



THE 148'r NEWSLETTER

The American Legion Alafia Post 148

February – March 2018



SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS



AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS 2017-2018

Commander.....Lynnette Stokes
 1st Vice.....Tom Cobb
 2nd Vice.....Bill Rivera
 Adjutant.....Greg Ohlfs
 Finance Officer.....Dennis Stepka
 Sergeant at Arms.....John Eskridge
 Chaplain.....Dianna Shannon
 Historian.....Bob Underhill
 Judge Advocate.....Walt Raysick
 Service Officer.....Mike Moffitt

Executive Board:
 Terry Johnson Chuck Frietsch
 Keith Regenhard William VanDyke

Lounge Manager.....Michele Simmons

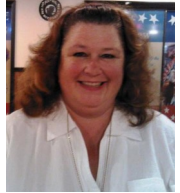
AMERICAN LEGION:
 2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
 EXECUTIVE BOARD—6:00 PM
 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP—7:00 PM

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY:
 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—6:30 PM
 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP—7:00 PM

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION:
 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
 7:00 PM

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS:
 1ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH
 7:00 PM

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE:
 1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
 7:00 PM



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY OFFICERS 2017-2018

President.....Georgia MacKenzie
 1st Vice.....Edie Sparks
 2nd Vice.....Bernita Benson
 Treasurer.....Salynna Cox
 Secretary.....Susanne Pugh
 Chaplain.....Annette Smith
 Historian.....Missy Finkbeiner
 Sergeant at Arms.....Kathy Boyle
 Ass't Sgt at Arms.....Margaret Sanders

Executive Committee:
 Pat Schenk Tammy O'Donnel
 Julie Arndt

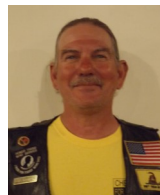
Past President.....Georgie Bruno



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS 2017 - 2018

Commander.....David Rutledge
 1st Vice.....Steve Arndt
 2nd Vice.....Mark Getty
 Adjutant.....Anthony Galimidi
 Finance Officer.....David VanPelt
 Sergeant at Arms.....Greg Wussaw
 Chaplain.....Tom Stone

Executive Board:
 Jerry Lettsinger Steve Nasrallah
 Ted Kasper Greg Decker



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS OFFICERS 2017-2018

Director.....Steve Nasrallah
 Assistant Director.....Bill Turner
 Secretary.....Angela Ritter
 Treasurer.....Robyn Russell
 Historian.....Vicki Linde
 Chaplain.....Tom Stone
 Sergeant at Arms.....Leeland Smith
 Road Captain.....Bill Turner
 Membership.....Ed Linde
 Safety Officer.....Terry Johnson



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE OFFICERS 2017-2018

Commandant.....Brian Frank
 Senior Vice.....Rob Becker
 Junior Vice.....Ron Essicks
 Judge Advocate.....Walt Raysick
 Adjutant.....Jack Skelding
 Paymaster.....Larry Westcott
 Sergeant at Arms.....Henry Wolons
 Chaplain.....Jim Johnson
 Jr. Past Commandant.....Ed Becker

Hours of Operation:

Monday—Saturday:
 Open at 10 AM
 Sunday:
 Open at 11 AM

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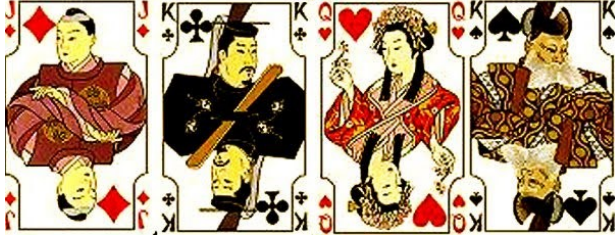
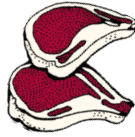


REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Please note: Next *CALENDAR MEETING* is scheduled for 22 February 2018

STEAK SHOOT

Every Saturday @ 2 PM



Pinochle



9:30AM Mondays & Fridays

At American Legion Post 148

Double Deck / Partners

Every
Sunday;
7 AM -
Noon



FLEA MARKET

Breakfast

Every
Sunday
8-11 AM



Every Wednesday

6:30 PM

By ALA & SAL




EVERY FRIDAY

5-7 PM


Entertainment Schedule

All entertainment starts at 7PM (unless otherwise noted)

February

- 2 - Karaoke with Spirit Entertainment
- 9 - Jukebox Night 
- 10 - Music with Sandy Lamm (Valentine's Party)
- 16 - Karaoke with Spirit Entertainment
- 23 - Music with Motown Dave

March

- 2 - Karaoke with Bridget
- 9 - Karaoke with Spirit Entertainment
- 16 - Jukebox Night 
- 23 - Music with Motown Dave
- 30 - Karaoke with Spirit Entertainment

THE COMMANDER'S DESK



Greetings,

Happy New Year!

