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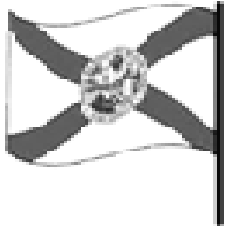
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Commander's Message

April is the time of year when we bid farewell to our North Country visitors. We hope you enjoyed your stay and say "Thank you" for your participation at Post. Safe travels back home and we will see you again in the fall.

I want to thank all the members who have renewed their 2026 membership. At present time we are still short of our renewal goal of 100%, but just one more push will get us over the hump. Post Executive Board elections will be held in May. All legionnaires in good standing who wish to run for office may give their names to Steve Martin, Judge Advocate and Election Committee Chair. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at our April Membership meeting and the final slate of candidates distributed to the membership. Post elections will be held Friday, May 8th starting at 11:00 am and closing at 6:00 pm.

A big THANK YOU to our Riders for such a great time at the annual Foot Stompin' Hoedown Buffet and dance on March 7th. The buffet was excellent and music by Glenn Mayer, "The Sax Man" was outstanding. The Wheelbarrow of cheer proved an excellent fundraiser.

Our annual St. Patrick's Day celebration on March 17th was well received by all in attendance, the music, beer, and food was outstanding and thank you to the Auxiliary for the raffle.

This month I would like to name **Richard Pryor** as our "**Member of the Month**". Richard has stepped up and became a major player in our Honor Guard and helps with the weekly lunch honoring our WWII and Korean War Veterans. Thank you Richard for all you do at Post 318. For God and Country,
Paul Furtado, Commander

~ In Memory Of ~

July 2026
Ed Patterson & Rick Fox
by
Karen Fox-Patterson

Joe Lutton
by
Post 318 Honor Guard

December 2026
Ed Black & Steve Wisor
by
S.A.L. Post 318

March 2027
Lt John Manzi
by
Nancy Bailes

March 2027
Daryl Bowie
by
Lee Caldwell

Burton T McInerney
by
Rose Mary McInerney

July 2027
Kathleen Fryatt
by
Richard Fryatt

Thomas P Vaughan
by
Kathryn Vaughan

April 2028
Barbara Gonder
by
Bill Gonder

June 2029
Jim Caldwell
by
Lee Caldwell

November 2029
Jim Wornick
by
Bob Day
& Jim Mooney

January 2030
Fred Thompson
by
Bob Day, Jim Mooney,
& Jim Wornick

August 2031
Bob Nittinger
by
Bob Day,
Fred Thompson, Jim
Mooney, & Jim Wornick

December 2031
Arnie Thompson
by
Toni Thompson

~ 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

We still have not reached 100% membership. If you have not renewed, we ask that you please do it now. Anyone who has renewed on line and not received or pick up your card at the post call 772-281-7386. Leave a message with name and membership number, I will call you back. With the spring and summer coming please enjoy . Don't drink and drive. For GOD and Country Martin Motherway, First Vice Phone 772-281-7386 or 516-695-4867

Fellow 318 Auxiliary members.

I am proud to report our auxiliary membership is now over 100%. Thank you, Gail membership chair and her assistant Nanette PPP for your diligent hours. Gail requests that members pick up their cards (doorman has box) or contact her to have it mailed.

Our Progressive 50/50 drawn on March 17 / St. Patrick Day was very successful due to near 50 members assisting in selling tickets. Our scholarship and Girl State young ladies thank you.

At our auxiliary meeting March 21, looking for 3 volunteers to head our nomination committee for our May Elections.

Our Department of Fl. President Robin Burk along with the District President Mary Fish will be visiting on April 10th from noon to 3pm. Plan is to join the veteran's luncheon for socializing and music. Encourage all auxiliary members to join us. Please RSVP # below.

Plans are underway for our Golf Tournament on May 17, at Gator Trace Golf Course. We will need many members help to make it a Great Success! We are looking for sponsors \$100.00 and gift certificates, to places you frequent for raffle prizes.

April meeting is on the 18th at 10:30am. Bake Sale is Sunday April 19th from 9 -12:00.

Thank you, baker's for your goodies.

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

Jeannette Roslie Aux. President Unit 318 904-885-9536

Our new Auxiliary Chaplain is Christine Reik. Contact her at 614-519-9242 to call or send a card to anyone that may need it. Welcome!

Second Vice Commander Report

We are offering **Daily Lunches** from 11:30am to 3 and **Sunday Breakfast** from 8:30 to 11am
April 5th "Easter Sunday Dinner" (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.

Our Rider Hoe Down was a huge success. There was great food. We served 157 dinners. The Sax Man band had people on the dance floor all night dancing it up. Post 318 member Rodney was the winner of the wheelbarrow of cheer and the winning share of the 50/50 was \$375. I'd like to thank all the 318 members who supported our effort. All proceeds go to help veterans and members of our community in need.

During the month we rode to the District 12 picnic at Post 81 in Melbourne. It's always a fun time with food, music and lots of raffles to support American Legion projects. We also rode in Post 394 poker run to support Project Vet relief.

Be on the lookout. The Riders have a new set of **Challenge Coins**, coming sometime between mid April and May. They are beautiful. The front shows the units in the Legion family and the back is a celebration of the 250th anniversary of our great country. They will be selling for \$10 each. Stay safe and healthy. For the Cause, Not the Applause John Fiorelli

Hope this finds everyone in good health and good spirits. I'd like to thank everyone who helped make the blood drive a big success and to everyone who gave I thank you. Thanks to our WWII veterans for being there when we needed you and for giving me perspective to what's going on in this world, 68 million children go to bed hungry every night in this country think about it!

