

THE AMERICAN LEGION



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MARCH 2008

LEGION BIRTHDAY MARCH 17-19,

The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic, war-time veterans organization, devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is a not-for-profit community-service organization which now numbers nearly 3 million members, men and women, in nearly 15,000 American Legion posts worldwide



LEGION'S 89th BIRTHDAY DINNER.

Our Family Night dinner will be on this coming Friday night March 14th 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.

BREAKFAST AT THE POST

We are planning on having breakfast at the Post on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays 0830. The menu will be scrambled eggs, toast, grits, sausage, bacon, coffee and OJ.

We will serve until the cooked supplies are gone or everyone is full.

Come early, lend a hand and join with the other members of the post. If you are late you may not have anything but coffee.

DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

2007-2008 Department Convention will be held in Huntsville Alabama at Huntsville Marriott on Thursday June 19th thru Sunday June 22nd.

DEC and Finance meeting will be held on Thursday June 19th.

Room reservations must be made before May 29th.

Oratorical Contest

The State Oratorical Finals were held on March 1 at AUM in Montgomery.

Representing the 2nd Division was our local winner, Jafon Fearson. He placed 3rd and was awarded a \$2000 scholarship.

We will present Jafon with his scholarship of \$500 at the Boys and Girls State Dinner.

We already have two contestants that have indicated they are going to be participating next year.

Planning Committee

Committee will meet on March 15 at 0900 to discuss our Post Activities for the rest of the year. We will be discussing our entry for the Christmas Parade; what type of float do we want, how many vehicles, etc. Also what activities we want to do for Memorial Day, Flag Day, July 4th, Veterans Day, etc.

POST 135'S WEBSITE

I am running a survey on how many people view the website. If you view the website click on my email at the bottom of the page and send me a blank email with Website as the subject.

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. Call the Office at 334-297-6217 or call me at 706 718 5164 if you can't contact me by email..

Thanks
Earl Hutchinson

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

Task Force for Senior Citizens
Valley Rescue Mission
Salvation Army
Sheriff's Ranch
RIF (Reading Program)

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. (334)297-6217

**TUKEGEE SUNDAY
MARCH 9, 2008**

Our monthly trip to Tuskegee VA Hospital comes on the 2nd Sunday which is March 9th.

We will leave 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.

We will see you on Sunday the 9th.

**BOOKS-VHS TAPES-
DVD.S**

Thanks go to Forrest and Juanita Abney from Pot 67 in Valley for donating 3 cases loaded with VHS Tapes. They are going to donate more as they get to them through their house cleaning project.

We are still very much in need of VHS Tapes and DVD's, also CD's.

The Hospitals does have the equipment to view all forms of Audio and Video.

There is an ongoing need for all types of the above. Bring them to us when you can and we will see that they get to the VA Hospital for

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distribution.

Bring them to The American Legion, 511 13th Street in downtown Phenix City.

This is much appreciated by your Post and the VA Hospital



SICK CALL

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

Tommy Cain, Richard Fair, Lester Blankenship, Family of Pamela Jones, Voncile Arrington., Charles Hasty.

Lets all 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 office at 334-297-6217 or the Chaplain @ 334 448 7486 and let us know. We don't know if someone doesn't tell us.

IN MEMORIAM

JAMES ATKINS

MEMBERSHIP 2008

Post 135 has achieved our goal. We are now at 101.36% with a total membership of 224. That makes us 3 over the top.

We now have the opportunity to increase our membership by the dozens. All this will take is for a few of our membership team working the telephone.

We have a list of approximately 200 veterans in our mailing area that are presently in the holding area (1983) Montgomery that we can have transferred to Post 135. All it will take is a little effort on our part to explain the benefits to these veterans and get them to say "YES". Our real job, once we get them, is "TO KEEP THEM". Come on in and lets get it done.

Do you know of 1 veteran who does not belong to Fletcher McCollister Post 135 ? Well, lets get him or her joined up and the kids too. They can be a SONS or Juniors. Momma can be the boss, Lets get the whole Family,

Mail any applications or payments to

The American Legion, Post 135, P.O.Box 36 Phenix City AL 36867-0036.

For God and Country

Carson Mitchell-Adjutant



Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary needs volunteers to help with the Snack Bar and to work the Bingo Floor.

The Early Bird Bingo game and the Snack Bar proceeds go to the Ladies Auxiliary to fund their programs.

If you can not volunteer to assist with the Snack Bar or Bingo then perhaps you could bake a cake to be sold at the snack bar.

REMINDER that Boys and Girls State Dinner will be in May. Boys State will be June 1st—7th 2008, University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. Deadline for applications into Department Headquarters is MAY 1st, 2008 NO EXCEPTIONS.

District Meeting:

Sun. March 16th, @ 2:30 PM CST at Pepperell, Post 152 in Auburn. Snacks and drinks will be served

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

OFFICERS OF POST 135 2007-2008	
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 Service Officer



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MARCH

- ⌚ Monday Mar 3rd, The Executive Committee meets at 700PM
- ⌚ Friday March 14 Members and Guest Family night Dinner 7:00PM.
- ⌚ Sunday Mar 9th we go to Tuskegee with Cakes and Bananas. Leave at 1:15 PM
- ⌚ Mar 15 Post Breakfast and Planning Committee
- ⌚ Mar 16 District Meeting @ Pepperell Post 152
- ⌚ Monday Mar 17 Legion and Auxiliary Business Meetings 730PM
- ⌚ Legion 89th Birthday Mar 17-19

Sun	Mon	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Executive	4 Bingo	5	6 Bingo	7	8
9 V. A.	10	11 Bingo	12	13 Bingo	14 Dinner	15 Break-
16 District	17 General	18 Bingo	19	20 Bingo	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

NOTICE TO ALL LEGIONNAIRES & AUXILIARY MEMBERS

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

Come on down—We need your support, remember our BINGO is for Charity.

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POST BIRTHDAY APRIL 3
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