The Patriot

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Commander's Corner



I would like to thank everybody for the successful year 2017-2018

During the 4th Quarter of 2017-2018 we got the following accomplished:

- Repaired all the sewer problems, leaks in our kitchen, and water fountain.
- Installed flag pools and added all five Service Flags to our Post
- We sent 41 boys to Boys State at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa.
- Awarded 9 Scholarships.
- Finished our Post Constitution and By-Laws. This was an awesome quarter. Thank you to all who made this possible.

As we go forward into 2018-2019 I pledge to work hard to improve Morgan County Post 15, to make this the best for all our members. I know that I cannot do this by myself, so I am asking you to assist me during this year and support our activities.

During this year the American Legion will celebrate its 100 Birthday, and I hope that we can make this celebration a large event. Again, we need your help to make this one of the best.

August 18th, we will have our EARLY BIRD MEMBERSHIP DRIVE and FISH FRY. Also we will be visiting the Floyd E "Tut" Fann Nursing Home for a Birthday Party on August 23rd. Commander Belletete

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Service Flags Compliment the Post 15 Front Lawn.



Flag Day Ceremony at Post 15.



Memorial Day Service at Rose Lawn Gardens

Calendar of Events American Legion Post 15

⊲ June			July 201	8		<u>August</u> ►
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6	7
						1800 BINGO
8	9 1800 RIDERS	10	11	12	13	14
	MEETING					1800 BINGO
15	16	17	18	19 1800 EXEC MTG	20	21 0900 S.A.L MTG 1000 Post 310 MTG 1800 BINGO
22	23 1800 DINNER 1900 MEMBERSHIP MEETING	24	25	26 1800 Lady Riders MTG	27	28 1800 BINGO
29	30	31	POST CLO	DSED IN THU	JRSDAYS	

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✓ July		Α	ugust 20 ⁴	18		September ►
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Post	Closed on	Thursday's	1	2	3	4 0900 Riders Ride
						1800 BINGO
5 12 District Meeting Post 15 1300 Dinner 1400 Meeting	6	7	8	9	10	11 1800 BINGO
12	13 LAST DAY FOR EARLY BIRD LUNCH SIGN UP 1800 RIDERS MTG	14	15	16 1800 EXECUTIVE MEETING	17	18 1000-1400 EARLY BIRD MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AND FISH FRY 1200 LUNCH 1800 BINGO
19	20	21	22	1300 Post 15 Birthday Party at Floyd E "Tut" Fan Nursing Home	24	25 1800 BINGO
				1800 Lady Riders		
26	27 1800 DINNER 1900 MEMBERSHIP MEETING	28	29	30	31	



From the Adjutant

Auxiliary



From the Adjutant

Greetings and Salutations Comrades. Summer is here, stay cool and hydrate. Come out and attend our meetings, it's once a month. Make your dues count, let your voice be heard, so what do you say, come on out, enjoy camaraderie with your fellow veterans. Eat a good meal, relax and then see what our Post is doing for the community.

On membership dues – Our Annual membership drive for 2019 (Early Bird) will be on August 18th, 2018. Please come out and renew your membership for 2019, invite your fellow members to come out and renew also. If you have any questions, please contact me via email at **adjutant15@legional.org**, or call the post. Also, during the Early Bird membership drive, I am trying to schedule LifeSouth to come out and do a Blood Drive on that day here at the Post.

Also, our annual "Field of Flags" will again be held on Veterans Day this November 11th, 2018. I will only accept the "Field of Flags" form provided in this newsletter, or you can get the form on the Post website and Facebook Page, and even copies are at the Post. I will not accept email request or Facebook, Messenger, or Text request. This way by using the form, we have a more accurate accountability. Deadline for accepting the applications will be November 8th, 2018.

"Semper Fi"

Neal A. "nap" Perdue Post 15 Adjutant This year has passed so quickly for all of us in the Auxiliary. Here it is time already to lend our support to our new Officers for 2018-19. You new officers are: Susan Letson, President, Heather Collins, 1st Vice, Marilyn Volinino, 2nd Vice, Theresa Groves, Treasurer, Susan McClendon, Secretary, Mary Polluck, Sgt at Arms, and Pat Thrasher, Chaplain. The Department Convention was very good again this year. They convention body did decide to NOT increase the dues payable to the Department of AL this year even though National is increasing theirs.

May, we ended the year by visiting Floyd E. Tut Fann Veterans Home in Huntsville to serve during the monthly birthday party. We served cake, ice cream and sodas. Each Veteran with a birthday in May also received a card with a small monetary gift enclosed. It was a joy and honor to see and serve M.C. Taylor during this birthday party 2 days before he passed away. He will be greatly missed.

