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



Stay warm and hope you all survived the terrible storm we had. A lot going on this month, starting with the Durham Middle School in Acworth showing respect and thanks to our Veterans from WW2, Korean War and Vietnam era. They will be at the Post at noon this Saturday to give their own welcome to you and this is being covered by media as well. If you fall into the above mentioned war eras, please come down

and talk with these students who want to say thanks.

Tickets are still available at the bar for our Second Annual Casino Night being held at the Post on Saturday, March 2nd. If you were there last year, you know it was a great evening. There are numerous Silent Auction and Raffle items to be won, but unless you get your ticket and join us, you don't stand a chance. Hope to see you there.

On behalf of all of the members of your Post, we express our special thanks to those members (volunteers) of our Legion Family who have stepped up to assist in the kitchen. John Dowdy has organized the Monday evening specials, for the next month at least. If you missed one of these, please make it a point to join us for some great, specially prepared meal deals. Last week's SOS was out of this world. The only thing missing was the metal tray to eat off of. Thank you John and all of your team members for your grand effort. **See page 2 for the schedule.**

Roger "Hurricane" Wilson returns the evenings of the 8th and 22nd from 6 to 9 PM, giving our crowd some great entertainment including some of his original songs. Come on in and join us for a superb evening. *Special entertainment on the 15th, welcome home Garrett!*

Special thanks to Chuck Polk and the team for providing an outstanding Oratorical Contest venue.

Last, but not least, let's not forget to wish our loved ones a Happy Valentine's Day. It's hard for some of our members, but God sends His angels to comfort our losses.

Thanks and God Bless!

Serving our Armed Forces Members













COMMANDER'S NOTES Commander Bob Kozora



Monday Evening Dining Specials at your Post

- Feb. 4th Barbara K: Beef Stew
- Feb. 11th Kaycee: Shepard Pie
- Feb. 18th Dan: Crunchy Pulled Pork Burritos/Chips & Salsa
- Feb. 25th Sue: Italian Pulled Pork
- Mar. 4th Kaycee: Chicken Spaghetti
- Mar. 11th Don: Chili
- Mar. 18th Greg Carter: Will advise
- Mar. 25th Sue Jack & Steve: Cajun Chicken, Red beans, Rice & French Bread
- Apr. 1st Kaycee: 2 pcs. Fried Chicken & Fries
- Apr. 8th Woody & John: Fried Bologna, pickle spear & chips
- Apr. 15th Dan: Mississippi Pot Roast
- Apr. 22nd Lisa: Spaghetti & meat sauce w/garlic parmesan bread & Italian green salad
- Apr. 29th Deanna: Will advise
- May 6th Kat: Weenie Fest with Fixins

Remember, it's while the special lasts. Come Early!

Saturday, March 2, 2019 American Legion Post 304

Tickets: \$25 in advance | 7PM In support of the PTSD Fund Sponsorship Opportunities Available Gaming Tables | Silent Auction Each Player gets: * \$3,000 in table chips * Heavy Hors d'Oeuvres * Chance for Raffle Prizes For tickets or to sponsor, call Jack Kimmich at (770) 337-0723

Saturday – February 2nd Malt Tasting Starts at 7 PM <u>Interesting Evening</u>

Dalmore 15 Year – Highland 40%

Glenmorangie Sonnalta - Highland - 12 years old at 46%

*Arran – Highland – 7 years old at 61.1%

*Mortlach – Highland – 8 years old at 60.1%

Ardmore – Highland – 12 years old at 46% Unique Highland Peat Smoke Notes

The Speyside – Speyside – 12 years old at 43%

*Bowmore – Islay – 10 years old at 56.4%

*Laphroaig – Islay – 8 years old at 58.2%

Port Ellen – Islay – 25 years old at 40%

Finlaggan – Islay – 9 years old at 40%

Lagavulin – Islay – 16 years old at 43% Master distiller signed bottle

LAST BUT CERTAINLY NOT LEAST

Ardbeg Supernova – Islay – 9 years old at 58.9% Special Committee Release bottle

*Denotes bottling from the SMWS

As always, whisky is donated and donations accepted!

Notes from our Jr. Vice Commander of Programs



Hello to All,

Casino Night is right around the corner. Please make plans to join us Saturday evening, March 2nd for our largest fundraising event of the year. Tickets are \$25.00 and are available at the bar or you can contact me at (770) 227-0723 and I'll get them to you.

Your ticket gets you \$3,000 in chips to play with (extra chips are available – 1,000 for \$10.00) plus you will enjoy an outstanding buffet. Once again Aaron Lohr, Executive Chef at Pinetree Country Club, is donating his time and expertise to make the buffet. It got rave reviews last year and promises to be even better this time. *Please note: tickets must be purchased in advance.*

No tickets will be sold at the door.

This year we will have 5 Blackjack tables, 3 Craps tables, and 1 Roulette table. There will be tons of raffle prizes and a huge silent auction so, please, make plans to join us.

For the Good of the Post, Jack Kimmich Jr. Vice-Commander, Programs

BITS AND PIECES



Auxiliary President Lynda Asby



Now that February is here, we have a few things on our "to do list."

In January, the Auxiliary provided light refreshments for the Post Oratorical Contest. The Post winner, Audrey McNeal, will now compete at the District level. The Post will be hosting the District (February 2nd) and the Area (February 16th) Oratorical Contests. Again, the Auxiliary will be providing light refreshments for both contests.

If you have never been to one of the Oratorical Contests, you need to attend a contest to listen and support these outstanding youth. They are the future leaders of this great country. (Ladies, watch you email for information as to how you can assist with these two events.)

