



AMERICAN LEGION POST 155 CRYSTAL RIVER SUPPORTS HOSPICE OF CITRUS COUNTY

LECANTO--The American Legion Post 155 Crystal River is an ongoing supporter of Hospice of Citrus County and initiatives which honor and pay tribute to veterans who are nearing the end of their lives. The Post presents annual poker runs and fundraisers which allow Hospice of Citrus County to honor local veterans. The 2011 Mystery Poker Run Planning Committee and members of the Patriot Guard Riders recently visited Hospice House located on Audubon Park Path in Lecanto. Pictured are (From left) George (Chief) Gasparini, William (Bill) Gregory, Patricia (Pat) Demikoff, Constantine (Custy) Demikoff, Cindy Heather, Linda (Biker Wench) Gasparini, and Michael (Grumpy) Bushaw as they greet Hospice of Citrus County Chief Executive Officer Tony Palumbo (second from right). Mystery Poker Run Planning Committee Members not pictured include: Charles (Chuck) Andrews, Fred Bernquist, Turner (Jack) Couch, Wayne (Gil) Gilbert, Jacqueline (Jackie) Kulp, Maurice (Moe) LaBelle and Brian Swiggum. During their visit, the group visited the grounds at Hospice House and viewed American and Military Branch Flags which are displayed outside patient rooms which designate that a Veteran is under care. Veteran Volunteers with Hospice of Citrus County visit each patient that is a military veteran. The patient or their family is presented with a certificate from Hospice of Citrus County honoring the veteran. Veterans are also presented with patches and blankets denoting their branch of service. Hospice of Citrus County is committed to honoring patients who have served their country and is thankful for the generous support of the community. For additional information on the 2011 American Legion Post 155 Mystery Poker Run, visit Hospice of Citrus County on the web at www.hospiceofcitruscounty.org.