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Happy New Year!

Blessings for health and happiness the whole year through! As we begin a new year, let us reflect on what we can do to improve on last year's performance. We all came short on some things but did very well on others. We are gearing up for several events this year. We are getting ready for the Law Cadet program and also working on the Memorial Day Service. Your input will be appreciated.

If you or someone you know is struggling from a traumatic encounter or a troubling experience in their past, there is HOPE. It is called Trauma Reboot Recovery. It is a 12 week class beginning on February 6 at First Baptist Church in Dalton. The class is for Veterans, First Responders as well as the general public that have distressing and/or hurtful recollections. The class teaches how you can overcome trauma and live with joy and peace. Childcare is provided as well as a meal for all attendees. YOU CAN OVERCOME TRAUMA. Go to rebootrecovery.com/join.

If you have not paid your dues.....you are late. Dues were due in July. Please take care of this and remain an active member.

Our next general meeting will be Thursday, January 26. The meeting begins at 6:00 pm. After the meeting, there will be a good meal with good fellowship.

For God and Country,

John Wilson
Commander

All veterans in suicidal crisis can now get free mental health care from VA

As of January 17, veterans in acute suicidal crisis will be able to go to any VA or non-VA health care facility for emergency health care at no cost – including inpatient or crisis residential care for up to 30 days and outpatient care for up to 90 days. Veterans do not need to be enrolled in the VA system to use this benefit.

This expansion of care will help prevent veteran suicide by guaranteeing no cost, world-class care to veterans in times of crisis. It will also increase access to acute suicide care for up to 9 million veterans who are not currently enrolled in VA.

“Veterans in suicidal crisis can now receive the free, world-class emergency health care they deserve – no matter where they need it, when they need it, or whether they’re enrolled in VA care,” said VA Secretary for Veterans Affairs Denis McDonough. “This expansion of care will save veterans’ lives, and there’s nothing more important than that.”

The final policy, which takes effect on Jan. 17, will allow VA to:

- Provide, pay for, or reimburse for treatment of eligible individuals’ emergency suicide care, transportation costs, and follow-up care at a VA or non-VA facility for up to 30 days of inpatient care and 90 days of outpatient care.
- Make appropriate referrals for care following the period of emergency suicide care.
- Determine eligibility for other VA services and benefits.
- Refer eligible individuals for appropriate VA programs and benefits following the period of emergency suicide care.

For more information about this important decision, please go to:

<https://www.legion.org/veteranshealthcare/257959/va-pay-all-emergency-mental-health-care-starting-next-week>

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- January 26, 5:30 pm, General meeting American Legion; 6:00 pm Auxiliary
- February 4, Valentine's Day
- February 9, 5:30 pm, Executive meeting American Legion; 6:00 pm Ladies Auxiliary
- February 16, 6:00 pm, Regular meeting SAL

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Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. 8:00am -1:00 pm and Friday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm.
Bingo - Fridays at 6:30 pm; Coffee Cafe - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:00 am -11:00 am



Recently we lost a great person and member of our Ladies Auxiliary. Charlotte Moss was President for several years and was currently our Vice President. She was a great helper with projects and a special friend to all. She is greatly missed.

I would like to commend our Ladies Auxiliary officers who are always ready and willing to help with any project. Everyone is definitely appreciated.

The Seventh Day Adventist Ladies Ministry in Cohutta has donated many more lap quilts for our veterans. Since we were unable to take gift bags to Veterans in nursing homes this past Christmas, we are planning to take them for Valentine's Day.

Our best days are before us,

Wanda Parker

Auxiliary President



"Howdy Ya'll!" "Plan ahead! It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark." I waited until our first meeting of the year to write this article...but guess nobody planned ahead for this one. It was me and our dedicated, God-fearing District Chaplain Ronnie Powell trying to figure out what the heck to do to inspire our members to participate. We have about 50% renewal paid up and the fiscal year is already half over! SAL holds all of the American Legion ideals and continues to support our veterans in any way possible. We'd love to have our 'old faithfuls' return to contribute their wisdom and experience - also, I've signed up several new guys. We are planning a BBQ this spring, a gun raffle, and a booth set up at flea markets plus guest speakers, etc. But, NOTHING happens without YOUR input and participation. I hope the next article will be a little more light-hearted 'cause I still have great hope and optimism for our organization.

Sing-cerely,

Anthony J. Robertson

SAL Commander

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