I hope that each of you that attended the New Year's Party had a good time and were able to welcome 2018 in an excellent way. I think it was a wonderful get-together with great music and wonderful company. I want to thank each one of you for your support and assistance with contributing the food and helping to make this party the fun that it was, it was truly appreciated!

I am really excited about our events and activities for 2018, and I hope that you all get a chance to review our calendars and join us for them. Do not forget to renew your membership so you can get your new Blue Key card, we welcome your participation.

I also wish to thank our new Legion Officers for stepping up to the plate in assisting us here at Post 148, your help and knowledge is certainly going to assist all of us all in making this year a great success.

Again my sincerest thanks and hope to see you all at Home Post this year!

For God and Country
Lynnette Stokes
Commander
Alafia Post 148

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Happy New Year!

It is the beginning of a New Year and new things arrive. We are getting ready to celebrate Valentines with our loved ones or good friends. We have a Dinner and Dance that will be on February the 10th. Please plan on attending, as it has a great menu. See the flyer.

On Saturday, February 17th is the 15th District Past Commander/Past President Dinner & Auction. This is to raise funds for our Boys & Girls State transportation. Please try and come out to enjoy an evening and help support our youth.

In March we begin with a 15th District meeting on Saturday, March 3rd. The Legion will be meeting at Post 99 Brooksville, Auxiliary is to be TBA. When I know of the location I will be sure everyone gets the place. We have a bake sale on Sunday, March 4th we look forward to our bakers who bake those delish sweets. On St. Patrick's Day the Post will be having something at the Post. Look forward to you being there. The week of March 18th our Department President Treva Kay (TK) Wildrick and Commander Steve Shuga and Commander Bernie Wildrick will be visiting our 15th District so keep your eyes open to see where and when there are events for them. There will be a Tea that is going to be held for Gold Star Mothers and Wives at Post 5 that TK will be attending. We look forward to seeing you all at this Tea to support those who have lost someone so preciuos. Remember we have a bake sale on February 4th. We have our BINGO every Wednesday and on the 3rd Thursday of each month we have our meeting.

As a Legion Family we look to each other to help out those Veterans in need and those who have givin their all.

For God and Country
God Bless
Georgia Mackenzie
American Legion Auxiliary President

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Greetings Fellow Riders

As of this report the ALR Summit is behind us, and it will be reported on at the Feb meeting.

Bring your Valentine to the Post for dinner and dancing on Feb.10. starting at 5:00pm.

Feb 29 is the Riders dinner starting at 5:00pm. We will have Dragons famous Brisket with the trimmings. Bring the whole family.

Daytona Bike Week is March 9-18, and there are no scheduled rides for those two weekends. Everyone that is going have a safe ride to and from Daytona and enjoy the festivities.

March 3, 15th District meeting at Post 99 Brooksville.

March 5 is the Riders meeting and first nominations for officers.

March 17th St Patricks Day at the Post.

March 31st is the Riders dinner starting at 5:00pm. We will have Dragons pulled pork and the fixins.

We have a lot going on and as always need to show our support to the Post. We also need volunteers for the riders dinners.

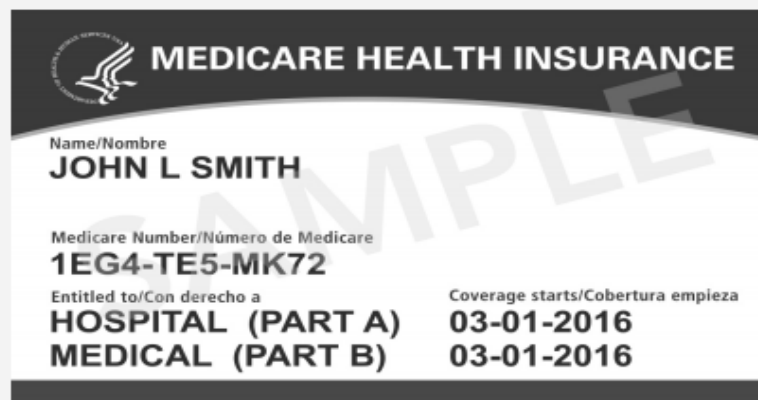
If anybody wants to make suggestions for future rides contact the Road Captain or the Director or you can write it down and drop off in the riders box at the Post.

