



# The Patriot



Post 15

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Serving Morgan County

October-December 2018

## Commander's Corner



Here we are, the first Quarter of 2018-2019 is already gone, and it seems that time is flying by fast.

We had a good Early Bird Membership Drive and a wonderful Fish Fry in August.

Membership registration was good and as of August 31st we are showing a total of 163 members registered for 2019, bringing us to 38.4%. We also gained 4 members transferred from other Posts.

We also visited Floyd E. "Tut" Fann Veterans Home during that month and celebrated Birthdays with them. What a wonderful time we all had.

In September we participated with the POW / MIA Ceremony at the Morgan county Veterans Park in Priceville. Also we had setup a booth at the Morgan County Fair. Thank you to all that assisted with this.

During this Quarter we will have the following activities going:

- In November we will have our Veterans Day Dinner - please see Calendar for the date.
- Also, don't forget to set back your clock on November 4th as DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME CHANGES.
- November 11th we will have our annual Field of Flags display in front of our Post from Sunrise to Sunset, and a float in the Veterans Parade and Veterans Ceremony in Priceville.

And YES, Thanksgiving will be celebrated by you with a good family dinner at your home. HAPPY TURKEY DAY.

December we all will celebrate CHRISTMAS with a nice Dinner at our Post. See Calendar for date.

IN MARCH OF NEXT YEAR, THE AMERICAN LEGION WILL BE CELEBRATING 100 YEARS. Our Post needs to make this a very special day. I need your input NOW of how we can do this, and I need YOU to Volunteer to make this happen. Please don't wait until the last minute. NOW IS THE TIME TO STEP UP and help.

Commander Belletete




Post 15 volunteers help celebrate birthdays at Tut Fann Veteran's Home.

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## Calendar of Events American Legion Post 15

October 2018						
◀ September						November ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 0900 RIDERS RIDE  1800 BINGO
7 12 District MTG Post 52, Hartselle	8 <b>COLUMBUS DAY</b>  1800 RIDERS MTG	9	10	11	12	13  1800 BINGO
14	15	16	17	18  1800 EXEC MTG	19	20 0900 RIDERS RIDE  0900 SAL MTG 1000 POST 310 MTG  1800 BINGO
21	22  1800 POST DINNER 1900 POST MTG	23	24	25  1800 LADY RIDERS	26	27  1800 BINGO
28	29	30	31 <b>HALLOWEEN</b> <i>Happy Halloween!</i> 	Post closed on Thursdays		



Every Saturday  
Big Prizes

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November 2018						
◀ October						December ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Post</b>	<b>Closed on</b>	<b>Thursdays</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> LAST DAY TO MAKE RESERVATION FOR VETERAN'S DAY DINNER	<b>3</b>  0900 Riders Ride  1800 BINGO
<b>4 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS</b>   <small>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS</small>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> VETERAN'S DAY DINNER   <i>Freedom Isn't Free Thank You, Veterans</i>	<b>10</b>  1800 BINGO
<b>11 VETERAN'S DAY</b>  0600 – 1800 Field of Flags	<b>12</b>  1000 RIDERS MTG	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  1800 EXEC MTG	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>  0900 Riders Ride  0900 SAL MTG 1000 POST 310 MTG  1800 BINGO
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>THANKSGIVING</b>  	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  1800 BINGO
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>  1800 POST DINNER 1900 POST MTG	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>  1800 LADY RIDERS	<b>30</b>	



## From the Adjutant

Greetings and Salutations Comrades. Summer is almost gone, Fall is around the corner. With the cooler weather on its way, you can get out, come and attend our meetings without breaking a sweat, 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 see what our Post is doing for the community.

On membership dues – You can 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](mailto:adjutant15@legional.org), or call the post.

Support our annual “Field of Flags” held on Veterans Day this November 11th, 2018. You can sponsor a veteran with a flag that will be flown in front of the American Legion Post 15 on Veterans day from Dusk to Dawn. It REALLY is an AWESOME sight to behold. Sponsorship is \$10.00 for a Flag for a veteran you want to acknowledge, or you can sponsor a flag and let us acknowledge a veteran for you. 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.

