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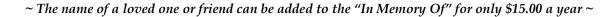
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Commander's Message

Hello American Legion Family

April is the time of year when we bid farewell to our North Country visitors. We hope you enjoyed your stay and say "Thank You" for your participation at the Post. Safe travels back home and we will see you again in the Fall.

I want to thank all the Members who have renewed their 2024 membership. At present we are at 92% of our renewal goal with still a way to go to achieve 100%. Please, do not let your membership expire and lose your Canteen privileges.

Post Executive Board elections will be held in May. All Legionnaires in good standing who wish to run for office may give their names to Roger Royer, Judge Advocate and Election Committee chair. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at our April Membership Meeting and the final slate of candidates distributed to the membership. Post elections will be held on Friday, May 10th, between 11 am and 5 pm.

A big "thank you" to John Fiorelli and our Riders is well deserved for their annual Foot Stompin' Hoedown buffet and dance on March 2nd. The buffet was excellent and music by Glenn Meyer, "The Sax Man" was outstanding. The Wheel Barrow of Cheer proved an excellent fundraiser (as usual), and the lucky recipient was thrilled as well.

Our annual St Patrick's Day celebration on March 17th was well received by all in attendance. The wearing of the green was in great evidence (even in the beer!) and the traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage meal with all the trimmings served from 11:30 am until 7 pm.

This month I would like to name Anthony Rivera as our "Member of the **Month."** Anthony has stepped up to assume responsibility for providing our homeless veterans with clothing, shelter, meals, and all manner of day-to-day necessities to these proud veterans. Thak you Anthony for all you do at Post 318.

For God & Country, John Hayes, Commander April 2024

The end of 2024 membership renewal are quickly coming, so if you have not done so PLEASE DO SO NOW. The post currently stands at 90% for members paid for 2024, this is including our new and transfer in. If you have renewed and did not get a card, check at the front door, to see if your card is there. If you are a PUFL member and did not receive a card call national as they are the ones who send them to you. Nat'l phone is 1-800-433-3318 or on line www.legion.org.

Remember that our dues pay to help our veterans in need, mostly homeless veterans but others including veteran families. We also have programs to help children learn about our country sending them to boys and girls state. We also support them in sports as well. There are many other things we do like help the communities destroyed by nature or help other posts that needed help in their area.

Post elections will be on May 10, 2024 1100 hrs till 1700 hrs at the post, you must have your dues paid and bring your card, I will be there to check members who have lost or misplaced there card. For God and Country, Martin Motherway, First Vice Commander 772-281-7386

318member@gmail.com

Service Officers hours are 1pm to 4pm every Tuesday. Service Officer's report for April is as follows, I assisted 16 vets to date. Please bring dd-214s if you need assistance.

All Veterans who served in any combat zone after 9/11 are now eligible to enroll directly in VA health care without first applying for VA disability. Additionally, Veterans who were never deployed but were exposed to toxins or hazards while training or on active duty in the United States will also be eligible to enroll. Reservists who served at least 30 days at Camp Jejune between August 1, 1953, and December 31, 1987 can be eligible for VA health care. See me for further information or go to www.va.gov/PACT.

Final call for those interested in a tour of The Ardie R Copas VA Nursing Home in Tradition by calling Greg at 630 399-1083 or Richard at 772 867-6298.

Gregory "Gman" Cavin, Service Officer

Second Vice Commander Report We are offering **Daily Lunches** from 11:30am to 3 and Sunday Breakfast from 8:30 to 11am. April 20th "BBQ Night - Chicken or Ribs" 4 - 8 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 Allen Quinn, 2nd Vice Commander

I'd like to thank the members of our Post for their support of our Hoe Down as well as our wheelbarrow of cheer. Both were a tremendous success.

The Riders had a busy month. We rode to the Elks for their classic car and bike show to support their fundraiser for Children's Therapy Services. On March 16th we attended the American Legion 12th District Unity Ride. Riders from Titusville and south met at Post 318 for coffee and donuts and to raise funds for COTA, Children's Organ Transplant Association. From our Post we rode north and stopped at different Posts along the way. We ended up at Post 189 in Sebastian for a party with good food, DJ music and lots of fun. On March 20 we rode to Avon Park to retrieve our riders plague that Post 69 had stolen from our Post on a visit that they made. The intention is to visit other posts, meet the members and have lunch and a cold drink. It's all in fun. March 23rd was the 12th District picnic at Post 81 in Melbourne. We had a great day of riding as well as plenty of food, music and drinks. All proceeds to go to American Legion Boys and Girls State transportation. We also did a poker run to support Delilah's Second Chance Animal Rescue. Each rider pays

an entry fee that goes to support their cause. Thank all of you again for supporting the Post 318 Riders as we continue to assist veterans and those in our communities who need help. For the Cause.

