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November 2024
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by
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January 2025
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by
Nancy Brewer

January 2025
Robert Martinelli
by
Dori Anne DeMille
June 2025
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by
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by
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Karen Fox-Patterson

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by
Lee Caldwell
Burton T McInerney
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July 2027
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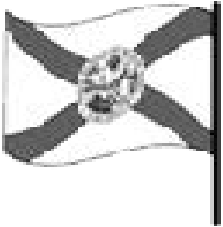
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The Post Messenger

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Commander's Message

Hello American Legion Family,
This is my first address in the Post Messenger as Commander. This opportunity is a privilege. I thank all my supporters. I joined Post 318 when we were located on the west side of US 1. The first person I encountered was the late Frank Howard. He turned from his seat at the bar and not recognizing me, he said "What can I do for you.". I replied, "I'm new to the area and I'd like to transfer my membership.". We sat and shared our backgrounds and a couple of drinks. Within the next hours, several others at the bar introduced themselves and welcomed me. This comradery was repeated in the following weeks, months, and years. I found a home here. In the years that followed I was given the opportunity to serve in the Honor Guard, Service Officer, Finance Officer and today, Commander! This opportunity is a privilege! Thank you, Past Commanders and thank you Post 318.

This month I name **Susan Feldman** as our "**Member of the Month**". Susan is our office manager. I first realized the contribution that Susan has made to our post when I became Finance Officer. My opinion was bolstered when I attended our convention in Orlando. Our finance program, developed and maintained by Susan, can stand tall with other, "Best in Class" posts and she can be proud of her contributions. Thank you, Susan Feldman.

For God & Country,
Matt Dunleavy, Commander

HAPPY BIRTHDAY UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, AUGUST 4, 1790

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

Hello everyone!

We are now having our annual school supply drive. Please drop off supplies at the legion. Most stores have lists of supplies needed. Also, we accept monetary donations, please give to Brenda Saffioti. Thank you for your help for the children in our community.

We are now accepting renewals for 2025 cost is \$40.00, please remember if you pay your dues before Oct. 31st you'll be entered in the early bird drawing. We will not be mailing the cards out you are asked to pick them up at the legion. If, you want us to mail you your card please enclose a stamped envelope. Also, if you haven't picked up your 2024 card at the legion do so now. Stay cool and have a great summer. Our next meetings is August 17th at 10:30a.m. For God and Country, Sue Pfohl, President 708-369-5446

Hello Post 318!

Hopefully everyone is making it through the dog days of summer. Even though the snow birds are gone it still seems crowded down here.

On July 7 the Riders board had the privilege of being sworn in at our Post along with the Legion, Sons, and Auxiliary. It was a very nice ceremony. Wishing good things to all the new officers this year.

Riders Officers are as follows:

Director- John Fiorelli
Ass't Director- Paul Croy
Sgt. at Arms- Tom Myers
Secretary- Wendi Smith
Treasurer- Wayne Mulligan
Ass't Sgt. at Arms- Lou Romano
Chaplain- Karen Fox-Patterson

On July 27 we rode in the ODMR (Officers Down Memorial Ride) which is a nationwide organization supporting law enforcement officers who have been killed.

Congratulations to Legion member Steve Votino who was the winner of our wheelbarrow of cheer. Thank you to Post 318 and all who supported our fundraiser.

On a personal note, I'd like to thank Past Commander John Hayes for his support of the Riders for the past two years. Whenever I had a question or issue John was always there to guide me through it. For the Cause, Not the Applause John Fiorelli

Second Vice Commander Report

We are offering **Daily Lunches** from 11:30am to 3 and **Sunday Breakfast** from 8:30 to 11am **August 24th** " Commander's Recognition Dinner" (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

Allen Quinn, 2nd Vice Comm

First Vice Commander Report

It is now time for all our members to renew their membership for 2025. We always start off on July 1 every year. Please do not wait for a request in the mail, we need everyone to do it now. Remember that our dues is how we keep the canteen going and support our veterans in need. So please renew your membership NOW. If you have any changes make sure you let us know as soon as possible, this means address, phone number and health and any other needs Remember that if you are paying on-line to let us know, at least a week after. Also for renewing use the following phone numbers: Legionnaires 772-281-7386 Sons 814-572-7300 Aux 904-885-9536 Please leave a clear message with name, phone #, and membership #.

