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Commander's Message

HELLO American Legion Family:

October was a time to remember. We hope all came through the hurricane as well as the Post did. I want to thank all of our members and staff who were able to help get our Post up and running. Thank you all!

In October we lost our Past Commander Moose Horan. We all will remember him with love and respect. May he rest and peace.

This Veteran's Day, November 11, 2016, we will be hosting the ceremony at Veterans; Memorial Park in Port St. Lucie. Our Honor Guard will be providing the rifle salute. Afterward we will be having the Post 318 Ceremony at our Post Memorial Garden. At that time we will be especially honoring all Veterans who have served in the Wars since Vietnam. All Post 318 Veterans will be served our barbeque lunch free. Please come and enjoy.

On Veterans' Day we will be drawing the winners of our 318 Raffle. This will be your last chance to get your tickets for the big drawing.

Thanksgiving is right around the corner and we wish all a Happy Thanksgiving. The Post will be serving Thanksgiving dinner for those who would like to celebrate at the Post.

We are now in the middle of Football Season. Come to the Post and enjoy our specials and friends to cheer with.

Please renew your 2017 Membership as soon as possible so that the Post can meet our goals. Remember door cards will be changed the first of the year.

We know the Post has a problem with parking. At events if you have to park on Savannah Club Boulevard, please park at an angle from the palm tree on our property west toward US Highway 1. Please do no park on St. Lucie Lakes property. Thank you.

This month I would like to name as Member of the Month a person who always works behind the scenes, whenever she is asked, whether it is to do Posters, as a clam bake waitress, decorator, producer, etc. She steps forward. Thank you Brenda Saffioti for all you quietly do..

If any member has concerns or suggestions for the betterment of the Post, I am available by phone or at the Post.

For God and Country,

Richard Feldman, Commander
772-342-2394

~ In Memory Of ~

November 2016

Ted Vincent by
Spanish Lakes I Friends
William t. Hawes by
Lorraine & Deborah

February 2017

Alfonzo "Butch" Stevens
by Paul Hess

April 2017

Ken Baker by
Kay & Bonnie Baker

September 2017

Royce "Pat" Murphy
by Terry Murphy, Alan
Tumerelli, Vinnie Corrado
& Patrick Murel

Robert (Steev) Zikus
by Jan Hupman

October 2017

Pat Nelson
by Teresa Knorrston

December 2017

CPO J.C. Martin
by Eddie & Bonnie
Beverly
Bill Yeager by
Capt. Sal Bagnara of
the Viking Prince

August 2018

Edward Zikus Jr. by
Edgar & Jana Johnson

August 2019

Mary McLaughlin by
Thomas Jr & Nicole Kearn

December 2019

Donald Lee Holley
by Josie & Gene Nagele

December 2020

Geraldine Malaband
by Philip DelToro
Burton T. McInerney
by Rose Mary McInerney

March 2021

Dick Boulette, Dennis
Cush
Roy Gulbrandsen, Bill
Yeager, Garin Salisbury,
Conrad Tutelo by
Post 318 Honor Guard

October 2026

Ed Black & Steve Wisor
by S.A.L. Post 318

2nd Vice Report

Hello everyone. I hope this finds you all well. As the season approaches you probably noticed that the entertainment has changed a little. We are having a variety of live entertainment on Saturday nights. Pretty soon, the entertainment will be starting at 7:00 instead of 7:30. I hope you are all enjoy this change. All the entertainers have contacted me to tell me that they very much enjoy playing at Post 318 and always feel welcomed there. Thank you all for your kindness.

I wish you all blessings today and everyday. Please keep all the First Responders and Veterans, past and present, in your thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

Sal Anicito, 2nd Vice Commander

Service Officer Report

Preparing for the Future & Veteran's Burial Benefits:

November 12th, after the General Membership Meeting, at 1:00 PM in the Meeting Hall. We will be covering information on preparing for the future and providing a pamphlet containing a checklist to assist you in gathering important information that is needed when the time comes, so your loved ones are not left in the dark about where important papers are located and what your final wishes are. Wayne Teegardin, County Veteran's Service Office, will be presenting information on Veteran's Burial Benefits and VSO Counselor(s) will be available after the seminar to make appointments for those desiring one. Linda Smyth, All County Funeral Home and Crematory, will be presenting information on the different types of services available (no sales pitches). The seminar is open to ALL Post 318 members.

Lejeune Illnesses Considered for VA Compensation:

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has published proposed regulations to establish presumptions for the service connection of either disabilities affecting military members exposed to contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune, NC. The presumptive illnesses apply to Active Duty, Reserve and National Guard members who served no less than 30 days at Camp Lejeune between August 1, 1953 and December 31, 1987, and are diagnosed with the following conditions: Adult Leukemia; Aplastic Anemia and other Myelodysplastic Syndromes; Bladder Cancer; Kidney Cancer; Liver Cancer; Multiple Myeloma; non-Hodgkins Lymphoma and Parkinson's Disease. When the proposed regulations become "final", we will post and update in the Post Messenger.

