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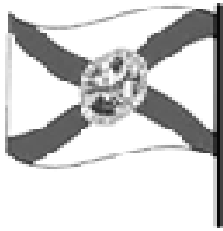
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Commander's Message

Hello American Legion Family,

I want to thank all the Members who have renewed their 2023 membership. At present we are at 82% of our renewal goal with another three to four percent still in the Department pipeline.

At our March General Membership meeting we established our Nominating Committee chaired by Ron Young our Judge Advocate. The Committee will be soliciting names of interested Legion members to run for office. Elected officers are: Commander, Vice Commanders, Finance Officer, Chaplain, Historian, Sergeant-at-Arms, and three Executive Board at large members. Any Legionnaire in good standing is eligible to run for an office, so please submit your name to the Nominating Committee if you are interested in running for a position. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at our April Membership Meeting and the final slate of nominations distributed to the membership. Post elections will be held on Friday, May 12th, 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 4th. 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. A traditional Irish meal was served from 11:30 until 7 pm. The wearing of the green was in great evidence and a grand time was enjoyed by all.

The Post sponsored Blood Drive, coordinated by Butch Bates, was very successful. Thanks to all members that participated and donated to make our Blood Drive successful. The Red Bus wants to return.

This month I name **David Width** as the "**Member of the Month**". David is the Post Sgt-at-Arms and leads the Honor Guard in all veterans memorial services. Under his leadership, Post 318 receives high praise for the professionalism displayed. Thank you, David, for all that you do.

JOHN HAYES, Commander

~ In Memory Of ~

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| July 2023 Ed Patterson & Rick Fox by Karen Fox-Patterson Frank J Lima by Pamela J Lima | March 2024 Moose Horan by Lee Caldwell June 2024 Richard Moore by Sheryl Moore June 2025 Donald Erb, POW-WWII by Val & Teresa Macor January 2026 Duane G Lang by Alice Lang | December 2026 Ed Black & Steve Wisor by S.A.L. Post 318 Frank Howard by Post 318 Honor Guard Arnold Thompson by Toni Thompson March 2027 Daryl Bowie by Lee Caldwell | March 2027 Burton T McInerney by Rose Mary McInerney July 2027 Thomas P Vaughan by Kathryn Vaughan Kathleen Fryatt by Richard Fryatt June 2029 Jim Caldwell by Lee Caldwell |
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~ The name of a loved one or friend can be added to the "In Memory Of" for only \$15.00 a year ~

First Vice Commander Report

There is little time left for renewing your membership for 2023 so PLEASE DO IT NOW. Remember that your membership gets you in to the post to enjoy what we offer, but the real purpose is to help our Veterans in need. We have done a lot this past year in helping the homeless Veterans and assisted those that need help with dealing with the VA. Post that were destroy by the storm on the Gulf Coast our post stepped up to help them. There are a lot things we do for our communities to help them. The children of all ages with Christmas gifts , sports , boys state etc. Those of you who have paid for your 2023 membership and have received a notice from the Dept. of Florida that you have not renewed call me at 772-281-0665. If you have not receive your card and you have paid, should call the number. as well.

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

Rider's Report

March was a very busy month for the Riders. March 4 was our annual Hoe Down. It was a great success. The Riders made \$3400 which will help us continue our programs to help veterans and our community in need. 318 member Greg Sorenson was the winner of the wheelbarrow of cheer. Also, earlier on that day we were visited by members of Post 189 in Sebastian as a stop on their Poker Run supporting Sebastian Elementary School.

On March 18 we rode to Post 117 Palm Bay for the 12th District annual picnic. It was a fun day and a nice ride. On the 19th we rode in a Post 39 Vero Beach Poker Run to support Wounded Waters which is a group that helps Veterans get out on the water for a day of fishing to help them forget their daily struggles even for a short time

March 25 was the Post 318 first annual Poker Run to support Treasure Coast Food Bank. It was a great success and there were many riders from the local communities w ho came out and donated to this worthy cause Whenever riders from other posts stop in at 318 we get nothing but compliments about how beautiful our post is. We should all be proud of that. Thank you to everyone who supported our Hoe Down by buying a dinner ticket or purchasing wheelbarrow of cheer tickets. It is greatly appreciated. For the Cause, Not the Applause
John Fiorelli

- Service Officer's report for April is as follows, I assisted 18 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
- 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.

Hello everyone!

Our annual Golf Tournament is coming up Sunday, May 21st. The sign up sheet is posted on the legions bulletin board and it's \$75.00 per golfer. We're looking for sponsors and donations for the event. Please contact Brenda Saffioti at 772-486-2905.

We will be having elections in May for 2022-2023 officers. If interested in running, please contact Sue Pfohl 708-369-5446, Jeannette Roslie 904-885-9536 or Judy Martinez 772-342-1392.

Debbie Johnston is collecting peanut butter for Grace Pack and also, monetary donations. These donations will be helping the needy children that don't have food to eat on the weekends. Also, we're still collecting specific food for the homeless vets in our area. Please see fliers posted at the legion on items they need.

