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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

Welcome to Spring! With Spring of course comes a very busy schedule and many activities for all to join in at Post 38. I'd like to highlight a few activities but please check out the activities calendar in this newsletter to see everything planned for the next three months.

Brat Fry is back April 2nd rain/snow or shine.

Starting with our **April 7th membership meeting**, please note the time change. We will now start the meetings at **6:30pm** instead of 7:00pm so the snack will be served starting at 5:30pm.

Our next meat raffle will be April 12th. in the hall from 1-4, come on out for a fun filled afternoon and listen to the music of Russ Reiser. Following the meat raffle join DJ Popper in the bar from 4-?

April 19th brings Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and of course an Easter Egg hunt for all the kids to enjoy.

May and June bring opportunities for the Legion Family to show our strength by participating in the Memorial Day and Flag Day Parades. Please join us if you can as we march behind the Scarlet Guard. Let the Fox Valley know who we are with a large turnout.

The Department Convention is in Green Bay from July 16-20, this is another opportunity to meet fellow Legion Family members and learn what the Department has planned for the next year.

We love to see our members turnout at the Post meetings, come out and meet a new Post 38 Family Member or bring a friend to the meeting that needs to get out and enjoy an evening with fellow Legionnaires, Auxiliary, or Sons of The American Legion. Everyone is invited to our monthly membership meetings.

If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2025, please do so, we are once again striving for a 100% membership renewal.

Thank you all for continuing to serve and be involved with events at the Post. We have a growing Post and you should all be proud of the things we accomplish. It has been my honor and privilege to serve as the Post Commander for this past year.

There are a lot of activities at the Post/Club, please visit our website ([Johnston-Blessman Post 38 \(appleton38.org\)](http://Johnston-Blessman Post 38 (appleton38.org))), Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/appletonpost38>) page or the activities bulletin board in the foyer to see what's happening.

A huge Thank You goes out to our valued employees and volunteers; without you we could not accomplish what we do to support our local veterans, families, and community.

Thank You for your service.

Jan Hoffman

Commander, Appleton American Legion Post 38

POST 38 OFFICER ELECTION NOTICE FOR 2025

Ballot is attached for the open positions including Commander, 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, 3rd Vice, and Member-at-Large. We also need individuals that would be interested in the following positions: Assistant Finance Officer, Assistant Adjutant, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, and Historian. **If haven't renewed for 2025 yet, please do before the election at the May meeting.** You will be ineligible to vote if you do not renew.

COMMUNICATION Check out our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/appletonpost38>) and our website ([Johnston-Blessman Post 38 \(appleton38.org\)](http://Johnston-Blessman Post 38 (appleton38.org))).

AUXILIARY FACEBOOK PAGE NEWS:

In 2023 Unit 38 began a new Facebook page entitled American Legion Auxiliary Unit 38-Appleton WI ([American Legion Auxiliary Unit 38-Appleton WI Facebook](#)).

This platform will serve to create awareness and communicate our events and achievements to members and the general public. This page will share posts from other organizations that we follow such as WI Veterans Village, Blue Star Mothers, Legion Post 38, ALA Ninth District, and other Units throughout NE WI.

Here are a few ways you can help us with this page: Like the page and posts, Share the page & posts to help create awareness, Share your own post ideas at least 1 week in advance of an event. Email your post ideas or news/upcoming events to AppletonALAMUnit38@yahoo.com. *Please include links, pictures, and specific message verbiage.

Page administrators are Cathy Wilbur & Tammie Domek.

Thank you for your support with this new project!

POST MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

From the Adjutant and Membership Committee

Post 38 members, it is time to renew your membership for 2025. Our dues for 2025 increased to \$60 due to an increase in National dues. You have many options for renewing your membership; you can mail your dues to Post 38; you can stop in at Club 38 bar/restaurant and drop off your dues; you can attend a meeting and pay your dues; or you can renew online as well. If you renew online, you have an option to renew your membership for up to three years, this is the only option for a multi-year renewal.