Ron Zimmerman Sr, Post 318 Service Officer

Chaplain Report

A sad day at our Post when our good friend Moose passed. I did get to see him in the hospital the day before and said prayers with him. The big man with the Jim Reeves voice was a friend to everyone. William H. Marceau has also passed. Let's say a prayer for both of them. God, Father of us all, bless our departed comrade and keep him on to you. Please bless his family members and friends now in great sorrow and need. Amen

Lord look after and bless our wonderful armed forces and their families.

John Dunn, Chaplain 772-905-8400

Auxiliary Report

Hello everyone, I would like to thank everyone who helped with or donated to our Halloween party. We can't be successful without your support.

November is a month of thanks. Let's all remember to come and show our thanks to our veterans on November 11th when the post will hold veterans day services. Look for the time in the November Post Messenger calendar and please try and attend.

We all have much to be thankful for on Thanksgiving. I'm thankful for all of the friendships and support shown thru our post. Thanksgiving dinner will be served from 1-4 on that day.

The day after Thanksgiving is the post tree lighting. We need all hands on deck the morning of the 25th to decorate the post. With only one morning to get up 4 trees, decorate them, and put up all the garland, will take quite a team. Please try to help.

Our meeting for November will be held on Monday, November 21st. at 6:45PM. We will be drawing two early bird members, those who have paid their membership by the end of October, for free membership next year.

If you haven't paid your membership yet, please drop it at the post. Judy Martinez will issue your new 2017 card. Remember, if your card does not have 2017 at the top, you have only until January 1st to continue participating in post activities.

Phyllis Young, Auxiliary President 772-293-9999

Auxiliary Chaplain

As I start this newsletter, I am saddened by the loss of 2 of our auxiliary members, first Charlotte Fuller who was an avid pool player in the old building. Our condolences go out to her daughter and her life partner Patty Haddad. Also most recently we have lost another auxiliary member, Nancy Boehm. Our heartfelt condolences go out to her Husband, Jo-Jo. As both of these members have now entered Post Everlasting, We pray that Our Lord will hold their grieving families in the palm of His Hand and give them Peace.

I continue to send out cards to let members know that the auxiliary is thinking of them. If you know of anybody who might need a little cheering up with a card, or a phone call, please let me know. I would like to remind anyone in the auxiliary or calling for an auxiliary member who is sick or has passed on to call me (772-418-1515). Please make sure you report all personal information, name, hospital, (date of death-if necessary and a personal contact if you can get that information. I cannot place a name on sick call or post everlasting without a family member's permission.

Dear Heavenly Father, we ask your blessings over our auxiliary members, whether still up North or back here in Florida. We ask prayers for them and any family members that may need them. We do not know what their needs are, but we know that You do. We ask this in your Holy and precious name.


Karen Fox-Patterson, Auxiliary Chaplain 772-418-1515



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Rider's Report

The holidays are fast approaching. We will draw the winning ticket for our fantastic raffle prize on October 29th.

Again this year Legion Riders will ride in the Ft Pierce Christmas parade. Come out and support us. It is on 12/4 this year. Then later in the month watch 8 motorcycles with riders dressed as reindeer escort Santa on a trike to the Post 318 Son's annual Christmas party. And finally again this year we are sponsoring a Salvation Army Angel Tree at the Post. Pull off an angel and make a local kid's Christmas a little brighter.

For God and Country
Jim Burk, Rider Director

1st Vice Report

To keep membership abreast of our present numbers we stand at 814 members at 55% of our gold so please send them in. We would like to reach 100% by Dec. make sure your name, address and phone are your application for renewal.

For God and Country

Martin Motherway, First Vice Commander
772-237-5639

Be a Booster-\$20.00 per year Newsletter Boosters

November 2016 Connie Cafiso Raymond Hanley, Jr.	June 2017 Hot Diggity Dog	October 2017 Nancy Hughes	February 2022 Dallas Black
December 2016 Paul D. & Susan T. Brennan	July 2017 Hot Diggity Dog David A. Lapone	December 2017 Eddie & Bonnie Beverly	November 2024 Jewish War Veterans
March 2017 Bob & Sally Booth	August 2017 Hot Diggity Dog Theodore & Patricia Bonham	March 2018 USAF Maj. Joseph Lyons	
April 2017 Kay Baker	September 2017 Hot Diggity Dog Robert Seip	December 2018 Lee Caldwell	
May 2017 Walter West		May 2019 10-13 Club	

From the Editor

To all Legionnaires, Auxiliary and S.A.L. members that have joined our Post in the past 3 or 4 months.... If you have not been receiving your newsletter in the mail it is because we have had some problems with obtaining an up-to-date digital roster from National. We receive a roster for each organization and then have to remove those that have not paid their dues since 2015, purge those that have passed away and then combine them into one large database. To cut monthly costs, we sort the database by address, combine names that are living at the same postal address and remove the duplicates. We do this each year to make sure only those that are current with their dues receive the newsletter in the mail. The results of these efforts reduces the number of copies mailed by 500 or more. Just combining the Legion and Auxiliary reduces the number mailed by 150+. Add in the number that have not renewed in all organizations and it is close to 500+. That is over 6,000 copies a year and roughly would increase our annual cost by \$1,500.00. We are working hard to get the database corrected and hope to have it completed soon, maybe by the time this newsletter reaches you.

