

The Patriot



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Commander's Corner

From the Commander



It has been another fun filled, action packed quarter for Post 15. The Early Bird Membership Drive and Fish Fry was a smashing success. Approximately 100 veterans attended and enjoyed a sumptuous fried catfish dinner with confectionary delights from the Auxiliary for dessert. We hosted a movie night featuring Hacksaw Ridge. If you haven't seen it, it is a highly recommended movie about a Medal of Honor winner at the Battle of Okinawa in WWII. Through the auspices of the CPO, the Post led the POW/MIA ceremony at Priceville's Veteran Memorial Park. Yours truly was the master of ceremony with the Riders providing a flag line and the honor guard shooting and playing taps as we paid our respects to the 81,600 veterans who left their homes in service of their country whose fates remain undetermined to this date.

The next three months promise to be even more exciting. On Veterans Day, the Auxiliary will begin by setting up the Field of Flags. That is truly a spectacular sight. If you would like to honor a specific veteran with a flag, please see your favorite Auxiliary member. The Riders are leading the initiative to create a float for the Priceville Veterans Day Parade. All members of the Post are encouraged to volunteer. After the parade in which the Riders are planning on riding in, once again, under the auspices of the CPO, the Post will lead the Veterans Day ceremony. That evening the Post will celebrate with a turkey and dressing dinner with chocolate mousse for dessert and music and dancing following. You won't want to miss it. In December, the Post will participate in the Wreaths Across America at Roselawn Cemetery by providing a flag line and honor guard. On Friday, December 16, the Post will celebrate Christmas with a ham dinner, entertainment, and dancing.

Another initiative that the Post is particularly proud of is that it is becoming the Chartering Body for the Boys Scout Troop 91. The Post looks forward to mentoring these future leaders on why the country is such a wonderful place and the importance of patriotism.

If you haven't already paid your dues for 2023 yet, please consider doing so soon. Over half of the membership have already done so. It certainly makes things easier on the Post to have the membership dues current.

As always, the Post meets on the fourth Monday of the month except for May and December when we meet on the second Monday. Dinner is at 6 pm with the meeting following at 7 pm. We do offer the opportunity to attend by Zoom. If anyone needs a ride to a meeting, call the Post at 256-353-5501. Bring a veteran friend. As always, I look forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally, Joseph Woodbury Post 15 Commander

Early Bird Membership Drive and Fish Fry.



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Morgan County Post 15 Schedule of Event October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
POST	CLOSED	ON	THURSDAYS			1 RIDERS RIDE
12 DISTRICT MEETING Hartselle	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Columbus	RIDERS MEETING	11	12	13	14	S.A.L MEETING
16	17	18	18	POST & AUXILIARY EXECUTIVE MEETING	21	22
23	24 MEMBERSHIP MEETING Dinner: Pork Roast with Navy birthday cake	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 HALLOWEEN					

Morgan County Post 15 Schedule of Event November 2022 Wed Sun Mon Tue Thu Sat RIDERS RIDE 10 **VETERANS DAY &** POST DINNER Dinner: Turkey and **END** Chocolate Mousse **000** 13 14 15 16 17 **RIDERS** BOTE DROOM MEETING **POST & AUXILIARY EXECUTIVE MEETING** 20 22 23 26 21 25 **THANKSGIVING**

Meeting Minutes and Newsletters are available online—

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POST CLOSED

ON THURSDAYS

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28 MEMBERSHIP

Dinner: Ritzy chicken

and Marine Corp birthday cake

MEETING

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http://www.allegionpost15.com/members.html

Auxiliary

The next Auxiliary meeting is on October 24th with dinner at 6pm and the meeting at 7pm. We welcome everyone to come be a part of the Auxiliary and the great happenings in our group!



Veterans Day is coming up, and so is our annual Field of Flags event! I'm sure you will want to reserve your flag early, so I am attaching a copy of the form needed to make that reservation. The cost is only \$10.00 per flag.

Please feel free to share this form with friends and family, as well as any local business owners. Also note, you can reserve a flag for a loved one, for veterans of your favorite branch of the military or for the veterans of Post 15. The flags can be in memorial of those no longer with us, or in honor of those still here with us. Don't delay, reserve your flag today! (See Page 5)

The Auxiliary will be participating in Decatur's 3rd Friday event on October 21st starting at 5pm on Second Avenue. We will be gathering to man a booth to talk to festival goers about the American Legion Family, as well as have some members mingle in the crowd to educate others about our family, offer Poppies and a sweet treat for the little ones. We will need members of the Auxiliary, Legion, Riders and Sons, so please come out and help with this education, membership, community service and poppy event and wear your American Legion Family branding attire!

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (251) 767 - 2446.

May God continue to bless our country, Marsha King, President, Unit 15 Morgan County



Join Post 15 Membership Meetings even when you're out of town or practicing social distancing. Each month Post 15 offers virtual options to join us in camaraderie and making important decisions of how to support our community and our Nation.





Post 15 Commander recognizes members for continued membership with The American Legion.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 15 2022 ANNUAL FIELD OF FLAGS HONORING VETERANS PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

A Veterans Day tradition of displaying a Field of Flags honoring past, present, and future veterans will happen on Veterans Day, Friday, November 11, 2022.

Everyone is invited to sponsor a flag for \$10.00 each. The sponsor may name the veteran he/she is honoring, or he may sponsor a flag and a local veteran will be assigned. Flags will be labelled with sponsor's name and the name of the veteran being honored. Flags will be displayed as to allow sponsors to locate the flag(s) they have sponsored.

Flags will be displayed in the front yard of the American Legion Post 15 from dawn to dusk on Veterans Day, Friday, November 11, 2022 at 2607 Highway 31 South in Decatur, Alabama.

To sponsor a flag, please complete the following information and turn in to the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 15 at the American Legion Post 15. **Make checks payable to The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 15.**

Sponsor's Name:		
Phone:		
Email:		
Veteran to be honored:		
Service Branch:	Era served:	
Mail this completed form and check for \$10.	00 each to:	
The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 15 2607 Highway 31 S Decatur, AL 35603-1505		

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POST	CLOSED	ON THURSDAYS		1	2	RIDERS RIDE
12 DISTRICT MEETING Huntsville #237	5	6	7	POST & AUXILIARY EXECUTIVE MEETING	9	10
11	12 MEMBERSHIP MEETING Dinner: Lasagna MERICAN FAMILY	13	14	15	16 POST CHRISMAS DINNER Dinner: Ham	S.A.L.MEETING
18	19	20	21	22	23	MERRY CHRISTMAS
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Happy New Year's Eve



POST 15 ACTIVITIES



















Post 15 Color Guard at the Morgan County POW MIA Ceremony.

