

DELANDINGS



DeLand Naval Air Station Museum, DeLand, Florida

MAY 2016



MAY 30, 2016

**A TIME TO HONOR AMERICAN HEROS
IN MEMORY OF ALL WHO SERVED**

MEMORIAL DAY HISTORY

Memorial Day started as an event to honor Union soldiers, who had died during the American Civil War. It was inspired by the way people in the Southern states honored their dead.

Three years after the Civil War ended, on May 5, 1868, the head of an organization of Union veterans established Decoration Day as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan declared that Decoration Day should be observed on May 30. It is believed that date was chosen because flowers would be in bloom all over the country.

After World War I, it was extended to include all men and women, who died in any war or military action.

Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day, however the current name for this day changed after World War II. Decoration Day and then Memorial Day used to be held on May 30, regardless of the day of the week, on which it fell. In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed as part of a move to use federal holidays to create three-day weekends. This meant that that, from 1971, Memorial Day holiday has been officially observed on the last Monday in May.



Rotary Club of DeLand Volunteers place flags along Downtown DeLand Mainstreet annually. (Right) Flags being placed by the DeLand Naval Air Station WWII Mural on the corner of Woodland Boulevard and New York Avenue in DeLand, Florida. Other organizations and volunteers place flags in local cemeteries and hold ceremonies to honor Veterans.

OUR VETERANS HONORED

**EMBRY RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY
HOSTS THE 8TH ANNUAL
VETERANS RECOGNITION DAY**



On Monday, April 11, 2016, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University hosted their 8th Annual Veteran's Appreciation Day Ceremony and luncheon at the ICI Center on campus. Guest Speakers included retired U. S. Air Force Lt. Col. Ron Mumm.

DeLand Naval Air Station Veterans joined many other Veterans as honored guests at the event. We are proud of all of our Veterans and thank them for their service.



COMMUNITY EVENT

“Defending Freedom Warrior Weekend”

cpswarriorweekend.org



(Left) Defending Freedom Warrior Weekend Sponsors and Volunteers gathered to kick off their annual fundraiser weekend to benefit local and regional wounded veterans organizations. (Right) Jim and Beverly Outlaw with Quin Booth and Charlie Merritt. The evening block party downtown the next day was hampered by bad weather and donations can still be made. Contact Quin at cpswarriorweekend@gmail.com/(786)-487-8114 to support this important event to benefit Veterans.

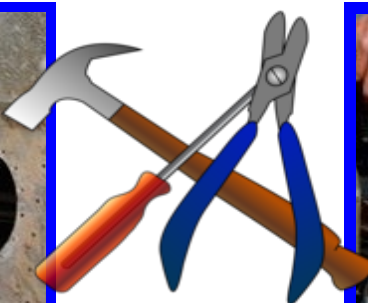


Charlie Merritt, Chapter Treasurer with Central Florida Paralyzed Veterans of America with his family.
www.pvacf.org

Bill Brennan, Therapist, My Angel With Paws, with psychotherapy dog “Thor”.
www.myangelwithpaws.org

Lynne Scoby with “Izzy”, a breeder golden retriever for My Angel With Paws therapy dogs for Veterans.

RESTORATION UPDATES



The F-14 Fighter Jet maintenance is continuing as volunteers replace decals on the plane after repairing and painting weather damaged areas. Donations are needed to help purchase a protective cover to slow the on-going sun and moisture damage to the aircraft.



Isaiah Carlton, volunteer student from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University "Riddle Redeemers", assists the PTF-3 Vietnam era Boat Restoration Crew.



Volunteer Don Rowley works in the hot sun on the management end of a PHD (Post Hole Digger), securing museum signage.





25TH ANNUAL BIG BAND HANGAR DANCE



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2016

7:00 PM—10:30 PM

CALL BARBARA FOR EARLY RESERVATIONS (386) 717-1492

JACK FORTES BIRTHDAY CRUISE



Jack visits the Coliseum in Rome, Italy.

Jack Fortes, WWII Veteran stationed at DeLand Naval Air Station 1945-46, celebrated his 92nd birthday by traveling on a Harry James Orchestra Cruise. He had a great time and was able to visit Portugal, Spain and Rome, Italy. We appreciate Jack's continued passion for the 1940's era Big Band Music and his willingness to share his knowledge and experiences with community groups. He helped plan the first Big Band Hangar Dance and has already reserved his table for the 25th Annual Big Band Hangar Dance scheduled for 11/11/2016.

DeLand Breakfast
Rotary
Club



SUPPORT THE 25TH ANNUAL WILD GAME FEAST



THURSDAY, MAY 5TH, 2016

5:00PM—9:00PM

**Tommy Lawrence Arena @
The Volusia County Fairgrounds**

TICKETS \$50 EACH

PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

www.wildgamefeast.org

The 2016 menu includes smoked pork, fried rattlesnake, chicken wings, pulled pork, smoked venison, smoked venison sausage, prairie chicken, frog legs, corn on the cob, fried venison, venison chili, smoked turkey, blackened gator, swamp cabbage...and more!

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT.....

Please support the DeLand Breakfast Rotary Club 25th Annual Wild Game Feast on May 5, 2016. The fundraiser has historically distributed more than \$1.4 million to nonprofit organizations and community groups, including the DeLand Naval Air Station Museum. The event time is scheduled for 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Tommy Lawrence Arena at the Volusia County Fairgrounds, 3150 E. New York Ave.

Tickets are \$50 each and available through DeLand Breakfast Rotary members or online at www.wildgamefeast.org. They can also be purchased at Prime Car, 2210 N. Woodland Blvd., or Quality Quickprint, 1441 N. Amelia Ave.

This year's proceeds will benefit more than 40 organizations. For more information, contact Steven Crump, the 2015 event chairman, at 386-748-5231. or by email atstevenscrump@hotmail.com.

As always, we thank all of our sponsors and volunteers for supporting our on-going efforts to preserve our local history.

Harold Bradeen, DNASM President
"In Memory of All Who Served"



Our thanks to Rodney Thomas of Osteen for his work preparing the memorial site that will honor and remember U.S. Navy Ensign William T. Bellmire. Ensign Bellmire crashed in an SBD-5 plane on this site on 2/1/1944, during a training flight from the DeLand Naval Air Station. He was 25.

The memorial plaque is being donated and prepared by [Deltona Memorial Funeral Home](http://DeltonaMemorialFuneralHome.com).

www.dignitymemorial.com

NEEDS LIST

WATER:

We need on-going supplies of bottled water to keep our Veterans and Volunteers hydrated. Any quantity will be greatly appreciated.

CAMERA/VIDEO:

Our Museum Tour Guides need a small camera and small video camera.

DISPLAY CASES:

Uniform display cases are needed to preserve military memorabilia.

RAIN BARRELL:

A rain barrel is needed for our Victory Garden.

**A SPECIAL THANKS
TO THE
CITY OF DeLAND**

**WE APPRECIATE THEIR
ON-GOING SUPPORT OF
THE DeLAND NAVAL AIR
STATION MUSEUM**



Tour Guides Needed

IF YOU HAVE A FEW HOURS A WEEK TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US AS A TOUR GUIDE AT THE DeLAND NAVAL AIR STATION MUSEUM. INDIVIDUALS OR COUPLES WELCOME. MUSEUM HOURS ARE WEDNESDAYS-SUNDAYS FROM NOON TO 4:00PM. FOR INFORMATION, CONTACT HAROLD BRADEEN TO APPLY. (386) 873-4689 OR (386) 738-4149.



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www.delandnavalairmuseum.org

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Wednesday through Sunday

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Youth Groups

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