We would like to thank everyone that helped with the Progressive 50/50 drawing. It was a great success!

Our next meeting is April 15th at 10:30 am. and our bake sale is on Sunday April 16th (see Block Ad).
For God and Country,
Nanette Mallonee
Auxiliary President
443-889-4772

Hello post 318

Hope you all are doing well. We had a great turnout at our Lasagna dinner. We served 168 dinners. Thank you all for your support and I hope you all enjoyed it. Thanks to all the volunteers who make it happen. With the proceeds from our dinner we are able to support more Veterans and youth programs. Our next dinner will be Wednesday April 12th 5-7 pm for \$10.

Our next meeting will be Monday April 10th at 6:30 pm.
Your membership should be paid by now. If not, please do so ASAP.

Don't forget to renew your memberships.
GOD BLESS AMERICA
Andy Saffioti
S.A.L. Commander

Second Vice Commander Report

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

April 9th: "Easter Dinner" 1 - 5 (See Ad)

April 22nd: "Prime Rib 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



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Auxiliary Bake Sale
Sunday, April 16th, 10:00 to 1:00
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On this glorious day, O Lord, our hearts are raised to You in joy and gladness as we celebrate the resurrection of Your Son from the dead. May His loving kindness and His blessings rest on us and on our dear ones,

Grant us, O Lord that our devotion to You may reflect our happiness at this glorious season, and may we all enjoy sweet fulfillment of the promise of this day. We pray that the love of Christ the Risen King may abide in our hearts forevermore and fill us with the joyousness and peace of Easter-tide. Amen.

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

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Lee Caldwell

June 2024

10-13 Club

November 2024

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June 2025

Val & Teresa Macor



Post 318

Easter Dinner

Sunday, April 9th 1 - 5 \$15.00

Menu Includes: Garden Salad,
Baked Ham or Roasted Turkey Breast
Sweet Potato or Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable,
Dinner Roll, and Dessert
No Ticket Needed



American Legion Post 318 Coming Events!

Kentucky Derby Day

Saturday, May 6th, 3:00

Legion Horse Racing Games, 3 - 5

Prize for Best Hat - 5:00



Annual American Legion
Auxiliary 318
Golf Tournament

Sunday, May 21st 8 AM
Shotgun start at
Gator Trace
Entry Fee \$75.00 pp

All proceeds go to help
our Veterans and Youth
Programs

For more information call
Brenda 772-486-2905

American Legion Post 318

Prime Rib Night

Saturday, April 22nd, 5 - 8 \$20.00

Baked Potato, Veggies, Salad, and Dessert

Random Play 6 - 10



Get Your Limited Tickets From the Bartender Soon!



American Legion 318 Calendar of Events April 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| April 30th Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12 - 5 | | | | | | 1 Kitchen Open 11:30- 8 Riders Meeting - 9:30am Children & Youth Activity Day 11 - 4pm Dinner 4 - 8 Fra Diavolo - \$11.00 and Open Menu Permanent Affair 6 - 10 |
| 2 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12 - 5 | 3 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 | 4 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Marine Corp League - 7 | 5 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1-4 Dinner 4 - 7 Kielbasa w/ pirogies - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 6 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 - 8 Country Fried Steak - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 7 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Marine Corp League Auxiliary Meeting - 9am Fish Fry 4 - 8 Alita & the Boyz 6:30 - 10 | 8 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion E-Board - 9am Legion Meeting - 10:30 Dinner 4 - 8 Stuffed Peppers - \$10.00 and Open Menu Pressure Point 6 - 10 |
| 9 No Breakfast Kitchen Closed Easter Dinner 1 - 5 (See Ad) | 10 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1- 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 SAL Meeting - 6:30 | 11 Kitchen Open 11:30- 3 Taco Tuesday Special Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6 | 12 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1- 4 Dinner 5 - 7 SAL Lasagna- \$10.00 Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 13 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 - 8 Chicken Marsala - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 14 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 The Driftwoods 6 - 10 | 15 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Auxiliary E-Board - 9:30 Regular Meeting - 10:30 Dinner 4 - 8 Salisbury Steak - \$10.00 and Open Menu Chris Adams Band 6 - 10 |
| 16 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Aux Bake Sale 10 - 1 Kitchen Open 12 - 5 | 17 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1- 4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 | 18 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer, & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 | 19 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1- 4 Dinner 4 - 7 Fried Chicken - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 20 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 -8 Swedish Meatballs over Noodles - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 21 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 The Kick 6 - 10 | 22 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Prime Rib Night 5-8 (See Ad) and Open Menu Random Play - 6 - 10 |
| 23 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12 - 5 | 24 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Legion Membership 1-4 Kitchen Open 5:00 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 | 25 Kitchen Open 11:30- 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1-4pm Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6 10 - 13 Club - 7:30 | 26 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 7 Legion Membership 1- 4 Dinner 4 - 7 Liver, Bacon,& Onions - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 27 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Dinner Special 4 -8 Roast Beef - \$9.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 28 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Terri Hines 6 - 10 | 29 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Shepherd's Pie - \$10.00 and Open Menu Big T 6 - 10 |