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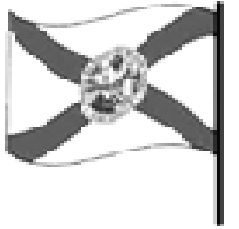


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Commander's Message

Hello American Legion Family,

This past month at our Monthly Membership Meeting we announced those individuals who are running for positions on the Executive Board for this upcoming year. Election of officers will be held on Friday, May 12th between 11 am and 5 pm. Your vote is important so make your voice heard as we elect our leadership team for the 2023 – 2024 term.

May is the beginning of many summertime activities, and our House Committee has planned numerous activities for the month of May.

Saturday, May 6th is our Kentucky Derby Day, where our ladies can wear their Derby Hats and all can enjoy the Derby races at the Post.

On Sunday, May 28th we will hold our annual Memorial Day BB-Q and picnic from 1 – 3 pm with music provided by the Terri Hines Band from 2 – 6 pm. Monday, May 29th, is the official Memorial Day ceremony at Veteran's Park, after which we will hold our Memorial Day ceremony at 1:00 PM in our Memorial Garden at the Post.

Legion membership renewals now stand at 87% of our goal. We have the month of May to reach our goal of 100%, so please see Marty Motherway to renew your American Legion membership.

This month I am delighted to name **Nanette Mallonee** as "**Member of the Month**". Nanette is our Auxiliary President and works very hard at presenting events and activities throughout the year to raise funds for our veterans programs. Thank you Nanette for all that you do. For God and Country,

JOHN HAYES, Commander

~ In Memory Of ~

July 2023
Ed Patterson & Rick Fox by
Karen Fox-Patterson

Frank J Lima
by
Pamela J Lima

March 2024
Moose Horan
by
Lee Caldwell

June 2024
Richard Moore
by
Sheryl Moore

June 2025
Donald Erb, POW-WWII
by Val & Teresa Macor

January 2026
Duane G Lang
by
Alice Lang

December 2026
Ed Black & Steve Wisor
by S.A.L. Post 318

Frank Howard
by
Post 318 Honor Guard

Arnold Thompson
by
Toni Thompson

March 2027
Daryl Bowie
by
Lee Caldwell

March 2027
Burton T McInerney
by
Rose Mary McInerney

July 2027
Thomas P Vaughan
by
Kathryn Vaughan

Kathleen Fryatt by
Richard Fryatt

June 2029
Jim Caldwell
by
Lee Caldwell

~ The name of a loved one or friend can be added to the "In Memory Of" for only \$15.00 a year ~

First Vice Commander Report

Members who have not yet renewed for 2023, we ask that you do so now. There are over 400 members who still need to renew. Our membership dues are used to support our post and to help all our veterans in need, whether they are homeless or having problems with the VA. We also help with the community needs. We have helped the posts on the Gulf coast that were damaged by the storm, This is one of the many things we have supported, including the areas in Port St. Lucie that were hit by tornadoes.
THIS IS WHY YOUR DUES ARE IMPORTANT.
 If you have paid and did not receive your card, let me know. PLEASE HELP BY RENEWING YOUR 2023 MEMBERSHIP.

We are now coming near the end for members to renew for 2023. July we will start our push for 2024 membership, so we are asking all those who have not renewed yet to do so NOW. All those members who have renewed for 2023 and are still getting notice from the department of Florida that they have not paid for current membership let me know now so that this can be corrected. Phone # 772-878-7386 and leave a clear message name, phone# and membership#. Thank you all for your service.

For God and Country,
 Martin Motherway, First Vice Commander
 772-281-7386
 318member@gmail.com

Rider's Report

The Riders Poker run on March 25 was great. We were able to donate \$850 to the Treasure Coast Food Bank. A special thank you to Tommy Bowes who donated a basket of cheer for us to raffle off. April was another busy month. On April 19 we had a memorial ceremony at Veterans Park at the Gold Star Monument to honor our fallen heroes. In attendance were 318 Riders as well as Legion Riders from as far north as Jacksonville. We also had representatives from the Sheriffs department, PSL Police department and city council members. Our own Post 318 Honor Guard was exceptional as always. On April 30 we had the honor of escorting the traveling Vietnam Wall from Cocoa to Wickham Park in Melbourne. There were hundreds of bikes in the escort and we were able to enjoy the festivities afterward.