Sally Zimmerman, Post 318 Editor

AMERICAN POST 318 DUES RENEWAL 2016 - 2017

I AM TOLD BY OUR MEMBERS THAT THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED A RENEWAL SLIP IN THE MAIL FROM DEPT..

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MAILING ADDRESS _____

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PHONE NUMBER _____

REMEMBER ALL EARLY BIRDS WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN A 2018 MEMBERSHIP BY SENDING THEIR DUES IN BY OCTOBER 15, 2016

MEMBERSHIP IS NOW **\$45.00**

For God and Country
Martin Motherway, 1st Vice Commander


Blood Drive

November 12 10 AM - 2 PM
At Post 318

**Remember Our Veterans,
Past and Present
And Tell Them
"Thank You For Your Service"**

American Legion Post 318 Calendar of Events

November 2016

SUNDAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM House Committee - 5:30	2 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 2 Dinner 5 - 7 PM Fried Chicken \$9.00 Karaoke by Jimbo 6:30 PM	3 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM Ace of Hearts - 7 PM Trivia - 7:30 - 9:30	4 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 5 Fish Fry 5 - 8 PM Sunny D 7:30 - 11 PM	5 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion Riders - 9:30 AM College Football Driftwoods 7:30 - 11 PM
6 Breakfast 8:30 - 11 AM 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 11AM - 5 PM NFL Specials 11 - 5 PM Daylight Savings Time ends	7 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Marine Corp League - 7 PM Monday Night Football	8 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM Honor Guard - 6 PM	9 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 2 Dinner 5 - 7 PM Homemade Lasagna \$9.00 Karaoke by Jimbo 6:30 PM	10 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM Ace of Hearts - 7 PM Trivia - 7:30 - 9:30 Marine Corp. Established 1775	11 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 5 Fish Fry 5 - 8 PM Veterans Day Alita and the Boyz 7:30 - 11 PM	12 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 PM Legion E-Board - 9 AM General Meeting - 10:30 AM College Football Greg Fessell 7:30 - 11 PM
13 Breakfast 8:30 - 11 AM 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 11AM - 5 PM NFL Specials 11 - 5 PM	14 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 S.A.L. Meeting 6:30 PM Monday Night Football	15 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM	16 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 2 Dinner 5 - 7 PM Ham \$9.00 Karaoke by Jimbo 6:30 PM	17 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM Ace of Hearts - 7 PM Trivia - 7:30 - 9:30	18 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 5 Fish Fry 5 - 8 PM Sunny D 7:30 - 11 PM	19 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 PM College Football Spaghetti Dinner \$7.00 Jimbo, Karaoke 7:30 - 11 PM
20 Breakfast 8:30 - 11 AM 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 11AM - 5 NFL Specials 11 - 5 PM	21 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Auxiliary E-Board 5:30 PM Regular Meeting 6:45 PM Monday Night Football	22 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM Honor Guard - 6 PM	23 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 2 Dinner 5 - 7 PM Chicken Francaise \$9.00 Karaoke by Jimbo 6:30 PM Ace of Hearts - 7 PM	24 Kitchen Open 1 - 4 PM Thanksgiving Day 1 - 4 PM No Service Officer No Ace of Hearts No Trivia	25 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 5 Fish Fry 5 - 8 PM Christmas decorating with tree lighting at 5 PM Tahra 7:30 - 11 PM	26 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 PM MCL Auxiliary - 11 AM College Football Alita and the Boyz 7:30 - 11 PM
27 Breakfast 8:30 - 11 AM 9 - Noon \$2 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 11 AM - 5 NFL Specials 11 - 5 PM	28 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 10 - 13 Club - 7:30 PM Monday Night Football	29 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM	30 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 2 Dinner 5 - 7 PM Liver & Onions or Roast Pork \$9.00 Karaoke by Jimbo 6:30 PM	Dec 1 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Service Officer 1 - 4 PM Ace of Hearts - 7 PM Trivia - 7:30 - 9:30 PM	2 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 5 Fish Fry 5 - 8 Entertainment 7:30 - 11 PM	3 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8PM Legion Riders - 9:30 AM College Football Entertainment 7:30 - 11 PM
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Friday, November 11th

Honoring all those that served during the conflicts and wars since Vietnam ...

Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, Somali, Haiti, Bosnia,

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Picnic and Juke Box 1 - 3 PM

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Fried Chicken \$6.00 per person

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Happy Thanksgiving



Thursday, November 24th

1 - 4 PM

Turkey or Ham, Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole,

Salad, Rolls and Pie

\$12.00 per person.

Please see Bartender for tickets

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