American Legion Post 318 1000 Savanna Club Blvd Port Saint Lucie, FL 34952

















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#### December 2025

Roy Brewer

Nancy Brewer

January 2026 Duane G Lang

by Alice Lang

Richard Moore Sheryl Moore

Joseph D Boyhan

**Carol Stebbins** 

George Sinbine

American Legion Riders Post 318

#### ~ In Memory Of ~

**July 2026** Ed Patterson & Rick Fox

by Karen Fox-Patterson

Joe Lutton

Post 318 Honor Guard

December 2026 Ed Black & Steve Wisor

S.A.L. Post 318

March 2027

Daryl Bowie

Lee Caldwell

Rose Mary McInerney

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**July 2027** Kathleen Fryatt

Thomas P Vaughan Kathryn Vaughan

> **April 2028** Barbara Gonder

Bill Gonder

Richard Fryatt

June 2029 Jim Caldwell

Lee Caldwell

#### November 2029

Jim Wornick

Bob Day & Jim Mooney

January 2030 Fred Thompson

Bob Day, Jim Mooney, & Jim Wornick

August 2031

**Bob Nittinger** Bob Day, Fred Thompson, Jim Mooney, & Jim Wornick

December 2031

**Arnie Thompson** Toni Thompson



## The Post Messenger

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#### Commander's Message

Happy Holidays American Legion Family -

Thank you to everyone who helped celebrate our Post's Veterans Day Ceremony. The day we honor the contributions and the sacrifice which so many men and women and their families have made for our Country. Thank you to our Post Honor Guard and the assistance from the Sea Cadet program which Post 318 sponsors.

This years Army/Navy game is sponsored by the American Legion. The game is scheduled for 3:00 pm on Saturday, December 13th. Please join us and watch the Cadets and Midshipmen battle for the Commander-in-Chiefs Trophy. The evenings entertainment will commence after the game.

If you can donate gifts, we have a Toys for Tots basket sponsored by our USMC Jack Ivy Detachment. We also have the Angel Tree Sponsored by our Post 318 Auxiliary and the Children's Christmas Party will be held December 13th at 11:00 am and Sponsored by the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 318.

Our membership renewals continue as 2025 draws to a close. Members are reminded that canteen privileges are only afforded to those with a current membership card, so please, renew your current membership now. New door cards will be issued to those members with a paid 2026 membership.

This month I would like to name Paul Croy as Post 318 "Member of the Month". Paul is an Army veteran, retired FHP Motor Patrol Sergeant, Assistant Rider Director and the lead Road Captain. On behalf of all the members, Thank you.

For God and Country, Paul Furtado, Commander

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

December 2025

First Vice Commander Report As of the end of Nov. we have reach a 62% membership paid for 2026. I thank all the members who have made this possible. This is the season to be with family and friends but please don't over do it. We want to see everyone back in good health for the New Year. My family wish you all a happy holiday and a Happy New Year. If you are taking any medication, please do not take with any alcoholic drink. As always. if you drink please don't drive, don't text or use your phone.

For membership call 772-281- 7386 and be sure to leave a message with your name, phone number and membership number and it will be return as soon as possible.

For GOD and Country Martin Motherway, First Vice Phone 772-281-7386 or 516-695-4867

Veterans Day was well attended in respect to our veterans. In addition to the poppy distribution, our 2nd Vice Janet, made it special by giving our Veterans' a token star that they can carry or display to honor them. The auxiliary also drew 15 veterans' names and provided them with a Gift. A special thank you to Susan for bringing our newest

junior Auxiliary Member, Emma on Veterans Day. Thank you to our Auxiliary volunteers for a job well done!.

The luncheon on December 3 to recognize our auxiliary members with greater than 20 years of supporting our auxiliary, was successful due to my

entire e-board helping to make it special.
On January 17, 2026, Unit 318 is hosting an ABC ( Auxiliary Basic Concept ) class. I am encouraging all auxiliary members to attend(A sign-up sheet will be up in the ladies bathroom to sign up). Everyone could learn more about the American Legion and the functions to support our children and youth and veterans'.

