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# fun.jpgUPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

2017 NON-SANCTIONED

Dec 1-3………………...Augusta, GA

*(PIPS’ Tournament & Toy Drive)*

**2018 SANCTIONED**

Jan 11-14……MLK Tournament

*(Richmond, VA – Hosted by BDPC)*

Feb 15-18……….President’s Day

*(Charlotte, NC – Hosted by QCP)*

Mar 22-25…...NPA Semi-Annual

*(Robersonville, MS – Hosted by NPA)*

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**History of Veterans Day**

Veterans Day is a U.S. legal holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars. In 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied Nations and Germany in World War I, then known as “the Great War.” Commemorated in many countries as Armistice Day the following year, November 11th became a federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became legally known as Veterans Day.

*Author: History.com Staff*

**Congratulations to the Veterans who are members of NPA. Thank you for your service to our country. God bless you.**

BID OR PASS PINOCHLE CLUB

*Dennis Hartbarger, SGT –*

*US Army*

*William (Bill) McBride,*

*Warrant Officer 3 – US Army*

*Marvin Mundy, SGT - USAF*

COLUMBUS PINOCHLE CLUB

*Wallace Archie, US Army*

*Al Gainer, US Army*

*James Garnett, US Army*

*Stonewall Heard, US Army*

*Rosetta McMurray, US Army*

*John Perkins, US Army*

GREAT LAKES PINOCHLE CLUB

*Lois Mitchell, PFC - USAF*

*Ulyses Rucker, MSgt. –*

*USAF*

*Ted Cady, Sgt. - Army*

*Dale Pace, Sgt. - Army*

*Paul Fitzpatrick, Sgt. - Army*

IVORY PINOCHLE CLUB

*Phil Goodman*

*Willie Jackson*

*Ralph Mitchell*

*Arthur Scurry*

JACKSONVILLE PC

*Bernard Jackson, MSGT - Army*

*Renee Burdick, OSC - Navy*

*Joe Cummings, SGT - Air Force*

*Jack Priester, SGT - Army*

*James Presley, SGT - Army*

MONTGOMERY PINOCHLE PALS

*George Alexander, TSGT – USAF*

*Jimmy Brown, MSGT – Army*

*Max Chattam, SMSGT – USAF*

*Dave Coleman, MSGT – USAF*

*Charles Collins, CSM – Army*

*Autry Hasberry, MSGT – USAF*

*Vann McCloud, Colonel – Army*

*Sylvester McWhorter, SFC -Army*

*Thomas Parks, Jr. SGM(R)- Army*

*James Peterson, MSGT – USAF*

*Ricardo Randle, CMSGT – USAF*

*Rick Rickerson, Major – USAF*

*George Roberts, SFC – Army*

*George Simmons, MSGT – USAF*

*Willie Williams, TSGT – USAF*

PINOCHLE CHAMPS

*Earl Brown – Army*

*Alan Covington – Army*

*Leonard (Lenny) Grant – USAF*

*Clinton (Clint) Hoggard – Army*

*Eric King – Marines*

*Allen Prince – Army*

*James (Bernie) Walker – USAF*

*Michael (Mike) White*

PIPS OF AUGUSTA

*Calvin Brooks*

*Nehemiah Harvard*

*Clarence Johnson*

*Ollie Lee*

*James McKinney*

*Albert Strong*

*William Turner*

*Patricia Vandiver*

*Thomas Vandiver*

*T.C. Walker*

*Danny West*

*Cleveland Williams*

RATTLERS PINOCHLE CLUB

*Leland E. Scott, Jr., SP5 – Army*

RIVERDALE PINOCHLE CLUB

*Andrew Skipper, E5 - Army*

SANDHILLS PINOCHLE CLUB

*Curtis Baker, SFC - Army*

*Edward Banks, First SGT*

 *E8 -Army*

*Charles Barkley, SFC -*

*Army*

*James Brown, SGM - Army*

*Florida Butler - Army*

*John Calloway, SFC - Army*

*Leon Cowell-Army*

*Clarence Fleming, SFC-*

*Army*

*Roosevelt Freeman, CMSG -*

*USAF*

*Johnny Gordon - Navy*

*Slim Hairston, MSGT E8*

*Hugh Holder, Chief - Navy*

*Al Kozuska - Army*

*John Mosley, MSG - Army*

*Benjamin Page - Army*

*Jack Pines, CW4 - Army*

*Wilfred Slater, Chief - Navy*

*Alfonso Smith, SFC - Army*

*Douglas Wilform - Army*

*Joe Dodds, MSGT - Army*

*(RIP)*

THE RENEGADES

*Garland Spence, E3 - Army*

*Bobby Terry, E7 - Army*

TITLE TOWN PINOCHLE CLUB

***Matthew Boyd, E7 – Army***

***Curtis Boyd, E3 - Army***

*Nick Fluker, PVT - Army*

***Virgil Turner, E4 - Army***

*Martha Vaughn, E7 - USAF*

USA PINOCHLE SOCIETY

