

Ron Asby Post 304 News

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"There is always one more thing we can do to make a difference!"

COMMANDER BOB KOZORA

COMMANDER'S NOTES

Serving our **Armed Forces Members**





Well, at long last, a lot of people are happy with the cooler weather and hopefully you will come in to your Post and warm up with great food and drink offerings. Hope to see you there!

This month has a lot going on. Legion Family Meetings, Italian Night, Poker Run, Oktoberfest and throwing in Roger "Hurricane" Wilson twice as well. Check the calendar on the last page please.

The September General Meeting was well attended, but please try to attend your appropriate meeting and make your voice heard. As a result of the last General Meeting, we decided to give Saturday openings one more try. Happy to say that AI Finch and Colleen Clark have stepped up to open the kitchen and bar at 4 PM. The first Saturday worked out well. I know a lot of members have things to do on Saturday's, however, try to make it a point to stop by, enjoy the company and have a meal and of course your favorite libation, all at great prices. We now have Michelob Ultra on tap as well as a higher end Tequila to wet your whistle.

I know that I am getting on some members nerves about membership, but it is important that you take the time, if you haven't done so to renew your membership for 2019. Stop by and make this happen please.

It's Your Post, stop by and support it, we are always open to suggestions. Make your opinion heard!

Thanks and God Bless!





Auxiliary President Lynda Asby



We sponsored three girls to ALA Girls State this past summer. Mary Zelley spends a lot of time working with the area high schools to encourage girls to attend this highly selective program. Mary will give a brief overview of ALA Girls State and then introduce the girls at our next meeting, October 17th, 7 p.m. Show your support of these girls as they share their experience at our meeting. Also, if you know of a girl (finishing her junior year in high school in May, 2019) who would be interested in ALA Girls State, invite her and her parents to come listen to the girls talk of their experience.

Further news: We all get busy this time of year: families; grandkids; jobs; football games; meetings; Halloween; Veteran's Day; Post activities; Thanksgiving; and then, in the blink of an eye, Christmas. Yes, I said Christmas! It will be here before we know it and there is so much to be done between now and then. Start marking your calendar for when you can assist with any projects, programs or fund raisers. Check out post304.org to see what is coming up. We will be supporting the many different functions of the Post, which, in turn, supports the Auxiliary.

BE INVOLVED. There is so many things that you can do to support the Post: Volunteer to help "prep" in the kitchen; clean-up; cooking/grill; bar-tend—any one of those for just a few hours one day a week. Not sure what you would like to do? Just ask--any training/questions will gladly be taken care of. So. step up as to what you can do to help keep the Post moving forward in taking care of our Veterans, active Military, and their families. Even just dropping by for a meal/drink on days when there is not a lot going on will help keep our Post open every day of the week. A great time to renew your membership is now! Everyone should have received a renewal notice by now. You can always renew at the bar, online, or at our next meeting (hope to see you there!)

Lynda

The Adjutants Additions



We are now well into our 2018 – 2019 year and membership is steadily progressing toward our goal for the year. Our current membership stands at 270, and we have surpassed our 50% goal for September. Thanks to all of you who have taken the time to renew your membership. Our Post needs you and we appreciate it.

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, there are 3 convenient ways in which to renew your membership. Please refer to that article as I won't recount them this month. I would just like to say the easiest thing to do is just stop by the Post and do it in person. We'd love to see you. You might even want to enjoy some comradeship with your fellow members, and partake in a beverage or two. Think about it.

On another topic, the Department of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced today the return of (10) ten U.S. servicemen to their families for burial with full military honors and to bring closure to their loved ones.

GOOD NEWS!!!! Another Georgia service man was recovered this week from WWII.

Naval Reserve, Seaman 2nd Class Deward W. Duncan, Jr of August, Georgia, Aviation, Construction, Ordance, Repair, Navy Fourteen Standard Landing Craft, Unit 4, Lost on 01/12/1944---Accounted for on 05/17/2018---Tarawa Atoll/WWII.

Navy, Musican 2nd Class Francis E. Dick of Washington, USS Oklahoma, Lost on 12/07/1941---Accounted for on 09/05/2018---Pearl Harbor/WWII

Navy, Storekeeper 2nd Class Gerald L. Clayton of Nebraska, USS Oklahoma, Lost on 12/07/1941----Accounted for on 09/10/2018---Pearl Harbor/ WWII

Navy, Seaman 1st Class Millard Burk of Kentucky, USS Oklahoma, Lost on 12/07/1941---Accounted for on 07/25/2018---Pearl Harbor/WWII

Navy, Seaman 2nd Class David B. Edmonston of Oregon, USS Oklahoma, Lost on 12/07/1941---Accounted for on 07/03/2018---Pearl Harbor/ WWII

