



THE 148'r NEWSLETTER

The American Legion Alafia Post 148

October - November 2022



AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS 2022-2023

Commander.....Lynette Stokes
 1st Vice.....Terry Johnson
 2nd Vice.....Bill Rivera
 Adjutant.....Terry Johnson
 TreasurerDee Hoffman
 Sergeant at Arms.....William Turner
 Chaplain.....Kevin O'Donnell
 Historian.....Mike O'Dell
 Judge Advocate.....Larry Westcott
 Service Officer.....Mike O'Dell

Executive Board:

Terry Johnson Russell Beasley
 Mark Finkbeiner Mike O'Dell

Past CommanderEd Christman

Acting Lounge Manager...Dee Hoffman



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS 2022 - 2023

Commander.....Micah Seagar
 1st Vice.....Anthony Galimidi
 2nd Vice.....Elvis Cabot
 Adjutant.....Anthony Galimidi
 Finance Officer.....Kevin O'Donnell
 Sergeant of Arms.....Ryan Cansler
 Chaplain.....Tom Stone

Executive Board:

Ted Martine Greg Wussow
 Ted Kasper Don DeBruin
 Past Commander.....Steven Arndt

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

AMERICAN LEGION:

EXECUTIVE BOARD-

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH—7:00 PM

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP-

4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH—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 2022-2023

President.....Julia Arndt
 1st Vice.....Tammy O'Donnell
 2nd Vice.....Denise Bonnett
 Treasurer.....Salynna Galimidi
 Secretary.....Lori Yeago
 Chaplain.....Vicki Linde
 Historian.....Margaret Blazer
 Sergeant at Arms.....Kathy Boyle
 Ass't Sgt at Arms.....Michele Smith

Executive Committee:

Georgianna Bruno Patti Alley
 Jennifer Jeffery

Past President.....Georgia Mackenzie



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS OFFICERS 2022-2023

Director.....Angela Ritter
 Assistant Director.....George King
 Adjutant.....Lori Yeago
 Treasurer.....Ed Linde
 Historian.....Andy Davis
 Chaplain.....Tom Stone
 Sergeant at Arms.....Leeland Smith
 Road Captain.....Andy Davis
 Membership.....Tom Ritter
 Safety Officer.....Terry Johnson



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE OFFICERS 2022-2023

Commandant.....Sal DiFonzo
 Senior Vice.....Bill Moore
 Junior Vice.....Peter Farren
 Judge Advocate.....Bruce Younggren
 Adjutant.....Jack Skelding
 Paymaster.....Larry Westcott
 Sergeant at Arms.....Hank Wolons
 Chaplain.....Walt Raysick
 Past Commandant.....Ron Essick

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THE COMMANDER'S DESK



FROM THE COMMANDER:

Greetings,

For God and Country first and foremost I want to thank everybody for what they have done and for supporting our Post. Thanks to the different Riders from around our different Posts for the rides and the support, it is truly appreciated.

I want to thank the Marine Corps League for their support and more importantly bringing in their Marine Corps League representatives to come and be here at Post 148. Thank you so very much!

I also want to thank the SAL for their support on our Friday night Fish Fry. These dinners are coming back and I want to thank you all very much. I hear our customers are very happy.

Please look at your calendars for the entertainment and our functions/events.

We hope to see you here at Home Post.

For God and Country!
Lynette Stokes / Commander
Alafia Post 148

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



Hello,

We'd like to welcome Micah Seagar as our new SAL Commander and Anthony Galimidi as the 1st Vice.

Don't forget we have Bingo every Wednesday starting at 6:30PM. The Snack Bar is open before Bingo from 5-6PM.

We have fish fry, "Frying Friday", every Friday from 5-7PM, unless otherwise posted.

We now have the SAL Taco Bar every Sunday from 12-4PM. May close earlier, dependent on how busy or slow. Come out and support the SAL. Perfect eats for watching the games on Sunday afternoons!