Ride Safe Ride Free
For God and Country
Steven Nasrallah
Director
ALR Post 148
813.731.1663

Here's something you should know...

New Medicare cards are coming

Medicare will mail new Medicare cards between April 2018 and April 2019. Your new card will have a new Medicare Number that's unique to you, instead of your Social Security Number. This will help to protect your identity.



Things to know about your new Medicare card

- You don't need to take any action to get your new Medicare card.
- The new card won't change your Medicare coverage or benefits.
- Medicare will never ask you to give us personal or private information to get your new Medicare Number and card.
- There's no charge for your new card.

If someone calls you and asks for your Medicare Number or other personal information, hang up and call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).

Sunday, 4 FEB 2018
Kickoff is 6:30PM



You are invited to a
Valentine Dinner/Dance
Saturday, February 10th
5 pm, purchase your ticket early!
Bring the love of your life
or a friend
And Enjoy a Evening of
Dining & Dancing

Happy Valentines Day!!

Dinner:
Brisket, Baked Potato
Salad, Roll

Couples \$ 20.00 Individual \$15.00

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Nov. 29, 2017

VA Announces Rollout and Application Process for New Veterans ID Card

WASHINGTON — Today the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced that the application process for the national Veterans Identification Card (VIC) is now available for Veterans, yet another action honoring their service. This has been mandated through legislation since 2015 to honor Veterans, and today's rollout of the ID card fulfills that overdue promise.

Only those Veterans with honorable service will be able to apply for the ID card, which will provide proof of military service, and may be accepted by retailers in lieu of the standard DD-214 form to obtain promotional discounts and other services where offered to Veterans.

"The new Veterans Identification Card provides a safer and more convenient and efficient way for most Veterans to show proof of service," said VA Secretary Dr. David J. Shulkin. "With the card, Veterans with honorable service to our nation will no longer need to carry around their paper DD-214s to obtain Veteran discounts and other services."

The VIC provides a more portable and secure alternative for those who served the minimum obligated time in service, but did not meet the retirement or medical discharge threshold. Veterans who served in the armed forces, including the reserve components, and who have a discharge of honorable or general (under honorable conditions) can request a VIC.

To request a VIC, Veterans must visit vets.gov, click on "[Apply for Printed Veteran ID Card](#)" on the bottom left of the page and sign in or create an account.

Veterans who apply for a card should receive it within 60 days and can check delivery status of their cards at vets.gov. A digital version of the VIC will be available online by mid-December.

FIRST NOMINATIONS for new Officers are in MARCH

Please ...

COME TO THE MEETINGS to
VOICE YOUR CHOICE!!

5th - Riders

8th - Sons

12th - Legion

15th - Auxiliary

5:00 PM Saturday,
February 24, 2018

**American Legion Riders
Alafia Chapter Post 148**



Rider Dinner
\$8.00 DONATION



Dragon's famous Brisket with Baked Potato and Veggie

Reminder :
15th DISTRICT MEETING :
MARCH 3rd



Daylight Saving Time Ends
Sunday,
March 11th
(2:00 AM)



Dinner :
17 MARCH,
2PM



American Legion Riders
Alafia Chapter Post 148
Rider Dinner

Dragon's famous Pork Butt
with Fries and Beans

5:00 PM Saturday,
March 31, 2018
\$8.00 DONATION



NEW MEMBERS

George Oakes

James Russell

TRANSFERS

Robert Goodpaster
Jerry Mucha
Frank Simmons
Vanessa Rivera
Samuel Bulden
Robert Boswell

Eugene Waite
Thomas Mackiewicz
Ryan Whitman
Michael Pederson
Susan Jones

**LEATHER
WORK**

**PATCHES
ZIPPERS ETC**

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Original Custom Designs & Alterations

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THANK YOU — To the entire Legion Family
for the tremendous support over the past
few months. We look forward to a
prosperous, healthy and enjoyable year.