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“Together we can make a difference”

November 2022

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The weather has turned cold and I'm sure everyone has their heat on. Our Post is nice and warm. Come and enjoy some coffee and fellowship during our Coffee Cafe times - every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 am -11:00 am.

Our Veteran's Day festivities were successful and we enjoyed a free breakfast and lunch. Even with the forecasters calling for rain, the Veteran's Day Parade was still great. Also, the Veteran's luncheon at the Dalton Elk's Lodge had a good turnout. The food there was delicious too and Senator Chuck Payne gave the best speech I've ever heard him make. The announcement for Volunteer Veteran of the year was made - our very own Chaplain, Harrison Parker. He is very deserving of this award and he does a lot for veterans.

There will not be a General meeting in November or December. However, There will be a Thanksgiving Dinner here at the Post on November 24. Make plans to attend. Also, our annual Christmas party will be on December 10, starting at 6:00 pm. If your name is not on the list to attend the party, please call the post by November 25. This is important because we need to make sure we have plenty of food.

A benefit will be held on November 19, starting at 12:00 pm and lasting until 4:00 pm. There will be a spaghetti dinner and an auction - many items will be available. This is for one of our members Ronnie Burns' daughter who had cancer.

This benefit is to help cover her final expenses. Please come out and show your support.

We are serving lunch after Church here at the post each Sunday from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm for \$6.00 a plate.

For God and Country,

John Wilson
Commander

Disabled veterans, military retirees see record COLA increase

Disabled veterans and military retirees will see an 8.7% increase in their Social Security benefits for 2023.

On average, Social Security benefits will increase by more than \$140 per month starting in January, according to the Social Security Administration. This is the largest annual adjustment to the federal Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) due to inflation since 1981.

Veterans will see increases in compensation rates for certain Department of Veterans Affairs benefits, including disability benefits and dependency and indemnity benefits.

The increase goes into effect on Dec. 1, 2022. "This increase in compensation and benefits, the largest in more than four decades, will provide critical financial help to our veterans and their families during these challenging times," Rep. Elaine Luria, D-Va., said in a statement. "We have an obligation as a nation to take care of our veterans."

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- November 19, Benefit (Spaghetti dinner) Noon to 4:00 pm
- November 24, Thanksgiving Day and Thanksgiving Dinner at the Post
- December 8, 5:30 pm, Executive Meeting American Legion; 6:00 pm Ladies Auxiliary
- December 10, Christmas Dinner, 6:00 pm at the Post

NOTE: No regular meetings November & December

Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. 8:00am -1:00 pm and Friday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm. Bingo - Fridays, 6:30 pm and Sunday afternoon starting at 3:00 pm (lunch at 12:30 pm); Coffee Cafe - Tues, Wed, Thur. 8:00 am -11:00 am



Congratulations to all who helped at the Fair. It was a big success and we appreciate each of you.

The Veterans Day Parade and luncheons in Dalton, as well as the Five War Monument and Ben Moore Monument dedication in Chatsworth were all successful.

At our Executive Meeting December 8, we will plan decorations for the Christmas Party here at the Post. We will also meet the morning of the Christmas Party (December 10) at 9:00 am to decorate for the Party.

Have a great and thankful Thanksgiving!

Our best days are before us,

Wanda Parker

Auxiliary President



"Howdy Ya'll"! "HAPPY THANKSGIVING!" from Me and Vicki. I know there's a lot of negativity in the world lately - but this season let's try once again to remember our blessings...Surely you can think of things, people, and circumstances for which to be thankful.

Are you "living life"? Dear Abby says "Motivate yourself to make some changes in your life that will afford you enriching experiences". Life is short so make the most of the time you have on this planet. Purpose in life doesn't just 'happen' - YOU make it happen!

I'm already planning for a productive 2023 with the SAL. Lt Rhodes and grandson Justin had a very informative defibrillator class last meeting. If enough are interested, he'll also train and certify us in CPR. There are no meetings until January. See you at the Christmas party on December 10!

Sincerely,

Anthony J. Robertson

SAL Commander

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