I'm calling on every one of you to make a commitment this year to add ONE member to our Legion family!



1st Vice: Zee Osuigwe

We will be having a Membership Drive on Saturday, August 10, 2013 at 1:00pm, come out and renew your membership and bring a new member. Take advantage of the Early Bird Renewal! If you would like to be on the Membership Committee or if you have questions about membership contact me: E-mail hwalpost193@gmail.com Ph: 850-637-1832 Stay Positive & Productive



2nd Vice: Byron Long

Hello Comrades, Auxiliary, SAL and Friends of Post 193, We are glad to have your support as we move forward in a positive direction. We had our first Americanism & Entertainment Meeting on July 31st and it was very productive. We are planning to bring you great entertainment from a variety of events. We also have programs obligation to fulfill & we're counting on you to get involved and make it happen! There is still room for you on our Committees so contact me to put your talents & skills to good use. Ph: 850-208-5747 E-mail: adjutantJB193@yahoo.com

FROM THE CHAPLAIN'S PULPIT

Our comrades are in need of prayers. Your calls and visits are welcomed. Contact Chaplain Nick Blackwell for visiting information.

Clarence Blount **Eddie Todd** **Tolsone Harbin**
Leonard Hudson **Richard Thomas**

If you know of any ill comrades or those in need of prayer, please inform the Chaplain or any Post Officer.





**From the Desk of the Squadron Commander:
Roy F. Smith**



KNOW YOUR HISTORY

Greetings Comrades,
The history of many cultures was often passed down from generations through stories and tales meant to relay lessons or facts from the past. As people progressed, so did their methods of recording events and news for the future. As your historian, I intend to carry on the proud tradition of our organization and compile the historic accounts of our men and women. The intent is to preserve our rich heritage through photos, news articles, and anecdotal accounts that will ultimately culminate in the creation of a yearbook to be viewed by all. I cannot do this alone. Your help is need in providing me with as much information as you have concerning Post 193's rich history. Please feel free to e-mail and or leave a copy of items that can be used to highlight our history at the Post. For God and Country, Robbie Gregg, Historian Post 193



Sons of the American Legion membership is going great! The 1st District Commander congratulates us on being the first to achieve the 20% goal in the 1st District. My goal for this year is to be Number #1 and bring back a trophy for Post 193 and the 1st District. Don't forget to come out on August 10th at 1pm for the membership drive. Its time to get involved!



EARLY BIRD \$25.00 WINNER for July: **Jeffrey Stevenson**
50/50 Winner: Commander **Will Warren**

It's that time again to renew your Membership:

Our Early Bird Special is until October 2, 2013. You will be entered into a drawing for \$25 at the General Membership meetings Aug-21, Sep-18, and Oct-16.

All meetings start at 7pm **MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!**

Department of Florida Fall Conference

This year's Convention will take place Nov. 15-17, 2013 at the Hilton Walt Disney World 1751 Hotel Plaza Blvd, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830.



The following room rates are now available:
\$109.00 King or Double Standard Deluxe
\$189.00 King or Double Queen Junior Suite Reservation deadline: October 25, 2013. Call 1-800-782-4414 to make your reservations today! Mention Group Code "AML" to receive discounted rate. You may also book online:

<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/Fall2013>

Welcome our new members:



- Anthony Hall
- Lemuel Knight
- Brenda Mobley
- Armand Bugioli
- Dwight Taite



**AMERICAN LEGION
95TH NATIONAL CONVENTION**

Houston, Texas August 23-29, 2013



For more information Goto: www.legion.org/convention/about



AUXILIARY NEWS



Words from Your President!

Hello Family,

We've now started to formulate ideas and projects to support our programs and as usual your involvement is vital to us having a successful year.

We're Kicking off Our Back To School Drive with a Sock Hop Dance on Aug 16, 2013. The cover charge is \$5.00 and we encourage our ladies to continue to donate a door prizes. Proceeds will be dedicated to buy school supplies. Treasurer LaDonna Stovall and I attended a Dept. of Fla. Workshop, July 27 & 28. where we were encouraged to participate in the "Give Ten to Education". This means that we document a Plan of Action (POA) to give out items in increments of 10, i.e., 10 pencils, 10 folders, 10 notebooks, etc. Units that participate will receive a certificates at Dept. Convention in June. On September 6th we are having a Western Dance, with a cover charge of \$5.00 so come out and join the fun. Our meetings are the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 11:00am.

About a quarter of our members are dedicated and invaluable ladies who give their all. They are the backbone of the Unit and YOU, too, can become one. Let us all come together in the spirit of our Department President's theme, "Cruising for Unity".

