



# The Patriot



Post 15

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## Commander's Corner



I would like to thank you for the support you all have shown me over the last 3 months, October – December. We have made a lot of improvements during those months and we continue working to make more progress during our next 3 months.

In November we had the opportunity to have our annual Field Of Flags, displaying 125 flags this year. We participated at the Veterans Parade in Priceville and our float took 1st place. We provided an Honor Guard during the Veteran's Day Ceremony and we participated in Three Christmas Parades, Priceville, Decatur, and Hartselle. We also provided Honor Guard during the "Wreaths Across America" ceremony in December

During the next Three months, we will have the following activities:

In January, we will upgrade our Post Sign. We will have delegates from the post at the Mid Winder Conference, held here in Decatur. We will have our Post Oratorical Contest.

On March 9th we will celebrate The American Legion's 99th Birthday with an Awards Dinner.

So, as you can see we will be working for you, and hoping that you all participate with our Post Activities.

Please see our website at <http://www.allegionpost15.com> or on Facebook American Legion post 15 for any new and upcoming events. The events on the enclosed 3-month calendar are known events at time of this newsletter.

Thank you

Harald Belletete  
Commander

## NOTICE

### Constitution and By-Laws Vote

**Notice to all members that amendments to the Post 15 Constitution and By-Laws shall be voted upon during the February 2018 General Membership Meeting.**

- Recommendations for constitution and bylaws amendments will be read during the regularly scheduled meeting on January 22nd, (the 4th Monday of the month).
- Voting on those amendment proposals shall be conducted during the regularly scheduled post meeting February 26th, (the 4th Monday of the month).
- The requirement for passing any changes is stated as a vote of two-thirds of the members attending the meeting.

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## Calendar of Events American Legion Post 15

January 2018						
◀ December						February ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> New Year's Day  	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  1800 Dance	<b>6</b>  0900 Riders Ride  1000 12 District Executive MTG  1800 Bingo
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>  1800 Riders Mtg	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  1800 Dance	<b>13</b>  1800 Bingo
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Martin Luther King  	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Mid Winter Conference   1800 Executive Meeting	<b>19</b> Mid Winter Conference   Mid Winter Auxiliary Dinner	<b>20</b> Mid Winter Conference  0900 Riders Ride 0900 SAL MTG 1000 Post 310 MTG  1800 Bingo
<b>21</b> Mid Winter Conference	<b>22</b>   1800 Post Dinner 1900 Post MTG 1900 Auxiliary MTG	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>   1800 Lady Riders Meeting	<b>26</b>   1800 Dance	<b>27</b> 1000 Post Oratorical Contest Post 15  1800 Bingo
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Notes:</b> <b>Post Closed on Thursdays</b>		

## Calendar of Events American Legion Post 15

February 2018						
◀ January						March ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Groundhog Day	3 0900 Riders Ride
					1800 Dance	1800 Bingo
4 Super Bowl 12 <sup>th</sup> District Mtg  1300 Lunch 1400 Meeting  Post 49 Athens	5	6	7	8	9	10
					1800 Dance	1800 Bingo
11	12 1800 Riders Mtg	13	14 Valentine's Day 	15 1645 Auxiliary Executive Mtg  1800 Executive Meeting  1800 Marine Corps League Meeting	16 1800 Dance	17 0900 Riders Ride 0900 S.A.L Mtg 1000 Post 310 Mtg  1000 District Oratorical Contest  1800 Bingo
18	19 Presidents Day 	20 1800 CVPA	21	22   1800 Lady Riders Meeting	23 1800 Dance	24 1000 Division Oratorical Contest Post 15  1800 Bingo
25	26 1800 Dinner 1900 Post Mtg 1900 Auxiliary Mtg	27 Alabama Election	28	<b>Notes:</b>  <b>Post Closed on Thursdays</b>		



## From the Adjutant

Greetings and Salutations Comrades. Happy New Year. Please be a part of our Post and attend our meetings, it's once a month. Get something for your dues, like camaraderie with your fellow veterans. Eat a good meal, relax and then see what our Post is doing for the community.

