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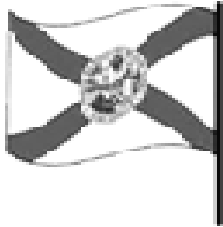
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The Post Messenger

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Commander's Message

Season's Greetings American Legion Family. Thank you to everyone who helped celebrate our country's 70th Veterans Day. The day we honor the contribution and the sacrifice which so many men and women and their families have made for this country. Thank you to our Post Honor Guard for the fine Veteran's Day ceremony. On the 7th of this month at 12:30pm the Honor guard will conduct a Pearl Harbor remembrance event.

This year's Army/Navy game is sponsored by the American Legion. The game is scheduled for 3:00pm on Saturday December 14. Please join us and watch the cadets and midshipmen battle for the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy. The evening's entertainment will commence after the game.

If you can donate toys, we have at the Post a Toys for Tots basket sponsored by our USMC Jack Ivy Detachment. We also have the Angel Tree, sponsored by our Post 318 Auxiliary.

Our Legionnaire membership renewals continue as 2024 draws to a close. Members are reminded that Canteen privileges are only afforded to those members with a current membership card. So please, renew your 2024 membership now. New door cards will only be issued to those members with a paid up 2025 membership. 2024 door cards will not work after February 1st, 2024.

I'm looking back and remembering all the hard work and dedication that some of our long-time members have given to our post. Many have gone to Post Everlasting before we had a chance to say thank you. Fortunately, we still have many of our old friends and we have that opportunity to say Thanks. This month, I name **Fred Thompson** as our "**Member of the Month**". Thank you, Fred for all you have done for the post. For God & Country,
Matt Dunleavy, Commander

Happy 2nd Birthday to the United States Space Force.

First Vice Commander Report

We have come to the end of 2024. If you have not renewed your membership by the end of December, you will not be given a 2025 key card. If you have made any changes in your address or phone number, please advise us. Our membership started off fast but has slowed down. The Post depends on the members to renew to reach our goals and work our programs, so please renew now. Any questions about renewal, call 9-5, Monday - Friday.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a very Happy New Year. If you are drinking, please don't drive. Have a designated driver or call a cab.

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

Hello Post 318!

I hope everyone is enjoying our beautiful weather. Time to get ready for the upcoming holidays.

The Riders had a fairly busy month in November. We escorted the Southeast Honor Flight to PBI. There were two buses of Veterans who took a flight to Washington DC to see the military monuments for the day. We left Post 318 at 3AM and had to ride through some pretty heavy rain but it is heartwarming when we greet the Veterans before they go through security. We also rode to Veterans Park in PSL for the city's Veterans Day ceremony and then back to our Post for their ceremony after which we enjoyed a great BBQ lunch.

Riders from Post 69 in Avon Park visited our Post and stole our Riders plaque from the Riders wall in the dining room. Eight 318 Riders made a four hour trek to Avon Park to get it back. It was a beautiful ride through the country roads. After lunch at the Post we headed home with our plaque.

The Angel tree is up at the Post. Please consider taking a tag and purchasing the gifts to help a needy child enjoy a Christmas they may not have had. Unfortunately this year the Salvation Army is requesting all gifts be turned in by December 2nd. No worries though. If you are a few days late I'll still pick up the gifts and deliver them to the Salvation Army. Wishing everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.

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

December 14th "Post Christmas Party" (See Ad)
December 21st "SAL Children's Christmas Party 11 am"(See Ad)

January 1st "New Year's Day Buffet" (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 Commander

Service Officers' Report for December: We assisted 14 vets to date. Hours are 1 pm to 4 pm every Tuesday except for the Eve of Christmas and New Year. Please bring DD-214s if needing assistance. VA is implementing a new regulation regarding the character of discharge determinations, the first of its kind in over four decades. This will increase the number of former service members found eligible for certain VA benefits based on determinations of honorable service for VA purposes. If you are or know of a vet whose character of discharge has prevented eligibility for VA benefits contact our service officers to privately review your circumstances.

In February the VA will implement a new appointment scheduling system called the Integrated Scheduling System (ISS) that will provide employees with a user-friendly scheduling experience while effectively reducing the time Veterans must wait for their appointments to be confirmed and scheduled.

Greg Cavin 772-337-5670 or Richard Pryor 772-867-6298

Greg Cavin, Service Officer

As Auxiliary Chaplin, 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 our Wall of Remembrance. Give me a call if you know of anyone that needs any of these things. My number is: 772-773-2392.

