

**MINUTES**  
**SAL AMERICAN LEGION POST 318**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**April 3, 2024**

Commander Short called the SAL Meeting to order at approximately 7:00 PM. The Opening Prayer was given by Chaplain Scott. Reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance was led by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Kiefer. Commander Short then opened the meeting for the normal order of business.

**Attendance:** (20) SAL Post 318 members physically in attendance.

**Elected Officers**

Commander	Chris Short	<b>X</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Jason Kiefer	<b>X</b>
2nd Vice Commander	Todd Sledge	<b>E</b>
Finance Officer	Rick Barrick	<b>X</b>
Secretary - excused	Rob Herking	<b>E</b>
Chaplain	Charlie Scott	<b>X</b>

**KEY:** X=Present; E=Excused (Prior Notice); A=Absent; V=Vacant

**Minutes:** Commander Short introduced guest from 4<sup>th</sup> District Mark Haeufle. Mark addressed the 20 SAL members and (3) three potential new members in attendance. 4<sup>th</sup> District Mark Haeufle praised Post 318 SAL group for its large membership and attendance at meeting. Haeufle spoke about upcoming Spring Convention April 21, 2024 in Waynesville, Ohio and State Convention May 17-19, 2024 in Findlay, Ohio.

**Executive Committee Notes:** April Meeting Minutes will be placed in binder in the club room and minutes will be distributed to all E.C. members and be posted on Post 318 website.

**Finance Report:** (Treasurer – Rick Barrick)

Treasurer Barrick reviewed and provided comments about the SAL yearly financial statement. Treasurer Barrick mentioned all necessary reports have been handed to Post Treasurer. All reporting is completed and updated.

**Membership Report:** ( Chair - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander)

Chair Kiefer reported the following:

- Three (3) guests from another local SAL Detachment joined the meeting to explore transferring from another local Post.
- The SAL has achieved and continues a 100% of quota.

**Post Activities Report:** (Chair - 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander).

Chair Sledge was not present to make a report but Sledge sent a report to be read during the meeting his report is as follows:

- Make a motion to start having a social 1 hour before start of monthly SAL meetings. SAL provides some appetizers / snacks.
- Propose a once a month SAL spaghetti dinner on Friday's.
- SAL Cornhole tournament fundraiser in September/October. Will be seeking 6-8 sponsorships for sets of boards and bags. The sponsorships are \$400.00 with company / business logo placement on the

playing surface of the boards. These boards are not only for the cornhole tournament, but also for the winter league and future corn hole tournaments that will be planned.

- SAL monthly socials again on the 1st Friday of the month like done previously.
- SAL members advised about upcoming Memorial Day program.
  
- **Old Business:**
  - Commander Short praised the volunteering that occurred at this years Fish Fry. SAL averaged at least 4-5 volunteers each Fish Fry. Special Kudos to SAL brother Tim Sunderhaus for attending every Fish Fry and working in the kitchen. Todd Sledge was also available for all Fish Fry with exception of one week and was willing to consistently do the dishes each week.
  - Commander Short commended the SAL's for their efforts regarding the Herkin Heroes Benefit that occurred. Almost the entire SAL group was in attendance and working the event.
  
- **New Business:**
  - Post 318 Memorial Day: Breakfast in the morning. If you want to participate in going to cemeteries (9 cemeteries) get with Ralph. End up at Towne Center for Bell Ceremony at 11:30. He is looking for a bugler.
  - Post 318 July 4th Parade participation in Anderson Township Parade: Looking for volunteers (SAL participated last year). He has a big American Flag (10 people) plus service flags.

- **Next SAL Post Meeting:** May 1, 2024

- **Closing:**

Closing Prayer was given by Chaplain Scott  
Meeting Adjourned approximately 8:00 PM.

Prepared By:

Todd Sledge  
2<sup>nd</sup>- Vice –SAL Post 318