*Walter Brady E-9*

*Elmore Jordan, SGT – Army*

*Sam Palmer E-9*

*James Presley, SGT – Army*

*Anthony Thomas, Capt. – USAF*

WASHINGTON NATIONAL

*James Beale, SGT - Army*

*David Cole, Jr., CORP- USM*

*Ray Cunningham, PFC-Army*

*C. P. Williams, AFC - USAF*

*2018 Hall of Fame Nominations*



*Ricardo Randle, Chairperson Research & Education Committee*

Nominations for the 2018 Hall of Fame are now being accepted by the Research & Education Committee until November 30, 2017. The Hall of Fame nomination criteria and form can be obtained from the NPA Website or by contacting Ric Randle, Chairperson of the Research & Education Committee, (334) 782-7120 or ricardorandle@bellsouth.net. Previous nominations must be resubmitted for Committee and Board of Directors’ consideration.

**Ric**

***NPA MEMBERSHIP DUES***



*Dorothy Ervin*

*NPA Corresponding Secretary*

**Membership dues accompanied by a current alpha roster must be *received* by the Corresponding Secretary** *by* ***1 December 2017.* Chapters that have not renewed *by 30 January 2018* must** be recertified and initiation fees will be accessed.

**I will send each chapter a copy of the current roster that I have on file. If there is a change of information for renewing members, please** *highlight the change* **in your current chapter roster.**

**Please keep in mind that if a member’s dues are not received by me or post marked by 15 December 2017, they will not be able to play in the Martin Luther King Sanctioned tournament 2018, due to the 30-day restriction. (See SOP dated June 2012).**

**Those who wish to do so may start sending in their renewals now, so that I will not be pressed for time with the November and December holidays coming up.**

**If you have any questions please email me** **Dotnlvly@gmail.com** **or call me at (904) 655-5623.**

**Thank You in advance for your cooperation.**

**Dorothy**

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### Kings & Queens Born in November

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Lillie Allen | Nov 19 |
| Kathy Ray Anderson | Nov 22 |
| Richard Armstrong | Nov 16 |
| Michele Askerneese | Nov 15 |
| Arlene Avent | Nov 27 |
| Paulette Ballard | Nov 3 |
| George Barrett | Nov 21 |
| Robert Baxter | Nov 3 |
| Doris Brightful | Nov 13 |
| Troy Briscoe | Nov 24 |
| Williams Brooks | Nov 24 |
| Kieth Bullick | Nov 23 |
| Steve Burke | Nov 4 |
| Delores Carter | Nov 5 |
| Anita Clark | Nov 13 |
| Elton Clemmons | Nov 20 |
| Janet Cooke | Nov 12 |
| Lee Cornute | Nov 11 |
| Kim Cox | Nov 13 |
| Dionne Davis | Nov 3 |
| Adrain Denard | Nov 5 |
| Jack Ephran | Nov 11 |
| Richard Faulkner | Nov 30 |
| Paul Fitzpatrick | Nov 18 |
| Brenda Fraser | Nov 13 |
| Ann Delores Glover | Nov 13 |
| Marilyn Gore | Nov 11 |
| Leonard Grant | Nov 28 |
| John Harper | Nov 22 |
| Ed Harris | Nov 1 |
| Nancella Harris | Nov 18 |
| Langston Higbee | Nov 2 |
| Julie Hudson-Casey | Nov 26 |
| Randy Jackson | Nov 25 |
| Barbara Johnson | Nov 19 |
| Stephanie Kelly | Nov 12 |
| Eric King | Nov 12 |
| Chrystabell King | Nov 25 |
| John Lockhart | Nov 24 |
| Theresa Mack | Nov 8 |
| Diane Mackey | Nov 16 |
| George Mason | Nov 28 |
| Vann McCloud | Nov 3 |
| Theresa Mercer | Nov 5 |
| Joe Middleton | Nov 18 |
| Cherise Moore | Nov 20 |
| David Mumford | Nov 26 |
| Herbert Murphy | Nov 16 |
| Eunice Nailings | Nov 1 |
| Bernice Neely | Nov 7 |
| BJ Norwood | Nov 30 |
| Donna Oliver | Nov 16 |
| G.H. Pigram | Nov 1 |
| Reginald Price | Nov1 |
| Derrick Robinson | Nov 23 |
| Harriette Ross | Nov 23 |
| Glenn Shaw | Nov 8 |
| Joseph Smith | Nov 1 |
| Marcelle Smith | Nov 2 |
| Albert Strong | Nov 1 |
| Shirley Tyus | Nov 19 |
| Patricia Vandiver | Nov 15 |
| Ben Wood | Nov 26 |
|  |  |

