



American Legion
Anderson Post 318
March 2026



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar. 4 th	SAL E.C. Meeting	6:30 pm
Mar. 4 th	SAL Monthly Meeting	7:30 pm
Mar. 9 th	Post 318 Auxiliary	7:00 pm
Mar. 11 th	Post General Meeting	7:00 pm
Mar. 18 th	Marketing Committee	7:00 pm
Mar. 25 th	E.C. Meeting	7:00 pm
Karaoke	Every Thursday	7:00 pm
Fish Fry	Every Friday through April 3 rd	4:30 – 7:00 pm

HAPPY 107th BIRTHDAY – AMERICAN LEGION



The American Legion was established in Paris, France, on March 15 to 17, 1919, by a thousand commissioned officers and enlisted men, delegates from all the units of the American Expeditionary Forces to an organization caucus meeting, which adopted a tentative constitution and selected the name "American Legion". The American Legion, commonly known as the Legion, It was subsequently chartered by the 66th U.S. Congress on September 16, 1919. The Legion played the leading role in drafting and passing the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, commonly known as the "G.I. Bill". In addition to organizing commemorative events, members assist at Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hospitals and clinics. It is active in issue-oriented U.S. politics. Its primary political activity is lobbying on behalf of veterans and service members, including for benefits such as pensions and the Veterans Health Administration.

Post Clean Up Schedule

We need help cleaning up the Post on Tuesdays at 9 AM. Please come out and help! This is the day of the week we clean up the Post. We hope to see you there.

Randy Lindsey

Post Finance Report

All bills are paid, we have a positive cash flow, and Post 318 is solvent!

Randy Lindsey / Finance Officer

Veteran Affairs

Post 318 is here for veterans that need any kind of help. We are here to help. Our phone number is

513 -231-6477. Our email address is contact@post318.org. The VA has a Vet crisis line: 1 800 273 8255, Press 1, or text 838255. If you call the Post, leave a message for me.

Charles Cleves / Service Officer
We are here for you!

All Post 318 Zoom Meetings

ID: 3959722502, Password: Post318 (Capitol "P" and no space between Post and 318 in the password.)

If you can't attend the monthly General Membership Meeting, please use the Zoom application and the ID & Password provided above! Log on, mute your microphone, then listen and observe the meeting. We need your attendance since we can't do business without a quorum. We need you there on Zoom---or in person at the meeting!

Randy Lindsey / Zoom Chairman

DID YOU KNOW: Veterans exposed to burn pits, jet fuel, or other airborne toxins may win service connection for sleep apnea by proving the exposure caused or aggravated their condition? Evidence can include deployment records, a sleep study **diagnosis, and a medical nexus** opinion linking sleep apnea to toxic exposure. Also, Sleep Apnea often occurs

alongside or is worsened by other service-connected conditions such as PTSD, hypertension, TBI, GERD, asthma, depression, chronic pain, and obesity? Documenting these comorbidities can help strengthen a claim and increase the overall disability rating.

Submitted by Bob Kamman

Post Officers & Committee Chairs

Commander	Kirk Minnich	513-594-5339
1st Vice:	Morgan Sipes	513-313-2638
2nd Vice:	Tina Sunderhaus	513-313-1217
Adjutant:	Bob Carey	513-313-7369
Asst. Adjutant:	Vacant	513-474-9577
Finance Officer:	Randy Lindsey	513-374-2099
Asst. Finance Officer	Joe DuBois	513-582-8477
Chaplain:	Rob Heberly	513-550-6601
Sergeant at Arms:	Ralph Caskey	513-470-6588
Event Coordinator:	Ken Knight	513-675-5234
House:	Vacant	
Service Officer:	Charlie Cleves	513-232-7767
Charities Inc. Liaison:	Dan Wolfangel	513-703-2287
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S.A.L. Commander:	Chris Short	513-460-4560
Newsletter Editor:	Gary Gregorio	513-307-3824

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Michael Colton	Robert H. Conmy
Edwin L. Franz	Clinton R. Freeland Jr.
Martin D. Gilbert	Brian D. Hayes
Anthony J. Hussey	Richard J. Keating
Randell L. Lindsey	Frank Lindsey
Ron Loebker	Gene W. Melton
Ronald V. Mercurio	David M. Neumann
Gerald Porter	Tom Turner

Legionnaire Royce Williams Receives Medal of Honor

Feb. 24, 2026 — Retired Navy Captain **Royce Williams**, age 100 and a member of American Legion Post 416 in Encinitas, California, was awarded the **Medal of Honor**, becoming the oldest living recipient to wear the nation’s highest military decoration.

