

# THE AMERICAN LEGION



## FLETCHER MCCOLLISTER POST 135

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**FEBRUARY 2008**

### **FAMILY NIGHT MEMBERS AND THEIR GUEST COVERED DISH DINNER**

Our Family Night dinner will be on this coming Friday night February 8th at 7:00 PM. This will be a covered dish dinner. The membership is asked to bring food and deserts and Post 135 will provide the meat, bread and drink. The entertainment will be David Tyler and you may "Swing and sway with Tyler". Enjoy yourself.

### **NOTICE TO MEMBERS NON-RENEWAL**

Post 135 has 45 members that our records indicate non-renewal for the year 2008. This may be the last issue of this newsletter that will be mailed to you account all non paid members dues expired on December 31st. Check your mailing label on this newsletter and if there is an 07 or L7 and you have paid your dues, give me a call and lets get our record corrected. Call Tel. No. 334-297-6217.

Thank you,

Carson Mitchell-Adjutant



### **FAMILY NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT**

The entertainment for our Family Night dinner will be David Tyler singing and playing Country and soft rock dance music.

David has been with us before and he and his partner does a great job.

Carl Copeland

Entertainment Committee

A activity committee is being formed to explore different activities and events we could have at the Post to entertain and better serve our members . Contact the Commander if you are willing to be an active member of this committee.

### **CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS**

The National Judge Adjunct suggested that we eliminated all references to SS# and/or Service # to ensure privacy for our members.

Other methods of verification can be used to determine eligibility for joining the legion.

We are in the process of reviewing our records to delete all references to SS# and/or Service #.

We are also reviewing our insurance polices in the area of liability, bonding for officers who are responsible for the finances, and changing our corporation status so that the individual members will not be held liable in case of a lawsuit.

**POST 135'S WEBSITE**

I need input for the "In My Opinion" page. Good constructive comments will be considered. No political, religious or inflammatory issues will be accepted.

Would like to have History on our members, especially our Senior members.

Still working on establishing a forum or discussion board and a email mailing list. Send comments to me at [earl@hutchsplace.com](mailto:earl@hutchsplace.com). Call the Office at 334-297-6217 or call me at 706 718 5164 if you can't contact me by email..

**POST 135'S DONATIONS  
FOR THE MONTH OF  
JANUARY 2008**

Cemetery Committee	\$300.00
Valley Rescue Mission	\$300.00
Salvation Army	\$300.00
Sheriffs Ranches	\$300.00
Children's Harbor	\$300.00
Tuskegee Gift Shop	\$600.00
Task Force for Senior Citizens, Mobile Meals	\$500.00

All charity donations are made possible by our Bingo Operations.

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 6-8PM it would be great as this is our busiest time.

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We had a full schedule for the month of February and all of the members who worked these programs had a wonderful time with the decorating and actually working the programs.

This was very rewarding to all of us and we are looking forward to continuing our programs through 2008.

**TUKEGEE SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10TH 2008**

Our monthly trip to Tuskegee VA Hospital comes on the 2nd Sunday which is February 10th

We will have the Post Home at 1:15 PM with Bananas, Cakes and Bingo funds, all for the patients at The Hospital.

We need about 15 Cakes to take with us.

Ladies and Legionnaires, please bake those cakes and you can bring them with you to the Family Dinner Friday night and we can hold them safely until we go to the Hospital on Sunday.

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

Thanks you and we will see you on Sunday 10th.

**IN MEMORIAM**

Robert H Comer's wife Vivian passed in January 2008.

**SICK CALL**

Our sick call and prayer list for this month is as follows..

Tommy Cain

Richard Fair

Charles Hasty

Robert D Bailey Sr.

Lester Blankenship

Family of Pamela Jones

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 office at 334-297-6217 and let us know. We don't know if someone doesn't tell us.

Thank You.

**READERS NEEDED**

RIF (Reading is Fundamental) is a Kiwanis's sponsored program to provide books to pre-school and 1st grade students. The books are read by an adult volunteer and then the child selects a book from the ones that are read to them to carry home for their very own book.

The Post has supported this program in the past with \$\$ from our Bingo operation. I would like to ask for individual support by being a reader.

The next reading date is Fri, Feb 22, 2008 from 9:30 to 11:00 AM at Head Start in Phenix City.

If you have the time and will read to the students please RSVP Earl at 706 718 5164 or email: [earl@hutchsplace.com](mailto:earl@hutchsplace.com) We would like to have 1 on 1 but all volunteers are Welcome.