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



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Hello post 318,

Hope everyone is doing well. We will be having a meeting Monday, April 13th at 4:30. There will not be a lasagna dinner in April. Check the newsletter for upcoming dinners.

Please check your membership cards as we are still missing some renewals. You can pay your dues, \$35, at the post with the bartender or doorman and Jim will process your card immediately. Please do not renew on-line or it will take much longer to receive your card. Andy Saffioti. SAL Commander

Service Officer's report for Apr is as follows, we assisted 7 Vets, Auxiliary 3, 2 Spouses requiring assistance for benefits and SOLs 4 with membership and benefit issues. Service Officers' hours are 1pm to 4pm every Tuesday. Please bring DD-214, if you require assistance.

Facts you may want to know:

Veteran benefits aren't just a nice perk -- they are something you earned through service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Space Force, Air Force or Coast Guard. But knowing what your benefits are and how to use them isn't a simple task. Where do you find them? How do you sign up? What are your veteran state benefits? How do you access your benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs? How do you use your VA loan or GI Bill?

Use Military.com veteran benefits resources to learn about all of the benefits of military service.

Everyone knows about the federal benefits available to veterans, but did you know many states also offer great benefits to their veterans? State benefits range from free college and employment resources to free hunting and fishing licenses. Most states also offer tax breaks for their veterans and specialized license plates, and some states even provide their veterans with cash bonuses just for serving in the military.

We have compiled a handy summary of the benefits each state and territory offers. Each summary page also has a link directly to the specific State Department of Veterans Affairs, so be sure to check it out. There may be a benefit available to you or your family that you didn't know about! Information for individual states is updated as it becomes available.

Your Service Officers,

Gregory "Gman" Cavin 772 337-5670 & Richard Pryor 772 867-6298

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Membership Number: _____

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March 2029
Lee Caldwell



Easter Sunday Dinner

April 5th 1 - 4 \$15.00 per Person

Baked Ham or Roast Turkey Breast with Stuffing, Garden Salad, Sweet Potato or Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Dinner Roll, & Dessert
No Ticket Needed

American Legion Post 318 Presents

Kentucky Derby Day

Saturday, May 2nd 2:00



Legion Horse Racing Games 3 - 5
Prize for Best Hat After the Race!



Post 318 Auxiliary Annual Golf Tournament

May 17th, 8am

We Need Sponsors, Volunteers, & Donations
See Aux Board Member for Details



American Legion 318 Calendar of Events April 2026

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| | | | 1 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Auxiliary Membership 11-2 Dinner 4 - 8 Beer Battered Haddock - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 2 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Legion Membership 11-4 Dinner 4 - 8 Creamy Chicken Gnocchi- \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 3 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Good Friday Fish Fry 4 - 8 Big T 6 - 10 | 4 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Riders Meeting - 9am Dinner 4 - 8 Meatloaf - \$10.00 and Open Menu Glen Meyer - Sax Man 6 - 10 |
| 5 NO Breakfast Kitchen Closed Easter Sunday Dinner 1 - 4 (See Ad) Hockey & NASCAR | 6 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11-4 House Committee - 4 Kitchen Open 5 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 | 7 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Marine Corp League - 7 | 8 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Auxiliary Membership 11-2 Dinner 4 - 8 Swedish Meatballs - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 9 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11-4 Dinner 4 - 8 Pot Roast - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 10 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Radio Days 6 - 10 | 11 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion E Board - 9am Regular Meeting - 10:30am Dinner 4 - 8 Country Fried Steak - \$10.00 and Open Menu Terri Hines - 6 - 10 |
| 12 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30-5 Line Dancing 1 - 3pm Hockey & NASCAR | 13 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11- 4 SAL Meeting - 4:30 Kitchen Open 5 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 | 14 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer 7 Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6 | 15 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Auxiliary Membership 11-2 Dinner 4 - 8 Stuffed Cabbage - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 16 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11-4 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken Marsala - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 17 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Big T 6 - 10 | 18 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Aux E-Board - 9:30am Aux Reg Meeting - 10:30am Dinner 4 - 8 Spaghetti w/ Meatball & Sausage - \$10.00 and Open Menu The Latitudes 6 - 10 |
| 19 Breakfast 8:30 - 11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Aux Bake Sale 9-Gone Kitchen Open 12:30-5 Hockey & NASCAR | 20 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11- 4 Kitchen Open 5 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 | 21 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 | 22 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Auxiliary Membership 11-2 Dinner 4 - 8 Stuffed Manicotti - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 23 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Roast Pork w/ Fried Potatoes - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | 24 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Fish Fry 4 - 8 Brooks Reid Band 6 - 10 | 25 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Dinner 4 - 8 Salisbury Steak - \$10.00 and Open Menu Radio Days 6 - 10 |
| 26 Breakfast 8:30-11am 9 - Noon \$3 Bloodies/ Screwdrivers Kitchen Open 12:30 - 5 Line Dancing 1 - 3pm Hockey & NASCAR | 27 Kitchen Open 11:30-3 Legion Membership 11- 4 Kitchen Open 5 - 8 Limited Menu Show Me the Money - 6 | 28 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 3 Taco Tuesday Special Service Officer 1 - 4 Tacos, Wings, Beer & Margarita Special 5:30 - 8 Honor Guard Meeting - 6 10-13 Club - 7:30 | 29 Kitchen Open 11:30 - 8 Auxiliary Membership 11 - 2 Dinner 4 - 8 Liver & Onions - \$10.00 and Open Menu Karaoke by Jimbo - 6 | 30 Kitchen Open 11:30-8 Legion Membership 11 - 4 Dinner 4 - 8 Chicken Cacciatore - \$10.00 and Open Menu Ace of Hearts - 7 Trivia - 7:30 | | |