

# **Post History**

## **AMERICAN LEGION POST #58 DUNNELLON, FLORIDA**

The Dunnellon American Legion Post 58 was issued a temporary charter March 3, 1927 at Department Headquarters in Palatka, Florida, with the required fifteen members. The permanent charter was received April 11, 1928. The post then held their meetings in homes until there was enough funds to build a permanent home behind what is now the Dinner Bell. The work was accomplished by members on a cash available basis. They would build one section at a time. As fund raising events, such as dinners and dances generated money, additional work was done.

May 26, 1947, the post was re-named Wall-Rives Post 58, in honor of Winchester Wall and Hugh Rives, local men who lost their lives during WWII, in the Bataan Death March.

When the membership outgrew their building and as money was raised, they purchased three and one-half acres and commenced building the present facility on US 41, north of Dunnellon. The post home was completed and occupied in February, 1968.

Members hoped to have their debt paid in ten to fifteen years, but it was paid in eight years and two months.

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