

VFW POST 2093



The Action Post on the Lake

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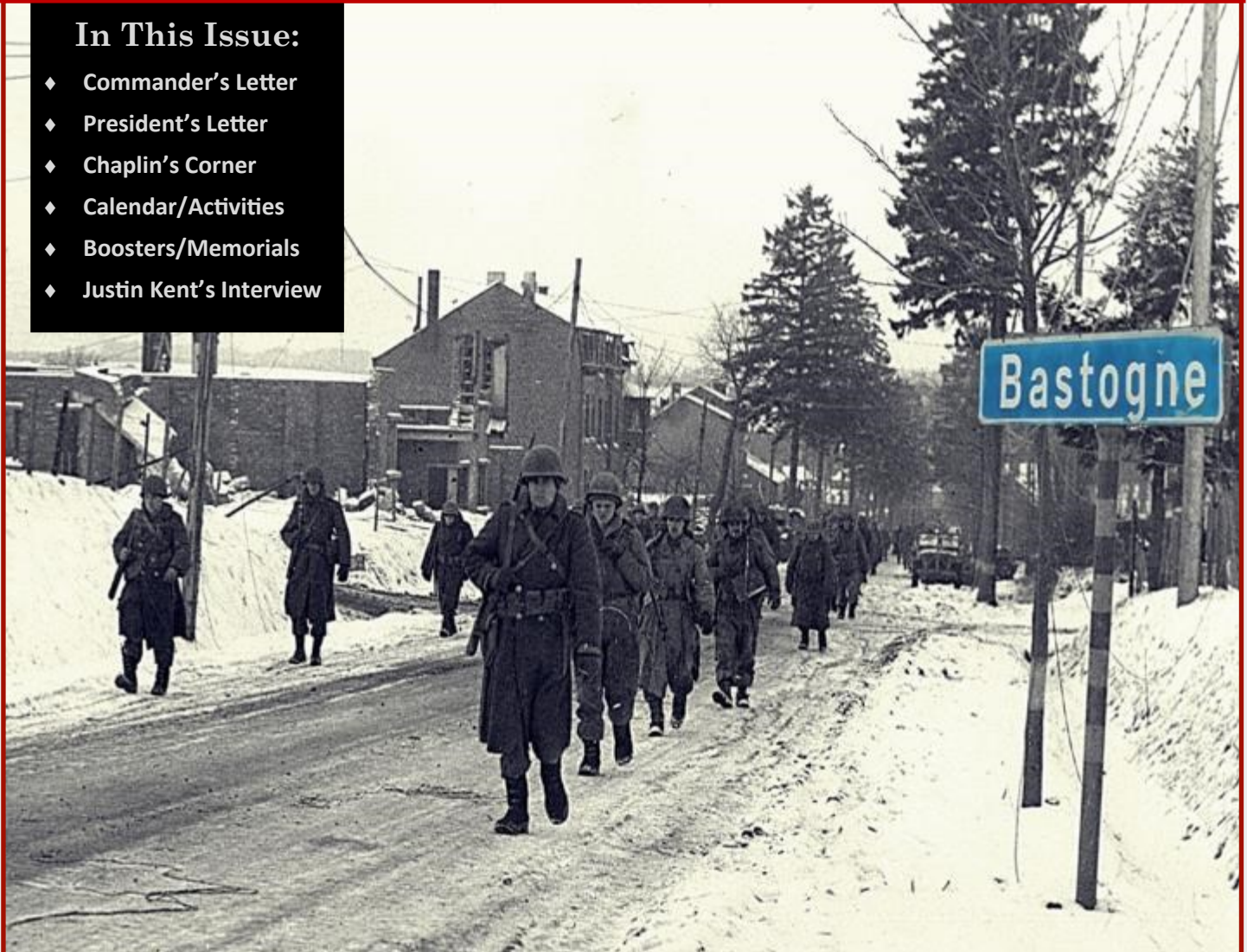
VFW Post 2093 Newsletter

January 2021

Battle of the Bulge

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December 16, 1944 — January 25, 1945

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Commander's Letter

Go Coast Guard! Go Army!



Greetings from your Action Post on the Lake!

