

WELCOME TO THE VETERANS' REVEILLE

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Camp Gordon Johnston
Association's
31st Annual
**Veterans
Parade**
*Honoring All
Veterans*
**SATURDAY
MARCH 14, 2026
AT 10:45 AM ET**
**THRU DOWNTOWN CARRABELLE, FL
ALONG US HWY 98**
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Small logos for Camp Gordon Johnston and Forgotten Coast are visible at the bottom of the poster.

**Annual Camp Gordon
Veterans Parade –
March 14, 2026**





VETERAN'S REVEILLE AGENDA

March 6, 2026



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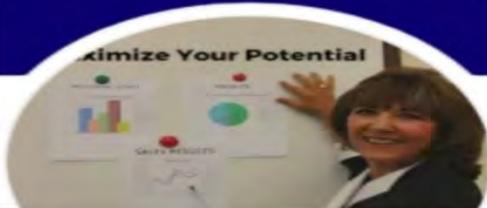
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THE APALACHICOLA TIMES AND THE PORT ST. JOE STAR THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2026 5A

An open letter to our state legislators



Gail Riegelmayer
Guest Columnist

In last week's Jan. 22 issue, I wrote a guest column to create awareness about several deeply concerning bills rapidly working their way

through the state legislature that only benefit developers and could be very detrimental to Franklin, Gulf and other counties. Time is of the essence for we, the people, to act now in order to have any hope to stop these bills in their tracks. Our state legislators need to hear from a critical mass of people for them to stop these extremely harmful bills.

I encourage you

to read the details of each bill on the www.myflorid.gov website (type the bill into the search window on the home page). Each of these bills favor developers to the detriment of rural communities and its natural resources.

The things that each bill have in common are loss of local cities' and counties' control, authority and oversight; by-pass of current development vetting

processes, including public hearings; mandates of what is/isn't allowed; placing of financial and legal risks on government entities, not developers; potential harmful impacts to wetlands, water quality and quantity, and loss of pollution control; increases in density; negatively affect our quality of life; and make it easier for developers to challenge cities' and counties' decisions.

If the developer wins, the cities and counties have to pay the developers' legal fees; they take a one-size-fits-all approach regardless of the uniqueness of each city and county.

Here is a distillation of other disturbing elements of each specific bill: **SB 180 Emergencies** prohibits impact fees on certain replacement structures and shifts the financial burden of public

infrastructure from developers to the existing tax-paying public. **SB 48 Housing** mandates that local governments allow accessory dwelling units (ADUs) "by right" in all single family residential areas, stripping cities and counties of their current authority to decide where these units are appropriate for their specific communities. By requir-

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VICE CDR
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RAMONE, AL
POST 82-
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AMERICAN POST 106 COMMANDER'S UPDATE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS...

- JOIN US IN **CAMP GORDON JOHNSTON MUSEUM 37TH ANNUAL VETERANS PARADE, SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 10:45. GATHER BEHIND IGA**
- **SAVE-THE-DATE, 10 AM, MONDAY, MAY 25, FOR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT 3 SERVICEMEN STATUS, VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK, APALACHICOLA. SR MSG CHIEF (RET) & APALACHICITY CITY MANAGER CHUCK ANDERSON IS GUEST SPEAKER**
- **SAVE-THE-DATE, JUNE 14, FOR ANNUAL FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY AT AMERICAN POST 106 LEGION HALL, APALACHICOLA**
- **CAMPAIGN FOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**
- **CONSIDER "LEGION FAMILY" PARTICIPATION**



Key Dates & Upcoming Events

MARCH 6, 2026

Please mark your calendars for the following Key Dates and upcoming Events in the area. Attendees are invited to participate in any of the following events.

- **Mar 3** - American Legion Post 82 Meeting (Monthly 1st Tuesday) – Lanark
- **Mar 6** – Veterans REVEILLE - 3 PM, Friday – 98 EATS Eastpoint
- **Mar 7** – 44th SGI Chili Charity Cookoff (Golf Fundraiser St James CC- Mar 6)
- **Mar 8** – Spring Forward, Daylight Saving Time Begins
- **Mar 14** – 31st Annual Camp Gordon Johnston Veterans Parade (Starts at 10:45 AM)
- **Mar 14** -Apalachicola Historical Society: *Piracy! The Last Scourge of the Gulf* (3 PM)
- **Mar 20-29** – Forgotten Coast Annual Plein Air Painting (Multiple locations)
- **Mar 28** – Carrabelle Culture Crawl
- **Mar 21** – Eastpoint VFD Charity Rib Cookoff
- **Mar 26** – American Legion Post 106 Meeting (Monthly Last Thursday) - Apalachicola
- **Apr 3** – Veterans REVEILLE - 3 PM, Friday – 98 EATS Eastpoint
- **Apr 18** - SGI Brewfest



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VETERANS REVEILLE**

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