



VETERANS GROUP AT SHELL POINT

SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

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TO ALL VETERANS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES AT SHELL POINT

THIS LETTER HIGHLIGHTS: **IMPORTANT MILITARY DAYS IN SEPTEMBER – PATRIOT DAY EVENT - VOTING - A BREAKDOWN OF SHELL POINT VETERANS - FLORIDA DEPARTMENTS OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

STAND AND SING GOD BLESS THE USA (LEE GREENWOOD)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gs0fy8rHo8>

ADMIN NOTES:

1. **WITH CONTINUED COVID 19 SAFEGARDS STILL IN PLACE, OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS REMAIN ON HOLD. MEETINGS PLANNED FOR EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY AT 1015 AM – ISLAND SOCIAL CENTER.**
2. **VETERANS DAY – WEDNESDAY, 11 NOV 2020 – COVID PERMITTING, WE PLAN A PROGRAM AT THE VILLAGE CHURCH AND ALSO A TV PROGRAM. DETAILS LATER.**
3. **OUR GROUP PURPOSE IS TO HONOR THE STATURE AND IDEALS OF ALL MILITARY VETERANS AND PROMOTE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS IN SUPPORT OF ALL VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES**
4. **OUR MISSION INCLUDES:**
 - a. **SUSTAINING THE HIGH ESTEEM SHELL POINT HAS FOR ALL VETERANS.**
 - b. **HONORING THE STATURE AND IDEALS OF ALL SHELL POINT VETERANS.**
5. **PLEASE HELP RECRUIT ANY VETERANS WHO HAVE NOT YET SENT ME THEIR “INFO SHEET”.**
6. **SEE LOGOS – WE HAVE ADDED SPACE COMMAND, US PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE AND NOAA.**

MILITARY DAYS IN SEPTEMBER

National Suicide Prevention Month	All Month (Estimated 20 Veterans/Day)
V-J Day (Victory over Japan)	02 Sep (Formal surrender ending WW II)
Patriot Day (9/11 Remembrance)	11 Sep
Air Force (USAF) Birthday	18 Sep
Office of the Sec. of Defense Birthday	18 Sep
Air National Guard Birthday	18 Sep
National POW/MIA Recognition Day (3RD Friday)	18 Sep 1,586 unaccounted for from the Vietnam War
Gold Star Mother’s Day	Last Sunday in September – 27 Sep
Yom Kippur	27 – 28 Sep

Patriot Day held on September 11 to mark the anniversary of terrorist attacks in the USA in 2001. Shell Point will mark the anniversary with a special CH 11 TV tribute on Friday at the beginning of each 30 min segment.

Yom Kippur War: On October 6, 1973, hoping to win back territory lost to Israel during the third Arab-Israeli war, in 1967, Egyptian and Syrian forces launched a coordinated attack against Israel on Yom Kippur, the holiest day in the Jewish calendar. ... A cease-fire went into effect on October 25, 1973. *Operation Nickel Grass* was a strategic airlift operation conducted by the United States to deliver weapons and supplies to Israel during the 1973 Yom Kippur War. ... The U.S. support helped ensure that Israel survived a coordinated and surprise attack from the Soviet-backed Arab Republic of Egypt and Syrian Arab Republic.

Patriot Day, holiday observed in the United States on September 11 to commemorate the lives of those who died in the 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Virginia and those who perished when the hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 crashed in Pennsylvania.

Mission BBQ (12984 S Cleveland Ave) Each year at MISSION BBQ, we make September 11 a special day. It is our privilege to honor and support Our Hometown Heroes. At noon, we will have a live version of the National Anthem and we will thank all of our local Firefighters, Law Enforcement, and EMS First Responders in attendance for what they do for Our Communities. [Guns n Hoses Pipes n Drums of SW FL](#) will be playing from 11:30-12:30 approximately!

VOTING – 3 NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION

<https://www.lee.vote/>

EARLY VOTING	MON 8 – SAT 31 OCT - 10 AM TO 6 PM
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These **six constitutional amendments** will appear on our ballot this coming November 3rd.

Click [Six Amendments](#)

AMENDMENT 6: Ad Valorem Tax Discount for Spouses of Certain Deceased Veterans Who Had Permanent, Combat-Related Disabilities

SHELL POINT VETERANS WITH INFORMATION SHEETS ON FILE (NOT INCLUDING SURVIVING SPOUSES)

ARMY	70
MARINES	14
NAVY	34
AIR FORCE	33
COAST GURAD	0 - PLEASE HELP IDENTIFY ANY CG VETS
TOTAL	151 – PLEASE HELP IDENTIFY ALL SP VETERANS

FDVA -FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS: If you are a veteran, thank you for your service. If you are the spouse or family member of a veteran, a special thank you for your dedicated support. Call (727) 319-7440.

https://floridavets.org/resources/va-benefits-guide/	Benefits Guide; Florida Military-Friendly Guide; Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents; and Survivors Publication
https://www.lee.gov/dhs/Documents/Veterans/VSO-Brochure-2020.pdf	Lee County Human & Veterans Services



<u>WARTIME PERIODS</u>
WWII 12-07-41 to 12-31-46
Korea 06-27-50 to 01-31-55
Vietnam 11-01-55 to 05-15-75
Gulf 08-02-90 to Present



Remember: That selfless service is at the core of what a hero is. All veterans are heroes, even if they don't call themselves heroes. They served our country and fought for our freedom. Integrity, service, courage, duty, honor, commitment, country and sacrifice are the words associated with Veterans.

Let us continue to stay safe together here at Shell Point.

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