A lot has been going on around the Post since the last newsletter. I would like to thank the following volunteers for their hard work and contributions to making the Post a place to be proud of: Priscilla Bailey for taking over the newsletter; Glenn Bailey for pressure washing all the sidewalks; Haward May for his help with maintaining the grounds; Vella Scally for helping in the kitchen; Smitty and the band for their generous donation towards the air conditioner (the new air conditioner for the big hall has been installed); Jim for replacing the smoke eater fan motor.

Thanks to all the bartenders and kitchen staff for all you do. Your contributions have brought in many new faces. In addition, speaking of the kitchen, if you have not been to the Post in a while, we have a terrific lunch menu as well as dinners on Friday nights. Please stop in and try it out. There is a little something to fit everyone's taste.

While the Governor has allowed us to fully reopen, business has been slowly picking up. However, we still must remain vigilant in our efforts to do what we can to mitigate the spread of COVID19. This is not an easy task for the staff so be patient with them. We are still taking temperatures at the door, masks when you enter the building or are not actively eating or drinking, frequent hand washing and social distancing. I know it is a pain but it will help us stay open.

As always, if you see something that is broken or have recommendations on how to make the Post a better place to be, bring it to the attention of one of the officers or bartenders. Suggestions are always welcome.

Charlie Morton, Commander
U. S Coast Guard (ret)
U. S. Army Vietnam Veteran



From the Auxiliary President Desk

Remember Love and Kindness are Never Wasted!



Happy New Year everyone!

Saying Goodbye to 2020 was very easy to do. Last year was very difficult for many People who lost their jobs, homes even loved ones. However, we have to be thankful for what we have and move forward. The VA facilities have yet to fully open for us to have ice cream social and bingo with the patients. Until then, we will continue to help them in other ways.

Remember, bingo is in the Aux. room every Saturday at 1 pm. We need Bingo callers, please sign up to help. Getting on the rotation keeps some people from having to do it all time. On the other hand, just come out and support the Aux we always a good time.

Has been very nice to see new members joining , but would love to see some of the older members come back. Currently we are in 2nd place in district for membership. Let's keep it going.

We are still following CDC rules, still social distancing limiting crowds and our commander Charlie has done a great job keeping the members safe in the post. If you do not feel good about being in public please stay home until you are comfortable with being around people.

Until next month,, Stay safe& above all be kind.

Jani Ramsey, President
Post 2093 Auxiliary / Proud Lifetime Member

2020 / 2021 Officers

Post	Auxiliary
Commander: Charlie Morton	President: Jani Ramsey
Sr. Vice Commander: Dante Ricciardi	S. Vice President: Chrissy Campbell
Jr. Vice Commander: Mason Hoyle	Jr. Vice President: Krista Guthrie
QM/Adjutant: Scott Henry	Secretary: Kathleen Godard
Chaplin/Surgeon: Luke Anziano	Treasurer: Kathy Swoger
1st Year Trustee: Richard Thomas	Chaplain: Barbara Heath
2nd Year Trustee: George (Sarge) Piliogios	Guard: Jeff Swoger
3rd Year Trustee: Leon Jones	1st Year Trustee: Shelly Johnson
Service Officer: Mason Hoyle	2nd Year Trustee: Chrissy Campbell
	3rd Year Trustee: Stephanie Henry



Chaplin's Corner



Happy New Year 2093!

This month we remember the heroes of World War II and specifically those who fought in the Battle of the Bulge. In December 1944, General Patton's Third Army was ready to provide relief to the men at the front, but bad weather threatened their advance. General Patton contacted his Chaplain, Father James H. O'Neil to provide a prayer, in attempt to implore the Lord to intervene. Chaplain O'Neil composed the following:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we humbly beseech Thee, of Thy great goodness, to restrain these immoderate rains with which we have had to contend. Grant us fair weather for Battle. Graciously hearken to us as soldiers who call upon Thee that, armed with Thy power, we may advance from victory to victory, and crush the oppression and wickedness of our enemies and establish Thy justice among men and nations.

General Patton had the prayer distributed among the men saying, "We must ask God to stop these rains. These rains are that margin that holds defeat or victory. If we all pray...it will be like plugging in on a current whose source in in Heaven. I believe that prayer completes that circuit. It is power."

This prayer card was distributed to all the men, with a Christmas Greeting printed on the reverse side between December 12th and 14th. Two days later the American armies were able to engage the enemy in the Battle of the Bulge.