Navy, Electrician's Mate 3rd Class Merle A. Smith of Washington, USS Oklahoma, Lost on 12/07/1941---Accounted for on 08/14/2018---Pearl Harbor/WWII

Navy, Fireman 1st Class Claude O. Gowey of Oregon, USS Oklahoma, Lost on 12/07/1941---Accounted for on 08/31/2018---Pearl Harbor/WWII

Army, CPL Edward M. Jones of Texas, Company D, 1st Battalion,38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry division, Lost on 02/12/1951---Accounted for on 09/13/2018---Hoengsong, South Korea

Army, PFC Lewis E. Price of Tennessee, Company E, 2nd Battalion, 109th Infantry Regiment, 28th Infantry Division, Lost on 11/06/1944---Accounted for on 09/24/2018---Hurtgen forest, Germany/ WWII

Army, PFC John W. Martin of New York, Medical Company, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division, Lost on 12/02/1950---Accounted for on 09/24/2018---Chosin Reservoir, North Korea

TOTAL TO DATE---167

WWII-----123

KOREA-----36

Thoughts from our Senior Vice Commander Jim Smith

First, a BBBIIIGG THANK YOU to AI Finch for stepping up to volunteer as cook on Saturdays from 4 to 8 and to Colleen our new bartender in training. Woody will be in to train as Duty Officer so he and Ed can swap out Wednesdays. We still could use at least 2 more members to train as Duty Officer, and we sure would appreciate some cooks to step up. With some more volunteers we could rotate weeks for the Duty Officers and Kitchen staff.

In the last two weeks we have had several new transfers and new members sign up at the Post. When asked why they decided to join our Post, all stated the same thing *"This is the friendliest Post."* That is a great compliment to the Post and the members!!!

Next year the American Legion will celebrate it's 100th year, will it make it another 100 years? I certainly believe it will, but we as members have to be the ones today to ensure it happens. It is up to ALL MEMBERS to approach and recruit younger members so they can step into our places and continue to keep the American Legion in existence.

Our task for the rest of 2018 and the future is to expand the membership, keep the Post in full operation, participation in events and recruit new members. We need to "Pack the Post."

When you meet a fellow veteran, active duty or reserve military person, ask if they are a member, invite them to the Post, hand them an application, or bring them in for a visit. And do not forget their family members as they can join the Auxiliary, ALR, SAL or become volunteers at the Post. And we can always use more volunteers.

We are over the 50% mark for 2019 already, but we want that 100% Ribbon again so if you have not paid your dues, you can mail the \$40 to the Post or do it online. Better yet stop in with the family or a friend, visit a while and pay in person.

LZ 304 has the best beverages prices of anywhere in town and a killer 8 oz. hamburger for only \$5. You can play Keno or buy your Lottery tickets while you are there. Plus, we have a great assortment of military caps for only \$10.

Book mark <u>https://post304.org/</u> to see the monthly calendar as we are always adding new events.

Remember a Post is only as strong as its members.

Notes from our Jr. Vice Commander of Programs



Hello to All,

As October approaches we have several things on the schedule. Wreaths Across American donations jars are being placed in the Post so please, when you visit the Post, be sure to make a donation.

On October 6th we are going to have an Italian Night to honor Columbus Day. Great food and great camaraderie for all. You can find more about the menu and pricing on our website, <u>www.post304.org</u>, or on our Facebook page (members of LZ304). Reservations are recommended but not required. There is a sign-up sheet at the Post.

On October 27th we'll be having our 2nd annual Oktoberfest dinner with great German food and beer (maybe even a Jaegermeister or two). Information will be posted on our website and Facebook in the coming few days.

Taste of Acworth is still a bit up in the air. We haven't been able to come up with a scenario that would be profitable for the Post but we're working on it. I'll let you know what, if anything, develops.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the annual Post BBQ. We'll be cooking on Thursday, Nov. 15th. Please contact me at <u>jkkimmich@aol.com</u> if you're interested and I'll pass it on to Dave Sibley (aka "The Pit Boss") As always, please find some time each week to come by and support your Post.

Jack Kimmich

Jr. Vice-Commander/Programs







Saturday, October 6, 2018

6pm 'til da food, she's-a gone!