We sent 8 outstanding young ladies to Girls State in June, one of which was elected to State Treasurer, and another was elected into both her city council and State Board of Education. Can't wait to hear from the remaining to see how they did the elections. We will be inviting these young ladies to come in the near future to come and speak at our meeting, probably August, so plan to attend.

On June 19th we hosted another Fundraiser Painting Party with a Patriotic theme. If you missed this one, you'll have to make sure to join us for all the fun during our next one.

In August, I will be attending the ALA National Convention in Minneapolis, MN. I am really looking forward to attending for the first time and coming back with lots of great information to share.

August 3-5 the Alabama ALA will be assisting the American Legion with the Annual Veterans Retreat. This year we are seeking donations of snacks, chips, cookies and desserts for the weekend. If you would like to help with this please get in touch with me via phone or email 256-566-4532 or <u>letsons@hiwaay.net</u>.

Come join us for lots of fun activities this year as we serve our Veterans! Thank you very much for all your help and support during this past year.

God Bless!

Susan Letson

Morgan County Unit 15 President Chapter 15 Riders helped support Wreaths Across America and local VFW during D-Day Poker Run.



Chapter 15 Riders stand a flag line during the 2018 Memorial Day ceremony at Rose Lawn Gardens.



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congratulations goes out to Athens High School for reclaiming the Grand Championship Trophy.

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August September 2018 October						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 1800 BINGO
2	3 LABOR DAY	4	5	6	7	8 1800 BINGO
9	10 Patriot Day	11	12	13	14 POW / MIA 1700 Veterans Park	15 0900 S.A.L MTG 1000 Post 310 MTG 1800 BINGO
16	17	18	19	20 1800 EXEC MTG	21	22 1800 BINGO
23	24 1800 DINNER 1900 MEMBERSHIP MTG	25	26 CPO Swamp John TBA		28	29 1800 BINGO
30	POST CLOSED ON THURSDAY'S BINGO					
	Every Saturday 6 PM Thousands in Cash Prizes					

AMERICAN LEGION 2018 ANNUAL FIELD OF FLAGS HONORING VETERANS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE.

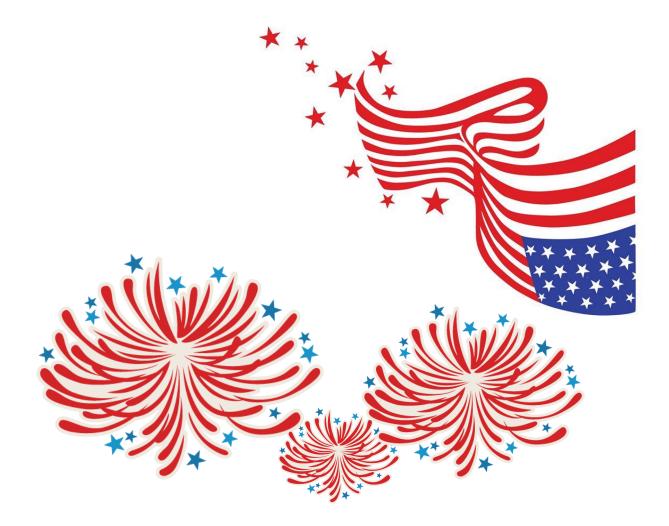
A Veteran's Day display of a **FIELD OF FLAGS** honoring our past, present and future Armed Forces Men and Women.

Anyone can Sponsor a Flag for \$ 10.00. The sponsor may specify the PERSON they are memorializing or honoring, or just sponsor a Flag and a local Veteran will be assigned. Flags will be labeled with sponsors name and Veteran being honored. Flags will be displayed in order to allow sponsors to locate the Flag they have sponsored.

Flags will be displayed from DAWN to DUSK on VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11 at the American Legion Morgan County Post 15, at 2607 Highway 31 South. Decatur Alabama. 35601.

To Sponsor a FLAG, please complete the following information and turn in at The American Legion or mail to P.O. Box 996, Decatur Alabama 35602. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH IN MAIL. Make checks payable to the AMERICAN LEGION, MORGAN COUNTY POST 15.

Sponsor's Name:	Phone:	
Address:	E-Mail	
Veteran to be Honored:		
Service Branch:	Era Serviced:	
Mail Completed Form and	Check in the amount of \$ 10.00 to:	
Morgan County Post 15 P.(D. Box 996 Decatur AL 35602	



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