I pray that we all find inner meaning in this story. When we feel that the obstacles that stand in our way are too big for us to control, let us remember to find peace and pray.

Respectfully,

Luke Anziano, Chaplain

U.S. Army Veteran Iraq & Afghanistan

Please visit our new Website

www.VFW2093.org

You will find Tabs across the top to explore. Please visit each one to discover a lot of VFW and Post information. Under the **News** tab is our monthly calendar and under the **LOGIN** tab we also have **Members Only** tab where members will find:

- ◆ Post meeting minutes
- ◆ House committee minutes
- ◆ Please remember we are still under construction
- ◆ Auxiliary members are under construction

Members only can login by selecting **LOGIN** from the Home Page

User Name will be your **VFW ID number** on your membership card



2. The Allies missed several early warning signs of an offensive.

Days	Recurring Events	Kitchen Available
Monday—Saturday	Lunch is Being Served Wings served every day!!!	11:00pm-2:00pm
Monday—Friday	Happy Hour 4:00-6:00pm	Closed—Sorry
Saturdays & Sundays	\$1.25 Bloody Marys' 11:00am-1:00pm	See below
Saturdays	Aux Bingo @ 1:00pm (Auxiliary Room) Smoking outside door	11:00am-2:00pm
3rd Sundays of the Month	Breakfast Once a Month by Steph	8:00am-11:00am
Mondays	Show Me the Money @ 6:30pm	Closed—Sorry
Wednesdays	Wing Night Car Races with Commentator Martin or Dante	6:00pm-Until ? 7:00pm
Fridays	Homemade Scratched Dinners made by Steph & Heather Karaoke with your favorite DJ Martin	6:00pm 7:00pm
2nd Sunday of the Month	M-E-A-T Bingo @ 2:30 by Laura	No kitchen, but a surprise snack

WE HAVE A PAY PAL ACCOUNT

We are using this account to:

- ◆ Donate to Post Building Fund
- ◆ Donate to Post General Fund
- ◆ Become a Booster
- ◆ Submit a Memorial

Pay your VFW / VFWA dues Please pay and keep current. We need 100%

Click on the PayPal link below to Donate.



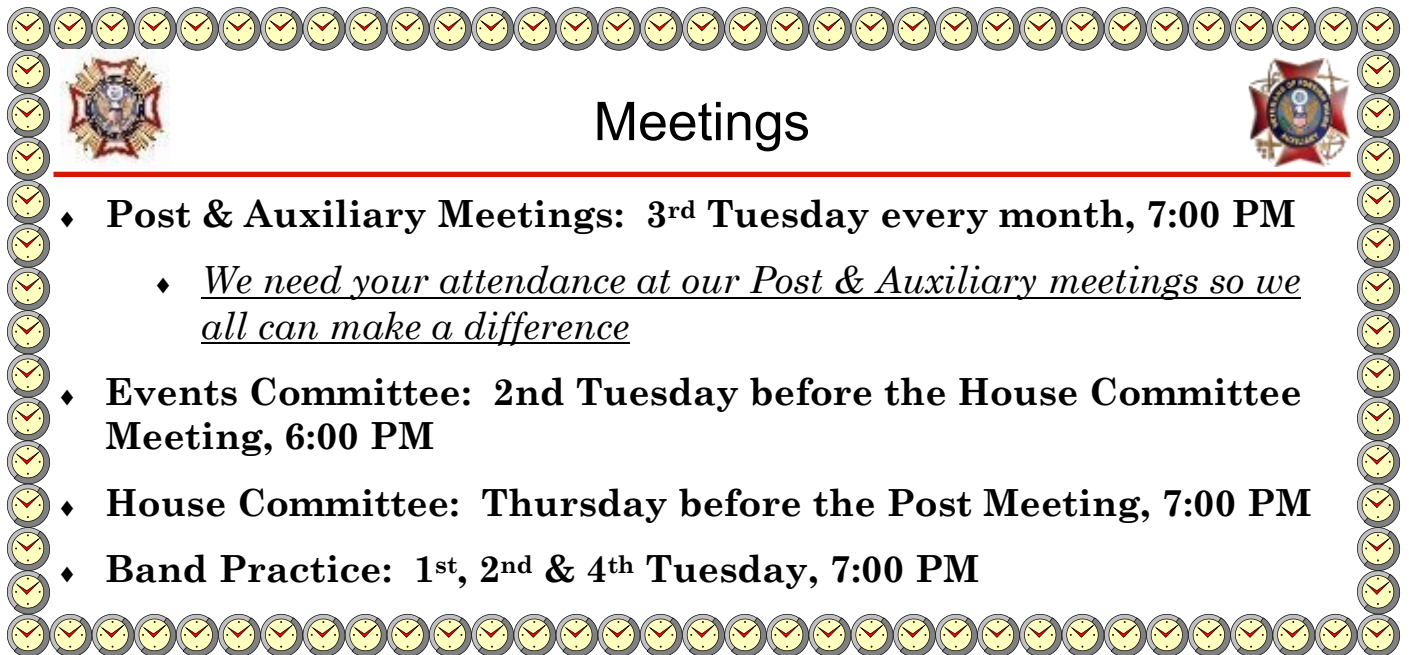
- You can also mail a check to :
 - Payable to: VFW Post 2093
 - 4444 Edgewater Drive, Orlando, FL 32804 (Please earmark it for what fund)


