

# THE FRONT LINE

DEDICATED TO KEEPING POST 238 MEMBERS INFORMED



## MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

Wishing you all a joyous New Year filled with laughter, love, and exciting possibilities! As we step into this new chapter, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the incredible members who have been a beacon of support throughout the past year. There are members who have consistently lent their helping hands, making our events and tasks run smoothly. Your dedication has not gone unnoticed, and I'm truly grateful for your commitment.

I have approximately 15 members out of the 390 members who help with dinners, setting up the hall and the many other day-to-day tasks. No one has stepped forward to help them, with that being said the members who help are tired to the point of being worn out. Without additional members stepping forward to prepare and serve meals and support many other events, there will come a time when they cease.

February 10 is our Bull & Oyster Roast, and we will need all the help we can get to be successful. I'm looking for someone to run our St Patrick's Day event in March. This has historically been one of the Post's biggest money makers.

Kevin Lee will be the entertainment on January 27, February 10, and March 23. Join us for some great music.

**Don Purdy**  
Commander

**JAN-MAR 2024**



## Sons of the American Legion

A warm welcome to our newest members; we're delighted to have you on board.  
Don't forget to mark your calendars for the upcoming fourth Friday night dinner—it's so good!

We had a raffle for a Milwaukee leaf blower and a visiting Legionnaire won it. He donated it back and at auction Jake Wolford won it on high bid!!! It was a great time, and congratulations Jake!

The holiday season is in full swing. As we celebrate together, let's also extend our thoughts and prayers to those among us who have experienced loss. It's a time for unity and compassion.  
Please look out for your fellow vets.

**Jim Bowie**  
SAL Commander

# MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Your 2023 Post Membership will expire on December 31, 2023.

**Please renew today if you haven't already.**

Your dues can be mail to the Post 238 or dropped at Post 238. If you have a computer, it can be paid online.

As of 12/8/2023, our renewal stands at 301 paid, 77% of the Post. Our goal is 392 paid for 100%! Let's make it happen!

Sincerely,  
**Stephen Thomas**  
1st Vice Commander

# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Christmas is a season of enjoying the simple things that make life beautiful.  
May you have great memories that will permanently touch your heart. I wish you so much joy during this season and all through to the New Year.

Your Chaplain  
**Stephen Thomas**

## American Legion Auxiliary Unit 238



Wow, it is hard to believe we are already starting off the 3rd quarter of the 2023-2024 year! A few things that we did last quarter were:

- \* Held our 1st Quarter Auction that was a huge success, and a special thanks to Brenda Goldsmith for organizing the entire event. Mark your calendars because we will do it again next October 6th, 2024.
- \* The Gifting Tree raffle was won by Thelma Miller! Since the tree was donated by Debbie Sheriff, tickets by Colleen Lynch, and the gift cards by several of the Auxiliary Members, all proceeds were profit.
- \* We purchased several wreaths through “Wreaths Across America” for the Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery that were put out by volunteers on December 16th. Additionally, we supported Move America Forward with Care Packages for the Troops.
- \* Our Children’s Christmas Party was December 17th ~ and again Donna Bowie pulled off a wonderful day for the kids. Santa (Joey Baden) was super with his visit.
- \* We also voted to support one of the SEA CADETS, that would like to attend the American Legion Auxiliary Girl’s State Event next summer.

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, March 24th, 2024** for the **Easter Bunny’s visit!** E-mail [alaux238@gmail.com](mailto:alaux238@gmail.com) if you are planning to attend (reservations will be required).

This coming quarter we will continue to prepare Dinners on the 2nd Friday of each month, prepare lunches for the Fire Fighters the last Wednesday of each month, and hopefully a few weekend catering events to help earn funds to help support several veteran groups and functions.

We are hoping to be able to send additional donations this quarter to other agencies, and hopefully with your help by supporting our events, this can be done! We really do need volunteers to help at all or any of our functions! Contact an auxiliary member that you know and they will be glad to give you information on dates and times when you can help to make a difference or just email us at the address above. Thank you to those auxiliary members that are always lending a helping hand (or dish pan hands).

**Colleen Lynch**  
President ALA

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