Don't let your benefits expire or lose your consecutive years membership.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Dave Baumann (davebaumann80@outlook.com), Jan Hoffman (hoffmanjand@gmail.com), Jarrod Coulter (jarrod.coulter@live.com), or call 920-450-9545.

To renew online go to <https://mylegion.org>. Also, **we approved covering the renewal cost for members with over 50 years continuous service and 5 years of continuous membership at Post 38. If you fall under that category, please do not send in your renewal if you get a notice.** If you have renewed already, you are paid in the system so you shouldn't get another notice. The new website is a little slow to process the memberships, **so if you get a renewal in the mail please check to make sure you haven't already paid before sending in another check.** You can call or email the 1st Vice or Adjutant if you aren't sure.

A benefit of American Legion membership is a FREE \$5000 accidental death insurance policy through the Legionnaire Insurance Trust (LIT). If membership expires, so does this benefit. Once you pay your dues you would need to re-sign up to receive this insurance. So please don't let this happen to you. If you have questions or need help, please contact the Commander, 1st Vice, or Adjutant.

A reminder to members, THE LIT (Legionnaire Insurance Trust) is a membership benefit, but it is not automatic. THE LIT is \$5000 of Accidental Death insurance at no cost to the member and \$1000 if not on Legion business. Members need to apply to be eligible. Go to [WI Legion](#) and scroll down to the bottom of the page, hit the button and follow the prompt. If there was a break in your continuous years of service in the Legion, you will need to re-register. If a member takes advantage of THE LIT, be forewarned the insurance company will send out information periodically about insurance available for purchase. You are not under any obligation to purchase. Likely you will receive another renewal notice from National in the meantime.

Eliminate the yearly hassle of remembering to renew your American Legion membership by taking advantage of the new multi-year membership available to current and potential members. Legionnaires needing to renew for 2025 or veterans joining the organization for the first time can lock-in a three-year membership by visiting [Renew Membership | The American Legion](#) or [Join | The American Legion](#).

--Multi-year membership sign-up is only available on the national American Legion website.

--Payment for the three-year membership will be upfront.

--There is not a discounted rate with the three-year membership.

If you have an active email address, we would appreciate if you made note of this as we are trying to save costs and email you the newsletter and meeting minutes. Also please note any changes to your contact information, especially your address. If you are a PUFL, National and Department will list you as inactive if they receive undeliverable mail sent to you. This is NOT the Post doing this! If you have any questions, please let us know.

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We just finished with the Kidz Expo at the Expo Center downtown Appleton. Several Legion and Auxiliary members volunteered. We estimated that we had 115 hours of volunteer hours preparing and working the booth. Approximately 500 children planted poppy seeds at our booth. Thank you all for your help in making this a successful

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community project.

The brat fry is starting on April 2 that means so does our bake sale. Please look at your calendar and if you can bring baked goods or sit at the table call Debra at (920) 716-2801 if you can help out. We have bags available for your goodies.

We have scheduled a Fashion Show on April 24 from 6 to 8 at the club. This fundraiser will benefit our veteran's programs. Tickets are \$15.00. See our Facebook page for more information.

Poppy Day is scheduled for May 9th and 10th. See Marian's article.

Memorial weekend we have the Cemetery Salute on May 25 and the Memorial Day parade and ceremony on May 26. We also are serving lunch on May 26 and need about three volunteers to help at the club from 11:30 to 2:00.

The Flag Day parade is on June 14th. Who wants to march with me?

You will receive notices about these events and volunteer opportunities by email. If you know someone who is not receiving emails let us know.

Join us on the third Monday of each month at 4:30 social time and 5:00 meeting.

Happy Spring

Linda Breitzman

President, Unit 38

Auxiliary Bake Sale

I wish to thank everyone that helped with the Auxiliary Bake Sale at the brat fry this past year. Our customers looked forward every week for Carmel corn, brownies, Rice Krispie treats, breads, bars and cookies. Our Auxiliary members are excellent bakers! We made over \$2900 in 2024! This will help our Auxiliary programs.

