

The AMERICAN LEGION

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FEBRUARY 2012

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Home of the 2011-2012

Veteran of the Year

John DAWSON



Our oratorical contest will be held on Saturday, February 11 at 10 AM. We need timekeepers, escorts and monitors. Come and listen to the possible future leaders.

Our monthly trip to Tuskegee will change in March. We will be hosting the Veterans from Tuskegee on the 2nd Saturday of the month. We will furnish lunch and then we will play Bingo as we do when we visit Tuskegee.

Breakfast will NOT be held on the 11 due to preparing for the Oratorical but will resume on February 25th.

Our February dinner will be on Friday, the 10th at 7 PM. It will have a Valentine theme and dinner will be prepared by Diane. Please bring deserts, especially cakes for Tuskegee.

Again I thank everyone that helps in Bingo, the Snack Bar, breakfast and all the other programs that we run. Many thanks!

As once said before, it takes all of our members; Legionnaires, Auxiliary and Sons to make the activities of the Post a success.

Rick Dawson

Post Commander

“Veterans Serving Veterans”

Check us out on Facebook. Search for “American Legion Fletcher-McCollister Post 135”

CHAPLAIN'S Comments

February is Americanism month. The first Sunday, Feb 5th is celebrated as “Four Chaplains” Sunday and the following week is observed as Religious Emphasis Week. The American Legion suggests that every Legion Post have some activity during this period. We will be placing signs on the building suggesting “Go to church, this is Religious Week. I will start having Bible Study at the Post on Sunday morning, Feb 12th at 7 AM EST. This will be every Sunday, open to the public and non-denominational. Come study with us.

Cecil Peterson

State Chaplain for the Sons of the Legion

Post 135 Chaplain

Message from Adjutant

Come by and pick up the new card. Dues are still \$30. This will be a good time to sign your free Insurance renewal card for 2011-2016. Look at the address label for the last year you paid dues, L11 means that you still need to pay your 2012 dues. YOU can pay your dues online if that would be easier for you.

REMEMBER ITS NOT THE PRICE YOU PAY FOR MEMBERSHIP

IT'S THE PRICE YOU PAID TO BE ELIGIBLE!!



ATTENTION

For February we will be celebrating Valentine’s Day at our dinner on February 10th. Oratorical contest on Saturday February 11. We need volunteers for timekeepers, escorts and support.

February 2012

BINGO Tuesday & Thursdays

Executive Committee Mtg
1st Monday (3rd)

Dinner 2nd Friday 10th

Breakfast 4th Sat

Tuskegee Bingo 2nd Sun

Members Mtg 3rd Monday

CVVC Committee 3rd Wed

12 Noon 21st

District Meeting 4th Sun-
day Pepperell Post 143
26th

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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February Activities

It is good to look back and see what we have done in the past few months but we must not hesitate or we will be overcome by the upcoming events.

At the Chamber Business & Biscuits Breakfast that we hosted on Jan 11 we unveiled a new program for recruiting students to attend Boys State in June. We have proposed to the community that if we can acquire sponsors for 15-20 boys the Post will use the money we usually use to send the 4-5 boys to Boys State to provide transportation to and from Tuscaloosa. We already have 6 commitments to sponsor a boy to Boys State. We need 10-15 more sponsors. Sponsorship is only \$200 per boy. There is not another program that I know of where a student can be provided room and lodgings for a 7 days for only \$200.

We will have sponsorship letters at the Post at all of our events. Please pick one up and commit to sponsoring at least one boy for Boys State. Perhaps you can send your son, grandson, a nephew or the son of a good friend. This program is highly regarded for teaching the basic principles of government to our young people.

February is time for the Oratorical Contests starting on February 11 at our Post for the top contenders from Central and RCHS competing. The winner will compete at the District level on the 18th in Auburn. The winner on the 18th will compete on the 25th at Samford University in Birmingham. The state contest will be on March on 10th in Montgomery.

Our February Dinner’s theme will be Valentine’s Day with special favors for the Ladies.

Prayer Request

We haven’t received any requests for prayer for any of our members but if you know of any of our members that are ill or failing health please pray for their quick recovery.

Our prayer list can only be effective if we are aware of members in need. The Chaplain is the main contact but you can contact the office or any of our officers and we will relay the message to the Chaplain.