SAL Post 148



We are very sad to report that
Steve Drummond Ronald Lussier
has been transferred to Post Everlasting.
May God rest their soul,
and provide comfort to their family and friends.

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Hello Everyone,

The Riders have been busy riding and proudly showing support to great events throughout not only District 15, but other districts as well. As we finish up another year, we remember all the great things the Riders have done this past year and what great things await us in the new year.

The Riders had a great year of monthly dinners, supported meaningful events with sister posts, and held one of our most successful fund raising events ever. None of this could have happened without the support of the Legion, Sons of the American Legion and the Auxiliary. We thank you all for everything you do and for the support you gave us this past year.

Please remember the reason for the season and reach out a hand to those that need support. To all, no matter what you ride-car, truck, boat, 2 wheel motorcycle, 3 wheel motorcycle, or scooter, ride safe and pay attention to the roads. You can predict what you do but you can't predict the events around you. "It's not about what you ride, but how you ride it."

Ride for the Cause not the Applause

Angela Ritter (TnA)

Director—ALR Chapter 148

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Dear Auxiliary,

We would like to welcome all new members to the Auxiliary, and look forward to working with you on our various programs. If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask any of our Officers or Executive Committee members. Please do not forget to join our Auxiliary page on Facebook. Go to Groups on FB, and search for the American Legion Auxiliary Alafia 148 group, click join once you reach the group. Once you are approved, you will be able to see reminders, upcoming events, and any items that need your attention.

Reminder: Our annual dues have increased for the 2022-2023 year due to increases from National and Department. The dues are now \$40. We are now processing renewals for this year, so please pay your dues as soon as possible. Thank you for your support. (You can pay your dues via mail, online at ALAFL.org, or in person at the Post.)

We are still accepting Manufacturers Coupons and non-perishable food items. The box for the coupons is in the lounge by the officers board. The container for food items is on the floor between the ATM machine and the small round table.

Reminder, our Auxiliary meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of every month. 6:30pm for Executive Board, 7pm for General Membership.

@colormethere

Julia Arndt-President

Please welcome the following Members to Post 148

NEW MEMBERS

Michael Hernandez **Roger Sill**
Mark Carter **Oxsana Kareva**
William Blevins **John Ware**

TRANSFERS

Joseph Fox **Mikki VanDyke**
Robert Clurcorb **Ricky Pottinger**





FIELD OF HONOR

Ceremony 10:00hrs
October 8th 2022

Veterans Memorial Park and
Rear Adm. LeRoy Collins
Veterans Museum
Hwy 301n
Tampa, FL 33619



Field of Honor Ceremony

- 27 Active Duty Deaths to announce
- A number of WW2, Korea and Vietnam remains recovered and returned to their families
- 2 Gold Star families to receive the Gold Star Banner from the Gold Star Mothers of Tampa Bay



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS: MERRY GO-ROUND

October is the Riders Merry-Go-Round month and is intended for our American Legion Rider Family to visit other Posts, inside and outside of their own districts. To support Legion programs, promote the American Legion, gain new members, and raise funds for our Children & Youths programs.

District 15 will be conducting big rides every weekend, with Post 148 Riders starting the month off on 1 October. Riders will support not only American Legion Posts, but VFWs and AmVets as well.

The winning District will get bragging rights for a year and a cool trophy that will "visit" each Post within that District during the year.

Ride for the Cause Not the Applause

OCTOBER ENTERTAINMENT

Anywhere Karaoke—7th and 21st

Anthony Barcelo—14th

Taylor and Taylor—28th
Halloween Party



October Calendar

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- 10th—Columbus Day
- 13th—U.S. Navy Birthday
- 26th—Day of the Deployed
- 27th—Navy Day
- 31st—Halloween

Meetings at a Glance

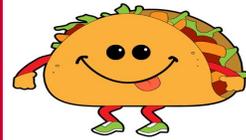
- 3rd—ALR at 7pm
- 4th—MCL at 7pm
- 10th—American Legion E-Board at 7pm
- 13th—SAL at 7pm
- 17th—Calendar meeting at 7pm
- 20th—ALA Officers at 6:30/General at 7pm
- 24th—American Legion General Membership at 7pm

S.A.L. Taco Bar

*Every Sunday—Noon-4PM
End time subject to change*

*\$1.50 each
Soft and Hard Shell available
Beef and Chicken
Self Serve toppings bar
All the fixings available*

Life is Short—Eat TACOS!!