Thank you,
Debra Ragen

Auxiliary Membership

Members of Unit 38, we are at 100% for the 2025 membership year. We have only a few members that haven't renewed yet for the 2025 year.

The goal for 2025 set by National is 111 members and we have 112 paid. We are always looking for new members, if you know someone who is eligible ask them to join. Need help, feel free to contact me.

Just a reminder that Senior Dues are \$36.00 and Junior Dues are \$7.00 for the 2025 Membership Year. You can send your dues anytime to me. Remember that you can sign up for **"PAID UP FOR LIFE"** (PUFL) Membership. You can get the information on the Department website or questions can be addressed to me and I can help you, just contact me at the information below.

Thank You to the Auxiliary that have already paid.

Remember, Unit 38 meets on the 3rd Monday afternoon of every month at 4:30 P.M. at the Post.

Next meeting will be April 21st! Please join us for the meeting. Guests are always welcomed.

Since last reporter we have several new members. Penny Anderson, Sara Jones, Lynn Leeman, Theresa Opelt, Deborah Scherer, and Haley Zinser. We would like to welcome them to Unit 38.

We are thankful we have no membership deaths to report.

Send Membership to: Marian Brown 1312 South Casaloma Drive Appleton, WI 54914 Phone 920-810-0737.

Happy Spring,
Marian Brown

POPPY MESSAGE

Poppy Day is fast approaching. We have selected **Friday May 9th** and **Saturday May 10th** as our Poppy Days for 2025. We are hopeful that you consider helping us by volunteering some of your time to distribute Poppies and collect donations. If you are unable to volunteer in person you are welcome to make a monetary donation.



Remember, all donations go towards our Veteran programs. Without these funds we don't have the resources to continue to help our Veterans.

Please find time to help us. Call to sign up for a time slot at the locations we distribute at, Woodmans, Fleet Farm, and Festival Foods. Also, support these businesses as they support us.

Marian Brown – Poppy Chairman Phone # 920-810-0737

COMMUNITY SERVICE/EDUCATION

Auxiliary members have been donating items for the Appleton School District grades 4-12. We have donated composition books, wide and narrow ruled notebooks, markers, pencil sets, colored pencils and pointed scissors.

If you would like to donate any of these items, please drop them off at the Legion Post during regular business hours. You don't need to be a member, so mention to your friends and maybe they can also donate. Other items would be backpacks, calculators, and narrow ruled notebooks for Wilson Middle School.

Rose Heinz

Blue Star Banners:

I have been volunteering at the Legion Club the last few years taking the "to-go-orders" for fish on Friday nights. Hence, I have met a few waitresses whose daughters joined the military. In the past 3 months, I gave a blue star banner to Heika Wright whose daughter, Kayla Muinde is currently serving in the Air Force. I also gave a banner to Sara Schneidewend. Her daughter Drew is currently serving in the Marines. Both Heika and Sara and their families should be given a debt of gratitude for their children's service. Both mothers sent positive thank you cards to the Auxiliary Unit.

If you know of anyone parent, grandparent, brother, sister who would want one of these banners, please contact me.

Rose Heinz

Unit 38 Secretary

Blessing Box

Community service is part of the focus of the American Legion Auxiliary. Our auxiliary continues to collect items for the "Blessing Box" located at Wilson Middle School in Appleton. This box is similar to the "Little Free Library" boxes around town, except that the "Blessing Box" houses every day essential items for families in need. Families, students, and community members in need can visit the box at any time of day and obtain what they need. The box has been in place since 2018 and has been used frequently.

Hygiene items are most needed at this point and include shampoo/conditioner, deodorants (male and female), Q-tips, band aids, men's 3-n-1 (shampoo, conditioner and body wash), bars of soap, laundry detergent, baby shampoo, body wash, lotion, dish soap and paper products. All of these items can be found at local dollar stores.