For God and Country

Jeri-Anne Doremus, Auxiliary Chaplin



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Hello post 318,

Hope everyone is doing well. I would like to say WOW what a golf tournament we had last month. I want to thank everyone who participated, all the volunteers and all the sponsors who made this possible. We could never do this without all of you. We raised over \$14,000 for our veterans and youth programs. An all time record.

We had a great turn out at our lasagna dinner. We served 157 dinners. I hope you all enjoyed it and again thanks to all the volunteers who make it happen. Our next lasagna dinner will be Wednesday December 11th 5-7 pm. With the proceeds from the golf tournament and the lasagna dinners we are able to support more veterans and youth programs in our community. There will be no meeting in December. Our next meeting will be Monday, January 13 at 4:30 PM. We are having our annual children's Christmas party on Saturday, December 21 at 11 AM. I encourage everyone to stop by and see the joy on the children's faces when Santa and his elves arrive. This is truly the meaning of Christmas.

Don't forget to renew your membership if haven't already. They will expire at the end of this month and you will lose your canteen privileges. You can drop your dues off at the canteen to the bartender and Jim Prosperi will process them immediately. Dues are \$35. God Bless America

Merry Christmas and Happy Year to all of you.

Andy Saffioti. SAL Commander

Hello everyone!

Hope you all had a good Thanksgiving with family and friends. There will be no meeting or bake sale in December. Our next meeting will be January 18th and bake sale January 19th. We will be starting our 50/50 progressive raffle January 1st, more details will be coming through emails and Facebook. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

For God and Country,
Sue Pfohl, Outgoing President
708-369-5446

ONE MORE THING

If you prefer getting the 318 monthly news letter via e-mail, please see First Vice John Holschuh. He is usually at the post on Mondays and Thursdays.

Matt Dunleavy, Commander

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June 2025
Val & Teresa Macor

March 2029
Lee Caldwell



Christmas Party Buffet



Saturday, **December 14th**, 5 - 7

Menu Includes:

Turkey, Spiral Ham, Sausage & Peppers,
All the Trimmings, and Dessert

Entertainment by The Driftwoods Following the Army/Navy Game

One Guest per Member

American Legion Post 318 Presents

S.A.L. Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 21st 11am



Post 318 New Year's Day Buffet

1 - 3 \$15.00

Roast Pork, Fried Chicken, Sauerkraut, Applesauce,
and Dessert

Entertainment by Big T 2 - 6

Tickets Sold at the Door on Day of Event





American Legion 318 Calendar of Events December 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Football	2 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 11 - 4 House Committee - 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	3 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Marine Corp League - 7	4 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Eggplant Parmegan - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	5 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion Membership 11 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken or Shrimp Stir Fry - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 6 Trivia - 7	6 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Alita & the Boys 6:30 - 10	7 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Riders Meeting - 9:30am Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance Ceremony Honor Guard - 12:30 Dinner 4 - 8 Meatloaf- \$10.00 and Open Menu Big T 6 - 10
8 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Football	9 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11 - 4 SAL Meeting - Canceled Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6:00	10 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6	11 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Dinner 5 - 7 Lasagna- \$10.00 No Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	12 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Seafood Fra Diavolo - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 6 Trivia - 7	13 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Glen Meyer Sax Man 6 - 10	14 Kitchen Open 11:30-2 Legion E Board - 9am Reg Meeting - 10:30am Army/Navy Game 3pm Post 318 Christmas Party Buffet 5 - 7 (See Ad) The Driftwoods following the Game ?- 10
15 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Football	16 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11-4 Kitchen Open 5:00-8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	17 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Legion Riders Social Night- 5:30	18 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner 4 - 8 Liver & Onions - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	19 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken Alfredo - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 6 Trivia - 7	20 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Random Play 6 - 10	21 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 AuxiliaryE-Board - Canceled Regular Meeting - Canceled SAL Children's Christmas Party 11am Dinner 4 - 8 Baked Ham - \$10.00 and Open Menu The Kick 6 - 10
22 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Football	23 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11-4 Kitchen Open 5:00-8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	24 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Canteen Hours 11-5 Service Officer - Canceled Honor Guard Meeting - Canceled	25 Kitchen Closed Canteen Open 11 - 7 Christmas Day Karaoke by Jimbo - Canceled	26 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Stuffed Chicken - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 6 Trivia - 7	27 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Off Hour Rockers 6 - 10	28 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Open Faced Roast Beef - \$10.00 and Open Menu Radio Days 6 - 10
29 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Football	30 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11-4 Kitchen Open 5:00-8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6	31 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Canteen Hours 11 - 8 New Year's Eve 10-13 Club - Canceled	1 New Year's Day New Year's Day Buffet 1 - 3 (See Ad)			