On membership dues – Yearly Membership runs from January 1st to December 31st of each year. If you haven't renewed your membership for 2017 by the time you receive this newsletter (providing that this newsletter gets to you after January 1<sup>st</sup>), then your membership will have expired. **Please Remember** – National sends out dues renewal notices at least 4 times a year..... If you have already paid your dues, please disregard the renewal notices from National. When you pay your dues, I receive your dues and send you your membership card and then send the renewal information to Department and they intern submit that info to National. I hope that down the road, National will do a better job keeping track and updating their membership information before renewal notices come down from them. Please have patience and understanding with this process. If you have any questions, please contact me via email at [adjutant15@legional.org](mailto:adjutant15@legional.org), or call the post.

We have a great post, and would love for those members that have not been to a meeting in a while, please come attend a meeting, 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, dinner at 1800 (6p.m.) and meeting at 1900 (7p.m.)

“Semper Fi”

Neal A. “nap” Perdue  
Post 15 Adjutant

## Auxiliary



Wow! We have been so busy this fall. Several ladies went to Tut Fann Nursing Home in November for the monthly birthday party. We ended the month with an awesome FUNdrasing Painting party with 21 in attendance. The money we raised is helping to make a brighter Christmas for needy Veterans and Children in our area in addition to the canned food items we have collected. We haven't stopped yet. We've been in parades, visiting and checking on others and so much more. We'll end the year with taking our Junior members down to the Ronald McDonald House in Birmingham to deliver the can tabs and a donation.



So, what does 2018 hold in store for us? Be sure to join us on Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup> for a Crockpot Potluck Dinner with Beans, Greens and Soups. We'll be serving from 4:30-6:30. This will be our first fundraiser for 2018. Meals will be \$5 to include drink and dessert.

I just want to thank everyone that has been helping make this year a great success so far. I would like to wish everyone a very Blessed & Merry Christmas and a safe & Happy New Year! God Bless Everyone!

Susan Letson  
Unit 15 Auxiliary President



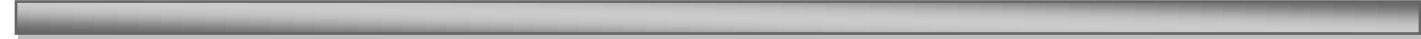
## 1st Vice Commander

Welcome to our 11 new members to date. I encourage everyone to come and support the Post and bring new prospects for membership and I look forward to seeing you at our next Post meeting.

Wayne Dunkin  
Post 15 1st Vice Commander



Chapter 15 Riders Promote the American Legion and the Red, White, and Blue.



Post 15 Veterans Day Parade Float Honoring Vietnam Veterans. The float was made possible through combined efforts of Legion, Sons, and Auxiliary members.

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March 2018						
◀ February						April ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Post Closed on Thursdays				1	2 LAST DAY FOR RESERVATION FOR BIRTHDAY AND AWARDS BANQUET  1800 Dance	3 0900 Riders Ride  1000 12 District Executive MTG  1800 Bingo
4	5	6	7	8 Int'l. Women's Day	9   1800 American Legion Birthday & Awards Banquet	10 Department Oratorical Contest  1800 Bingo
11 Daylight Saving Begins  	12  1800 Riders Mtg	13	14	15  1645 Auxiliary Executive Meeting  1800 Executive Meeting  1800 Marine Corps League Meeting	16    1800 Dance	17 Saint Patrick's Day  0900 Riders Ride  0900 S.A.L Mtg 1000 Post 310 Mtg 1800 Bingo
18	19	20 Spring Begins (Northern Hemisphere)	21	22	23    1800 Dance	24 World Tuberculosis Day  1800 Bingo
25	26  1800 Post Dinner 1900 Legion Mtg 1900 Auxiliary Mtg	27	28	29    1800 Lady Riders Meeting	30 Good Friday    1800 Dance	31    1800 Bingo

**BINGO**  
Every Saturday 6 PM  
**Thousands in Cash Prizes**



Veterans Day Activities with Post 15  
11 November 2017



**The Post 15  
POOL TABLE  
is up for Auction**



**The Post's Pool table has gotten little use over the past couple of years and is therefore going up for auction.**

**During the 26 February 2018 Post meeting we will take offers starting at \$200 and award it to the highest bidder.**

**The winner will be responsible for pickup and removal.**

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