For the Cause, Not the Applause
 John Fiorelli

- Service Officer's report for April is as follows, I assisted 18 vets to date; to note Service Officers hours are 1pm to 4pm every Tuesday. Please bring dd-214s if needing assistance. It's Tax Season: Learn How You Can Maximize Your Benefits and Refunds
- Military retirement pay is taxable as federal income tax and is not considered earned income for Social Security tax purposes.
- Premiums for the Survivor Benefit Plan are excluded from taxable income.
- Veterans education benefit payments received through VA for education and training are tax-free.
- Disability benefits received from VA, such as disability compensation, pension payments and grants for home modifications, are not taxable.

Hello everyone!

On Saturday, May 20th at 10:30 is our general meeting we'll be having elections for President, 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, Treasurer, Chaplain, Sargent at Arms, Asst. Sargent at Arms, Historian and 3 members for the E-Board.

Our annual Golf Tournament is Sunday, May 21st. The sign-up sheet is posted on the legions bulletin board and it's \$75.00 per golfer. We're looking for sponsors and donations for the event. Please contact Brenda Saffioti at 772-486-2905.

And please don't forget we are still collecting peanut butter for the children that don't have food for the weekend and canned goods with pop off lids, batteries, wet ones, for the homeless veterans.

Due to having the Golf Tournament there will not be a Bake Sale on Sunday, May 21st.
 For God and Country,
 Nanette Mallonee
 Auxiliary President
 443-889-4772

Hello post 318

Hope all is well. We had a good turn out at our meeting last month. I'm proud to say that all of our officers are keeping their positions. Thank you all. I look forward to working with all of you to have another successful year.

There will be no meeting in May and June. We had a great turnout at our lasagna dinner last month. We served 152 dinners. I hope you all enjoyed it. Thanks to the volunteers who make it happen. Our next dinner will be Wednesday, May 10th 5 to 7 PM. All proceeds from dinner go to our veterans and youth programs so thank you all for your support. We have already made donations to hospice, Saint Jude's children's hospital, MDA and children's miracle network hospital.
 GOD BLESS AMERICA
 Andy Saffioti
 S.A.L. Commander

Second Vice Commander Report

We are offering **Daily Lunches** from 11:30am to 3 and **Sunday Breakfast** from 8:30 to 11am.

- May 6th:** "Kentucky Derby Day" 3:00 (See Ad)
 - May 21st:** "Aux Golf Tournament" 8am (See Ad)
 - May 28th:** "Memorial Day BBQ" 1 - 3 (See Ad)
 - May 29th:** "Memorial Day Ceremony" 1:00 (See Ad)
 - Every Monday:** "Show Me the Money" at 6.
 - Every Tuesday:** "Taco Tuesday" from 11:30 - 3 "Happy Hour" Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Specials - 5:30 - 8
 - Every Wednesday:** "Karaoke" with Jimbo from 6 -10
 - Every Thursday:** "Ace of Hearts" - 7, "Trivia" - 7:30
 - Every Friday:** Music & Dancing, 6 - 10
 - Every Saturday:** Music & Dancing, 6 -10
- Roger W Royer, 2nd Vice Commander



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Please remember to contact me if you know of a member who is sick, in hospital, nursing home or home-bound I will contact them or their family. A smile or a cheerful voice goes long way. For God and Country, Karen Fox-Patterson, Auxiliary Chaplain 772-418-1515

