

# American Legion Post 112

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*"Together we can make a difference"*

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I hope everyone is well and staying safe! With this virus, we all have to be very careful. However, I do believe that the American Legion is as safe or even safer than any other place in the Whitfield/Dalton area. We would like to see more veterans coming to our meetings. They need to know what is going on at our Post. We have good things happening and it's important to hear from everyone. We want your input on what you would like to see happen. All members, please feel free to discuss your ideas with me.

We could still use help with the Honor Guard. We also need a House Committee Chairman to plan our meals at the monthly meetings and a Chairman for the Historian Committee.

The transition of the new office hours has been going well. We are now open Monday to Thursday from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Beginning next month we would like to send our newsletters to as many of you as possible via e-mail. We will send out both e-mail and snail mail next month. If you get both and would like to continue getting the snail mail, we will need you to contact us. If you get snail mail only, you will continue to receive snail mail. If you get both and we do not hear from you, we will assume that you are okay with getting e-mail only. This is a cost-cutting measure and it could save us a good bit of money.

Also, beginning next month the newsletter will be sent earlier. We want you to know ahead of time what to expect.

We will list the menu for the meal and also let you know the speakers and topics that will be discussed at the meeting. We are striving to have more of our family members join us for a good time. We want your participation and let's get to know each other better.

Someone suggested that we inform you of our new officers. All the new officers are listed on the left side on the front page of the newsletter. If you have any comments or questions, please contact me.

In Sickness and Distress, we lost two more members this month, Ken Lawson and Hillary Woodall. Both will be greatly missed. If you know of anyone else, please notify us as soon as possible. We want to keep our members informed about our brothers and sisters.

For God and Country,

*John Wilson*  
Commander

On July 22, the U.S. Senate voted 94-6 to pass a measure to be included in the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) to expand the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) list of conditions presumptive of Agent Orange exposure.

The addition to the NDAA, introduced by Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee Ranking Member Jon Tester, adds bladder cancer, hypothyroidism and Parkinson's to the 14 illnesses already covered by VA for their links to the toxic herbicide. While not yet signed into law, the passage of this bill brings many veterans who've been impacted from exposure to the chemical defoliant a step closer to having their conditions covered by VA. (read more) <https://www.legion.org/veteransbenefits/249541/senate-passes-bill-cover-more-agent-orange-conditions>

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

- September 7, Labor Day
- September 10, 5:30 pm, Executive meeting American Legion; 6:00 pm Auxiliary
- September 17 6:00 pm, Regular meeting SAL
- September 24, 6:00 pm, Regular meeting American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary



Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm

**BINGO** - Every Friday and Saturday, 6:30 pm (Social distancing and other safety measures are in place.)



It won't be long until the holidays and I am praying this Virus will soon be over. I did get to attend the District Meeting in Cartersville last month and we discussed future events and other information.

We are still waiting to get information about the Fair. At present, it is unclear if or when there will be a Fair. Hopefully, no news is good news!

Commander John Wilson said it's okay to make desserts to bring to our American Legion Post for our regular meetings. Meetings are always held on the last Thursday of each month. So, ladies, bring desserts for our September meeting. See you there!

Our best days are before us,

*Wanda Parker*

Auxiliary President



Howdy Ya'll!

The biggest word in the English language is "IF".

Chief of staff of the Air Force, Gen. David L. Goldfein said "If we ever feel entitled to something, we lose our ability to be servant leaders. That's really what leadership is all about. It is something you earn. It is given to you by those you are privileged to command. Never forget that". Regardless of your rank or position you can be a leader at any time and anywhere.

**IF** - I can aspire to the S.A.L. Leader qualities: Enthusiasm, self-confidence, focus on team, knowledge, creativity, clear goals, poised, lead by example, inspirational, look the part, curious, honest and fair; **THEN** - I will have the courage to lead and even more courage to listen.

Sing-cerely,

*Anthony J. Robertson*

SAL Commander

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