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**Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each Month • [www.SeminolePost.org](http://www.SeminolePost.org) • email: [Commander@seminolepost.org](mailto:Commander@seminolepost.org)**



## Fellow Legionnaires

### Commander

### Wilfredo Santiago

Welcome to our post, just to let you know what has been going on and the next activities being worked as we speak.

First and foremost, the Stand Down September 9th, 2017. This is an activity

sponsored by the Veterans Administration, for the sole purpose of offering a whole array of free services, including Meals, Clothing and even Haircuts to those Veterans that have fallen on hard times. There might be some homeless people, and these will not be turned away.

The Main Hall and the Annex will be used as the main location for these activities, so this day will be assigned exclusively to the Stand Down. We are very proud that we have been asked to carry on this event for the last four years, and we will be receiving visitors from other Posts. I ask every member to attend the event and show solidarity with our fellow Veterans. Reserve the date, **September 9th**, from **9AM to 1:30 PM**, members attendance will be appreciated.

On Saturday August 12 we held a memorial service for our brother in arms Rudy Valdez.

Rudy was a member of Our Post for the last seven years. In attendance were his wife, and the rest of the family and some friends. John Harris officiated the ecclesiastical services, Willie Little played taps and I offered our condolences to the widow on behalf of the Post.

We continue improving the Lounge, with the donation of shrubs and flowers from Seminole Heights Neighborhood Association. Planting was done by the Chamberlain Marine Corps JR TC, our plans about turning the yard into a garden is becoming a reality.

Remember the first Wednesday of the month is the General Meeting, we want you to attend and give us your valuable input, the meeting starts at 1900 hrs.

Thank you

## *OFFICERS*

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Senior VP

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Junior VP

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Past Commander

**WILLIE LITTLE**  
Finance Officer

**RICK MILLER**  
Adjutant

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

#### MEMBERS AT LARGE

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## **FINANCIAL OFFICER STATEMENT**

### **WILLIE LITTLE, JR FINANCIAL REPORT**

Our Financial for July was mixed. Our loss of \$2.8K primarily due to continue renovation of our sixty four (64) year old facility which was over \$13K. This renovation activity will be significantly reduced over the next several months as we complete our current renovation projects. All future projects will require a rate-of return analysis.

I planned to provide some insight on how I see my role as a Financial Manager of this great institution. However, due to the unfortunate activities in our Lounge over the last two weeks that lead to the dismissal of one of our employees due to insubordination and two employees resigned voluntarily. I will provide that insight next month.

Back to the issues at hand, these employees adversely reacted to the implementation of a check-and balance procedure of the sales verification for each shift whereas a supervisor/ manager removes the cash drawer from the register and both bartender and supervisor/ manager verify the sales receipts for that shift.

We are aware that there are other issues that Lounge Committee must address due to recent decisions that we made. We will act upon them in a deliberated manner and despite the RHETORIC from our former employees regarding their love of their jobs and interactions with our Veterans and other patrons. Well, I'm OLD SCHOOL—ACTION SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS!! Less than twenty hours (20) after the implementation of a Universal Check–Balance Procedure, they abandoned their jobs with sole purposes of causing hardship to this Veterans organization that they profess to love.

We hopeful that our members and other patrons will continue to support us .

Thank You

Willie Little, Jr

Financial Officer

## **S.A.L NEWS**

**Fish Fry September 8th**

**Attention SAL members: It's time to pay your dues. Dues are \$30 per year. Please pay your dues, it's for a good cause. Please see the Adjutant or mail dues to**

**SAL Squadron 111, 6918 Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33604**

**Thank you**

**Victor Hirsch, SAL Adjutant**

**Al Antinori, SAL Commander**

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Betsy Johnson decided to donate her Elvis poster to benefit the veterans. It was given to her by her then boss, who obtained the poster in 1996 which he purchased at the Old historical Post Office in Washington, DC. Elvis Presley served in the United States Army between March 1958 and March 1960. At the time of his draft, he was one of the most well known names in the entertainment world.

Tickets are \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. All proceeds go to help the Veteran's programs. We are discussing a drawing date beginning of December. I've discussed this with Al Garcia who will be promoting it at Johnny Charro.

### **Ladies Auxiliary Dinner**

**Auxiliary Dinner is going to be First Monday of the month.**

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## **Zumba Classes**

**Get moving and get motivated by taking a group fitness class. We are offering Zumba every Monday 6:30-7:30pm in the Main Hall. Zumba incorporates Aerobics and Dance routines set to up-beat music open to all ages. Come try out, first class is free! \$5 for each class after the first one. Bootcamp sessions also available for all fitness levels. Contact us for free wellness evaluation.**

**Carlos Vargas (Certified Personal Trainer) Ph:210-454-9321**

**Stephania Vergas (Licensed Zumba Instructor) Ph: 210-473-1069**

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## **ENTERTAINMENT IN HALL**

**September 4th Women Auxiliary Spaghetti Dinner 5pm till gone n Karaoke**

**September 1st, 15th and 29th Beach Boppers 7pm-11:30pm**

**Johnny Charro every Thursday, (Hall) 7pm-11pm**

**Zumba in the Hall @6:30pm- every Monday \$10 donation**

**Email: [csvfit@gmail.com](mailto:csvfit@gmail.com)**





***Congrats to 2017 American Legion Seminole Post 111 Boys State Delegate Drew Fonda***

***Drew Fonda, 2017 Boys State delegate, was presented a plaque for his participation in the annual youth leadership program in Tallahassee, Fl by Boys State Officer in charge Al Garcia and Post Commander Wilfredo Santiago***

***Drew, a senior at Hillsborough High School in the IB program, gratefully shared his experience through a PowerPoint presentation at the August Monthly post meeting .***

***Drew shared that it was a wonderful leadership opportunity and he was proud to represent American Legion Seminole Post 111***

***Congrats to you Drew and the best of luck in your future endeavors***

**New Post Service Officer is Andy Fonda if you need help email at  
afonda0525@gmail.com**

**Veterans Resources:**

**eBenefits.va.gov**

**General Information, Forms, Employment sources.**

**VA Benefits: 800-827-1000**

**Floridavets.org**

**State Veterans benefits, discounts**

**FAVA-727-319-7440**

**hillsboroughcounty.org/government/departments/ consumer**

**Hillsborough County Veterans Services**

**813-635-8316**

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# SEPTEMBER 2017

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

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3	4 Zumba n Boot- camp  Classes 6:30-7:30PM Auxiliary Dinner	5 S.A.L Meeting 7pm-8pm	General Meeting 7pm - 8pm	7 Johnny Charro 8pm-11pm	8 S.A.L. Fish Fry - 5:30pm \$8	9
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