

THE AMERICAN LEGION

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FLETCHER MCCOLLISTER POST 135

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Home Post of
Junior Vice Commander
Department Of Alabama
Wayne Mitchell



Post Commander's Comments

Things are looking a little better as we go forward in 2009. Bingo is slowly recovering so hopefully within a couple of months we can increase some of our charitable gifts to the service organizations of the community.

Our Oratorical Contest will be held on Saturday, Feb 7, at 10 AM. Come down and listen to the young people speak on the Constitution and Amendments.

We are still open to suggestions for activities for the post and our members.

We have over 49 members that still have not renewed their 2009 dues. If you are one then please contact Carson and make arrangement to pay as we will be cleaning our mailing list and will be dropping all non-paying members. If you know of any member that has not paid their '09 dues please remind them to pay them.

A reminder to all the members that have not volunteered to work Bingo due to the Smokers. As of Feb 17 we will be a "NO SMOKING" facility. This is in accordance with the City Ordinance for "Smoke Free" Phenix City. So come on down and HELP.

We also can use volunteers to go to Tuskegee on the 2nd Sunday every month and to assist with the monthly dinner on the 2nd Friday. This month our visit to Tuskegee will be Sunday Feb 8th. Our dinner is Friday Feb 13 so if you can bring the cakes down before the 8th it would be appreciated.

In service to all

For God and Country

Earl Hutchinson

Post Commander

WEBSITE INFORMATION

Any ideas or suggestions for the website?

Send comments to me at earl@post135.org. Call the Office at 334-297-6217 or call me at 706 718 5164 if you can't contact me by email.

Thanks

POST 135'S DONATIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF

January 2009

All charity donations are made possible by our Bingo Operations.

Due to the decrease in the numbers of Bingo players there weren't any donations made to any local charities. Our Veterans Programs at Tuskegee is still funded by Bingo.

Bingo attendance appears to be increasing. Perhaps we can get back to our 100+ players then we can make donations to our local charities that provide much needed service to our community.

Bring in your newsletter with the address label and this item highlighted to receive your free dinner.

If you want to become part of our great crew then join us on Tuesday & Thursday nights from 6-10 PM. If you can volunteer from 6-7PM it would be great as this is our busiest time. (334)297-6217

TUSKEGEE SUNDAY

February 8, 2009

Our monthly trip to Tuskegee VA Hospital comes on the 2nd Sunday which is February 8th.

We will leave the Post Home at 1:15 PM.

We need about 15 Cakes to take with us.

Ladies and Legionnaires, please bake those cakes and you can bring the cakes down before the 8th it would be appreciated.

Go with us if you can, we always need volunteers to help run this program.

We will see you on Sunday February 8th.

Tuskegee VA Hospital

2009 National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans

Friday, February 13, 2009

Bldg 90, Theater

***10:00 AM- Registration/
Visitor Orientation***

***10:30 AM- Ward
Visitation***

11:30 AM-1:00 PM

Program/Reception

The Department Junior Vice Commander along with the Post Commander & Adjutant and the Unit President will be attending. Everyone is invited. Let's load the van! We'll leave the Post at 9:30 AM EST

NEW MEMBERS

Jon V, Davidson Jr

Stephan Cramer

Prayer List

Herbert Brown
David Allen

Lets remember all of our service people on Foreign soil or in the U.S.A.

This is an ongoing article and if you know of anyone that you would like to have placed on our prayer list, please call the adjutant at 334-297-6217 or the Chaplain @ 334 448 7486 or Commander @ 706 718 5164 and let us know. We don't know if someone doesn't tell us.

Thank You.

Did you know.....

That our meeting hall can be rented for banquets, family reunions, receptions, etc? Contact the Commander or Adjutant for details.

Joe Thomas
Department Sgt at Arms

Thanks to Department of Alabama Sgt at Arms Joe Thomas for recruiting a new member for post 135.

While at the Mid Winter Conference in Montgomery Joe recruited Stephen Cramer of Phenix City as a new member of The American Legion. Joe then passed on this information to us to welcome Stephen into our post.

Thanks, Joe, for a job well done from all of the members of Post 135.

FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK

Our membership to-day is 191-2009 or 79.58%.We need 49 more to be 100%.Our 2009 membership keeps coming in and this makes a backlog for Department and then on to National.

I have talked to the CEO of Legion Insurance Trust and he advised that all members being turned in that has insurance with LIT will be considered members in good standing and any member in good standing that has a claim will be paid. Please bear with us and keep those renewals coming in, this backlog won't last forever but it does take time.

The National Commander has extended time to our members so lets all take advantage of this privilege that he has given us.

Make your checks for Post 135 dues and mail to.

The American Legion Post 135,

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VETERANS STILL SERVING VETERANS

For God and Country

Carson Mitchell, Post Adjutant

OFFICERS OF POST 135	
2008-2009	
Commander	Earl Hutchinson 706 718 5164
1st Vice Commander	Rick Dawson 706 596 9654
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Trustee	Herbert Brown 706 687 0270
Trustee	David Allen 2976904
Historian	Judy Davis 334 855 9641
Service Officer	David Sharpe 334 298 7767

LADIES AUXILIARY

The Ladies Auxiliary needs volunteers to help with the Snack Bar during Bingo and to work the Bingo Desk for Early Bird Bingo. The proceeds from the Snack Bar and Early Bird Bingo provides funds for the Auxiliary to operate their programs.

24th District Meeting

15 February 2009 at Post 143 Dadeville.

FAMILY NIGHT DINNER FRIDAY, Friday, February 13, 7PM

Our monthly dinner will be steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetables, hot rolls and drinks. There will be a \$5 charge for members and \$7 for guests.

Everything will be furnished by the Post with the exception of desserts. Members are requested to bring desserts and cakes for Tuskegee.

Come On Down.....

Join us for Dinner

SMOKE FREE

Suggestions for Menus for future dinners appreciated!

February 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Executive Committee</i>	3 BINGO	4	5 BINGO	6	7 Oratorical 10:00 AM
8 <i>Tuskegee VA Hospital</i>	9	10 BINGO	11	12 BINGO	13 DINNER	14 Breakfast
15 <i>District Meeting</i>	16 <i>General Meeting</i>	17 BINGO	18	19 BINGO	20	21
22	23	24 BINGO	25	26 BINGO	27	28 Breakfast

NOTICE TO ALL LEGIONNAIRES & AUXILIARY MEMBERS
 Don't forget that we play BINGO every Tuesday & Thursday nights starting at 6 PM
 Come on down—We need your support, remember our BINGO is for Charity.



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