Any donations for the Blessing Box can be brought to the auxiliary unit meeting. If you prefer, I would be happy to pick up donations as well. Monetary donations are also welcome. Checks can be made out to Wilson Middle School. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Jennifer Klemp at jklemp31@gmail.com or 920-450-3860.

Thank you for making a difference for our local families!

If you want to contribute and are unable to volunteer, please cut and mail your Poppy donation to:

Poppy Fund, ALA Unit #38
3220 W. College Ave.
Appleton WI 54914
POPPY DONATION:

\$ _____

Thank you for your donation
to help our veterans and
their families.

APPLETON LEGION BASEBALL

Opening day is just around the corner. We hope to see you at the Ballpark in 2025!

The first game of 2025 is on the schedule with our first Xavier High School game on April 1st. No foolin'!

We'll have a lot of games this season! Our Senior Varsity and Junior Varsity teams will be busy. You'll see new coaches and new faces in our support team. As always, we welcome new volunteers to help us keep our program strong. You can find our game [schedule](#) on our website.

Donations to our program are welcomed! Solicitation information can be found on our [Sponsors webpage](#). You don't need to be "Major League"; donations of any size are appreciated.

We thank you for your continuous support of Appleton Legion Baseball.

Make sure you check out our website at www.appletonlegionbaseball.org, where you'll find our [schedule](#) and more, and follow us on [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#).

We hope to see you at the Ballpark!

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS, DISTRICT 9

Spring is here!

We are looking forward to our 2025 riding season.

In addition to our parade activities throughout the District, we support other's fundraising activities both by riding and by attending picnics, raffles, etc. Showing our support projects the face of the American Legion to the community and everyone wins. A couple of special events in 2025 include: Vietnam Wall Dedication with Vets & Friends in April; International Motorcycle Show with Algoma Post 236 in July.

The Riders are having a Statewide fundraising motorcycle ride again this year. "Cruise for a Cause – Be The One for Wisconsin-25" will begin in Port Washington on June 27th and arrive in Marshfield on June 29th. Proceeds will benefit the Wisconsin American Legion "Be the One" efforts – Raise Awareness, Raise funds for and provide training, Send veterans to Camp American Legion. The ride is open to the public and donations will be accepted at stops along the way, online, and by mail. Details are at <http://alrawis.org/C4C/index.html>.

Membership in the American Legion Riders is open to anyone in the Legion Family with a motorcycle of 500cc and larger.

Check us out at www.alrawis.org and on [Facebook](#). Come and join us!

Paul Heit

American Legion Riders Association of Wisconsin District 9 Director

paul.heit@att.net



SCARLET GUARD and HONOR GUARD

Both the Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard and the Post 38 Honor Guard are looking for new members.

The Post 38 Honor Guard is the unit that has the privilege to render military honors (rifle volleys, the playing of "Taps", and the presentation of the Flag and/or shell casings to the families) for our fallen comrades. To join this unit contact Joe Jackson at jackson.i4511@gmail.com or 920.574.8833. Members of the American Legion, Auxiliary, and/or Sons of the American Legion are welcome to join.



Roles of the Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard include presenting the colors for high school, semi-pro, and professional sporting events, posting, and retrieving the colors at various veteran service organization and civilian meetings, conventions/conferences, municipal events, and marching in parades. We understand that not everyone can march long distances. Members of varying abilities are welcomed to join and participate when able.

We will meet quarterly in 2025 on the following dates at Post 38 at 6:00 p.m.: Wed., April 30, Wed., July 23, Wed., Oct. 22.

Assemble with us on Sun., May 25th as we perform memorial salutes to honor the fallen heroes in the Moses Montefiore Cemetery and St. Mary Cemetery (both in Appleton). See additional information in the ad on this page.