Out of about 400 members of our Post, on average 28 of our members regularly attend our meetings. That is around 7% of our membership. There are about 20% that are unable to attend because of mobility, etc. 10% that live out of state or not within reasonable driving distance. That is about 30% that reasonably are unable to attend, so that leaves about 63% of our membership that is not attending. So, I ask you – WHAT DO WE HAVE TO DO TO MAKE YOU WANT TO ATTEND OUR MEETINGS? Please let us know by emailing us at our post email, [Info@allegionpost15.com](mailto:Info@allegionpost15.com), or call the Post at 256-353-5501, or even send you advice/ideas by mail to:

Post 15 Adjutant  
P.O. Box 996  
Decatur, Al. 35601

“Semper Fi”

Neal A. “nap” Perdue  
Post 15 Adjutant



The Post 15 Family pitched in to help make the annual early bird fish fry a huge success. Thanks to all the volunteers.



## Auxiliary



Happy Fall!

The 98th National Convention is behind us and our new National President is from Mississippi, very close to home. We had 15 from the State of Alabama attend this year.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Early Bird Membership Drive and Cake Walk a great success. If you have already paid your 2019 dues and received a renewal notice in the mail, you can ignore that. Those come out automatically from National and we have no way to control those being sent out after the dues have been paid locally.

August, we had a few of the young ladies that we sponsored for Girls State come and speak during the meeting and share their experiences. I think we keep getting better and better delegates every year. These young ladies did an awesome job representing us.

We will be doing our annual canned food drive for the holidays, so while you are out grocery shopping, don't forget to pick up an extra item or two that we can donate to a veteran and their family for the holidays. Let's make sure this year's food drive is a great success. Donations can be placed in the collection box outside the Auxiliary Room or in the Auxiliary Room if it is open. Each month during the dinner we are having a different raffle so bring your extra dollars for a chance to win some awesome prizes! We have not set the date yet, but we will be having a fall paint party in Oct or November to help raise money for our programs. The cost will be \$35 each, and the theme will be announced later.

October will be the annual Belk's Charity Sale and we'll have tickets for \$5 each available very soon. Be on the lookout for those.

November 23rd we will be going to Tut-Fann for the monthly Veteran's Birthday Party at 1:30 p.m. Come join us and visit with some awesome Veterans and share some cake and ice cream. Be sure to join us each month at our meetings to find out the latest activities that we have going on. If you can't attend the meetings and would like a phone call or letter in the mail with the current activities (if you don't have email), feel free to call me and let me know and we'll make sure that you get the information. We want all our members to remain connected and engaged. My cell phone number is 256-566-4532.

I hope everyone has a wonderful 4th quarter of 2018. Let's close it out with a big bang!  
God bless!

Susan Letson  
Morgan County Unit 15  
President



Chapter 15  
Legion Riders  
stand a flag line  
during the  
annual Purple  
Heart  
Recognition  
Ceremony in  
Hartselle.



## Calendar of Events American Legion Post 15

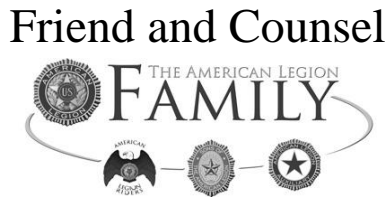
December 2018						
◀ November						January ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> 0900 Riders Ride  1800 BINGO
<b>2</b> 12 DISTRICT MTG POST 237 HUNTSVILLE	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  1800 EXEC MTG	<b>7</b> LAST DAY TO MAKE CHRISTMAS DINNER RESERVATIONS	<b>8</b>  1800 BINGO
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>  1800 POST DINNER 1900 POST MTG	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 1800 CHRISTMAS DINNER  	<b>15</b> 0900 Riders Ride  0900 SAL MTG 1000 POST 310 MTG  1800 BINGO
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<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>NEW YEAR EVE</b> 					

## In Memoriam

Becky Burney transferred to the Post Everlasting on Thursday, September 13th 2018. She ended her days as a revived Christian and left this world with full assurance of her heavenly home and joyful anticipation of meeting her Heavenly Father. She was a wife, mother, grandmother, retired registered nurse, captain in the Alabama National Guard, Post 15 Commander and Adjutant. It was an honor for the Post 15 Honor Guard and Legion Riders Chapter 15 to be a part of her service.



**Becky Burney**  
POST 15  
Commander  
Adjutant  
Legionnaire  
Auxiliary Member  
Legion Riders Charter Member



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### 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 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.

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Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran to be Honored: \_\_\_\_\_

Service Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ Era Served: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Completed Form and Check in the amount of \$ 10.00 to: Morgan County Post 15  
P.O. Box 996 Decatur AL 35602

# Sheepy Huddles

American Legion Post 15  
2607 Highway 31 South  
Decatur, AL 35603

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