Here's hoping you make the most of 2021!

Remember our Post survives on Volunteers. In 2021, please consider doing your part. Do what you can. When you can. We have many opportunities where **YOU** can make a difference. Just let the Bartender or Post Officer know you want to volunteer and they will match you with what we need now or in the near future.


What's Happening

Mark Your Calendar		January	
Sunday 10th 2:30		M-E-A-T Bingo with Laura	
Sunday 17th 8:00-11:00am		Breakfast by Steph	
Saturday 23rd 7:30am-12:30pm		Rummage Sale <u>Items are needed on Jan 20th—22nd</u>	
Friday Feb 5th 5:30pm		Steak dinner with band Steel at 7:00pm	





Meetings



- ◆ **Post & Auxiliary Meetings: 3rd Tuesday every month, 7:00 PM**
 - ◆ We need your attendance at our Post & Auxiliary meetings so we all can make a difference
- ◆ **Events Committee: 2nd Tuesday before the House Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM**
- ◆ **House Committee: Thursday before the Post Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- ◆ **Band Practice: 1st, 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:00 PM**

Newsletter Notice

Newsletter mail outs have been **discontinued**, however, you may view or download and print directly from the www.vfw2093.org/News site. If you would like the Newsletter mailed to you. Please provide your name and address along with \$10 (per annual subscription). Made payable to VFW Post 2093, attention Newsletter, 4444 Edgewater Dr., Orlando, FL 32804

Memorials

Harry Wright / Loving Memory



Renew now for 2021 Monthly Publication

Annual Memorials \$20

Annual Boosters \$10

Boosters

Glenn & Priscilla Bailey

Brian Hewitt

January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				31 New Year's Eve Party 6:00	1	2 Aux Bingo 1:00
3	4 Show me the Money 6:30	5	6 Wings 6:00 & Car Races 7:00	7	8 Dinner 6:00 & Karaoke 7:00	9 Aux Bingo 1:00
10 MEAT Bingo 2:30	11 Show me the Money 6:30	12 Events Committee Mtg 6:30	13 Wings 6:00 & Car Races 7:00	14 House Committee Mtg 7:00	15 Dinner 6:00 & Karaoke 7:00	16 Aux Bingo 1:00
17 Breakfast 8:00-11:00am	18 Show me the Money 6:30	19 Post, Aux Meeting 7:00	20 Wings 6:00 & Car Races 7:00	21	22 Dinner 6:00 & Karaoke 7:00	23 Aux Bingo 1:00 Rumage Sale 7:30-12:30
24	25 Show me the Money 6:30	26	27 Wings 6:00 & Car Races 7:00	28	29 Dinner 6:00 & Karaoke 7:00	30 Aux Bingo 1:00
31	1	2	3	4	5 Steak & Steel 5:30 band at 7:00	