March with us in the Appleton Memorial Day Parade (Mon., May 26th) and/or the Appleton Flag Day Parade (Sat., June 14th). Contact Eric Stadler (920.450.6907 / eric.stadler1@gmail.com) for more details and to confirm your participation. All veterans, as well as members of any American Legion Post, American Legion Auxiliary Unit, or Sons of the American Legion Squadron are welcome to march with us in these events.

Follow and Like the Scarlet Guard Color Guard page on Facebook.

Please patronize our sponsors Boyle Auto Sales, SDS Painting, Maritime Bar, and Sola Salons.

Membership in the Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard is open to members of any American Legion Post, Auxiliary Unit, or Sons of the American Legion Squadron. The uniform is provided. Contact Eric Stadler (920.450.6907 or eric.stadler1@gmail.com) for more information.

Eric Stadler, Chairperson & Field Commander
Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard
920.450.6907 | eric.stadler1@gmail.com



Moment of Remembrance Cemetery Salutes

Sun., May 25th, 2025

The community is welcomed to gather as local veteran service organizations assemble and perform somber salutes to veterans that paid the ultimate sacrifice and are laid to rest at the two cemeteries listed below. The salutes will include a prayer, the laying of a memorial wreath, a rifle volley, and the playing of "Taps".

12:00 NOON @ Moses Montefiore Cemetery (E. Woodland Ave., Appleton)

1:00 PM @ St. Mary Cemetery (2121 W. Prospect Ave., Appleton)



Organized by the Scarlet Guard American Legion Color Guard.
Follow the Scarlet Guard Color Guard on Facebook for more information and updates.



Lori J. Bishop
Auxiliary Unit 38 Chaplain

Cemetery Plots

Some of you may not know that we have dedicated plots for American Legion Post 38 members at Riverside Cemetery (6 plots) and St. Joe's Cemetery (39 plots). It is next to a much larger GAR (Grand Army of the Republic) section that is for all veterans. Cost for the plot is \$250, and that goes back to the post.

It was discussed that maybe we needed to reach out to our members and inform them that we have these, and if you want one maybe start thinking about preplanning and reserving a spot. You can call Debbie Debruin at Riverside (920-733-5629) or Tina LeFebre at St. Joe's (920-733-1631).

If you want more information, you can also email Bob Johnson at rjohnson4116@gmail.com and he can give you some more particulars.

Squadron 38 News & Notes

As I reflect over the last couple weeks like drinking my morning coffee, I keep coming back to there is a LOT of noise and change currently in our world. I know I am not smart enough to say if it is good/bad/indifferent or ??????. But what I do know is the purpose and mission of the American Legion Family is not changing. And what we do is becoming so important in so many people's lives. So, as we move into March, I am hopeful each of us are able to continue to focus on our 4 Pillars of Americanism, Children & Youth, National Security, and Veterans. Our country and our communities need us to do this.



There are two business type items for this month's monthly notes:

- Reminder to reach out to me if you have any interest in learning more about being an Officer of the Squadron. At this point we do not have any contested positions, but your current officers are more than willing to allow others to take roles, we will be here to help and mentor you. So please reach out with any questions, inquiries, or to share your interested in learning more.
- Every year the Squadron creates an Impact Summary of how we have supported the 4 Pillars noted above. We look/ask for each member to share/submit their overall yearly donations of Time and Money to any/all programs which are focused on them. This can be Legion or non-Legion sponsored Programs. So I would ask for everyone to start to review their past year and prep for sending me the time/\$\$ you would like to report. I will not send/share any individual information, but will take all the responses to create the Squadron Summary

POST 38 CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

POST EVERLASTING

12-22-23 James Bender
12-10-24 Richard Kopelke
01-07-25 Harold Trudeau
01-16-25 Conrad Fuerstenberg
02-01-25 Lawrence West
02-08-25 Harold Petta
02-08-25 Jerrold Plamann
03-10-25 Don Hildeman

Visiting and Volunteers:

Need Volunteers

Recuperating at home or in a Nursing Care Facility/Hospital:

PLEASE NOTIFY ME IF ANY ONE IS RECOVERING FROM SURGERY OR ANY OTHER ILLNESS'S SO I CAN GET THEM IN THE NEWSLETTER THANK YOU

Bob Johnson, Chaplain Post 38

E-mail: rjohnson4116@gmail.com

Phone # 1-920-454-0842

Thank You Veterans!

