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“Together we can make a difference” August/September 2021

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As you are aware, Dalton Mayor David Pennington recently declared a state of emergency in Dalton. This was in response to the rising number of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations in Whitfield County.

Because of this new information, we feel it is necessary to cancel our regular monthly meeting on August 26. In addition, we have decided to close bingo for the next two weeks.

Please know and understand that we are doing this for the safety of our members and guests. The American Legion will continue to take all necessary precautions and the Post will, as usual, be disinfected regularly. If you have any questions, contact us here at the American Legion Post (706-226-5120).

The office will remain open during the following dates and times - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm.

For God and Country,

John Wilson

Commander

DID YOU KNOW?

The first "Flag Code" was drafted during a Legion conference in Washington in 1923. Congress adopted the code in 1942. *Today, The American Legion is at the forefront of efforts to pass a constitutional amendment to protect the U.S. flag from physical desecration.*

VA Secretary Appoints New Veterans Law Judges to Adjudicate More Appeals for Veterans

The Department of Veterans Affairs' Board of Veterans' Appeals appointed 20 new Veterans Law Judges to deliver more Veterans appeals decisions - bringing the total to 113 VLJs.

Most of the new VLJs will arrive prior to the end of fiscal year 2021, with additional judges to be appointed in fiscal year 2022. They will further VA's effort to deliver enhanced benefits and services to Veterans.

“Veterans Law Judges are a key part of ensuring Veterans receive the benefits and services they have earned and deserve” said VA Secretary Denis McDonough. “Once I swear in the new judges, this puts in place added resources to reduce the appeals inventory.”

The judges will receive extensive training from seasoned mentor judges to prepare them for their new responsibilities and will be supported by a cadre of attorney-advisors and professional staff as they adjudicate appeals.

To find the status of a claim, appeal, or decision review visit VA's Board of Veterans' Appeals for additional information, go to the link shown below.

<https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=5701>

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- August 26, 6:00 pm, Regular meeting American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary (Cancelled)
- September 6, Labor Day
- September 9, 5:30 pm, Executive meeting American Legion; 6:00 pm Auxiliary
- September 16, 6:00 pm, Regular meeting SAL
- September 30, 6:00 pm, Regular meeting American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary



Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm
BINGO - Every Friday and Saturday, beginning at 6:30 pm



American Legion Auxiliary What The Auxiliary Does To Help Our Veterans

Our members do incredible work. On average, each year, they...

- Help nearly 3 million veterans
- Contribute \$36 million toward veterans and military families
- Volunteer 9.3 million hours to support veterans programs
- Contribute more than \$2 million to programs benefiting children and youth
- Volunteer 630,000 hours for active-duty military

Our best days are before us,

Wanda Parker
Auxiliary President



Howdy Ya'll!

"There is 100% certainty that life will have no certainty" – *Pearls before Swine*. I AM certain that I must write a short article as part of the Commander responsibilities. I wonder what I might say that you haven't heard or thought about already. I love collecting quotes and try to spark a few brain cells each month with a good 'un. Remember, your brain needs exercise just like the rest of the body. Also, WATER is essential to the brain and overall health, my doctor says - 8 glasses a day. If we walk, stretch and keep moving, we'll have better blood circulation to the brain. When something new is learned, the brain stays stimulated and functioning well. A healthy brain means a happier more productive life.

Proud Sons of Veterans, SAL meets each month on the third Thursday at 6:00 pm. That's for certain!

Sing-cerely,

Anthony J. Robertson
SAL Commander

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