Not the Applause John Fiorelli

Remember that I'm available to send a card to a member in the hospital or a nursing home. If you are aware of a deceased member, please contact me with that information so I can have a tag made for our wall of remembrance. For God and Country, Karen Fox-Patterson, **Auxiliary Chaplain** 772-418-1515



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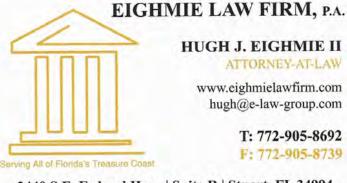
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The American Legion Post 318

April 2024

Hello post 318,

Hope everyone is doing well. We had a great turn out at our lasagna dinner. We Served 150 dinners. I would like to thank all of you who attended.

We were sold out in one hour. Unbelievable! I apologize to those who were not able to get a meal, we will make more next month. Thanks to all the volunteers who make it happen. Our next dinner will be Wednesday April 10th. With the proceeds from our dinners we are able to support homeless Veterans needs, youth sports programs and various community fundraisers.

We had a good turn out at our meeting. Thank you all for attending. There will be no meeting in April our next meeting will be Monday, May 13th 5 PM. We will be holding our elections that night. Anyone wishing to run for an office or anybody wanting to nominate someone for position please attend. I'm proud to say that our membership is over 100% thank you all for renewing and special thanks to our membership chairman, Jim Prosperi. Awesome job, Jim! Thanks!

God Bless America

Andy Saffioti. SAL Commander

Hello evervone!

Welcome April, summer is coming. Our next event will be our annual Golf Tournament May 19th. We need help with donations, hole sponsors and volunteers more details coming. Our next Bake Sale is April 21st, 9:30 am. till 12:00 pm.

Our next meeting is April 20th at 10:30 am.

Sue Pfohl, President, 708-369-5446

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June 2024 10-13 Club

September 2024 Fred Thompson

November 2024 Jewish War Veterans

June 2025 Val & Teresa Macor

March 2029 Lee Caldwell The American Legion Post 318

April 2024

American Legion Post 318 Presents

BBQ Ribs & Chicken Night! Saturday, April 20th,

Menu Includes:

Ribs, 1/2 Slab	\$10.00
Chicken, 2 1/4 pieces.	\$10.00
Ribs, 1/2 Slab & Chicken,	
All Served with Cole Slaw, Ba	ked Beans, & Corn Bread



American Legion Post 318 Presents

Kentucky Derby Day

Saturday, May 4th, 3:00 Legion Horse Racing Games, 3 - 5 Prize for Best Hat - 5:00

Post 318 Auxiliary Annual Golf Tournament May 19th 8:00 am

We need Sponsors, Volunteers, and Donations! See Sue or any Auxiliary Board Member for More Details

Please Note: Anthony Rivera has taken over the homeless veterans program. If you can help in any way, let him know. Support him by bringing food, sleeping bags, back packs, tents, and bathroom items on April 27th and 28th for the food drive for the homeless.. Please bring everything to the Post. Clothes are not needed at this time. Tony and I thank you for these things.

Martin Motherway



American Legion 318 Calendar of Events April 2024

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 12-4 House Committee - 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 - 8 Aux Membership 1 - 3 Dinner 4 - 8 Fried Chicken- \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	4 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 12-4 Dinner Special 4 -8 Open Faced Roast Beef -\$10.00 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 Dinner 4 - 8 Meatball & Sausage over Spaghetti - \$10.00 and Open Menu Random Play 6 - 10
7 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30- 5	8 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu SAL Meeting - 5 Show Me the Money - 6	9 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 5	10 Kitchen Open 11:30 -3 Aux Membership 1 - 3 Dinner 5 - 7 SAL Lasagna - \$10.00 Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	11Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner Special 4 - 8 Stuffed Cabbage - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	12 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Big T 6:00 - 10	13 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion E Board - 9am Reg Meeting - 10:30am Dinner 4 - 8 Meatloaf - \$10.00 and Open Menu Terri Hines 6 - 10
14 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Nascar & Hockey	15 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 12 - 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 - 8 Aux Membership 1 - 3 Dinner 4 - 8 Eggplant Parmigiana - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	18 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Shepherd's Pie - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	19 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 The Kick 6 - 10	20 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Auxiliary E-Board-9:30am Regular Meeting - 10:30am Dinner 4 - 8 BBQ Ribs & Chicken - (See Ad) and Open Menu Permanent Affair 6 - 10
21 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Aux Bake Sale 9:30 - 12 Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Hockey & Nascar	22 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 12-4 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	24 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Aux Membership 1-3 Dinner 4 - 8 Liver & Onions - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	25 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Baked Ham - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	26 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 The Driftwoods 6 - 10	27 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken Brocolli Casserole - \$10.00 and Open Menu Radio Days 6 - 10
28 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30-5 Hockey & Nascar	29 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	30 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 5 10 - 13 Club - 7:30				