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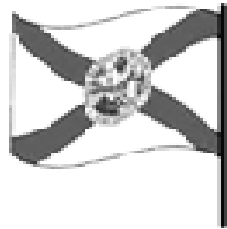
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# The Post Messenger

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## March - 2023

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### Commander's Message

Hello American Legion Family,  
I want to thank all the Members who have renewed their 2023 membership. At present we are at approximately 80% of our renewal goal with still a way to go to achieve 100%. Please don't let your membership expire.  
February was a busy month around the Post with The Super Bowl Party and the Auxiliary Valentines Dinner and Dance hi-lighting the month's activity. Also in February, we interviewed and picked 8 students to attend Boy's State at the State House in Tallahassee where they will participate in learning how our government operates and is a great opportunity and experience for these young men. This is one of the oldest programs in the American Legion.  
At our March Membership Meeting we will be appointing our Election Committee to start receiving names from Members that would like to run for office next year. All Legionnaires in good standing who wish to run for office can give their request to the election Committee.

Friday, March 17th is our St Patrick's Day Celebration. We will have our usual Corned Beef and Cabbage specials all day with Irish Music in the afternoon and the Legion Boys providing the entertainment that evening. Wear your green and enjoy the day!  
Our annual Post 318 Blood Drive will be held on Saturday, March 18th from 8 am until 2 pm. ONE BLOOD buses will be available to accommodate the donors. A complimentary breakfast or lunch will be provided to all who participate. Thank you in advance to all of our members that donate blood for such a worthy cause.

On March 15, 1919, one hundred and four years ago, a committed group of World War One veterans from the United States met in Paris, France with a broad vision. Included among their goals was "to inculcate the duty and obligation of the citizen to the state." More than a century later – the duty, obligation and national feeling desired by the founders exists in abundance. It can be found at more than 12,000 American Legion posts around the globe. It is a feeling that has proven timeless over the last 104 years, one that matters deeply today and will endure for generations to come. Thank you, and God Bless our American Legion.

**John Fiorelli** is our "Member of the Month" for March. John is our Legion Riders Director and does an outstanding job of coordinating events to raise funds for our veterans and youth programs. Thank you, John, for all that you do.

JOHN HAYES, Commander

### ~ In Memory Of ~

<b>July 2023</b> Ed Patterson & Rick Fox by Karen Fox-Patterson  Frank J Lima by Pamela J Lima	<b>June 2025</b> Donald Erb, POW-WWII by Val & Teresa Macor  <b>January 2026</b> Duane G Lang by Alice Lang	<b>December 2026</b> Frank Howard by Post 318 Honor Guard  Arnold Thompson by Toni Thompson	<b>March 2027</b> Burton T McInerney by Rose Mary McInerney  <b>July 2027</b> Thomas P Vaughan by Kathryn Vaughan  Kathleen Fryatt by Richard Fryatt
<b>March 2024</b> Moose Horan by Lee Caldwell	<b>December 2026</b> Ed Black & Steve Wisor by S.A.L. Post 318	<b>March 2027</b> Daryl Bowie by Lee Caldwell	<b>June 2029</b> Jim Caldwell by Lee Caldwell
<b>June 2024</b> Richard Moore by Sheryl Moore			

~ 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 would like to thank all volunteers for helping make our Valentine's Dinner a great success we couldn't of done it without you!

On Friday, March 17th we will have our St. Patrick's Progressive 50/50 drawing so be sure to purchase your tickets. (See Block Ad) We will be having our Bake Sale Sunday March 19th (See Block Ad). And we're still collecting items for the Homeless Vets and peanut butter for Grace Packs.

Our elections for President, First Vice, Second Vice, Chaplain, Treasurer, Historian, Sargent-at-Arms, Asst. Sargent-at-Arms and (3) E-Board will be held at our meeting on Saturday May 20th at 10:30 am. If you would like to run or have questions please feel free to contact one of our Nominating Committee members. They are Susan Pfohl 708-369-5446, Jeannette Roslie 904-885-9536 or Judy Martinez 772-342-1392.

Our next meeting will be March 18th at 10:30a.m. For God and Country,  
Nanette Mallonee  
Auxiliary President  
443-889-4772

Service Officer's report for March is as follows, I assisted X 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

As a Veteran, you may be eligible for certain tax benefits under the tax code. It's important to file your taxes before this year's April 18 deadline. Check out this summary of key tax benefits for Veterans.

- 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.

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

The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is a United States-based suicide prevention network of over 200+ crisis centers that provides 24/7 service via a toll-free hotline with the number 9-8-8. It is available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress.

Gregory "Gman" Cavin  
Service Officer

### First Vice Commander Report

Our post stands at 80% membership, we should be higher. If you have a problem with your membership renewal come to the post on Mon./Wed./Thur./ Fri. between 1PM & 4 PM. Anyone who has renewed on-line let me know, I will not be notified for a while and I can check it and give you a card. If you change your address or you are

a snowbird give us an address you want me to send it to. Remember your dues support our veterans in need as well as our communities. Again call this new phone number for any issues.

For God and Country,  
Martin Motherway, First Vice Commander  
772-281-7386

### Second Vice Commander Report

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

**March 4th:** "Foot Stompin' Hoedown" 6-7:30 (See Ad)

**March 17th:** "St Patrick's Day Dinner" 11:30 - 7(See Ad)

**March 25th:** "Steak Night" 5 - 8 (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

Hello post 318

Hope all is well with everyone. We had a great turnout at our lasagna dinner last month. We served 155 dinners. I thank all of you who attended and I hope you enjoyed it. With the proceeds from the dinner we are able to support more veterans and youth programs. There will be no lasagna dinner in March. Our next dinner will be Wednesday, April 12th. There will be no meeting in March. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 10th. Hopefully all your memberships are paid, if you have not please do so ASAP.

