

American Legion Post 738 October, 2023 Newsletter

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Commander's Corner

There are several events on the calendar: Veteran's Day, Annual Christmas Dance, Pearl Harbor Commemoration, Army / Navy Game Watch Party, and the Children's Christmas Party.

Please support the Post by attending these events.

Jim Babitsky - Commander

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>>>> Upcoming Events <<<<



Cleveland Veteran's Day Parade - November 10th Veteran's Day Dinner Annual Christmas Dance

Pearl Harbor Service Army/Navy Game Watch Party - December 9th

Children's Christmas Party

- November 11th

- December 2nd

- December 7th

- December 17th

1st Vice Commander

Hello Post Family!

We're a couple of months into the membership year. So far, we have about 50 membership renewals in. I can't tell you how much it means to the Post. Year by year, our numbers dwindle. We try to hold steady but we need new members to join to replace those we've lost. We really need to get some younger members to help us carry on with our primary mission: "Veterans Helping Veterans."

We're doing what we can but we need help! If you know of anyone who you think might join, just refer them to the Post website or just call my cell (216) 785-6713.

I hope that you all have a fun Halloween. Hope to see you up at the Post for one of our events.

Take care.

John Flynn – 1st Vice



2nd Vice Commander

As we head into the end of 2023, we have several events before we close out the year:

NOVEMBER 11th is the VETERANS DAY Dinner. All VETERANS are free. Guests are \$10.00 each. Doors open 6:30. Please call the post at 440-356-2110 to reserve your seat.

DECEMBER 2nd we will have our Annual Christmas Dinner Dance. Tickets are \$20.00.

DECEMBER 7th Pearl Harbor Service. If interested, be at the post by 7:30 am.

DECEMBER 9th Army / Navy Game Watch Party. Come cheer on your team.

There are many events to choose from. Hope to see you at one of them. We work hard to present these events. Please support your Post.

Chaplain

When our brother Ernie Laird was absent from our recent regular Tuesday meeting, calls were made by Post members to check on him but were not answered or returned. Since then, our Post Finance Officer Joe Beach, who personally knows some of Ernie's family, made contact with a family member. Joe has since reported that Ernie has been admitted to Riverview Pointe Care Center for rehab, the cause of which is unknown at this time.

As Post Chaplain, I have since sent A "Buddy Check" card to Ernie's home address and a "Get Well" card to the River Pointe Care Center located at 9027 Columbia Road Olmsted Falls, Ohio 44138. Hopefully, we will hear back from Ernie soon.

I ask that we continue to pray for our Post 738 Family members who continue to battle medical issues and wish them well on their recovery. Remember our Military men and women who continue to honorably serve our country and bless those who serve in harm's way. For our fellow veteran brothers and sisters who are in crisis, I ask that you please seek the help that is available to you.

Remember, you are not alone.

Finally, I pray for peace around the world where there are conflicts and wars. I ask our Heavenly Father to keep us all safe, happy, and healthy.

Gary Schuld - Chaplain



Auxiliary

As president of the Ladies auxiliary, I would like to extend a great big thank you to all my auxiliary sisters who helped make the quarter auction an amazing success. A special thank you to all of the attendees, for without them the success would not have happened.

I'm so very much looking forward to working together for the Halloween party on the 28th. Tickets are \$20 each and going fast but still available at this time.

The Veterans Day dinner will be hosted by the Ladies auxiliary on Veterans Day, November 11th. The drawing for the hand crocheted American flag will also be on Veterans Day, so get your tickets at \$5 each or a book of 5 for \$20.

And, all future endeavors with a team such as ours we will never fail. Don't forget to tell your friends, neighbors, and relatives about all our upcoming events and invite them to come along.

Cindi Johnson - President

American Legion Riders

Riders, apologies for the late update regarding what's going on with the group. As most of you know, Jim and Deb elected to step down from their positions.in our group, but remain members in good standing. Their decision was based on personal and medical issues (Jim recently had a hip replacement). In order to fill these positions until our next elections, I will be the acting Director, Moses is acting Assistant, and Dennis Lowry will act as Secretary.

We met September 27, but only three of us attended. Dennis Hoffman attended and wished to return to the group. I still have his paperwork and he is still qualified to be a member.

We agreed to continue with the Army/Navy game on December 9th. With our current membership numbers, it would be tough or impossible to pull it off alone. The SAL and the Auxiliary expressed interest to join with us to do this event, thus it will a joint effort. Details are still being worked out. Our next meeting will be held on a Saturday in November at Claudette's. We will send a notice in the next week. Please try to attend so we can get everyone's input.

Dave Brown – Acting Director



Sons of the American Legion

Welcome to fall. As you have heard, the Army/Navy Game Watch Party is a GO for December 9th. We are partnering with the ALR and the Auxiliary to make this event happen.

We missed several of you at our last meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled for November 15th at 1900. Please make every effort to attend, as there is strength in numbers.

Regarding membership: Are numbers are dwindling and we need to bring in new members. If you know anyone who is a male descendant of a Veteran, please consider asking them to join us.

All are welcome.

Dennis Lowry - Commander

Cleveland Veteran's Day Parade

The Cleveland Veterans Day Parade will be held on Friday November 10th in downtown Cleveland. We are hoping to get a larger attendance with workers attending. Please attend if you are available. Please contact John Kikol at 440-263-8121 with any questions.





Welcome in the Holiday Season with

AMERICAN LEGION POST 738

AS WE PRESENT OUR ANNUAL

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS DINNER AND DANCE

Enjoy an evening of dancing and music played by
TIM WHALEN & SUNDOWN

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 2nd, 2023

Doors open 5:30 Dinner 6:30ish Band to follow dinner

Tickets \$20.00 per person

Cash Bar

Invite your friends and family to enjoy the evening with our Legion Family.

Raffles, 50/50, Sideboards, Door Prizes, and a great time

Call and order your tickets today as they sell out fast!

Tickets must paid for in advance.

Reservations required - Call 440-356-2110

Or call Cliff/Nancy at 440-376-0650 (leave message) or Barb at 216-351-6151 or Cindi at 440-221-9935

Deadline for reservations is November 23rd

Open to the public

We thank you for supporting your local veterans

American Legion Post 738 – 19311 Lorain Rd., <u>Fairview</u> Park, Ohio



Post 738 Auxiliary Post 738 Sons of the American Legion Post 738 American Legion Riders Present the



2023 Army / Navy Football Game



December 9th
Doors open at 2 P.M.
Kickoff is at 3:00 P.M.
Come watch the game with us!

\$10 per person

Cash Bar

Side Boards and Lottery Boards

Open to all Branches of the American Legion Family

A Game Day Buffet will be provided!

Come join us for a good time!

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For additional information, email us at legionpost738@yahoo.com







CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 17, 2023 LUNCH 12:30, PARTY 1:00

I know I am early, but our group has grown and I would like to get a head start on shopping. Please return this to me as soon as possible so I can find something that will interest your child.

DEADLINE – DECEMBER 1, 2023

Thanks for your cooperation.

Barb Whalen

2nd Vice – Legion Auxiliary

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Legion/SAL/Auxiliary/Riders Member Name:		