### Kings & Queens Born in December

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Alfonza Alton | Dec 21 |
| Jackie Becton | Dec 3 |
| Clarence Bennett | Dec 1 |
| Claudette Black | Dec 4 |
| Renee Burdick | Dec 18 |
| Cassandra Carey-Slater | Dec 11 |
| John Carmichael | Dec 8 |
| Oliver Coleman | Dec 5 |
| Ernest Collins | Dec 24 |
| Raymond Cunningham | Dec 4 |
| Gilbert Davis | Dec 28 |
| Joe DeMar | Dec 19 |
| Lawrence Edwards | Dec 24 |
| Frountice Ferguson | Dec 11 |
| Thomas Gaines | Dec 10 |
| Mary Gilmore | Dec 24 |
| Lea Golden | Dec 8 |
| Lori Golden | Dec 15 |
| Dion Green | Dec 18 |
| Slim Hairston | Dec 6 |
| Verona Ham | Dec 18 |
| Sharon Hansbrough | Dec 22 |
| Barbara Harper | Dec 6 |
| Debi Harper-Bridges | Dec 16 |
| Joelene Hayling | Dec 26 |
| Tommy Henderson | Dec 25 |
| Charles Jordan | Dec 28 |
| Al Kozuska | Dec 7 |
| Tony Lane | Dec 10 |
| Jerry Lucas | Dec 5 |
| Trent Manning | Dec 25 |
| Chris McGee | Dec 5 |
| Morjorie Miller | Dec 4 |
| Ralph Mitchell | Dec 16 |
| Cheroyl Moody | Dec 8 |
| John Mosley | Dec 6 |
| Francine Owens | Dec 31 |
| Ed Pollard | Dec 24 |
| Denise Ray | Dec 31 |
| William Roberts | Dec 18 |
| Eiko Robertson | Dec 91 |
| Don Smith | Dec 22 |
| Jackie Smith | Dec 11 |
| Sharon Smith | Dec 2 |
| Gwendolyn Story | Dec 2 |
| Beverly Taylor | Dec 30 |
| James Walker | Dec 16 |
| Ozella Walker | Dec8 |
| Sarah Wiley | Dec 1 |
| Willie Williams | Dec 29 |
| Kenneth Wilson | Dec 15 |
| Robert Young | Dec 6 |
| Viva Young | Dec 16 |

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*Rosetta McMurray, Chairperson*

*Rainbow Committee*

Please keep the below NPA members and their families lifted in your prayers.

***MEMBERS’ DEATH***

Toni Forrest, PIPS Pinochle Club

Charlie Black, Derby City Q & J

***FORMER MEMBER’S DEATH***

None

***MEMBERS’ ILLNESS***

Audrey Walker, Derby City Q & J

Alvira Thompson is still in a coma in Cleveland, Ohio Hospital

***FAMILY MEMBER ILLNESS***

None

***FAMILY MEMBERS’ DEATH***

None



**Thank You Notes Received:**

Sharon Smith, Pinochle Champs - during the passing of her father, Gerald “Jerry” Smith

**Please Email:**

**rosettamcmurray@bellsouth.net** **or call (706) 289-6471 to notify me of any NPA member’s or family member’s death or illness.**

***Information needed when reporting an illness or death of an NPA Member or Family member***

* Name of sick/deceased member/family member
* Sick/deceased member/family member Club name
* Address to mail Get-well/sympathy card
* Telephone Number
* If in hospital, name of hospital, room number and hospital telephone number

*CHAPTER NEWS*

Pittsburg Steelers PC

**“I would like to thank you, for all of the telephone calls and beautiful sympathy cards that were sent to us. At a time when nothing else seemed to matter, the calls and cards started pouring in. Please know you made a difference.**

**I am so grateful, and thank you again!**

**May GOD continue to bless you all.”**

**Lovingly,**

**Roxanne Robinson & Family**

*INSPIRATION*

Twenty Dollars

A well know speak started off his seminar by holding up a $20 bill. In the room of 200, he asked, “Who would like this $20 bill?