GOD BLESS AMERICA  
Andy Saffioti  
S.A.L. Commander



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

**Rider's Report**

The Riders are working hard preparing for our Hoe Down on March 4. The buffet will have an array of delicious food and the music will entertain everyone. Buffet tickets are \$15 per person. Our wheelbarrow of cheer is on display at the Post. It is definitely chock full of great spirits and snacks. Tickets are one for \$5 or three for \$10. The winner will be drawn at the Hoe Down. Winner need not be present. Both buffet and raffle tickets are available from the bartenders. For the Cause, Not the Applause  
John Fiorelli

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**March 2024**

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**June 2024**

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**November 2024**

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**June 2025**

Val & Teresa Macor

**Post 318 Riders****Foot Stompin' Hoedown Buffet**  
**Saturday, March 4th 6 - 7:30 \$15.00**

Menu Includes: Smoked Pork Butt, BBQ Chicken, Chili, Mac & Cheese, and All the Fixin's

**Wheelbarrow of Cheer Drawing and 50/50 Raffle**

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**Post 318****St Patrick's Day  
Dinner**

**Friday, March 17th**

**Serving 11:30 - 7**

Corned Beef & Cabbage with All  
the Trimmings \$15.00

Corned Beef Sandwich \$10.00

**Post 318 Auxiliary****Progressive 50/50  
Drawing**

**St Patrick's Day,  
March 17th**

Tickets are \$5.00 Each

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Auxiliary Member.  
Get Yours Before the  
Drawing!**

**American Legion Post 318****Steak Night**

**Saturday, March 25th, 5 - 8 \$20.00**

16 oz T-Bone, Baked Potato, Veggies, Salad,  
and Dessert

**The Kick 6 - 10**

Get Your Limited Tickets From the Bartender Soon!



## American Legion 318 Calendar of Events March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1-4 Dinner 4 - 7 Chicken Cordon Bleu - \$10.00 and Open Menu  Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	<b>2</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8  Dinner Special 4 - 8 Baked Ham - \$9.00 and Open Menu  Ace of Hearts - 7  Trivia - 7:30	<b>3</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Marine Corp League Auxiliary Meeting - 9am  <b>Fish Fry 4- 8</b>  Alita and the Boyz 6:30 - 10	<b>4</b> Kitchen Open 11:30- 3 Riders Meeting - 9:30am  <b>Rider's Foot Stompin' Hoedown Buffet 6 - 7:30 (See Ad)</b>  Pressure Point 6 - 10
<b>5</b> Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers  Kitchen Open 12 - 5  Nascar	<b>6</b> 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	<b>7</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special  Service Officer 1 - 4  Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8  Marine Corp League - 7	<b>8</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1-4 Dinner 4 - 7 Stuffed Shells - \$10.00 and Open Menu  Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	<b>9</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-8  Dinner Special 4 - 8 Roast Beef - \$9.00 and Open Menu  Ace of Hearts - 7  Trivia - 7:30	<b>10</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8  <b>Fish Fry 4 - 8</b>  Permanent Affair 6 - 10	<b>11</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion E-Board - 9am Legion Meeting - 10:30  Dinner 4 - 8 Stuffed Peppers - \$9.00 and Open Menu  Terri Hines 6 - 10
<b>12</b> Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers  Kitchen Open 12 - 5  Nascar	<b>13</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1-4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu  Show Me the Money - 6  SAL Meeting - Canceled	<b>14</b> Kitchen Open 11:30- 3 Taco Tuesday Special  Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8  Honor Guard - 6pm	<b>15</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7  Dinner 4 - 7 Kielbasa w/ pierogies - \$10.00 and Open Menu  Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	<b>16</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-8  Dinner Special 4 - 8 Chicken Marsala - \$9.00 and Open Menu  Ace of Hearts - 7  Trivia - 7:30	<b>17</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7  <b>St Patrick's Day Dinner 11:30 - 7 (See Ad)</b> <b>No Open Menu</b>  Jimbo & Legion Boys 6 - 10	<b>18</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Auxiliary E-Board - 9:30 Regular Meeting - 10:30  Dinner 4 - 8 Salisbury Steak - \$9.00 and Open Menu  Random Play 6 - 10
<b>19</b> Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers  Aux Bake Sale 10 - 1  Kitchen Open 12 - 5  Nascar	<b>20</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu  Show Me the Money - 6	<b>21</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special  Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8	<b>22</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7  Dinner 4 - 7 Fried Chicken - \$10.00 and Open Menu  Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	<b>23</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-8  Dinner Special 4 -8 Pork Chops - \$9.00 and Open Menu  Ace of Hearts - 7  Trivia - 7:30	<b>24</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8  <b>Fish Fry 4 - 8</b>  Terri Hines 6 - 10	<b>25</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8  <b>Steak Night 5 - 8 (See Ad)</b> and Open Menu  The Kick - 6 - 10
<b>26</b> Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers  Kitchen Open 12 - 5  Nascar	<b>27</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1-4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu  Show Me the Money - 6	<b>28</b> 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	<b>29</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7  Dinner 4 - 7 Liver, Bacon,& Onions - \$10.00 and Open Menu  Karaoke by Jimbo - 6	<b>30</b> Kitchen Open 11:30-8  Dinner Special 4 -8 Meatloaf - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7  Trivia - 7:30	<b>31</b> Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8  <b>Fish Fry 4 - 8</b>  Driftwoods 6 - 10	