Go to [www.post135.org](http://www.post135.org) and click on the Readers' Request.

Thanks, Earl

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2008

# February 2008

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

- ⌚ Monday Feb,4th, The Executive Committee meets at 700PM
- ⌚ Friday Feb,8th Members and Guest Family night Dinner and Dance 7:00PM.
- ⌚ Sunday Feb. 10th we go to Tuskegee with Cakes and Bananas. Leave at 1:15 PM
- ⌚ Monday Feb. 18th Legion and Auxiliary Business Meetings 730PM

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3	4 Exec.	5 Bingo		7 Bingo	8 Dinner	9
10 V.A.	11	12 Bingo	13	14 Bingo	15	16
17	18 L & A	19 Bingo	20	21 Bingo	22	23
24	25	26 Bingo	27	28 Bingo	29	

ALL TIMES SHOWN ARE EASTERNSTANDARD TIME

## Oratorical Contest Schedule

The schedule for our Oratorical Contest is as follows:

- Post Contest Sat Feb 9, 2008
- District Contest Sat Feb 16, 2008
- Division Contest Sat Feb 23, 2008
- State Contest Sat March 8, 2008

Even if you don't know any of the contestants come out and support their efforts. We have CD with videos of the 2006-7 National Finalists.

You can go to the National website and review all programs and activities.

The state website is [www.americanlegionalabama.org](http://www.americanlegionalabama.org)

REMINDER that Boys and Girls State will be approaching very soon, date and location has not been set but it will be in June, 2008.

Next district meeting is Sun, Feb 24th at Post #143 in Dadeville, @ 2:30 PM CST

Nominations and Elections of District Officers will be at Post #67 in Valley on April 27th at 2:30 PM CST.

<b>OFFICERS OF POST 135</b>	
<b>2007-2008</b>	
Wayne Mitchell	
334 298 4610	
Commander	
Fred Claassen	
334 480 8508	
1st Vice Commander	
Earl Hutchinson	
706 718 5164	
2nd Vice Commander	
Carson Mitchell	
334 298 7988	
Adjutant	
Paul Donmoyer	
334 297 3952	
Finance Officer	
David Allen	
334 297 6904	
Sgt At Arms	
John C. Dawson	
706 687 5911	
Judge Advocate	
Cecil Peterson	
334 448 7486	
Chaplain	
Joe Richardson	
334 297 5621	
Trustee # 1	
Rick Dawson	
706 596 9654	
Trustee # 2	
Herbert Brown	
706 687 0270	
Trustee # 3	
Judy Davis	
Historian	
John Doughty	
334-214-5009	

**BOOKS-MAGAZINES DVD'S AND VHS MOVIE'S**

We are still in the business of receiving Books-Magazines, DVD's and VHS Movies that we will take to the Tuskegee V.A. Hospital for the patients at Tuskegee, Montgomery and Dothan. Tuskegee is the distribution point and nothing is discarded. Help us out with this program and keep these items coming. Looks like we are going to be doing this program for a long time.

We have received nice letters from Mr. Radcliff, PHD,FACHE Director, thanking Post 135's Members for our donations of 390 paperback books, 362 magazines 3 audio cassettes, 63 VCRs, 55 Cassettes and 17 hard-back books and a special thanks to the Friends of the Library-Carnegie Library, Eufaula, Alabama.

Legionnaires and Auxiliary Ladies, lets keep up the with this program, lets don't let our Veterans down.

We have received a letter from Mr, William H. Petty, Chief Voluntary Service

at CAVHCS thanking us for the funds that Post 135s members provide for the 2nd Sunday visits by Post 135 with Cakes and to have Bingo with the patients.

I believe that we, as volunteers, are well rewarded for this small service that we provide and the fellowship we have with both the Staff and Patients at Tuskegee.

**MEMBERSHIP 2008**

Our last membership report is showing us at 186 renewals for 2008 and we need 35 more to make Post 135-100%.

Check your mailing label on this newsletter and if it shows L& and—07 and the right end of your name, it means that our records indicate you have not renewed for 2008

Let me know if our records are not correct but if you have not mailed your 2008 renewal of \$30.00. please take a few minutes now to mail them in so that we can make our goal. Thank you-Carson Mitchell, Adjutant

**NOTICE TO ALL LEGIONNAIRES & AUXILIARY MEMBERS**

**Don't forget that we play BINGO every Tuesday and Thursday nights starting at 600PM**

**THE AMERICAN LEGION**

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