



The Post Messenger

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hello Legion Family;

This is the time of the year that we at Post 318 really do make a difference. It's that time of the year where all the organizations help so many others that are not as fortunate as some. It's that time of the year where many hours of volunteering and hard work goes a long way for a child in need. It's that time of the year where we remember those who just don't have anyone else and depend on a friendly gesture or a sincere kindness from someone. It's that time of the year.

Over the years I have witnessed the unselfish actions of so many members helping others in any way they can. Some ask, "What is it that the American Legion does?" Well, look around this Holiday Season and see for yourself. As we get closer ask yourself, "What can I do to create a smile on someone's face through helping."

Veterans Day is on Friday, November the 11th. There will be a ceremony at Veteran's Park in the morning and we all get together for a great buffet at the Post. Please try to attend.

This past month we hosted the 12th District meetings at our Post and the Ladies Auxiliary held a District workshop. It's always nice that the District asks us to host such events and it gives us a chance to show off our Post.

By the time you are reading this we will have sent out our finalized plans to the Contractors to bid. It will take about 3-4 weeks to get them back. Once we get them back we will decide on which contractor to use. Then we start the process of financing the New Post Home Project. It's a process that takes time and making sure whatever decision is made is best for the Post. So bear with us on this process.

Finally, the member of the month is someone that every time you look around is doing something for the Post. Whether it's cooking for an event, fixing something at the Post, or some project somebody thought up but didn't know how to do it. Babe Garneau, I thank you and truly appreciate all you have done.

Daryl Bowie, Commander

Sons of American Legion

Greetings;

I would like to thank everyone involved and all who supported our 2nd Annual Fall Golf Classic of 2011. All our sponsors, volunteers and, of course, the golfers for making this event another success for the Sons of American Legion Post 318. An event of this magnitude always requires an enormous amount of time, effort, goodwill and teamwork from all our organizations and members! Special thanks to Andy Saffioti and Ed Black who spearheaded this event. Thank you Tommy Bowes and his great St. Lucie Mets organization for their donations that always occur throughout the year. Thank you Inga and Jim Moore who pounded the sidewalks of our community and pursued many sponsors. Because of their efforts and hard work they attained many sponsors and donations during our communities hard economic times.

Thank you to all our volunteers who helped on the golf course and those who helped at the Legion serving refreshments, serving food, cooking and cleaning up. The end result of this teamwork and goodwill enables Post 318's Sons organization to support our Legion, our veterans and community every year. The rewards are immeasurable.

God Bless all of you for aiding our organization to achieve one of our many goals.

I am very happy to announce that Garin Salisbury, our Post Chaplain, has also joined the Sons and has agreed to be our Chaplain, as well. Welcome aboard, Garin.

Veteran's Day is approaching and I just want to thank all of our fallen heroes, veterans, and of course, our active military. Thank you for our freedom and your protection, that enables our beloved USA to be the best and most humane country in the world! We will always support you and never forget patriotism. May God bless and watch over you.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

Tony Avolio

SAL Commander



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Post Everlasting

Thank the Good Lord there are none to report

Need prayers for the following members: Fred Scheeley .

Thought for the Month

"If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under."

Ronald Reagan

If you know any member that is sick, in the hospital or in distress, please call Garin Salisbury, Chaplain @240-8179 or email gsali81@att.net

2nd Vice

Fall is upon us and Thanksgiving is almost here. This year as in the past, Post 318 will have complimentary Turkey dinner for Post members and their spouses. All others will be charged \$6.00. Veteran's day is November 11 and the Post will have a buffet free to members and \$6.00 for all others.

The Post will be holding a raffle for a trip to Gulfstream Park Race Track. The winner will be able to bring 7 friends on an excursion that includes; free transportation to and from the track, lunch, etc.

ACE OF HEARTS GAME WILL BE HELD ONE TIME ONLY ON A WEDNESDAY NIGHT BEFORE THANKSGIVING, THEN BACK TO THE REGULAR THURSDAY NIGHTS.

On that note I would like to thank all the groups that make up the Legion family for foregoing the Ace of Hearts 50/50 so we could get better Friday night entertainment. Larry has provided some great acts. Your kindness will be repaid in kind. I would be remiss if I didn't thank Kasey and Carol for selling tickets to the 50/50 for months now. Job well done. (continued on page 7)

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