No Auxiliary meeting in December or bake sale. Our next General meeting is January 24,2026 At 10:30 AM. Bake sale to follow on Sunday, January 25, 2026 from 9 AM to 12 PM.

Merry Christmas to all and our entire 318 family! Jeannette Roslie

Auxiliary Pres. Unit 318 904–885–9536

Hope this finds everyone in good health and good spirits. To everyone who braved the cold air at Veterans Memorial Park for the Veterans Day celebration bless your heart, for it was a beautiful ceremony. Also on behalf of the Commander, myself, the honor guard, and the sea cadets, thank you from the bottom of my heart. Thanks to Jeanette Rosalie, Carol Stebbins and Karen Fox for putting up the Angel tree, quick reminder that all tags are due back by December 8th. Thanks to everyone for their support. Remember please let me know of anyone who needs a call or visit, especially in our nursing homes.

For God and Country. Tom Kennelly, Post Chaplain (772-678-1867)

Second Vice Commander Report We are offering **Daily Lunches** from 11:30am to 3 and Sunday Breakfast from 8:30 to 11am December 13th "SAL Children's Christmas Party" 11am (See Ad)

December 20th "Post 318 Christmas Party" 5-7 (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 6 Every Thursday: "Ace of Hearts" - 7, "Trivia" - 7:30

Every Friday: Music & Dancing, 6 - 10 Every Saturday: Music & Dancing, 6-10

Kenny Diehl, 2nd Vice Commander

Hello Post 318. I hope everyone had a blessed and wonderful Thanksgiving Day.

It was a pretty busy month for the Riders. We did another Honor Flight Escort for the Veteran buses to PBI on their way to Washington DC to view the military monuments. I'd like to thank Commander Paul for treating us to breakfast when we returned to PSL.

On Veterans Day we rode to Veterans Park in PSL to attend their Veterans ceremony and following that we rode back to our post to attend our own ceremony. Both events were very movina.

We also participated in the US Military Vets of the Treasure Coast Poker Run to benefit Veterans and Veteran causes.

The Angel Tree is on display at our Post. We work in conjunction with the Salvation Army to help needy children in our community so they can receive a Christmas gift. All you have to do is take a tag off the tree and a bag, purchase the gift(s) that the child asked for and return the bag to the Post. As they are returned I will pick them up and deliver them to the Salvation Army. December 8 is the cutoff date but they usually have a couple day grace period. I'll make sure all the gifts are delivered. For the Cause, Not the Applause

As Auxiliary Chaplin, I will send out cards and visit anyone in the hospital and or nursing homes. I will also get the name plates for our Wall of Remembrance. Call the Post if you know of anyone that needs any encouragement. For God and Country Sandy Lassalle, Auxiliary Chaplin

John Fiorelli



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The American Legion Post 318

December 2025

Hello post 318,

October and November were busy months for the S. A. L. We had our annual golf tournament and raised over \$14,000 for our veterans and youth programs in our community. I would like to thank all the participants, sponsors, and volunteers. Without you all this would not be possible. We also had a sellout on both our lasagna dinner nights. We served 145 dinners. Thank you all for attending and a special thanks to the volunteers who make it happen. Once again, all our proceeds from the dinners go to our veterans and youth programs.

We had a good turnout for our meeting last month and I would like to thank everyone who attended. There will be no meeting in December and there will be no lasagna dinner in December. Check the calendar for January events.