VFW 2093 CEILING TILE FUNDRAISER

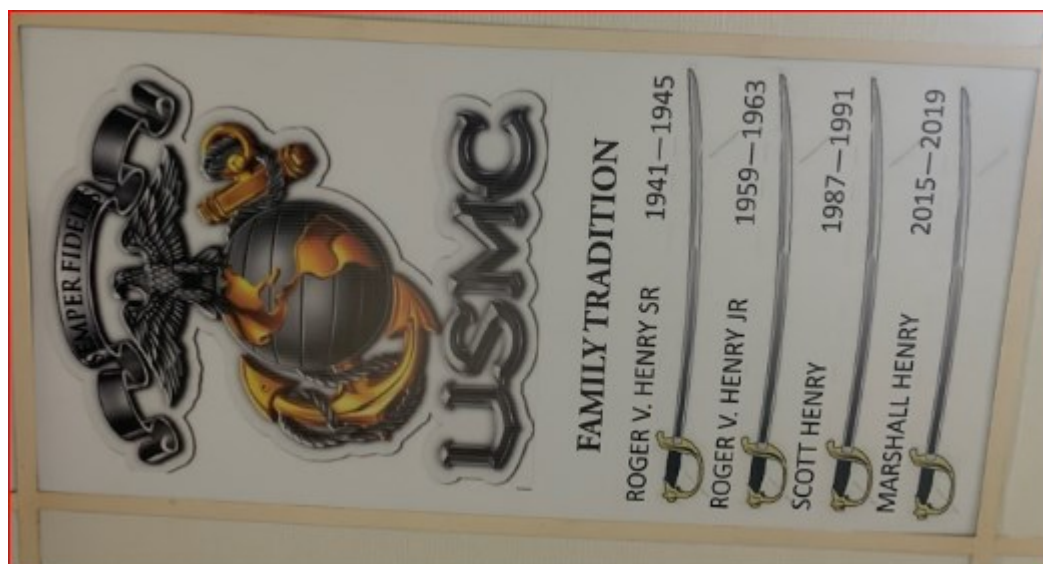
Post fundraiser to benefit our Post and allow our members to show their support and to Honor their Loved ones that has served in Combat. Yes, you too can be on the tile as long as the person you are honoring is a full member. You can have your message, logo, picture, in **memory of, or In Honor of** on a ceiling tile. The 2'x 4' tiles will be placed in the game room. You can pay for the full tile or get someone to split the tile with you to do a 2' x 2'. You cannot pick your spot/ location for your tile. Tiles will stay in place until they become unsightly or damaged. The Post will not replace or refund any tile that may get damaged after placement. Price is as follows:

2'x4' Tile \$125 2'x2' Tile \$75

*if you order a 2'x2' tile, it will not be ordered until a second 2'x2' tile is ordered. Both will go on a full tile

Please submit what you want on your Tile to Scott Henry at (scott@safeharborfla.com) if there is artwork please arrange time to sit down with Scott. Anyone can create there own tile by using Publisher and set boundaries to 2ft x 4ft. Sign company will not enlarge artwork on their end.

As this is a new concept, any changes/issues/questions will be decided by the chairperson or Post Commander.



This is one of the ceiling tiles in our Game Room. Please show your support for this fundraiser.



New Year's Eve Party At VFW Post 2093

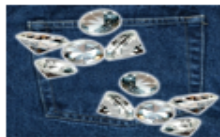
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Thursday December 31, 2020

Featuring "DJ John Grill" 

Mark your Calendars. Details to follow.

Check www.vfw2093.org for all upcoming events and details for New Years Eve!



Ring in the New Year with your Family & Friends at VFW Post 2093!!



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JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST & ME AT VFW POST 2093



Sunday January 17th * 8AM to 11AM

All your favorites will be available such as Bacon, Eggs, Sausage, Sausage Gravy, Pancakes, French Toast, just to name a few and a "Special of the Day".



Come Out & Support your VFW!!



Mark your calendars for upcoming breakfast dates:
February 21st & March 21st

CDC Social Distancing Guidelines will be observed!



VFW Post 2093 is having a



Sat. Jan.23, 2021 - 7:30AM to 12:30PM

RUMMAGE SALE DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

IT'S A NEW YEAR AND IT'S TIME TO CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS, ATTICS, GARAGES AND UNWANTED GIFTS TO HELP YOUR POST!!

PLEASE BRING YOUR USABLE DONATIONS TO THE POST JAN 20TH TO JAN 22RD.



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INVITES YOU TO



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH 2021

DONATION: ~~\$14.00~~



DINNER STARTS @ 5:30PM

STEEL @ 7:00PM



JOIN US FOR 16OZ STRIP STEAK W/ BAKED POTATO AND AN EVENING OF GREAT MUSIC!!



