

# WELCOME TO THE VETERANS' REVEILLE



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# Proud Possessors of a Priceless Heritage





# Sons of the American Legion Preamble



**Proud possessors of a priceless heritage, we male descendants of veterans of the Great Wars, associate ourselves together as "Sons of The American Legion" for the following purposes:**

- To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
- to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a true spirit of Americanism;
- to preserve the memories of our former members and the associations of our members and our forefathers in the Great Wars;
- to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the Community, State and Nation;
- to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses;
- to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth;
- to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;
- to consecrate and sanctify our friendship, by our devotion to mutual helpfulness;
- to adopt in letter and spirit, all of the great principles for which The American Legion stands;
- and to assist in carrying on for God and Country.

# What is the Sons of The American Legion?

The Sons of The American Legion is a program within the American Legion. We are a service organization built on the foundation of patriotism and honoring those who have served.

- Must be attached to a Post – can not stand alone
- Should have a strong tie and work with the sponsoring Post - live out the Preamble
- Is encouraged to also coordinate efforts within District and Detachment (working in developing Districts)



# How to form a Squadron

The formation of a Squadron is a lot like planting a garden for the first time.....

- Check and Prepare the Soil (verify interest)
- Plant the Seeds and promote growth (form the squadron, Post Committee supports the new squadron)
- Reap the harvest (Post/Squadron working together) to achieve more than before
- Plan for the next year/future



# Checking and Preparing the Soil

It Starts with the Post exploring the possibility of starting a squadron:

- Confirm support from the Post
  - Identify reason/goals for creating a Squadron (more than just because we can)
  - Post agree with taking on the effort
  - Identify committee to lead effort
- Start to Identify interest in Membership
  - Family Members
  - Neighbors/Friends of Post Members
  - Civic Leaders and Civic Workers
  - Other Organizations
- Get the packet (if you do not already have one)



# Planting the Seed – supporting growth

If there is enough interest/support, start to form:

- Hold informational meetings to confirm interest in SAL Membership
- Confirm Charter Members (at least 10 needed)
- Start Holding Regular Meetings to
  - Elect temporary officers
  - Complete Charter Application
  - Received Approved Charter



# Reaping the Harvest and planning for the future



Start your Squadron activities:

- Develop a 1 year plan with the Post
  - Elect Officers
  - Start completing some activities together
  - Start identifying if/where a squadron can execute activities on their own.
- Beyond – Squadron develops yearly Plans/Goals with Post supervision/interfaces
  - Work/interface/coordinate with the Post
  - Work/interface/coordinate with the Community
  - Work/interface/coordinate with District/Detachment
- Continue to grow.....continue the Mission

# Common Questions about Squadron and Post?

- Meetings
- Activities
- Fundraisers
- Finances



There is not a “Right Answer for All”, it all boils down to what is best for the Post/Squadron?

# Other Items – SAL Squadron Handbook

- 10 Ideals
- 5 Point Program
- Calendar of Events
- Services and Ceremonies
- Bylaws
- Resources available at:

[www.wisal.org/new-squadron](http://www.wisal.org/new-squadron)



# Final Comment

We work best and achieve the most when we work together as a *Family*

Thank you for considering adding a SAL Squadron as part of your *Post Family*



***Thank you for the opportunity  
to be with your Post tonight***



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**THANK YOU REVELLE  
FOR ANOTHER \$1000 DELIVERY  
OF FOOD ITEMS TO TALLY'S  
VETERANS VILLAGE SHELTER!!**



**Chief Warrant Officer William  
'Boogie' Knight, Army Cobra  
Helicopter Pilot Vietnam  
1970**



# AMERICAN POST 106 COMMANDER'S UPDATE

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **THANK YOU FOR HELPING US ACHIEVE 100% RENEWALS**
- **SUPPORT THE NEW "SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION" RECRUITMENT INITIATIVE. CONSIDER "LEGION FAMILY" PARTICIPATION.**
- **JOIN US FOR POST EXEC. CMTE & REG. MTGS, APRIL 8 & 30**
- **SAVE-THE-DATE, SATURDAY, APRIL 25, FOR PSJ LEGION GOLF TOURNAMENT & FUNDRAISER**
- **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) & APALACH CITY MANAGER CHUCK ANDERSON IS GUEST SPEAKER**
- **SAVE-THE-DATE, JUNE 14, FOR ANNUAL FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY AT AMERICAN POST 106 LEGION HALL, APALACHICOLA**





**SGI Civic Club Annual Golf Tournament**  
 8th ANNUAL EVENT ON FRIDAY, APRIL 24 2026

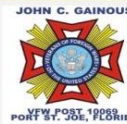
[Register Now](#)

JOIN US FOR THE 8TH ANNUAL SGI CIVIC CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

# SGI Charity Golf Tournament April 24, 2026



## Veterans "Still Serving" Scramble



**Saturday, April 25th, 2026**

12:00pm EST Shotgun Start



- 4 Person Scramble / \$340 per Team
  - \$85 for Singles, will be teamed up to make 4
  - Price includes Range Balls, Golf w/cart, and Lunch
  - Challenges: Hole in One, Longest Drive, and Closest to the Pin
- 
- Mulligan and Tee Buster package available for \$20
  - Mimosa and Bloody Mary Bar available
  - Gift Raffle and 50/50 Raffle available
  - Sponsor opportunities available
  - Honor a Veteran with a green side sign for only \$25

Schedule: 10am Mimosa/Bloody Mary Bar Open, 11am Lunch, 11:45 Flag Ceremony, 12pm Shotgun Start, 4pm Awards and 50/50 drawing

**\*When paying at the Pro Shop make Checks payable to "VFW Post 10069" \*Entry fee tax deductible**

The VFW, VFW Auxiliary, American Legion, and American Legion Auxiliary use the funds raised to support local Veteran Services, Student Scholarships, and Children Education Programs.

**Register Today by calling St. Joseph Bay Golf Club**

**850-227-1751**



# Key Dates & Upcoming Events

**APRIL 3, 2026**

- **Please mark your calendars for the following Key Dates and upcoming Events.**
- Mar 31 – May 2 – Special Exhibit: Remembering the Holocaust, CGJ Museum
- **Apr 3** - Veterans REVEILLE - 3 PM, Friday – 98 EATS Eastpoint
- **Apr 7** - American Legion Post 82 Meeting (Monthly 1st Tuesday) – Lanark
- **Apr 18** – St. George Island Brewfest, 1 PM – 4 PM
- **Apr 18** – Apalachicola Car & Boat Show, 10 AM – 3 PM
- **Apr 24** – SGI Civic Club Golf Tournament & Charity Fundraiser, St. James GC
- **Apr 25** - Carrabelle Riverfront Festival & 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Airing of Quilts – Carrabelle
- **Apr 25** – PSJ American Legion Golf Tournament, Salute to Service, PSJ GC
- **Apr 30** – American Legion Post 106 Meeting (Monthly Last Thursday) - Apalachicola
- **May 1** – Veterans REVEILLE - 3 PM, Friday – 98 EATS Eastpoint
- **May 2** – Historical Apalachicola Home and Garden Tour



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FEBRUARY 26, 2026



*MARK A. SHIELDS*

MARK SHIELDS  
COMMANDER  
AMERICAN LEGION POST 106<sup>TH</sup>



*James Donald*

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MAJOR GENERAL, U.S. ARMY (RET)  
CHAIR, VETERANS REVEILLE