

Ron Asby Post 304 News

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



COMMANDER'S NOTES COMMANDER BOB KOZORA



Serving our **Armed Forces Members**















Boy, where do I start? I guess the biggest is the soonest. Tomorrow, March 2nd is our 2nd annual Casino Night at the Post. If you haven't purchased your ticket yet, check at the bar. The post will be closed for the ticket only event. Sounds like it is going to be another great evening.

Roger "Hurricane" Wilson will be back on Friday the 8th, in the Assembly hall, finishing up the live recording at your Post for the new Live at Post 304 album. Roger is doing this for us and we realize all proceeds from the CD sales. Come and join us.

The Auxiliary is sponsoring a **Blood Drive** on Saturday the 9th, so make sure you come on in and give a pint. Then on the following Saturday, the 16th, we will host the next Single Malt Tasting from 7 to 9 PM. Come thirsty my friends.

Daylight savings time starts on the 10th so remember to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday the 9th before you retire.

The 19th is the **100th Anniversary of the American Legion** and plans are being made to celebrate in style including a re-dedication of the Post. Check our Members of LZ304 page on Facebook and for additional emails that will be posted once finalized plans are in order.

I think that about wraps up most thing, except of course for our very successful Monday evening Specials that have been organized by John Dowdy. They have been a success so far so come in to check the schedule of specials that will be here for the month. We are still looking for kitchen volunteers!

I also hear that the **SAL** and **ALR** is combining forces on St. Patrick's day on the 17th with something special. You'll just have to come in but I hear it does include a Green Beer Special.

Nominations for Legion Officers for the coming year are now being accepted. There is a nomination sheet in the Assembly Hall. All nominees must be currently (2019) active members in good standing. If you are nominating anyone, please make certain they agree to the nomination before you post it.

Thanks and God Bless!



SATURDAY—MARCH 2ND Starting at 7 PM

Notes from our Jr. Vice Commander of Programs



Hello to All,

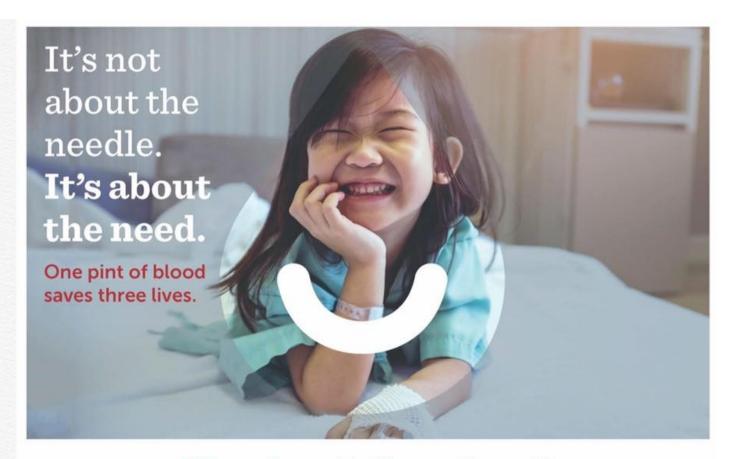
Casino Night is finally here! Saturday, March 2nd marks our second annual Casino Night and it looks like we're on pace to do as well this year as we did last year.

There are still a few tickets available at the bar if you want to come join us. Literally hundreds of raffle prizes and a large selection of quality Silent Auction items will be available. Tickets are \$25.00.

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, 2 Craps tables, and 1 Roulette table.

Next up is the Big Shanty festival, April 13th and 14th. We will be raffling off an AR-15 and at least one other firearm. We will need volunteers to help. If you can donate just a few hours of your time on either day it will be greatly appreciated by all.



Give local. Save local.

American Legion Post #304

Saturday, March 9th Bloodmobile: 4220 South Main Street Acworth, GA 30101

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sponsored by
The Ron Asby North Cobb Post 304 Auxiliary

BITS AND PIECES

Auxiliary President Lynda Asby



Is your time well spent?

Just to name a few, we all have families, church, work, activities, home, committees, retirement, health, travel, volunteering that take up our days. Of course, there never seems to be enough hours in the day to do all we want to do!

The Auxiliary honors and helps veterans, service members and their families, promotes patriotism and good citizenship with our youth. One place you can make a difference is with the Auxiliary at the Post. There is always something going on, great meals being served, fund raising activities to be involved with, volunteering, promoting, the list can go on and on.

Find your place with the Auxiliary to keep Post 304 a vital, ever-present organization for our veterans and our community. We meet the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.. If you cannot make the meeting, you can always be involved in the different activities we do and/or join in the Post activities, have a meal, even just drop by for a drink.

March 2nd is Casino Night—lots of raffles and great silent auction items. I hope you have purchased your ticket, there are not many tickets left.

Have ideas for meals? The kitchen is always looking for ideas for Monday night specials. Every Wednesday is steak night, it has become so popular, they need volunteer runners to help serve food. Remember, everyone that works at the Post is a member of the Post family and a volunteer!

The Auxiliary will be hosting the Post's quarterly Blood Drive on March 9th from 10-2. Give blood, we would love to see all Auxiliary members (as well as AL, SAL & ALR members) donating! Plus, we are providing breakfast goodies, coffee, juice for all that donate blood.

In the months to come, there is the Big Shanty Festival April 13th and 14th. National Poppy Day is May 24th.

I hope you will decide where you can volunteer with the Auxiliary. We need each one of you to continue supporting the Post in the various activities.

The Post is a family and we all volunteer in some form or fashion, how is your time spent?