American Legion Ron Asby North Cobb Post 304 4220 South Main Street, Acworth, GA 30101 (678) 217-5738

Manicotti \$10

Shrimp Fra Diavolo \$12





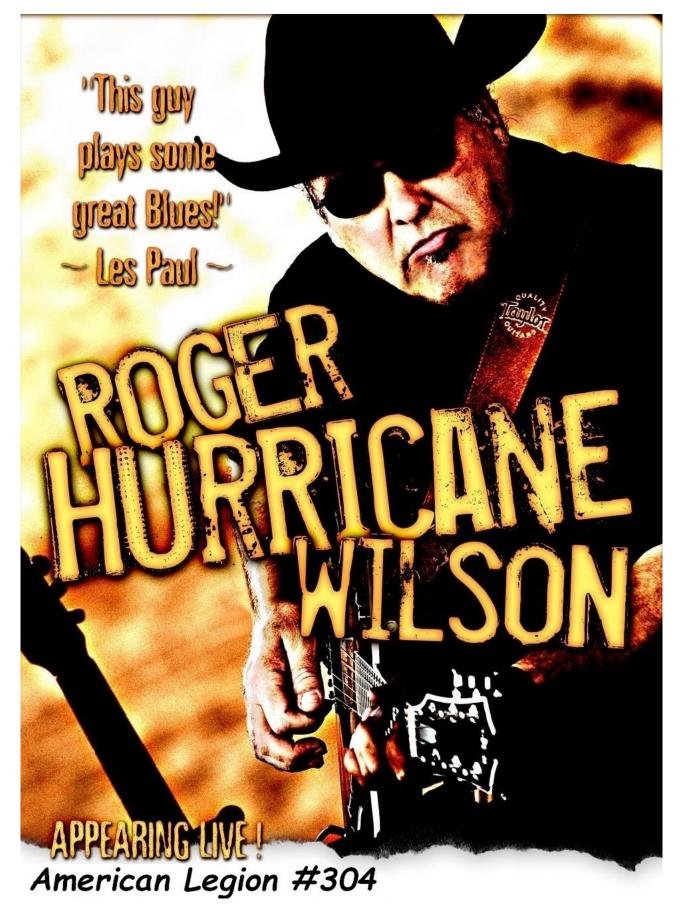






Side of Italian Sausage (sweet <mark>or hot) \$3</mark> Side of Italian Meatballs \$2.50 Assorted Italian Desserts and Wine/Beer Specials, Too!

WE ARE EXPECTING A SELL-OUT WE SUGGEST YOU MAKE ADVANCE RESERVATIONS RESERVE YOUR PLATE TODAY! See your Bartender or Duty Officer to get on the list



Friday October 12th and 26th—6 to 9 PM



Poker Run Oct. 27th

REGISTRATION FROM 11:30AM TO 1:30PM

VFW Post 5408

STOPS ARE:



LAST BIKE IN AT 4:30 PM

AMERICAN LEGION POST 304

\$20 PER BIKE OR CAGE/\$10 PER PASSENGER

50/50 RAFFLE

Our foodbank donations are back. At the end of each month we will be taking our donations to a local food bank. Please give what you can ... stop by and drop off your donations.... to each monthly meeting make it a priority to bring non-perishable items ... each time you come bring a can of food so that others may eat.



For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore, D command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.' <u>Deuteronomy 15:11</u>

Support Combating PTSD by playing Find the Queen of Hearts Jackpot now at \$7500.00



Drawings: Sunday's at 4:30pm Ticket donations are \$4.00 each <u>Available now!</u>

Complete Rules of the Game available at the bar in LZ304

25% of each weekly ticket donations goes to the Combating PTSD Fund.

Multiple chances to win besides the Jackpot!

October Birthday's

Make sure you wish them the best!

- 1—Harold Elliott
- 4—Jerry Murray Sr
- 5—Byron Hall and William Johnson
- 7—Edwin Irwin
- 8—Roger Attix and Laurin Smith III
- 9—Roger Hollifield
- 10—Vince DiCecco
- 12—Donald Bailey and Warren Prentice
- 13—Frank Ogorzaly
- 15—Roy Chance
- 17—John Browne, James Donoho and John Dowdy
- 20—Alan Finch
- 22—James Smith
- 24—Henry Coates
- 25—Paul Yashinski
- 26—John Dunn
- 27—Patricia Hurley and David McDonner
- 28—Patrick Turner
- 30-Richard Fitzgerald and Greg Vassilious
- 31—Judith Bailey

If we missed your Birthday, please let us know so we can update our list.



ABA Morning Jolt Every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:30 AM

Kiwanis Club Meeting is every Wednesday at 11 AM

OCTOBER 2018

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Lions Club Meeting		ALR Meeting		Italain Night
7	8 Columbus D ay	9	10	11	12	13 Taste of Acworth
		SAL Meeting			Roger "Hurricane" Wilson 6 PM	
14	15	16	17	18 E-Board Meeting	19	20
		Lions Club Meeting	Auxiliary Meeting	General Meeting		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
						Poker Run
					Roger "Hurricane" Wilson 6 PM	Oktoberfest
28	29	30	31 Halloween	1	2	3

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