American Legion Post 738 January, 2025 Newsletter



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Commander's Corner

Welcome to winter in Cleveland! Hope everyone had a good holiday season. Thanks to all who made the Country Christmas Dinner Dance a great success. Thanks for good food, good music, and lots of fun. Our next fundraiser is the Valentines Day Dinner Dance on February 8th. Come and join the fun. Reservations only. Check the calendar for future events.

The Legion lost longtime member John Marx on December 15th. John and I met in junior high at Wilber Wright and then attended West Tech before enlisting in the Marine Corps and serving in Vietnam. We had many good times at the Coral in Olmsted Falls, poker games, beers, and wings at Naks in Brookpark. John served as Best Man at our wedding and became "Uncle John "to our children. Our sympathy and prayers to his children - Denise and John (Jessica). Rest in peace. Semper Fi.

Jim Babitsky - Commander

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>>>> Upcoming Events <<<<



Third Saturdays February TBD

- Karaoke Night- Valentine's Dance

Chaplain

At the January, 2025 membership meeting, a special prayer was said in remembering recently deceased Post member and USMC Veteran John Marx Jr. A Thank You note was sent to a female donor, who sent a check to Post 738 in memory of deceased veteran John Marx Jr.

You Are Not Forgotten cards were sent to the widows of Post members Larry Lins and Ernie Laird. Buddy Check cards were sent to Post members Ron and Joanne Hulec.

I am happy to see and report that our Auxiliary President Cindi Johnson is back and recovering from recent surgery. In closing, I ask for prayers for the military men and women who are honorably serving our country. Pray for those Veterans who are suffering in spirit, mind, body, and soul and pray that they seek the help they need. Reach out to our Post widows and widowers, especially our lonely.

Pray for peace and our country. Let Compassion, empathy, involvement, and respect continue to be our strength.

Gary Schuld - Chaplain



Sons of the American Legion

Please plan to attend our next meeting which will be on Wednesday, January, 29th at 7:00 P.M.

Our meeting attendance continues to improve. I encourage all members to attend our meetings and to participate in the Legion Family.

There will be many events coming up in 2025 that I'm sure you would enjoy. We would enjoy seeing you and having you join us.

If you know anyone who is a male descendant of a Veteran, please consider asking him to join us. All are welcome.

Dennis Lowry - Commander



Auxiliary

I know I always start by telling the Auxiliary how much I and the Post extend their appreciation to the American Legion Auxiliary. Ladies you're the greatest and I'll never get tired of telling you that.

Attendance the Christmas party for the children was a great success. I got all positive feedback and everybody tells me they're looking forward to the next adventure. We had no meeting in January for multiple reasons that were out of our control, so we will resume regular sessions on Wednesday, February 12th at 7:00 P.M. Don't forget about the Valentine's Day Dance on February 8th. I have tickets. They are still only \$20 and *Tim Whalen and Sundown* will be playing for our musical pleasure.

Karaoke has resumed on the third Saturday of each month. Our first one being the 18th of January and the meal will be chicken paprikash. So, bring your family and friends and grab a few strangers off the street too for a good time.

In the meantime, try to stay warm healthy and may you always be blessed.

Cindi Johnson - President



AMERICAN LEGION POST 738 Valentine's dinner & dance



SATURDAY – February 8, 2025 TICKETS - \$20.00. CASH BAR

Doors open at 5:30. Dinner at 6:30. Band starts following dinner.

LISTEN TO OR DANCE TO LIVE MUSIC BY TIM WHALEN AND SUNDOWN

Open to the public. All are welcome – singles and couples. Come and enjoy an evening of fine food and the company of friends and family of post 738.

Side boards, 50-50, and basket raffle

ADVANCE TICKET SALES ONLY

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED – DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS FEBRUARY 3RD.

For reservations or questions, please call our Post at 440-356-2110,

or Nancy at 440-234-7819, or Cindi at 440-221-9935

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