Speaking about our Mission and the 4 Pillars, there are still many areas which more volunteers are appreciated. These include Scarlet Guard, Military Honors, House Committee, Events Committee, Building & Grounds Committee, Hospital/Sick Visitation, Club 38, Baseball, and American Legion Riders.

There are also many opportunities to where more volunteers would be appreciated. These include:

- Supporting the short- and long-term efforts of the Cabin we sponsor at Camp American Legion. There are several projects that are being pursued; there is a need for both talents and funding.
- The next Blood Drive at the Post is scheduled for April 24th, please mark that on your calendar if you are able to give. You can sign up on the Red Cross Website.
- The Post is sponsoring several Scouting Troops/Packs, while they tend to be fairly self-sufficient, there is always opportunities to engage them, help them with badges, or be a “big brother” to them
- Attending the Oratorical at Ripon College, where our own Jade Wood will be hopefully winning the State Contest. This is always a great event, we have some great youth out there “who get it” and can really use our support by attending and participating in events like this. Please consider attending and supporting her!!!

Finally for this morning, please keep informed of all the great events which are happening at/around the Post by monitoring the Post Web Site ([Johnston-Blessman Post 38 \(appleton38.org\)](http://Johnston-Blessman Post 38 (appleton38.org))):

- The Club continues to do a great job with their events and food, earning a spot on a WBAY “Shout Out” looking for the best Food/Fish Fry in the Valley. Say thank you to Jill and her entire Staff, they are doing a great job!!!
- The Wednesday Brat Frys will be starting on April 2nd, I am led to believe this will be Rain or Shine (Snow is a ??)
- There is going to be a Meat Raffle/Live Music occurring at the Post on April 12th, more information coming soon
- Pancakes with the Easter Bunny will be the morning of April 19th, this is always a great event!!
- The next Bags League will be starting on the 3rd Tuesday of April. This is a 10-week league, everyone is welcome to check it out and join in the fun

Again, thank you for ALL your are doing to advance the mission/purpose of the Legion Family!!! Keep up the Great Work!!!!

Allen J Watry

Sons of The American Legion
SAL Department Commander
Wi Squadron 38 Adjutant
awatry@mindspring.com
920-997-4629

Club 38 Manager’s Message

ATTENTION: Members of the POST 38 Family, we need you to dine more at Club 38.

We are looking for help in the kitchen. We need a line\ fry cook, and a person to set up plates Friday night.

Our Sunday menu is Broasted Chicken and burger specials. We will also have limited quantities of fish available check with your server for fish specials.

We are serving a Tuesday night AYCE buffet which changes weekly. Check the American Legion website and Facebook for updates (<https://www.facebook.com/appletonpost38>, [Johnston-Blessman Post 38 \(appleton38.org\)](http://Johnston-Blessman Post 38 (appleton38.org))).

- Tuesday’s alternating AYCE buffet 4-7.
- April 12th from 1-4 there will be a meat raffle, music to follow.
- May 3rd we will have a Kentucky Derby party in the bar. Best dressed male, female, and best derby hat prizes for this event. We once again will have mint juleps and an appetizer potluck set up plus some friendly wagering on the race.
- Steak sandwich special will be on Thursdays from 11-2 due to the Brat Fry starting up.
- Bar Bingo is every Thursday. Come and enjoy.
- Every day we are open there is hot beef behind the bar. Sandwich, chips, and a pickle for \$6.00.
- Also, pizzas are available as well as vegan plant-based pizza.
- When we are serving food, we will have vegan and gluten free options for our guests.