Halloween Party!

Friday, October 28th at 7PM

Entertainment—Taylor and Taylor

Best Costume Prizes

*Sandwich Trays
Feel free to bring
Finger Foods and
Appetizers*

*Jello and
Pudding
Shots*



November Calendar

- 1st-5th—National Veterans Small Business Week
- National Veterans & Military Family Month
- Warrior Care Month
- National Family Caregivers Month
- 8th—Election Day
- 10th—Marine Corp Day/Birthday Celebration from 4pm-8pm
- 11th—Veterans Day Armistice/Remembrance Day
- 24th—Thanksgiving

Department Fall Conference

18th-20th—Caribe Royale Orlando

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- 8th—MCL at 7pm
- 10th—SAL at 7pm
- 14th—American Legion E-Board at 7pm
- 17th—ALA Officers at 6:30pm/General at 7pm
- 28th—American Legion General Membership at 7pm

November Entertainment

Anywhere Karaoke—
4th, 18th & 25th

Bert & Friends—11th



Veterans Day
Cookout—Friday,
Nov. 11th, 2-4PM



**If you cook it,
they will come.**

Hosted by: Riders—Sides by Auxiliary & Riders
7240 US Hwy 301, Riverview, FL 33578



DINNER

Sunday, November 13th
2pm—4pm

**Mojo Pork, Yellow Rice,
Black Beans,
Salad, Roll and Dessert**

**Free to those that have paid
their Membership dues
early! \$10 for all others.**

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH



Featuring Hillsborough County JROTC Schools programs, Guest speaker from MacDill AFB, renown vocalists, Mr. Charles Haugabrooks, and annual rewards from the Veterans Council. Ed Porterfield and Spirit Awards.

**Veterans Memorial Park and
Rear Adm. LeRoy Collins
Veterans Museum**
Hwy 301n
Tampa, FL 33619



The box for donations of toys is located in the Lounge, next to the office. Toys must be new and not wrapped. The box will be in the Lounge until mid December.



Hosted by: American Legion Auxiliary

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS (Subject to Change)

The next CALENDAR MEETING is scheduled for Monday, 17 October, 7PM



9:30AM Mondays & Fridays
At American Legion Post 148
Double Deck / Partners

FRYING FRIDAY

5:00-7:00PM every Friday

*Fish, Shrimp, Chicken,
Baked Potatoes, French Fries,
Onion rings, Hush Puppies and
Homemade Coleslaw*



Wednesday BINGO starting at 6:30pm!
(Snack Bar from 5:00 - 6:00pm)

You don't have to play bingo to come to the Snack Bar!!

Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, 1/4 lb. Nathan's hot dogs, Corn Dogs,
French Fries, Onion Rings, Cheese Sticks, Bottled Water
Prepared by The Sons of The American Legion

Stay and enjoy BINGO put on by *The American Legion Auxiliary and
The Sons of The American Legion*

ALA Bake Sale—1st Sunday of every month starting at 9am, during the flea market. Please come out and pick up some goodies and support the ALA, which supports Veterans in our area!!



"Flea Market"

Every Sunday from 7am-12 noon

Managed by: Susie White

Thank you!

Entertainment Schedule

All entertainment starts at 7PM (unless otherwise noted)

October

- 7 - Anywhere Karaoke
- 14 - Anthony Barcelo
- 21 - Anywhere Karaoke
- 28 - Taylor and Taylor
(Halloween Party)



November

- 4 - Anywhere Karaoke
- 11 - Bert & Friends
- 18 - Anywhere Karaoke
- 25 - Anywhere Karaoke