Hands started going up. He said, “I am going to give this $20 to one of you but first, let me do this.” He proceeded to crumple the dollar bill up. He then asked, “Who still wants it?” Still the hands were up in the air.

“Well”, he replied, “What if I do this?” And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now all crumpled and dirty.

“Now who still wants it?” Still the hands went into the air.

“My friend, you have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth $20. Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value in God’s eyes. To Him, dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to Him.

THOUGHT: The worth of our lives comes not in what we do or who we are but by WHOSE WE ARE! You are special – Don’t ever forget it!

*Source: www.pravsworld.com*

*HEALTH TIP*

November 2017

American Diabetes Month

Sponsor: [American Diabetes Association](http://www.diabetes.org/)

Diabetes is one of the leading causes of disability and death in the United States. It can cause blindness, nerve damage, kidney disease, and other health problems if it’s not controlled.

One in 10 Americans have diabetes — that’s more than 30 million people. And another 84 million adults in the United States are at high risk of developing type 2 diabetes.

People who are at high risk for type 2 diabetes can lower their risk by more than half if they make healthy changes. These changes include: eating healthy, getting more physical activity, and losing weight.

For more information visit: <http://www.diabetes.org/>

Note from Editor:

The December issue of the Gazette will feature the spice,

Turmeric / Curcumin.

Read about why you should add this miracle spice to your inflammation fighting diet.

NPA PRINCIPLES

1. TO UNITE in an organization to promote the game of pinochle.
2. TO EXTEND, encourage and protect the standards and general interest of the membership, and to contribute to the charitable purposes set forth in our Articles of Incorporation.
3. TO WORK together as a unit towards accomplishment of the purposes of the Association we represent, through personal association, interchange of information, and mutual assistance in the performance of our responsibilities.
4. TO DEVELOP opportunities for self-improvement of the game.
5. TO CONTRIBUTE, within the scope of our abilities, to the knowledge, understanding and benefit of our fellow citizens in personal, business and community life.
6. TO CREATE opportunities through participation in group activities for the growth of friendship, goodwill, and social development.

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Trivia Information

*Why did the first Thanksgiving Happen?*

The 1621 **Thanksgiving** celebration marked the Pilgrims' **first** autumn harvest, so it is likely that the colonists feasted on the bounty they had reaped with the help of their Native American neighbors – the *Wampanoag Indians.*

*When was Thanksgiving first recognized as a national holiday?*

It has been celebrated as a federal holiday every year since **1863**, when, during the American Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national day of "Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwells in the Heavens", to be celebrated on the **last Thursday in November**.

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**tuako3@aol.com**

Learn the game using the teaching tool ‘Pinochle Mat’ developed and distributed by an experienced player. Call Mrs. L. Walker at 305-255-7782 for further information.

Need a caterer for your every need? EDC (Edna’s Delectable Cuisine) is waiting for your call: 404-767-1024 or email brownednaw@yahoo.com

For all your cruise vacation needs, contact Val Culpepper @ Hooked on Cruises 770-739-7860.

*NPA WEBSITE*

<http://www.npapinochle.org/>

All information to be posted on the website must be emailed to Ricardo Randle, Chairperson – R&E Committee for approval.

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*NPA NEWSLETTER*

The Gazette is distributed by the Research &Education Com.

Clubs and Members are invited and encouraged to submit articles for sharing. A special thank you is extended to Rosetta McMurray for submitting the History of Veterans Day article. Articles for publication should be forwarded to:

Shirley Bevel, Editor at:

[npagazette@gmail.com](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CShirley%20Bevel%5CAppData%5CRoaming%5CMicrosoft%5CWord%5Cnpagazette%40gmail.com)

*NPA ONLINE PHOTO DIRECTORY*

NPA members’ photos can be accessed at: [http://www.picture-directory.com](http://www.picture-directory.com/)

*CORRECTIONS*

We attempt to be accurate and balanced. We apologize for any errors that occur, and when notified we will print appropriate corrections in the next issue of the Gazette.

 ***Editor***