- Many specials and music coming. See the calendar on our Facebook page for details.

Jill Nagel, Manager
 Club 38 Bar and Grill
 club38@AppletonPost38.org
 920-733-9840

Bar open Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.
 Kitchen open Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday
Club 38 Bar & Grill
 920 733-9840

Gift Cards Available

Hours

	<u>Bar</u>	<u>Kitchen</u>
Sunday	11am-6pm	11am-6pm
Monday	Closed	Closed
Tuesday	2pm-8pm	AYCE Buffet 4:00-7:00
Wednesday	2pm-8pm	4:30-6:30
Thursday	2pm-8pm	11am-2pm (Select Sandwiches)
Friday	11am-10pm	11am-8pm
Saturday	11am-6pm*	Pizza at Bar

Jolly Bob's pizzas and Hot Beef sandwiches are available at the bar during bar hours.

*We do host activities and special events that may extend the hours of the bar.

Our banquet hall is available for rent.

A Banquet Hall menu is available to help you plan your next function. Call 920.733.9840

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Find us on Facebook

We are Veterans helping Veterans and their families through the Club's activities and service.
PLEASE SUPPORT US!

Remember to support your post at the Friday fish fry!





THE WEDNESDAY BRAT FRY 11AM - 2PM STARTED APRIL 2nd .

Great turnouts! Great sales! So we need your help!
 Come for the day or a few hours. Wednesday, we start at 8:30, finish 3 ish
 About 1-2 hour. Pickles, Onion, and Sauerkraut into 1oz cups
 Set up: Wednesday morning 8:30. Done before 11am
 Grilling: 8:30 Back-up / Break
 Brat Fry staff: 11am - 2pm

Wrapping food, taking orders, Bagging orders, Restocking / Runner, All around relief/break
 Breakdown and cleanup: Inside or outside, grills, kitchen 1:30 pm, done by 3:00
 Prebuy/shop: Wade would be happy to have someone who can lift 25 lbs. go with him to shop for the soda and food.
 Excellent start... excellent volunteers...Thank you all so much! P.S. We do have fun!
 Contact Ed 920-707-3286 or Wade 920-540-0924

**American Legion Johnston-Blessman Post 38
Appleton, Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 Election Ballot**

Commander (1 year term)

_____ Jarrod Coulter _____

1st Vice Commander (1 yr. term)

_____ Jonathan Reid _____

2nd Commander (1 year term)

_____ Wayne Senneke _____

3rd Vice Commander (1 yr. term)

_____ Stephanie Zinser _____

Member at Large (3 yr. term)

_____ Vernon Noel _____

****Place an X next to your choice or write in a candidate of your choice****

“DO NOT WRITE OR SIGN YOUR NAME ON THIS BALLOT”

All mailed ballots have to be to the Post by May 5, 2025.

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 38
ATTN: BALLOT COMMITTEE
3220 W. COLLEGE AVENUE
APPLETON, WI 54914**

The ballot shall be contained in a sealed envelope with the voter’s name written legibly on the outside of the envelope. All ballots received by mail or personally delivered shall remain in the ballot box sealed and be turned over to the ballot committee at the beginning of the voting process. Ballots are to remain sealed until the close of the voting process. The ballot committee shall destroy any ballots received by mail or personally delivered from a member who attends the meeting to vote in person.

Article 7.8 (c) Voting in Person:

All members of the Post in good standing who attend the May Post meeting shall be entitled to vote in person on a ballot provided to them by the Ballot Committee at the meeting.

April 2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Bar Open 2-8 Buffet 4:00-7:00	Brat Fry 11-2 Bar Open 2-8, Kitchen Open 4:30-6:30	Bar Open 2-8 Steak Sandwiches 11-2 Bingo 4-6	Fish Fry 11-8	Bar Open 11-6
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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June 2025						
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