We are approaching the end of the year and all memberships will be due by December 31st I urge you all to renew ASAP. Please do not renew online as it will take weeks longer to receive your new membership card. You can pay your dues \$35 at the post with the doorman or the bartender and Jim Prosperi will process your card immediately. I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

God Bless America! Andy Saffioti. SAL Commander Service Officer's report for Dec is as follows, we assisted 9 Vets, Auxiliary 4 and SOLs 5 with membership and benefit issues. Service Officers' hours are now 1pm to 4pm every Tuesday. Please bring DD-214, if you require assistance. Facts you may want to know:
Legislative Update (Service Dogs Assisting Veterans (SAVES) Act) As a resolution-based organization that channels the advocacy of more than 3 million veterans and their families, The American Legion has long recognized the profound therapeutic and life-changing impact of service dogs for veterans

struggling with physical disabilities, post-traumatic

stress, traumatic brain injury, and related conditions. These critical benefits align directly with our Resolution No. 134: Service Dogs for Injured Service Personnel and Veterans with Mental Health Conditions. By supporting the SAVES Act, The American Legion reaffirms our dedication to enhancing the quality of life for veterans through innovative, compassionate, and practical support. We encourage Congress to pass this legislation swiftly to enable nonprofit, ADI-accredited organizations to expand access to service dogs—without barriers—for those who need them most. Thank you for your attention to this vital matter. We stand ready to continue our advocacy and urge swift legislative

our veterans. Your Service Officers, Gregory "Gman" Cavin 772 337-5670 & Richard Pryor 772 867-6298

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March 2029 Lee Caldwell The American Legion Post 318

December 2025

American Legion Post 318 Presents

# S.A.L. Children's Christmas Party Saturday, December 13th, 11:00am



American Legion Post 318 Presents

## Post 318 Christmas Party Buffet Saturday, December 20th 5 - 7

Menu Includes

Turkey, Spiral Ham, Sausage & Peppers, All the Trimmings, and Dessert Entertainment by Big T One Guest per Member No Ticket Required

Tickets sold at the Door On Day of Event -

\$12.00

American Legion Post 318 Presents

New Year's Day Buffet Thursday, January 1st, 1 - 3 Entertainment by Big T 2 - 6



Menu Includes:

Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Green Beans, Lasagna, Applesauce, and Dessert



## American Legion 318 Calendar of Events December 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11-4 House Committee - 4 Kitchen Open 5 - 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 Auxiliary Membership 11-2 Dinner 4 - 8 Spaghetti w/ Meatballs & Sausage- \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	<b>4</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken Murphy- \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	<b>5</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 <b>Fish Fry 4 - 8</b> The Kick 6 - 10	6 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Riders Meeting - Canceled Legion E Board - 9am Regular Meeting - 10:30am Dinner 4 - 8 Beer Braised Pork- \$10.00 and Open Menu Radio Days 6 - 10
<b>7</b> Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5	8 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11-4 Kitchen Open 5 - 8 Limited Menu SAL Meeting - Canceled Show Me the Money - 6	<b>9</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting -6:30	10 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Auxiliary Membership 11-2 Dinner 4 - 8 Meatloaf - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	11 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion Membership 11-4 Dinner 4 - 8 Creamy Tuscan Chicken - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	<b>12</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 <b>Fish Fry 4 - 8</b> Brooks Reid Band 6 - 10	13 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 SAL Children's Christmas Party 11am Army/Navy Game - 3 Dinner 4 - 8 Creamy Garlic Shrimp & Rice -\$10.00 and Open Menu Terri Hines - After the Game
14 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Football	15 Kitchen Open 11:30-3  Kitchen Open 5 - 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 Auxiliary Membership 11-2 Dinner 4 - 8 Beer Battered Haddock - \$10.00 Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	18 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner 4 - 8 Slow Cooker Garlic Butter Beef Bites & Potatoes -\$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30	<b>19</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 <b>Fish Fry 4 - 8</b> Glen Meyer, Sax Man 6 - 10	20 Kitchen Closed Aux E-Board - Canceled Aux Reg Meeting-Canceled Post 318 Christmas Party Buffet 5 - 7 (See Ad)  Big T 6 - 10
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28 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30-5 Football	29 Kitchen Open 11:30-3  Kitchen Open 5 - 8 Limited Menu  Show Me the Money - 6	<b>30</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 10-13 Club - 7:30	31Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Canteen Open 11 - 8	1 New Year's Day New Year's Day Buffet 1 - 3 (See Ad)		