

THE FRONT LINE

DEDICATED TO KEEPING POST 238 MEMBERS INFORMED



MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

I hope everyone has an enjoyable summer and a wonderful New Year with the Post.

I would like to express my gratitude to Joe Goldsmith, Colleen Lynch, and Ricky Moore. Without their support, this Post could not function as well as it does. Thank you for all that you do.

During the next two months, the Legionnaires will be hosting Friday night dinners. Please come out to support them.

It's crucial for members to get involved at the Post. Currently, only 12 to 15 members out of 390 attend the monthly meetings where we make important decisions about how to run the Post. Your participation is vital, so please make an effort to attend and support the Post.

Don Purdy
Post 238 Commander

Congratulations to the 2024-25 Post Officers

Commander:	Donald Purdy
1st Vice Commander:	Steve Thomas
2nd Vice Commander:	Kelly Kester
Adjutant:	Paul Paradis
Finance Officer:	Rick Moore
Judge Advocate:	Jim Caudill

Executive Committee at Large:
Tony Ashton, Al Humphreys, and Bill Hamilton

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Service Officer:	Steve Thomas
Chaplain:	Steve Thomas

JUL-SEPT 2024

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 238



I am very honored to be voted in as the President of the American Legion Auxiliary for the 2024-2025 term.

I want to send out a special thank you to Colleen Lynch, (Past President) Donna Hill-Bowie (Past 1st Vice President) and Irene Goldsmith (Past 2nd Vice President) for everything you have done and do for the ALA. You are three amazing women.

I look forward to working with a great team of Officers and members:

President: Brenda Goldsmith
1st Vice President: Jessica Wolford
2nd Vice President: Colleen Lynch
Treasurer: Christine Clontz
Secretary: Jeanette Kimble
Historian: Debbie Copp Sheriff
Chaplain: Violet Halton
Sergeant-At-Arms: Tina Newhart

** Our 1st Quarter Auction was a huge success, so we've decided to do it again. Mark your calendars for October 6th, 2024 and invite your friends and family. Volunteers are needed the day of the event, to make bake goods for the bake sale, and/or donate gift baskets, gift cards, crafts, etc. for the bag auction. Alaux238@gmail.com

** Our Children's Easter Party in April was a success with 20 children and 30 adults who attended. Thank you to our Easter Chairperson, Lori O'Brien and the volunteers who pulled off a wonderful day for the kids. The Easter Bunny (Joey Baden) did a great job as always.

** We voted and donated to the Post sponsored SEA Cadets. If you are not familiar with the Sea Cadets, they are a youth development program that give young Americans skills, knowledge and confidence through a variety of training opportunities. Our donation will support them for encampments, uniforms and travel. We wish them well on their life adventures.

** We will continue to prepare lunches for the Fire Fighters on the last Wednesday of each month.

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS:

We will continue to prepare dinners on the 2nd Friday of each month. The next dinner is scheduled for September 13th. We are looking for volunteers to organize a Friday night dinner. Colleen has agreed to handle the shopping for the dinners, and you will have a team of volunteers to help out at the dinners. If you would like to organize a monthly dinner, please contact me. Alaux238@gmail.com

Catering Chairperson Needed for possible weekend events and Repasses. Please contact me if you are interested. Alaux238@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Membership dues for 2025 can be paid beginning July 1, 2024, Dues are \$30.00 and can be renewed three ways:

1. Renew online at <http://www.alaforveterans.org>
2. Stop by the Legion and leave a check or cash with the bartender in an envelope addressed to Jessica Wolford.
3. Mail your dues (check payable to American Legion Auxiliary) to the Post address to Jessica Wolford, American Legion Auxiliary, 6265 Brandywine Road, Hughesville, MD 20637.

If you have any questions or know anyone looking to join the ALA please contact Jessica at:
l238membership@yahoo.com.

We currently have 144 members and if you know of a woman or man who has a spouse that is active duty or a Veteran; had a sibling, father, mother or grandparent please have them contact Jessica to join our wonderful ALA. We are taking steps to reach our entire membership to keep in touch and find out how we can get more members involved at meetings and with our on-going events/fundraisers. I encourage members to invite their family and guests to the Post and hopefully we can secure some new membership interests.

Happy Birthday to the following ALA members
celebrating in
June, July, August and September

Evelyn Baden, Betty Berry, Donna Boswell, Rose Bowen, Patricia Boyd, Kathleen Breckenridge, Doris Buckler, Terri Buckler, Melissa Bussey, Debora Crampton, Bonnie DeMarr, Deborah Edelen, Judith Fellows, Julia Forbes, Gloria Forney, Rebecca Forney, Julie Gadway, Gloria Godwin, Stephanie Goff, Tacy Goldsmith, Joanne Hacker, Rosina Hall, Theresa Hall, Debra Hanna, Lila Hill, Donna Hill-Bowie, Mary Humphreys, Betty Jameson, Sharrod Krouse, Felicia Lewis, Colenthia Mally, Jennifer Marson, Michelle McDaniel, Judy Montgomery, Dawn Murphy, Lori Malloy Lori O'Brien, Valerie Pulliam, Ruth Rominski, Dawn Schiemer, Brenda Tankersley, Patty Volonakis, Donna Weimer, Judy Welch, Mary White, Jacqueline Willett, Juanita Wilson, Cathy Wolfinger, Geri Word, Jennifer Worthy.

The Auxiliary has some great fund raisers coming up and would love for you to share your time and talents with our great group of members. Our meetings are on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Our next meeting will be September 3rd, 2024. Hope to see some new faces at our meetings. I would like to highlight that there is no "I" in the word TEAM and our success is due to all of our volunteers and members.

****Announcement**:** The ALA now has a **FACEBOOK** page starting July 1st. Search Facebook for: Jameson-Harrison Post 238 American Legion Auxiliary and like our page. This is work in progress.

Stay safe and have a wonderful summer.

**Brenda Goldsmith
ALA President**

Sons of the American Legion



There's currently a raffle for a bushel of hard crabs. Get your tickets while they're available—
we're only selling 200!

We've made several donations this year:

- The Ladies of 238
- The Ladies of 227
- The Corsair Squadron Sea Cadets

We had a very successful gun bash again this year. Thank you to everyone for your help and continued support.

Jim Bowie
Squadron Commander Post 238 Sons of the American Legion



Blood Drive

American Legion Post 238

6265 Brandywine Rd
Hughesville, MD 20637

Tuesday, July 16, 2024
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



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