



THE BUGLE CALL

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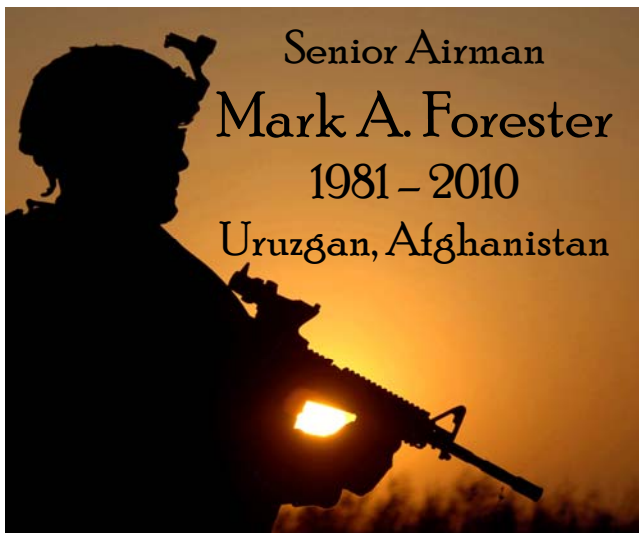
Commander's Greeting

Mel Shinholster, Commander



Comrades, as your Commander I would like to take this opportunity to say your staff officers and I are working diligently to find new ways to operate our Post in an efficient and effective manner. We are turning corners as we work to increase our membership, all the while working to attract more activities to our Post. Kelly Ingram this past September was proud to have participated in the first Annual Alabama Veterans Initiative 5K walk/run event at Oak Mountain State Park held in September. Your Commander and Quartermaster did finish the walk/run along with other participants showing we can still hold our own even at our age.

Our purpose was to give Kelly Ingram exposure to the younger veterans returning and offer them an opportunity to become members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. We hope to participate in more of these type events in the future. I recently attended the VFW National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana where the assembly was addressed by Vice President Joe Biden, who gave an update on our troop presence in Afghanistan. Let me remind each and everyone of us to continue to identify our veterans and encourage them to become members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. For those of you who are able and have not attended a meeting recently we encourage you to do so. Our membership misses your presence. Until next time, your staff officers and I are here to serve this Post and you. If you have any questions, suggestions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Senior Airman
Mark A. Forester
1981 – 2010
Uruzgan, Afghanistan



I WANT YOU

At the Veterans Day Celebration
Chili & Assorted Sandwiches for Everyone!
Post opens at 9am, Parade kicks off at 1:30pm

From the Ladies Auxiliary

Cheryl Carlsen, President



We recently set up a booth for the 5K run and it went well. Thanks to Michele Pellock for getting the VFW Ladies Auxiliary involved in such a great cause. The Auxiliary and the VFW joined efforts in a poker run. We had about 25 motorcycles to show up and had a very successful ride. Thanks to all that helped put this together and those that helped with the actual work of the run. We also had a very successful spaghetti dinner. We started cooking on Friday and served on Sunday. We donated spaghetti tickets to Three Hots and a Cot and we were very proud to serve them on Sunday. I want to send out a VERY SPECIAL thanks to Evelyn Ellis, Carolyn Dempsey Adams, and Jean Camp for all the hard work that these ladies put in at the poker run and especially the spaghetti dinner. We worked hard but also had fun doing it.

Never send me shopping for lettuce again cause you will probably end up with cabbage. November we will have the Veterans Day parade and need your help and support with this event. We also have District School of Instruction on November 13 at 10am at Brookside. This is a very good time to learn about the different programs that we are involved in. I am loving the opportunity to represent you ladies as Auxiliary President this year and would love any suggestions that you may have for me.

Thanksgiving at Kelly Ingram

November 25, 2010

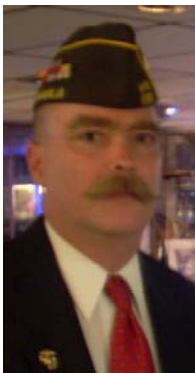
Post opens at 4:00 p.m.

*Please join your brothers and sisters for refreshments
And pause to give thanks for everything we have*



From the Junior Vice

Gordon S. Hearn



Kelly Ingram Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 668 has entered into a joint effort with B. W. Howell American Legion Post 171 to share information. Kelly Ingram will place a bulletin board highlighting Legion News and Howell will place a bulletin board highlighting VFW news. We're excited about this new means of working together and are already getting new members. Every member of Kelly Ingram qualifies for membership in the American Legion and we would highly encourage you to drop by their post at 84th Street and 1st Avenue North in Eastlake and introduce yourself. Just look for the flag.

American Legion Commander Joe Minor asked me to be a pall bearer for Viet Nam Legionnaire Joe Johnson at the National Cemetery. I was honored to represent both Kelly Ingram and B. W. Howell.

Chaplain's Corner

Roger Salter, Chaplain



Trevor Tidwell, Ben McKinnon and Ira West are still in our prayers for a speedy recovery. They are progressing along fine right now. Please continue to remember Bobby and Sue Lowery in your prayers. If anyone knows someone sick

or in the hospital, please call me at (205) 602-9996 or rogersanta3@yahoo.com.

November History Notes

The United States Marines Corps was established by the Continental Congress, 1775

The Unknown Soldier from WWI was buried at Arlington National Cemetery, 1921

The Vietnam War Memorial was dedicated in Washington, D.C., 1982

Annual Christmas Party

Friday, December 10, 6:30pm

Name Drawing begins Friday, December 3

Bring a dish and a gift for Bethesda

Christmas at Bethesda Hospital

We're collecting

Athletic shorts, Athletic shirts, Athletic socks
Break-Away pants /snaps are better than zippers
Sweat Shirts, Sweat Pants
Neoprene Workout gloves
Watches (nothing fancy), Wallets (fabric is a big hit)
Current/up to date DVDs, Disposable cameras
Electric Razors with chargers
Fleece jackets or hooded sweat tops
Gloves, Scarves and Knit caps

Bring your items to the post
Or bring cash and we'll shop for you!

Presents will be mailed December 17th



New Year's Eve with the Archers

Friday, December 31

Favors, Midnight Buffet and Champagne Toast

Call the post for prices



November				
Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Shaggers	3 Boppers	4	5 Dinner	6 Archers
9 Shaggers	10 Boppers	11 Veterans Day	12 Dinner	13 Archers
16	17 Boppers	18	19 Dinner Shaggers	20 Archers
23 Shaggers	24 Boppers	25 Thanksgiving Post opens at 4pm	26 IRON BOWL BASH	27 VFW and Auxiliary meeting Archers
30 Shaggers	Some Bopper and Shagger dance nights might be subject to change. Call the Post to check.			

December				
Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Boppers	2	3 Dinner	4 Archers
7 Shaggers	8 Boppers	9	10 Post Christmas Party and Gift Exchange	11 Archers
14	15 Boppers	16	17 Dinner Shaggers	18 Archers
21 Shaggers	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas
28 Shaggers	29 Boppers	30	31 New Year's Eve Dance	



IRON BOWL BASH
November 26
Post opens at noon, Kickoff 1:30
Bring a snack!



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