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

The Adjutants Additions



Membership Update: We are now well into our 2018 – 2019 year and membership is steadily progressing toward our goal of 510 for the year. Our current membership stands at 450, and we have surpassed our 85% goal for February. So, we need an additional 60 members to renew to make our 100% goal for the year. If you haven't done so already, your American Legion membership is "expired" and we need you to attend to this as soon as possible.

I'd like to address an issue some of you have experienced this year... "Past Due" notices. This issue arose as a result in delays in processing memberships, and I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you. I can assure you that 100% of all renewals have been processed at this time and your status at National HQ is "Paid". To assist us with processing memberships moving forward, the My Legion.org website have implemented a new feature for Post Adjutants whereby renewals, transfer with renewals, and new member applications can now be submitted online. The turn-around time for these transaction is 7 – 10 business days vs. several weeks with the old manual snail mail process.

For those of you that still need to complete your renewal, let me remind you there are 3 simple ways in which you can renew your membership. It only takes a few minutes of your time.

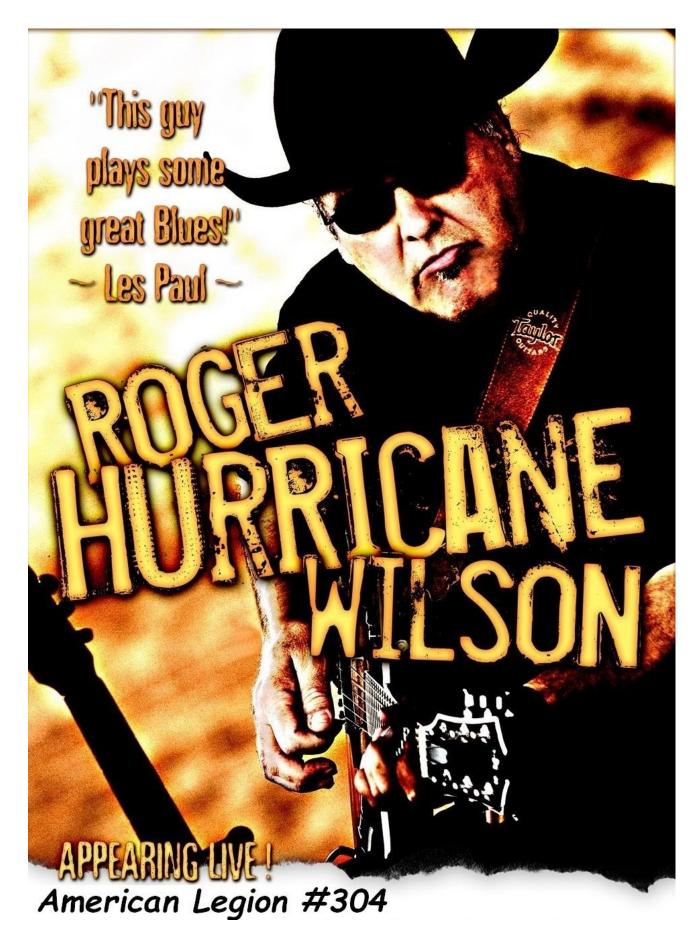
Online: Go to "legion.org/renew" through your web browser and simply login and complete the steps.

Mail-in: Simply mail the renewal form to us at the Post along with your check for \$40, and we will process your renewal and send your new membership card to you in the mail.

At the Post: Better yet, come into the Post with your renewal notice form and pay your annual membership at the register in the Bar and Grill. You will get a receipt, which you can bring to the Commander of me and we will issue your card to you on the spot. If neither of us are available at the time, we will mail your card to you.

Thank you for ensuring that The American Legion remains the most powerful voice in America on behalf of veterans, service members, their families, and communities across the nation.

February General Meeting Minutes Published: The meeting minutes for the Feb. 17th General Meeting have now been published on our <u>Post304.org</u> website. Look under the "Post304 New" menu item. It is important for all of our members to be aware of status of programs and activities going on in our Post. You may even see something that peaks an interest inside of you and you might consider volunteering to help us. We could sure use your help.



Friday—March 8th & 29th—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.' Deuteronomy 15:11



Support Combating PTSD by playing Find the

Queen of Hearts

Jackpot now at **\$4976.00**

Drawings: Sunday's at 4:30pm

Ticket donations are \$2.00 each

Available now!

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!

Playing Queen of Hearts is available ONLY to members of the Post 304 Family!

March Birthday's

Make sure you wish them the best!

- 2—Joel Reave, Sr, Bill Baird, William Casper and Brandon Cavazos
- 3—Willie Kemp
- 4—Edward Jackson and James Carter
- 5—Irwin Danet and James Carter
- 9—Daniel Burnett
- 10—Bill Hegler and Bruce Heuke
- 14—Matthew Cannon
- 17—Gerald Woodall
- 19—John Bennett
- 22—Jordan Cumming
- 24—Hewlett Tilling Jr
- 31—Noel Bryant, Mark Janousek and Rodney Montgomery

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



Kiwanis Club Meeting is every Wednesday at 11 AM

MARCH 2019

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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
						CASINO NIGHT
3	4	5	6	ALR Meeting	8	9 Auxiliary Blood Drive
	Monday Dinner Specials	Lions Club Meeting			Roger" Hurricane" Wilson	
Daylight Savings Time Begins	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Monday Dinner Specials	SAL Meeting				Malt Tasting
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
St. Patricks' Day		100th Anniversary				Mario's Gun Safety Class
	Monday Dinner Specials	Lions Club Meeting	Auxiliary Meeting	E-Board & General Meeting		
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31	1	2	3	4	5	6