COME AND SUPPORT YOUR POST!!

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Member Spotlight

Interview by Priscilla Bailey, editor



Introducing Army Specialist, Justin Kent, Purple Heart Recipient, age 37

Justin is an Orlando native who grew up on the west side of Orlando, FL. Justin went to West Orange High School. He did not care for the typical curriculum so he dropped out and went to work with his Uncle Mark full time. He enjoyed working with his hands and seeing a finished product. Justin grew up not knowing his biological father. While he had two uncles, grandmother and mother who cared for his well-being at a young age, Uncle Mark became the one he looked up to the most. Justin says he learned about integrity and to stand up for what you believe in from his uncle.

During his free time, he enjoyed watching documentaries about WWI & WWII and history. He became deeply moved to fight evil, he wanted to protect a pantheon (a group of persons most highly regarded for contributions to a field or endeavor); therefore, a need to serve. He joined the Army Infantry in 2005. Asked why the Army he says he was inspired by a quote from President Theodore Roosevelt, "**Far better is it to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure... than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy nor suffer much, because they live in a gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.**" Justin went to Bagdad where he helped to setup a sting operation inside Bagdad where they were looking for the bad people. I believe Justin referred to it as, "looking for evil almost like the Whack-A-Mole game."

On March 15, 2007, his van was hit by an IED. The truck commander instructed the driver to keep going. They made it two more blocks before they were hit by a second attack. Justin was knocked unconscious by a blow to his head. After he came to, he saw his fellow soldiers also unconscious. He gathered everyone to safety. Later he asked the medic when he was going to return to fighting, he was told that he was going home. Justin loss six (6) of his comrades during his first deployment and suffers from Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

Today, he is learning Python a computer coding language. He has created a hobby in building and repairing computers to maximize their performance. He enjoys seeking a solution for people's computer issues. He will help be happy to assist anyone with his or her computer problems. During his free time, Justin volunteers for Meals on Wheels and for our Post. I asked what he liked most about our Post, he said, he loved how we all came together during COVID to keep our Post alive, but mostly how we are here for each other, after all we are our brothers and sisters.

At the end of this interview, he described himself as the "real deal" what you see is what you get. He also committed to seeing his mother more often. He described her as a selflessness person, a person who gives him a sense of re-calibration by her presence, as she is someone who is pure of heart.



Each month I am writing an article to focus on a "Member Spotlight" for our Newsletter. This month is about Justin Kent who in 2018 transferred his membership to 2093. In sharing his story, you could get to know him and perhaps find something new in common with our new member. Are you interested in having your story told? Contact Priscilla Bailey at pbailey31@CFL.RR.Com or call 407.290.9159



Fom the Canteen



We would like to thank all of you who continue to support our Post. Just a quick reminder that we have our Happy Hour Monday—Friday 4:00-6:00pm and \$1 Bloody Mary's on Saturday and Sunday 11:00-1:00pm.

Did you know we have daily and weekly drawings for cash? You will need to donate and sign up for the drawings. Each morning the daily is drawn is from our membership roster and every Thursday morning we draw for the Weekly. These drawings benefit our Post General Fund.

In support of the Post CDC Guidelines, masks are required upon entry and our bartender will take your temperature. We ask that you do not add any additional chairs at the bar. Additionally, we have sanitizers placed around the game room. Please remember to use them before you play any of the games.

Cindy Stull, Canteen Manager
And Your Bartenders

300 Club

Have You Heard of the 300 Club?

Need some \$\$\$, Take a Chance
\$5.00 a ticket

When **300** tickets are sold a drawing is held for **\$500**
Benefits Post General Fund

A CHANCE TO WIN **1 in 300 will WIN \$500 !!**

See Bartender

Useless Knowledge

- * A sneeze is faster than an eye blink—True
- * John F. Kennedy is on the \$2 bill—False (Thomas Jefferson)
- * Fingernails grow faster than hair—False
- * The Olympic Gold Medal is made of silver—True
- * The right lung is slightly smaller than the left lung—False (left lung is smaller to make room for the heart)
- * A shrimp heart is in the head—True
- * Pigs cannot look up into the sky—True
- * A giraffe says “moo” —True

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We would like to have you as a member.



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