One question: Have you made a difference in the Auxiliary or the life of the Post lately? The Post is an incredible facility for our Veterans and it is done by everyone volunteering their time/talents to make it work. Maybe your talent is cooking, cleaning, sewing, crocheting, knitting, creativity, crafts, etc. There is a place for you to volunteer! Our next Auxiliary meeting will be on Wednesday, February 20th, at 7 p.m. Come and join us and bring your ideas to continue making this a very strong, active Post serving our veterans and their families in our community.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2019, now is the time to do so. As always, you can renew on line, at the bar or at a meeting.

Working together we will continue in service, not self, Lynda

The Adjutants Additions



American Legion "Basic Training"

Have you ever wanted to know more about the history of the American Legion, or more of what the 4 Pillars are all about? Well, there is a great resource for you to accomplish just that. The American Legion's official training program for officers, members, Legion College applicants and those who simply want to expand their knowledge of the nation's largest Veterans Service Organization is available online.

Already taken the old course? The American Legion Extension Institute has been rewritten, updated, streamlined and enhanced with videos, digital photos, clickable links, a historical timeline and additional features. The program should take less than two hours to complete. It is divided into six sections, with a quiz at the end of each one, followed by a final exam.

What you get: A printable Certificate of Recognition. The redesigned lapel/cap pin can be ordered from Emblem Sales after you pass the course.

To take the course, go to <u>www.legion.org/alei</u> or visit mylegion.org. You can use your existing Legion account login or create a new account if you don't have one. The cost is free for members of the Legion, SAL, and Auxiliary.

American Legion Uniform Cap Ordering

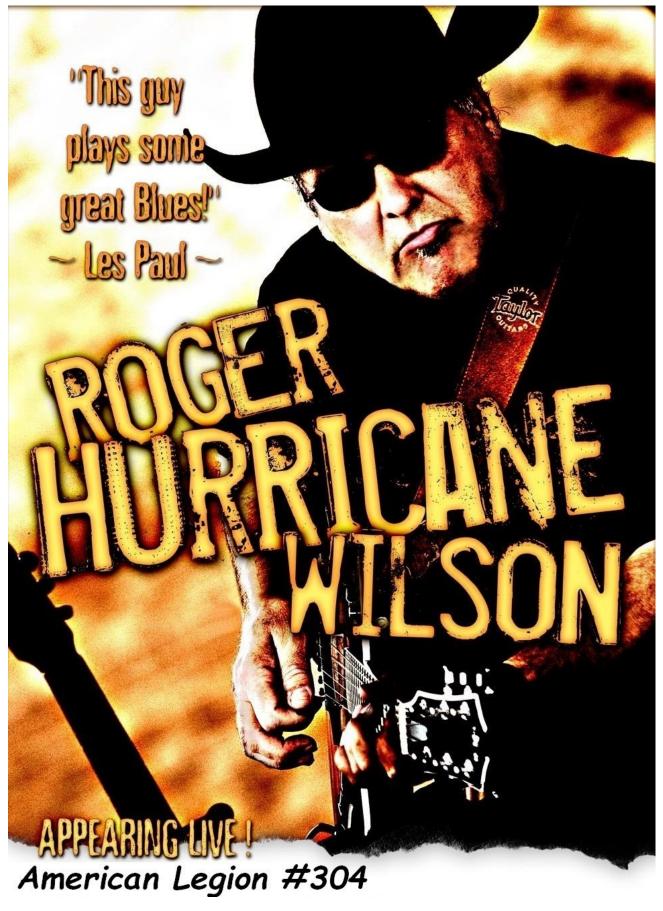
Did you know that the only official "uniform" for the American Legion member is our cap? All members are encouraged to purchase and wear the uniform cap, especially at official American Legion functions. Some of you may not know exactly how to go about ordering your cap. Well, here's a quick guide to ordering online:

Using your web browser, go to this link and follow the ordering guide:

https://emblem.legion.org/uniform_caps/legion.asp

Select your Department: **Georgia** Select your Style: **State** and also make a lining selection Select your crown: regular Select your cap size: from the drop-down list Enter left-side lettering: **Georgia** Enter Post number: **304** Enter right side lettering: (optional, Acworth/Kennesaw) https://emblem.legion.org/help_uniform_cap.asp#5

Note: I also recommend ordering the plastic sleeve to keep your cap in good shape. Order Item# 844.400 (\$3.95)



Friday—February 8th & 22nd—6 to 9 PM

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 \$3142.00



Drawings: Sunday's at 4:30pm Ticket donations are \$2.00 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!

Queen of Hearts is available ONLY

to members of the Post 304 Family!

February Birthday's

Make sure you wish them the best!

- 2—William Mann III
- 3—John Hodge and Mike Williams Sr
- 4—Logan Lambert
- 7—Oscar Chambers
- 8—George Tymchyshyn
- 9—Jon Asis and Richard Cunningham
- 10—Alvin Bratcher
- 11—Michael Home
- 19—George Rogers, Ronald Charette Sr and Lewis Thibodeau
- 20—John Blount and Wayne Bridges
- 21—Jack Waldrop and Lamar Wilkie
- 23—James Brown and Richard Bell
- 24—Kenneth Leone
- 26—Jim Macurak

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

FEBRUARY 2019

Kiwanis Club Meeting is every Wednesday at 11 AM

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2 Durham Middle School Presentation Oratorical Contest
3	4	5	6	7 ALR Meeting	8 Roger "Hurricane"	9
		Lions Club Meeting			Wilson	
10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16
		SAL Meeting			Garrett Wheeler Returns	Oratorical Contest
17	18 President's Day	19	20	21	22	23 Mario's Gun Safety Class
		Lions Club Meeting	Auxiliary Meeting	E-Board and General Meeting	Roger "Hurricane" Wilson	
24	25	26	27	28	1	2 Casino Night