

The Patriot



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Commander's Corner

From the Commander
Fellow Member of Morgan County Post 15

This will be my last time that I will address you as the Commander of Morgan County Post15 using the quarterly Newsletter.

During the next 3-month, Post 15 will have the following activities:

April 17th: JROTC Drill Competition, 26th: Membership Meeting, Nominations of New Board members.

May 1st: Opening of Bingo Operation: 10th Membership Meeting, Voting In of New Board members: 23rd Celebration of 100 Birthday for Post Member George Mills.

June 28th Membership Meeting, Installation of New Board members.

June 28th I will be turning over Morgan County Post 15 to a new Commander. I will have served you for the past 4 Years as your Commander. And what a wonderful 4 years it has been.

With the Guidance of Past Commander Roger Groves, and members of the Executive Board (past 4 Years) it has been an honor to serve this post and the members of Post 15.

We had so much fun upgrading our Building, New Post sign, adding all Military Service Flags and serving our community veterans throughout Morgan County.

And Yes, we did all this despite the hit from Covid-19 during the past 12-14 months, along with the restriction of Bingo and other unforeseen circumstances.

As Commander I SALUTE each and every member that served on Executive Board, Bingo Operation, Honor Guard or wherever, to make this Post the best in Alabama.

Last but not least, thank you for being my friend and fellow Military Comrade. GOD bless you and keep you safe.

Thank you

Commander Belletete July 2017 – June 2021

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Post 15 Commander Belletete Introduces National Vice Commander David King (KY)

■ March		A	pril 2021			<u>May</u> ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	POST 15 CLOSED ON THURSDAY'S			1	2	RIDERS RIDE
Uldrick EAS FR	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 12 District Meeting Morgan County Post 15	RIDERS MEETING	13	14	EXECUTIVE MEETING	16	S.A.L.MEETING JROTC Drill Competition
18	19	20	21	LADY RIDERS MEETING	23	24
25	MEMBERSHIP MEETING OFFICER NOMINATIONS	27	28	29	30	



Meet Tina Bush Sr. Vice Commander – Department of Alabama

▲ April			May 2021			<u>June</u> ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						RIDERS RIDE BINGO
2	3		5	EXECUTIVE MEETING	7	8 BINGO
Happy Mother's Day	MEMBEERSHIP MEETING OFFICER VOTING	11	12	13	14	S.A.L. MEETING BINGO
16	17	18	19	20	21	BINGO
23 GEORGE MILLS 100 TH BIRTHDAY CELEPRATION 1300		25	26	LADY RIDERS MEETING	28	29 BINGO
30	31 MEMORIAL DAY			POST 15 CLOSED ON THURSDAY'S		



Auxiliary

Happy Spring!

Spring is in the Air! The birds are singing, the trees and flowers are in full bloom. Just like the Bees we in the Auxiliary are Busy Bees!

We have been having successful cake/dessert auctions prior to each monthly meeting. We've been collecting and mailing coupons to our troops overseas. We're saving can tabs to take to Ronald McDonald House and plastic tops for a local class project. The Junior's will be having their annual canteen during the JROTC Drill Competition. This is the Junior's own fund-raiser.

At the April Meeting we will be having our Nominations of Officers for the 2021-2022 year and if need the election will be during the May Meeting. We'd love to have you come out and join us during the meeting. In May we will be taking snacks and drinks to Floyd E. "Tut" Fann Veteran's Home for the May birthdays since we are still not allowed to have the monthly parties. The Veteran's love getting the little half size cans of Coke and Pepsi and a snack cake or chips or cookies each day. We are so happy that we have been able to help provide them with these items during this pandemic. Anyone that would like to donate such items it would be greatly appreciated as they are finally able to take in more residents there again.

Please come out and visit us for National Poppy Day on May 28th outside of Kroger (pending approval). I hope this finds everyone safe and healthy! Thank you everyone for all your help and support during this past year.

God Bless! Susan Letson Unit 15 President



Post 15 hosted a recognition dinner that included State and National Officers.

From the Adjutant

Greetings Fellow Veterans. Spring is in the air. Enjoy the lovely weather. COVID Restrictions are relaxing, Mandates will soon be lifted. Let us look forward to a somewhat "Normal" life. COVID Vaccinations will soon be AVAILABLE to ALL Citizens. Be patient, when the shots are complete and the Mandates are lifted, with your fellow Veterans, Neighbors, Family members, etc., as some (like myself) will not wear a mask. That is all I am going to say about that.

On membership dues – Yearly Membership runs from January 1st to December 31st of each Please Remember – National sends out dues renewal notices at least 4 times a year..... If you have already paid your dues, please disregard the renewal notices from National. When you pay your dues, I receive your dues and send you your membership card and then send the renewal information to Department and they intern submit that info to National. I hope that down the road, National will do a better job keeping track and updating their membership information before renewal notices come down from them. Please have patience and understanding with this process. If you have any questions, please contact me via email at adjutant15@legional.org, or call the post.

We have a great post, great members, and we can always use new members (hopefully younger) to keep this great post growing. Please come attend a meeting, 4th Monday of the month, dinner at 1800(6p.m.) and meeting at 1900(7p.m.).

I have enjoyed (honestly) serving POST 15 as the Adjutant the past four years. I am looking to let someone else take my place and serve this Post. A break is needed. "Semper Fi"

Neal A. "nap" Perdue Post 15 Adjutant

Chapter 15
Riders
recognize Roger
Groves as Rider
of the Year,
presented by
National Vice
Commander
King.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		1	2	3	4	RIDERS RIDE BINGO	
6 12 District Meeting Post 128 1148 College St Blountville	7	8	9	10	11	12 BINGO	
13	FLAG DAY FIDERS MEET	15	16	EXECUTIVE MEETING	18	S.O.L. MEETING BINGO	
20	21	22	23	LADY RIDERS MEETING	25	26 BINGO	
27	MEMBERSHIP MEETING OFFICER INSTALLATIONS	29	30		POST 15 CLOSED ON THURSDAY'S		



Founded in 1932, Sons of The American Legion members include males of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the U.S. military and were eligible for American Legion membership.



Clockwise from Top:

Post 15 members welcome Department Vice Commander David King. (National Commander Oxford was detoured by a rare snow storm). -- Alabama Department Commander Bradstreet thanks National for visiting. -- Neal Perdue is recognized as Post 15 Veteran of the Year -- Chapter 15 Riders recognize Roger Groves as Rider of the Year.







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