Williams received the medal during the **2026 State of the Union address**, where First Lady Melania Trump placed it around his neck as members of Congress gave a prolonged standing ovation.

His award recognizes extraordinary heroism during the **Korean War on Nov. 18, 1952**, when he was flying an F9F-5 Panther jet off the USS *Oriskany*. Williams engaged and shot down **four Soviet MiG-15 fighters** in a 35-minute dogfight — an achievement never before or since equaled — despite being outnumbered and sustaining heavy damage to his aircraft. After the battle, his plane returned with **more than 260 bullet holes**, and he managed a safe landing back on the carrier. Because the mission was classified, he was ordered to keep it secret for more than 50 years, and it only entered the public record decades later. An *American Legion Magazine* story in 2017 helped bring his remarkable story to light.

The National Defense Authorization Act for 2026 cleared the way for the Medal of Honor by removing time limits that had previously prevented awarding it for classified actions.



Submitted by Morgan Sipes, 1st V.C.

Legion and America 250 Partner to Teach Ohio History

Feb. 23, 2026 — The American Legion Department of Ohio teamed up with the America250-Ohio Commission to host the America250-Ohio History Bee for top high school students at the Ohio Statehouse on Feb. 19.

The event featured 14 students who were top scorers on the Legion’s Americanism and Government Test, competing in Jeopardy-style trivia covering Ohio history — from presidents and military leaders to industry and innovation. Department of Ohio leadership, America250-Ohio Commission members and families cheered on competitors as they advanced through challenging rounds of questions. Participants now look forward to an all-expense-paid educational trip to Gettysburg, the Flight 93 National Memorial and Washington, D.C., with an Ohio Legion Family delegation.

Leaders from both organizations said the partnership strengthens civic knowledge, pride and appreciation for Ohio’s role in American history — aligning perfectly with the Legion’s commitment to Americanism education.

Ohio History Trivia

How many Greyhound buses did Evel Knievel jump in 1975 at Kings Island in Ohio?

What popular snack food was invented in Columbus in 1921?

Ohio is home to the world’s largest basket-shaped building. What company built it?

What Ohio city was originally named “Losantiville”?

What is Ohio’s state beverage?

Answers:

14 buses

The Oreo cookie

Longaberger

Cincinnati

Tomato Juice

Submitted by Morgan Sipes, 1st V.C.

DID YOU KNOW 01/25/26

Did You Know disabled veterans can receive both Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and VA Disability payments? But, they will have to apply for them separately. There may be required taxes on SSDI If a veterans combined Payments are above a certain threshold.

Submitted by Bob Kamman



AMERICAN LEGION POST 318 ANDERSON TOWNSHIP FAMOUS LENTEN FISH FRY 6660 CLOUGH PIKE 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM

POST 318’S FAMOUS LENTEN FISH FRY

This year’s Fish Fry will take place every Friday, beginning on February 20th through April 3rd, from 4:30 -7 pm. All are welcome.

Workers please report from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm. **Volunteers Needed !!**

TIME TO CHECK YOUR SMOKE / CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS ??

Everyone should have a specific time of the year to check their detectors. Birthdays, holidays, etc. N.F.P.A. recommends checking the battery status once per year.

If the detector “chirps” regularly, battery should be changed at that time. Hardwired detectors should always have a battery backup in case of loss of power. Important to read directions carefully for operating instructions and detector location. No matter what the condition of detectors, they should be replaced every ten years. Especially for seniors who must climb ladders to have access to their detectors and risk injuries, consider purchasing “sealed 10 year detectors”.

For detailed information and assistance, contact the Fire Prevention Division of your local Fire Department.