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

Auxiliary Chaplin is now JERI-ANNE DOREMUS. My number is:772-773-2392. I will be sending out cards and visiting the sick in the hospital and or nursing homes. I will also be responsible for getting the name plates for wall of remembrance. Give me a call. For God and Country
Jeri-Anne Doremus, Auxiliary Chaplin



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Hello post 318,

Hope everyone is doing well. We had our installation of officers last month and I am honored to stay on as S. A. L. Commander for another year. When I joined 28 years ago we had 36 members and \$600 in the bank. Now we have over 600 members and raise over \$30,000 a year for our veterans and youth programs. And I would like to thank all the Members who make it happen. I salute you all. I look forward to working with the S.A.L. Officers, Legionnaires, Auxilary and the Legion Riders to have another successful year for Post 318.

There will be no meeting or lasagna dinner in August. We have our 2025 membership cards and renewal fee is \$35 and can be dropped off at the canteen with the bartender and Jim Prosperi will process them immediately.

God Bless America
Andy Saffioti. SAL Commander

Service Officer's report for July is as follows, to note Service Officers hours are 1pm to 4pm every Tuesday. Please bring dd-214s if needing assistance.

Facts you may want to know:

VA's Claim Status Tool allows Veterans to quickly view the status of their VA claim, decision review or appeal online through VA.gov. This free service allows Veterans the flexibility to access and monitor their claim online or from their mobile device 24/7. Veterans can select the time of day that best suits their schedule.

To begin, simply create a secure, personal online account on VA.gov using the free Login.gov or ID.me services. You can also sign in your account with your existing Login.gov, ID.me, DS Logon, or MyHealthVet account. Once online, you have instant access to view your claim, upload any required information and download available decision letters without having to wait for a person to process your request. Please visit the How to check your VA claim, appeal, or decision review status online page on VA.gov for step-by-step instructions on using the tool.

To learn about information and tours of The Ardie R Copas VA Nursing Home in Tradition by calling me at 630 399-1083 or Richard at 772 867-6298.

Lunch Bunch

Come join a few senior Vets for a friendly luncheon, Fridays at 1pm. Call the Post for more info.

Veterans Crisis Line – Call 1-800-273-8255 and press 1; text 838255, or visit online at <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/>

Gregory "Gman" Cavin, Service Officer

American Legion Post 318 Presents

Commander's Recognition & Appreciation Dinner

Saturday, August 24th, 2024

Cocktails: 4:00 Dinner: 5:00

Entertainment 6 - 10

Menu Includes:

Appetizers, Salad, Filet Mignon and Stuffed Shrimp, Rolls, & Dessert

AMERICAN LEGION POST 318 DUES RENEWAL 2025



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September 2024
Fred Thompson

November 2024
Jewish War Veterans

June 2025
Val & Teresa Macor

March 2029
Lee Caldwell

American Legion Post 318 Presents

Labor Day Celebration Picnic

Sunday, *September 1st*, 1 - 3 \$12.00

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

Big T 2 - 6



American Legion 318 Calendar of Events August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Mahi Platter - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	2 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 The Kick 6 - 10	3 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Riders Meeting - Canceled Dinner 4 - 8 Baked Chicken & Roasted Potatoes - \$10.00 and Open Menu Big T 6 - 10
4 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30- 5 Nascar & Baseball	5 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 12 - 4 House Committee - 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu SAL Meeting - Canceled Show Me the Money - 6	6 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Marine Corp League - 7	7 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Pork & Sauerkraut - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	8 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Salisbury Steak - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	9 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Driftwoods 6 - 10	10 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion E Board - 9am Reg Meeting - 10:30am Dinner 4 - 8 Baked Ham - \$10.00 and Open Menu Terri Hines 6 - 10
11 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Nascar & Baseball	12 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	13 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6	14 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Stuffed Shells - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	15 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken or Shrimp Stir-fry - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	16 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Shepard & Green 6 - 10	17 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Auxiliary E-Board - 9am Regular Meeting - 10:30am Dinner 4 - 8 Kielbasa & Pierogi - \$10.00 and Open Menu The Kick 6 - 10
18 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Nascar & Baseball	19 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 12-4 Kitchen Open 5:00-8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	20 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8	21 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner 4 - 8 Open Faced Roast Beef- \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	22 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Cabbage Rolls - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	23 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Terri Hines 6 - 10	24 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Commander Dinner Starts at 4:00 (See Ad) Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken Marsala - \$10.00 and Open Menu Radio Days 6 - 10
25 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Nascar & Baseball	26 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 12-4 Kitchen Open 5:00-8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	27 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6 10 - 13 Club - 7:30	28 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner 4 - 8 Liver & Onions - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	29 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 12 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken Alfredo - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	30 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Kick 6 - 10	31 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Spaghetti W Meatball & Sausage - \$10.00 and Open Menu Random Play 6 - 10