NOW YOU CAN REMEMBER A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND FOR THEIR SERVICE BY PARTICIPATING IN THE "AUXILIARY UNIT 318 FUND RAISER" BY BUYING A BRICK. ALL Proceeds GO TO FUND OUR VARIOUS PROGRAMS TO HELP VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES. A 4X8 BRICK PAVER WITH INSCRIPTION FOR \$50. FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL DEBBIE JOHNSTON, 772-370-6891

Post 318 Shirts & Caps Available at Every Membership Meeting From the Post Quartermaster See Hirsch Hirschler for Details

Kentucky Derby Day

Saturday, May 6th, 3:00

Legion Horse Racing Games, 3 - 5

Prize for Best Hat - 5:00



AMERICAN LEGION POST 318 DUES RENEWAL 2023

Fill in this form and send it to:



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Please make checks payable to appropriate organization:

American Legion Post 318 \$45.00

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 318 \$40.00

Sons of American Legion Squadron 318 \$35.00

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Membership Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

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March 2023
Frederick G Thompson

March 2024
Lee Caldwell

June 2024
10-13 Club

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Jewish War Veterans

June 2025
Val & Teresa Macor

Annual American Legion

Auxiliary 318 Golf Tournament

Sunday, May 21st

8 AM Shotgun start at Gator Trace

Entry Fee \$75.00 pp

All proceeds go to help our Veterans and Youth Programs

For more information call Brenda 772-486-2905



Memorial Day BBQ

Sunday, May 28th 1 - 3 \$12.00

Burgers, Hot Dogs, Fried Chicken,
Baked Beans, Potato Salad, & Dessert

Get Your Tickets at the door the Day of Event



Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday, May 29th 1:00 at the Post Memorial Garden



American Legion 318 Calendar of Events May 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1-4 House Comm Meeting - 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	2 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Marine Corp League - 7	3 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1- 4 Dinner 4 - 7 Chicken Cordon Bleu - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	4 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 -8 Baked Ham - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	5 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Alita & the Boyz 6:30 - 10	6 Kitchen Open 11:30- 8 Riders Meeting - 9:30am Kentucky Derby Day 3:00 (See Ad) Dinner 4 - 8 Fra Diavolo - \$11.00 and Open Menu Random Play 6 - 10
7 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12 - 5 Nascar	8 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1-4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 SAL Meeting - 6:30	9 Kitchen Open 11:30- 3 Taco Tuesday Special Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6	10 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1- 4 Dinner 5 - 7 SAL Lasagna- \$10.00 Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	11 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 - 8 Open Faced Turkey - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	12 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Marine Corp League Auxiliary Meeting - 9am Post Elections 11 - 5 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Driftwoods 6:00 - 10	13 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion E-Board - 9am Legion Meeting - 10:30 Dinner 4 - 8 Spaghetti w/ Meatball & Sausage - \$10.00 and Open Menu Terri Hines 6 - 10
14 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12 - 5 Mother's Day Nascar	15 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1- 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	16 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8	17 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1-4 Dinner 4 - 7 Kielbasa w/ pirogies - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	18 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 -8 Open Faced Roast Beef - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	19 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Pressure Point 6 - 10	20 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Auxiliary E-Board - 9:30 Regular Meeting - 10:30 Dinner 4 - 8 Salisbury Steak - \$10.00 and Open Menu Permanent Affair 6 - 10
21 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Auxiliary Golf Tournament Kitchen Open 12 - 5 Nascar	22 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1- 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	23 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6	24 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1-4 Dinner 4 - 7 Stuffed Peppers -\$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	25 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 - 8 Country Fried Steak - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	26 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Big T 6 - 10	27 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Shepherd's Pie - \$10.00 and Open Menu The Kick 6 - 10
28 No Breakfast Memorial Day BBQ 1 - 3 (See Ad) Nascar	29 Kitchen 11:30 - 3 Memorial Day Ceremony 1:00	30 Kitchen Open 11:30- 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1-4pm Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 10 - 13 Club - 7:30	31 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1- 4 Dinner 4 - 7 Liver, Bacon,& Onions - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6			