Respectfully Kathy Collins For God & Country



AUXILIARY SOCK HOP DANCE

Aug 16th @ 7:00pm
\$5.00 Cover Charge



SHOW ME THE MONEY WINNERS ARE:

1st Prize \$100.00 - Donald Outing

2nd Prize \$50.00 - Carmina

3rd Prize \$25.00 - Leo Dunklin



To join the Auxiliary Unit
contact Membership Chairman
Qunita Powell at: 850-438-0631
E-mail: qpowell7@yahoo.com



Salutations to Post 193 Family,

I have said several times how much I appreciate the support and encouragement you have given me as Department of Florida President of the American Legion Auxiliary (AKA) Captain Bailey of the USS Auxiliary Cruise Ship as we "Cruise for Unity" I especially thank my Unit members that spear headed activities that raised funds, and to all that participated in any way to assist. My President Pins are in that you help purchase and I intend for each of you to receive one.

CRUISING FOR UNITY

Again Thanks Sooooo Much!!!
Bon Voyage



HONOR /COLOR GUARD



Post 193 Honor/Color Guard is please to welcome Quenton Wilson and Shawn Guy to the team! Your HG will present the colors at the Blue Wahoos game on Thursday, Aug.1, at 7:00pm. Future dates Aug. 9, Aug. 23, and Aug. 25th. The Wahoos are the minor league baseball team for the Cincinnati Reds. For tickets and schedules go to www.bluewahoos.com Come out and support your HG and enjoy the game! Contact: Roy Smith PH: 850-450-7024 E-mail:



Mt Sinai Missionary Baptist Church invites you to attend their Annual "Women's Day" Celebration on Sunday, August 18, 2013 @ 11:00 am. Your Auxiliary President, **Kathy Collins** will be speaking on "Women of the Bible".

Please come out and fellowship with us!
Dinner will be served afterward.



Also join us at 3:00pm for "Hattitudes" women & men will strut as they showcase their favorite hat & fellowship.

**Location: Mt Sinai Missionary Baptist Church
2515 North 6th Ave (corner of Hatton & 6th Ave)
Pensacola, Fl**

For more information Contact:
Armalean Carter 850-477-2656



Come out and dance the night Away!

ONE ACCORD IN CONCERT

Friday August 9, at 8:00pm

\$5.00 Cover Charge



IN THE KITCHEN!

They come from all around for the best chicken in town! Veteran's Angels cooking up chicken, pork chops & fish @ American Legion Post 193
Hours: Sat -8pm-1am and Sun. 7pm - midnight.



******MEMBERSHIP DRIVE*****

August 10, 2013 @ 1pm



LEGIONNAIRE AUXILIARY & SAL!

Come out and renew your membership and have a free lunch on us!

Sign up a NEW member and be place on our Recruiter's Wall!!

ENTERTAINMENT

Vet Luncheon
Tuesdays @ Noon

Game Night &
Chicken / Fish Fry
Thursday

DJ Storm
Friday & Saturday
8pm until



LIVE BAND
SUNDAYS 6PM

8/4 -MOBILE FUNK

8/11 - NEW GROOVE

8/18 - HOT SAUCE

8/25 -LEROY DYNAMITE

E V E N T S & M E E T I N G S

August

- 5 - 7:00pm - Executive Committee Meeting
- 9 - 8:00pm - One Accord in Concert \$5.00 Cover charge
- 10 - 11:00am - Auxiliary Meeting
- 10 - 1:00pm - Membership Drive
- 14 - 7:00pm - Hump Day Movie Night
- 16 - 7:00pm - Auxiliary Sock Hop Dance \$5.00 Cover Charge
- 19 - 7:00pm - Executive Committee Meeting
- 21 - 7:00pm - Membership Meeting
- 24 - 11:00am - Auxiliary Meeting
- 28 - 6:30pm - SAL Meeting

September

- 2 - 7:00pm - Executive Committee Meeting
- 7 - 7:00pm - Auxiliary Country Western Night
- 8 - TBD - Patriot Day Celebration
- 14 - 11:00am - Auxiliary Meeting
- 16 - 7:00pm - Executive Committee Meeting
- 18 - 7:00pm - Membership Meeting
- 20 - 6:00pm - POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 25 - 6:30pm - SAL Meeting
- 28 - 11:00am - Auxiliary Meeting

MEETINGS

Executive Committee
1st & 3rd Monday @ 7pm

******NEW******
Membership
3rd Wednesday ONLY @ 7pm
Refreshment will be served.

Auxiliary
2nd & 4th Saturday @ 11am

Sons of the Legion (SAL)
4th Wednesday @ 6:30pm

Note: All meetings & events will be held at the Post unless otherwise noted by "@" sign.

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